

Design and Access statement:

This report is prepared in support of a householder application made to Gravesham Borough Council for the replacement of PVC door and window with timber door and window, currently under consideration by the Council.

Design Material: The majority of buildings in the village are of red brick. Other traditional building materials include weather boarded timber frame, tile hanging on timber frame, timber frame lath and plaster, as well as more modern such as pebble dash.

Roofs are generally hand-made clay tiles, although there are some examples of more modern synthetic materials. The general character follows the common traditional timber and brick vernacular in Kent. External joinery is predominantly traditional. Plastic windows and doors that are harmful to the character of the locality.

The proposed replacement is of a wooden door and wooden window, which will complement the surroundings, rather than a PVC window. The proposed exterior material will match to the existing material.

Conclusion: The proposed development would preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area along with the setting of nearby listed buildings. It is therefore considered that the development on our dwelling is acceptable and it is recommended planning permission to be granted.