

## DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

### INTRODUCTION

11 Rochester Road is located within the Rochester Conservation Area. The Conservation Area is situated to the east of Kentish Town Road. The road has a curve from Camden Road which leads the east of Kentish Town. Rochester Conservation Area was elected by the London Borough of Camden on 12 December 2001 development of housing began in 1884.

### Rochester Road



Rochester Road consists of a mixture of two and three storey semidetached villas and terraces many with half basements and elevated ground floors. This architectural style, which lasted until the middle of the 19th century, still holds the principles of classicism in a lighter form.

11 Rochester Road – Front elevation



11 Rochester Road is a semi-detached three storey building with a half basement and elevated ground floor. There is a staircase leading to the main entrance door. The building is constructed with yellow stock bricks and has a rendered section to the raised ground floor level. The windows are timber sliding sash and they have decorative, cast iron rails. The front door is solid timber with two glazed panels.

## **REASON FOR THE PROPOSED ALTERATIONS**

The existing front door is of timber and is, in places, in a poor condition. The joinery has areas of deterioration and elements of the door have warped and bowed causing heat loss and draughts. Residents have highlighted issues with water ingress and structural security and have emphasised the necessity for a safe front door which meets building regulations.

## **DOOR PROPOSALS**

The existing front door is to be replaced with a single, timber, replica door.

The new door will aim to replicate the existing aesthetically and will re-use existing fixtures where possible. The new door will be fitted to the existing aperture requiring no alteration to the brick lintel or surrounding masonry.

11 Rochester Road – Door detail

