

## Design and Access Statement

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**9 South Hill Park**

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1.0 Introduction:

This report has been produced by Paul Archer Design on behalf of our clients Jessica and Nick Turner.

This report aims to describe the scheme design for the proposed alterations to 9 South Hill Park in support of the householder planning application and conservation area consent application.

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2.0 Practice Profile:

Paul Archer Design is a young architectural firm, formed in 1999 and specialising in bespoke architectural and interior design.

Our work initially focused on high quality residential work and we have since then branched out to complete work for the LTA, New Ashgate Gallery in Farnham and a number of schools.

Approximately 60% of our projects are refurbishments, alterations and extensions of historic – often listed – buildings and we have established a reputation for saving historic fabric whilst integrating elegant contemporary designs with the existing building.

The practice is committed to innovative modern design and is dedicated to the highest level of professionalism and management. We believe that there is no conflict between quality design and practical solutions.

In 2005 we won a place in the AJ 40 Under 40 awards listing the best of young architects in the UK today. In 2007 we won the AJ small projects of the year Award and several have been short listed for the AJ Small Project of the Year 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and won in 2006.

We have been shortlisted for both, the Grand Design Award and the Evening Standard Property Award in 2009.

Our work has been published in various publications including Elle Decoration and Guardian Weekend and been featured on Channel 4's Other People's Homes.



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3.0 Examples of Work

The following pages show examples of our projects which have successfully dealt with modern additions to listed buildings and/or within conservation areas:



Work Sample 1:  
Contemporary extension to 6 Mary Sreet,  
Islington, London, N1 (Conservation Area)



Work Sample 2:  
Slate and glass extension to 54 Coity Road,  
Camden, London, NW5 (Conservation area)

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Work Sample 3:  
Basement extension to 12 Wallace Road,  
Islington, London N1 (Conservation Area,  
AJ Small Projects Award 2007)



Work Sample 4:  
Extension and side infill to 23 Elliot Road,  
London, W4

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### 4.0 Context Analysis:

South Hill Park is within the South Hill Park Conservation Area which was initially developed in 1871. The street is laid out in a tennis racket shape with the road looping around at the top. House number 9 sits towards the beginning of the road, before the loop starts, on the South East side of the street (the opposite side from the houses that back onto Hampstead Heath).

The house is an end of terrace house with a side passage leading along to a kitchen back door. Another set of terraced houses starts the other side of an adjoining neighbouring passageway. The house has 4 stories with bay windows to the first 2 floors and brick edged dormer windows to the top floor to the front and back facades. There is a significant change in level from the ground floor up to the back garden with a height increase close to 3m.



Photo of existing rear facade of property & of steps leading from garden level to ground floor kitchen

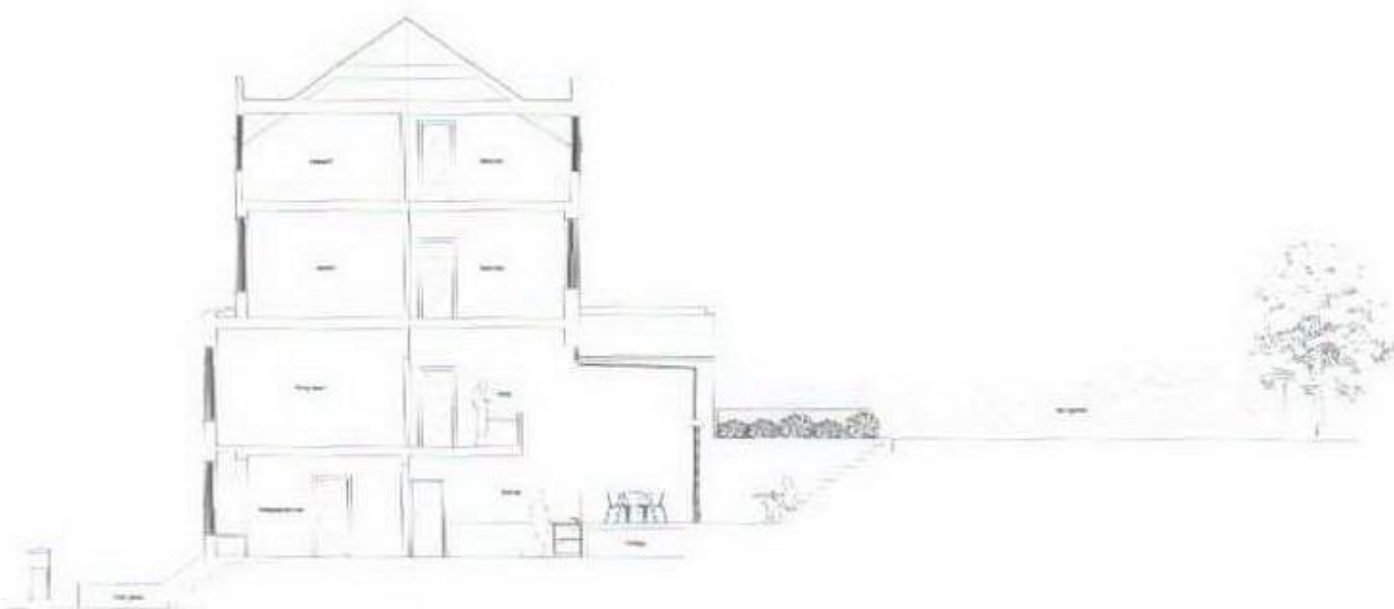
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### 5.0 Proposed Development:

