

## DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

### Introduction

Aedas Building Consultancy has been employed by the applicant, for The School Governors of Chatburn CE Primary School, to act as building consultants for their site.

The work that we intend to carry out is the proposal for a Polycarbonate lean-to timber post canopy located on the South West facing side of Chatburn CE Primary School. The location of the canopy is to be positioned outside the reception classroom.

### Assessment of the Site and the Surrounding Areas

Site Address:

Sawley Road  
Chatburn  
Lancashire  
BB7 4AS

An Aerial Photograph can be seen below showing the location of the school.



The school building is situated adjacent to the main school access road (Sawley Road). The building to the rear is surrounded by green areas, tarmac playground to the rear and section of school field which is shared with the local community. The school itself is within the Conservation Area.

The only access for this school for pedestrians and vehicles is just off Sawley Road which contains a small car park for the local library next door at the South of the boundary. All access roads around the school are predominantly residential roads with the A59 close by.

### **Clients Brief**

Acting as the school building consultant on behalf of our client the Governors of Chatburn CE Primary School, we have been employed to obtain planning permission for the proposed canopy. The canopy will be located outside the reception classroom, which will provide shelter and protection for the younger children while also adding to the outdoor play area and also for any external storage.

### **Design Proposal**

The proposed design has been put together working with the primary school to ensure their requirements are met.

The canopy is proposed to be a polycarbonate lean-to timber post canopy. Drawings have been attached to the Planning Application. The post will be of timber material and the roof to the canopy will be of polycarbonate material.

### **Scale**

The proposed canopy will project approximately 2.3m off the external wall, covering 10m in width. The ground below the canopy fluctuates due ramps being on either side of the canopy, therefore the ground to canopy height will vary across the whole canopy.

### **Layout**

By working with the client the proposed layout for the works have been originated from the client's requirements and are seen the most practical/suitable layouts to provide the reception class with external shelter.

Please refer to the planning drawings P03 Proposed Layout and Elevations.

### **Appearance**

The original school building was built circa early 1900s and is of stone external walling with pitched blue slate roof. The original school building has been altered and extended at various stages to provide additional classrooms, school kitchen and resource areas. Original windows to the original school building have been replaced with white UPVC double glazed units. The canopy is designed to not have any effects on the aesthetics of the main building.

Please refer to the planning drawings.

### **Landscape**

Along with the construction of the proposed canopy we propose for re-surfacing the existing tarmac which has been affected by the works, this will be done to match the existing surface. The above works are required to combat the issues with appearance and any areas disturbed by the construction of the proposed canopy.

### **Disabled Provision**

All elements of work as will be complaint to the Equality Act BS8300 and also comply with Part M of the building regulations where applicable. The canopy will not obstruct the two ramps on either side in anyway.

### **Important Information**

This document is to be read in conjunction with all drawings which accompany the application.