

## Design and Access Statement

This Design and Access Statement has been produced to accompany and support a Householder Planning Application for the addition of a single storey Glass Canopy to the rear elevation of the Property.

The existing residential property is located at 3 Highfield Close, Longridge, Preston, Lancashire, PR3 3TF and is a new build. The detached, two storey Property comprises stone clad walls and brown doors and window frames.

Access to the site is via Highfield Close. The driveway allows access for parking and routes around the site. The main point of access into the property is via the front elevation, the site of the proposal is on the rear elevation, situated on the patio in the rear garden. There is a gate at the side of the property with direct access to the rear garden.

The purpose of the design is to provide a sheltered area within the garden. The Glass Canopy will provide the applicant with a space, which can be used throughout the year. The non-insulated Glass Canopy is an enhancement of the garden area; as opposed to an extension of the house as it is accessible via the existing external doors of the property and the garden.

The design of the Glass Canopy has a gutter system built into the supporting posts. This is an elegant design, which does not detract from the existing building and is both functional and sleek. The 5° pitch of the roof enables rainwater to roll down and into the gutter, rather than lying flat on the roof and therefore is essential to the design.

Whilst the floor space of the Glass Canopy will be 10.125m<sup>2</sup>, no additional living space is being created. The Glass Canopy comprises RAL 8003 'Clay Brown' posts and profiles, a clear glazed roof and 'Satin' obscured 'Superlight' frameless fixed clear glass panes on the left elevation.

The character of the existing dwelling is preserved, through the addition of the clear glass and minimal framework. The original building is unharmed as the construction of the proposal is demountable, with unobtrusive fixings, unlike a conservatory or extension. The proposal is aesthetically pleasing with the colour choice. The 'openness' of the Glass Canopy allows the garden area to be utilised in all weather conditions.

The proposed Glass Canopy is an elegant solution to the client's requirements, providing a sheltered area within the rear garden with minimal disturbance of the building both visually and materially. This discreet design is both elegant and fitting for the function and site.



Photograph of site of the proposal at the rear of the Property.



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