The submitted scheme proposes to relocate the kitchen further within the house and create a dining area at a higher floor level leading out to a new terrace. This will provide more straightforward access to outside space at the back of the house, which, with a series of new steps up to the existing level of garden, allow the flow from the house through to the garden to work more effectively over the considerable level change.

In addition to the changes on the ground floor, it is intended to create a more integrated family house by connecting the ground floor with the 1st floor. This is done by reducing the floor plate at the back of the 1st floor, creating a gallery overlooking the dining room, this connection would be enclosed within a new glass structure.



Section through proposed development

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### 6.0 Appearance:

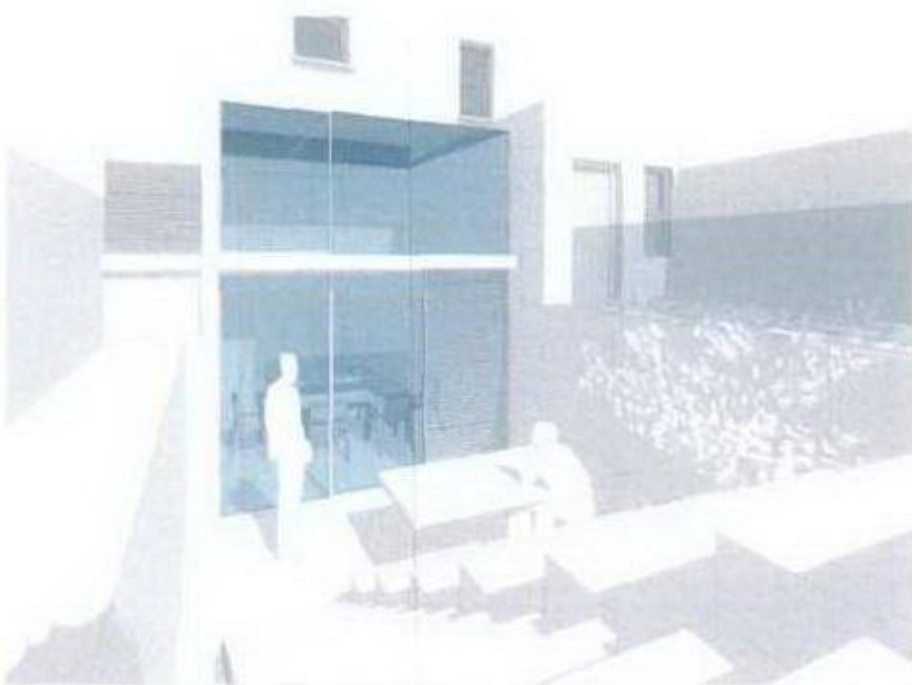
The extension will be carefully introduced as a double glazed structure with sliding doors at ground floor level. Louvered panels will be combined into the system which provide thermal shading and can be used as ventilation panels for the house during warmer months. The new steps up will be constructed from concrete with retaining walls on either side. A section of earth behind the retaining wall, adjacent to Number 7 will remain in order not to undermine any of the neighbouring garden or disturb the existing large shrub just beyond the boundary line.

### 8.0 Access

We are not proposing any changes to the access of the house.

### 9.0 Existing Works

The clients are currently undertaking refurbishment works to the top two floors of the house including replacing the decaying timber roof structure. These works will not include any changes to the exterior facades and do not form any part of this planning application.



view of the proposed scheme looking from the garden towards the new extension

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