



Structural Planning Statement

66 Leighton Road London NW5 2QE









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1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to give an overview of the proposed structural alterations to 66 Leighton Road, London NW5 2QE to form part of the documentation to be submitted for Planning Approval and Listed Building Consent.

Given the Grade II listed status of the building a conservation based approach has been adopted where possible in developing the structural proposals. Where not possible the approach taken is to minimise impact on the historic fabric of the building.

This report is to be read with the relevant structural drawings.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDING

2.1. General

The property is mid-terrace building consisting of 3 storeys above a single lower ground floor / basement storey.

The building was constructed circa 1840 and is part of a Grade II listed terrace of similar buildings.

The main structure is of traditional construction with solid brickwork walls supporting timber floors and roof.

The building has been altered and extended in the past with the addition of a modern glass box and new slab in the rear section of the basement level along with alterations to internal partitions on the upper levels.

The building is in reasonable structural condition and has benefitted from previous refurbishment and some maintenance. However there are some areas which will require structural intervention as part of the planned works, such as strengthening and levelling of some of the existing floors and general tying of the structure to the floors.

Trial pits were excavated to expose the existing footings. This confirmed that the existing foundations consist of shallow brick corbelled footings founded on firm London Clay.

2.2. Proposed Alterations

The proposed alterations are described in more detail in other documents; however the main structural alterations are outlined below:

 Roof - The structural works at this level will involve localised trimming and strengthening of the existing roof structure to create an opening for a new rooflight. The strengthening works will involve doubling / trebling up of existing rafters and ceiling joists. The remainder of the existing roof remains unchanged structurally.



 First and Second Floors - The structural works at these levels will involve strengthening and levelling of the existing floor, and installing restraint ties between the external wall and the floor structure. The strengthening and levelling works will involve installing new joists alongside and bolting to the existing joists.

In addition there will be heightening of existing door openings. New timber lintels are proposed over these openings due to the increased height.

Ground Floor - The structural works at this level is mainly concentrated
around the existing stair. It is proposed to remove the existing raised section
of floor (probably not original) and infill with a new level landing and feature
stairs. The new floor will be of timber construction to match existing.

New restraint ties are also to be installed at this level.

• Lower Ground Floor / Basement - The main structural works at this level will consist of removal of the existing modern glazed rear extension and construction of a new glazed extension on a slightly larger footprint, along with a new ground slab and foundations. These works are outside of the footprint of the original building and therefore do not have a major impact on the historic structure.

There are a number of openings in the existing rear wall at this level and the proposal is to combine these openings into one large opening to link the rear extension to the internal space. This will require a new steel frame box frame to be inserted to support the existing rear wall and part of the roof to the new extension. The new frame will be supported on new foundations founded at a deeper level than the existing shallow ones. This will require removal of the existing foundations on this line.

The floor in the front section of the property at this level is a raised timber structure. The proposal is to remove this small section of floor and replace it with a new concrete slab set at the same level as the other sections of floor.

• Staircase - The original stair has been significantly altered at ground to lower ground level in the past. These alterations have resulted in a tight winding stair which does not comply with current regulations. In addition there has been some structural movement of the upper flights which can be seen on the sloping treads and deflected shape generally.

It is proposed to remove the existing stairs and replace it with a new stair throughout which will be designed to meet the current Building Regulations. This work will also involve strengthening of the trimmer beams at each floor level.

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3. CONCLUSION

The proposed structural alterations to the building will not have a significant impact on the existing historic fabric.

The proposals aim to use a conservation based approach to minimise damage to the existing building where possible.

The main structural interventions are in areas that have been significantly altered in the past.



Revisions

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1. DO NOT SCALE, IF IN DOUBT ASK.

2. THIS DRAWING IS TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH ALL RELEVANT STRUCTURAL ENGINEER'S DRAWINGS AND DETALS, THE SPECIFICATION FOR THE WORKS, THE RELEVANT ARCHITECT'S DRAWINGS AND ANY OTHER SPECIALIST'S DRAWINGS.

3. All timber to be Grade CRA.

4. Multiple timber members to be botted boomma. together using M12 \$ bolts @ max

KEY.

PA. Re-use extent possible. Min 100 x SOC 24 rafter @ 4000

bolted together. See note 4. Hip beam - 2Nº 150 x 50 c 24

2Nº 175x50cz4 beams.@ Ceiling level. See note 4.

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