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Design and Access Statement.

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Design.

The narrow area between the existing retaining wall and the conservatory is restricting access to the conservatory.

In addition, the existing tiles are suffering from frost damage and in large part broken and uneven, constituting a trip hazard.

The grate to the trench drain surrounding the conservatory is of a commercial cast iron.

The grate over the rear light well is made of stainless steel and is of a random proportion and not in keeping with the period of the house.

Proposal.

The proposal is to demolish the existing terrace retaining wall and reposition 1.175m further back into the lawn area, reusing the existing bricks where possible and using reclaimed bricks where necessary.

The existing floor tiles will be replaced with new terracotta Suffolk pampments resembling the existing tiles but more evenly laid and complying with a pendulum slip test to BS standards.

Existing cast iron grates to trench drain surrounding conservatory to be replaced with bronze grates.

A new grill made of wrought iron of a more even proportion in symmetry about the light well serving the lower ground floor rear room.

Appearance.

The terrace will be enlarged but the appearance of the floor tiles and their colour will be similar.

The new terrace retaining wall will be similar in appearance reusing the original bricks where possible and matching new bricks when required but retaining the same proportion and construction.

The new grate to the rear light well will be more in keeping with the period of the house.

Access.

The terrace is accessed through a private house.

It does not require wheelchair access and the access arrangements are not going to be altered as part of the proposals.