Design and Access Statement

13 Gloucester Gate Mews, London, NW1 4AD

This application proposes a first floor extension to the rear (side) and internal alterations to No.13 Gloucester Gate Mews, London, NW1 4AD

This is a reapplication for previous permission 2010/6951/L.

The approach to the front of the property is to retain or replace the recent modifications or create minor adjustments where the character and continuity of the mews will be improved. The design retains the timber coach doors which are to be internally lined with high level openings made into both sets of doors to ventilate and allow light into the internal spaces and also harmonise with alterations made to the adjoining properties. Roof lights will be retained in existing location and proportions.

It is also proposed to remove the existing glazed door set and replace this with a new timber door and frame which aims to greatly improve the facade with a door set is in keeping with the character of the mews. The proposed door way will relate to and reflect the existing large timber doors including openings to light the entrance way and also include a reduced fanlight over in keeping with alterations to other mews properties. The frontal alterations aim to minimise the impact of the exiting facade retaining the original features and enhancing the quality and character of the mews as a whole.

The extension to the rear consists of a matching brickwork flat roof box which extends from the line of the existing ground floor below and retains the existing light and views. This is in direct response to condition of the previous expired permission.

The overall proposal is to develop a sensitive approach in form, detail and material drawing from the existing and creating a new layer harmonising with the existing mews and surrounds.

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