

Site: 7 Chalk Road, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 4XE

Introduction

The submitted householder planning application is for a proposed driveway and dropped kerb to the front of 7 Chalk Road, Gravesend, DA12 4XE.

Proposal

Currently the frontage of the property is predominately hard standing with elements of soft landscaping by the means of flowerbeds and hedges.

The side boundary treatments between No. 5 and the site, and No. 9 and the site, are low level (100mm) brick wall, which are proposed to be retained.

The front boundary which is adjacent to the pavement and highway is currently a low level brick wall (400mm high) and hedges.

The front boundary treatment is proposed to be removed and a full width dropped kerb to be installed provide safe vehicular access to and from the proposed driveway.

The proposed driveway will occupy the majority of the frontage, with the existing flowerbed adjacent to the house retained providing soft landscaping.

The driveway will be constructed from a permeable surface such as block paving and in addition to this there will be an Aco drainage channel installed adjacent to the pavement to prevent surface water run off onto the highway.

Parking

At present the applicants have to park their vehicle on-street, which is becoming a problem in the area. A vast number of cars park along both sides of the road, directly outside the site. When there are cars parked both sides of the road, road users such as buses and emergency vehicles struggle to get through. Some of the cars have been parked mounting the kerb, on a narrow pavement causing danger to pedestrians and other road users.



The proposal will provide 2No. off-street parking spaces to the front of the property which will provide safe access to and from the property. It is proposed that the dropped kerb is to be full width to alleviate any potential issues with visibility from potential on-street parked cars.

In addition, by removing the on-street parking at this section of the road will also alleviate issues with buses and emergency vehicles struggling to get through.



The above images indicate the current on-street parking situation outside the site.

The proposed driveway will have sufficient space to provide 2No. 2.4m x 4.8m parking spaces, which has been indicated on the submitted plans, reference RA1664/04.

It is also requested for there to be white lines painted on the road, across the opening of the dropped kerb, to deter motorists from blocking access.





Street Furniture

There are no items of street furniture such as lampposts, telegraph poles, utility covers etc, within close proximity to the proposed works.

Trees

There are no KCC Highway trees within 15m of the proposed works.



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