

## **Method Statement**

Proposal: Application for Demolition of a Conservatory and Construction of a Single-Storey Sunroom.

Location: 3/2022/0445 115 Ribchester Road Clayton Le Dale

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

1.1. The project relates to the demolition works that are to be carried out at 3/2022/0445 115 Ribchester Road Clayton Le Dale

1.2. The works of the buildings to be demolished are as follows:-

1.2.1 Service Disconnections.

1.2.2 There is no asbestos evident or suspected on site and therefore it is not proposed to carry out Pre Demolition and Refurbishment; however if any potential asbestos containing materials are suspected/found within the buildings, structures and sub floor structures, a suitably approved licensed Asbestos Removal Contractor will be contacted and all works suspended until the attendance of such a person.

1.2.3 Form site compound, set up welfare facilities, muster points and secure the site to be demolished, install protective measures within the existing site surface water drainage system to prevent contamination during the demolition process.

1.2.4 Carry out internal soft strip of the buildings, to remove deleterious materials.

1.2.5 Hand demolition to separate any structures which adjoin the structure to be demolished and that of the buildings that are to be retained. Particular care should be taken when removing the box gutter, that the existing house roof covering and structure be protected from accidental damage. Conduct a visual check for evidence of bats before proceeding with demolition. See 1.5.

1.2.6 Mechanical Demolition of the super structure down to ground slab level. The processing of all materials arising from this element of works which will transported off site for recycling / disposal.

### **1.3 LIKELY SITE STAFF**

The appointed demolition contractor will ensure adequate resources to carry out the works as required on site :

Demolition/ Remediation Site Manager (SMSTS)/Non Working Demolition Site

Supervisor –

Working First Aiders x 1

3 No Plant Operatives (max)

3 No Demolition Operatives Demolition

### **1.4 LIKELY PLANT & EQUIPMENT:**

1 x No 3t excavator fitted with bucket attachment

1 x single-lift Scaffold - external

1 x single-lift Scaffold - internal

1 x skip for general waste and recyclable waste

1 x Toilet with hand wash facilities Various hand tools

1.4.1 Plant certificates will be obtained for all plant used and copies of the certificates retained on site.

1.4.2 All operators are to produce CPCS licenses.

1.4.3 Works described below will be carried out in such a way as to minimise the impact of that work. Therefore the foreman will:

- take all reasonable steps to minimise the creation of dust, using water sprays to dampen buildings being demolished and the demolition arisings;
- pay attention to wind direction so as to anticipate the impact of any work downwind of the working area;
- curtail, suspend or re-arrange work as necessary to allow the demolition to proceed if possible whilst reducing its impact on any the occupiers of neighbouring properties / premises;
- ensure all plant is fit for its purpose and adequately maintained so that noise generation is within the manufacturer's stated maximum noise level;
- give particular consideration to activity on site at the start of the day to minimise disturbance of the neighbours. Reversing manoeuvres will be avoided in the early morning to prevent reversing sirens sounding. Mobile plant, which requires approximately 20 minutes idling to warm-up before a shift, will be parked sensibly away from houses. Any particularly noisy operations (e.g: use of hydraulic breakers) will be programmed to minimise disturbance;

## 1.5 Bats

1.5.1 - If during the course of the works bats are found. Work must stop immediately and an ecologist appointed to remove the bats. All bat species, their breeding sites and resting places are fully protected by law - bats are European protected species. You may be able to get a licence from Natural England if you cannot avoid disturbing them or damaging their habitats, or if you want to survey or conserve them.

### **What you must not do**

You're breaking the law if you do certain things including:

deliberately capture, injure or kill bats

damage or destroy a breeding or resting place

obstruct access to their resting or sheltering places

possess, sell, control or transport live or dead bats, or parts of them

intentionally or recklessly disturb a bat while it's in a structure or place of shelter or protection

Either or both of the following could happen if you're found guilty of any offences:

1. you could be sent to prison for up to 6 months
2. you could get an unlimited fine

## **2- WELFARE ACCOMMODATION**

2.1 Welfare facilities will be provided to a standard that satisfies the HSE.

2.2 The actual location of the welfare facilities together with staff / visitor parking will be identified on the Traffic Management plan contained within the Construction Phase Health and Safety Plan.

2.3 The Provision of site accommodation will be compliant with respect to the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2015

### **3 - WORKING HOURS**

08:00 am - 18.30pm Monday-Friday 8.00am – 16.00pm Saturday No working hours on Sunday

#### **4 - SERVICES**

4.1 The client will make arrangements for the disconnection of the services to the site.

4.2 A CAT detector will be used by the site supervisor to test for live underground electric cables prior to commencement on site and highlighted using spray marker.

## **5 - SAFETY**

5.1 All necessary registers, accident books, diary, time book, test certificates, method statement, risk assessment, health and safety plan etc will be kept on site under the control of the Site Supervisor and can be inspected at any time. All accidents are to be reported to and entered in the site accident book.

5.2 A supply of spare hard hats, overalls, gloves, goggles, masks, etc will be stored on Site.

5.3 At all times the appointed demolition contractor will ensure a high standard of Health and Safety is carried out at all times on site.

5.4 All operatives on site must wear full PPE in accordance with HSE requirements including safety boots, hard hats and a high visibility vests or coat and LEP (Light Eye Protection) as standard.

5.5 'No smoking on site' policy will be adhered to at all times.

5.6 Adequate segregation of pedestrians and vehicular traffic will be maintained at all times. Reversing of vehicles and plant will be minimised at all times. This will be highlighted on a site plan and will form part of the site induction for all operatives.

## **6 SOFT STRIPPING**

6.1 An internal soft strip of the buildings will be carried out by demolition operatives to remove as much of the waste materials from the building ahead of the demolition works.

6.2 Materials that are to be removed by the internal soft strip can include doors, door frames, fixed and non fixed furniture, carpets and floor coverings and other materials which obstruct the construction of asbestos removal enclosures.

6.3 Operatives will strip out all doors, frames, windows, timber of any description, (not appertaining to roof or main structure) toilets, pipe work, ducting, electrical items and any debris.

6.4 Any clean, unpainted constructional timber will be segregated from the general waste. Where this material is free of nails, screws, hinges etc it will be segregated for recycling by a specialist company. Any materials deemed as not suitable for recycling will be removed from site in skips as controlled waste to an appropriately licensed landfill site.

6.5 Where possible the materials will be loaded by hand method into skips and removed from the site. Where access for skips is not available the materials will be segregated and stored within the building where they will be removed at a later stage.

6.6 Once access for skips is available the materials will be loaded into the skips by use of the excavator and by hand method.

6.7 At no times shall operatives gain access to partially demolished or unsafe buildings to recover soft stripped materials, these materials will be removed by mechanical means and when safe to do so by hand method.

6.8 All soft stripped materials will be processed and segregated into individual waste/recycling streams. All materials deemed suitable for recycling will be loaded into suitable skips and transferred from the site to a suitable recycling venue.

6.9 All waste materials unsuitable for recycling will be transported from the site where it will be taken to landfill facilities.

## **7 WORKING AT HEIGHT GENERALLY**

7.1 Working at height will be restricted to a minimum, with the majority of high level demolitions being carried out by hand from scaffolding.

7.2 The main area where working at height will be carried out will be to remove the glass roof and wall sheets that have been deemed accessible. All non asbestos roof and wall sheets will be removed by hand.

7.3 Where access to work at height may be required access will be gained by use of either Cherry Picker or Scissor Lift type Mobile Elevated Work Platform.