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Design & Access Statement:

Replacement of Shutters and Roof light at Gravesend Rural SUDO Delivery Office at
Queen Street,
Gravesend,
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Project Ref: 17578



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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Project Background

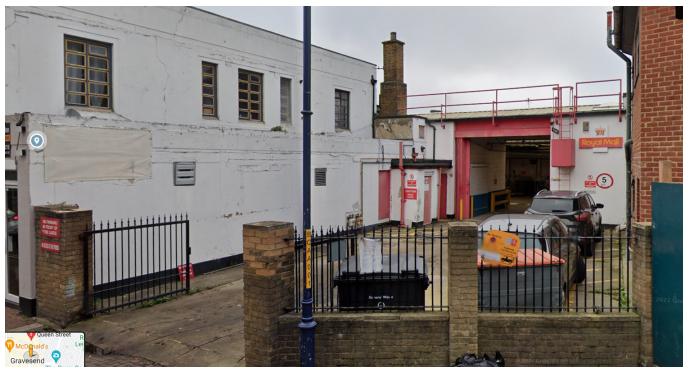
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The entrance sliding metal shutters will be replaced with new roller shutter with pass door and fixed panel above in Royal Mail Traffic Red – RAL colour 3020.

2.0 Site Analysis

2.1 Site Location, Description & Existing Uses

Royal Mail Gravesend Rurl SUDO is located on Queens Street with a rear exit/ entrance on Berkley Road. It is a single story building with an internal covered operational parking/loading yard between the two streets. The building and site is currently used by Royal Mail as a sorting and delivery office.



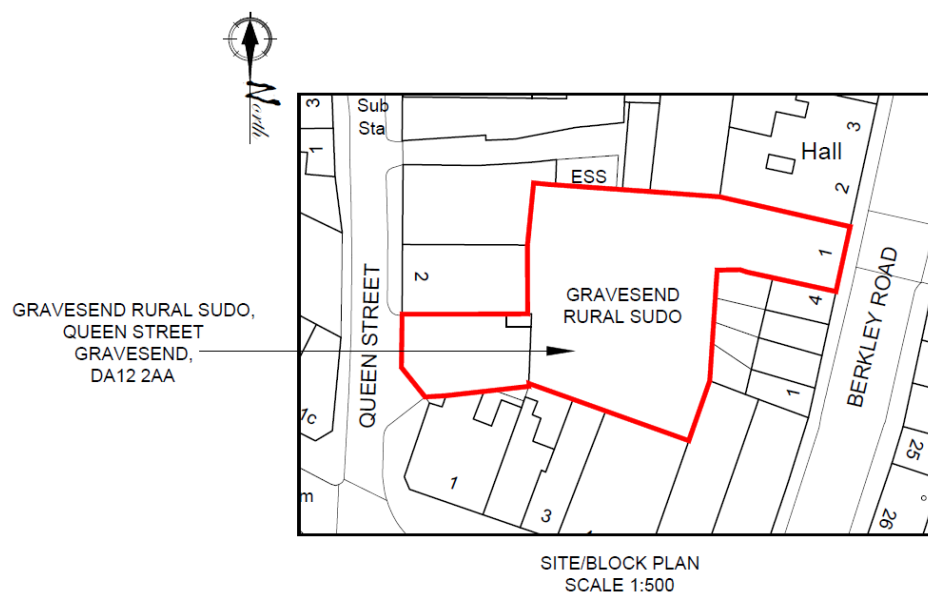
Queen street Main Entrance.



Berkley Road Exit / Entrance.



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3.0 Design/Method Statement

3.1 Scope of the works

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We will meet all listed building requirements and prove the solutions suggested are in the best interests of conservation and public interest.

Roof lights and lanterns to be removed will be dismantled using hand tools and transported off site to be recycled if possible.

All works are to be kept to a minimum, in an attempt to minimize any aesthetical heritage alteration and productivity reduction during operational working hours.

Please refer to attached drawings with this application for the location of the proposed working areas.

New modern materials are to be used to provide a high-quality product that will increase energy efficiency and minimize the environmental impact as much as possible.

3.2 Building Appearance

The buildings main appearance will not change. The West and East elevations are the main ones visible to the public and the facades as seen at street level are to be unaltered, we will be removing the existing sliding metal doors and replacing them with new modern Roller Shutter with pass door and fixed panel above. The pass doors are to provide security for the Royal Mail staff.

Currently the large sliding metal doors have to remain open to allow RM staff to escape in case of a fire. With the new roller shutter and pass doors. The roller shutters can be closed during the day as the pass door will allow for RM staff to enter and exit the building without the need to fully open the roller shutters. These pass doors will provide added security measure and stop the public walking into the operational yard from the street.

4.0 Access Statement

4.1 Access to the Building and Land

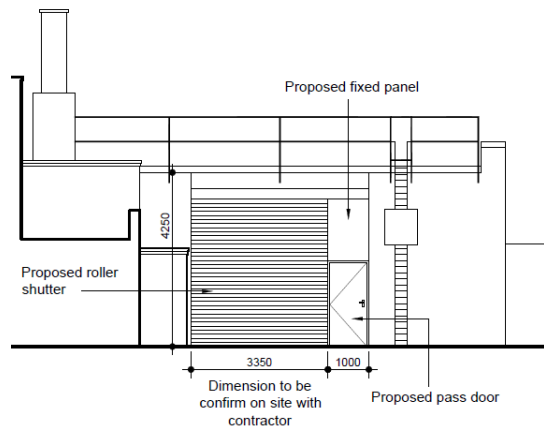
The proposed works will have no effect regarding the existing access to the property and internal operational yard.



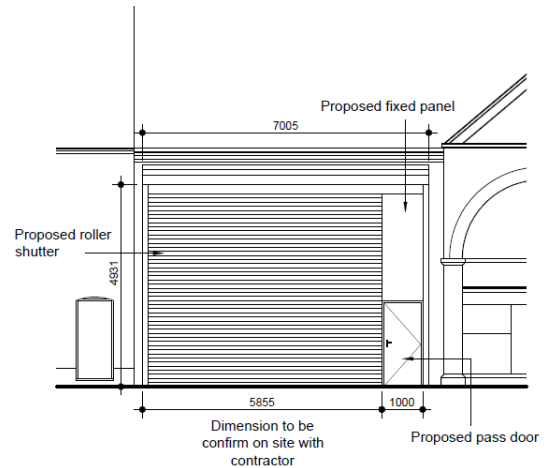
5.0 Heritage Statement

As stated above the purpose of this application is to replace the roof lanterns, and to remove the metal sliding doors and replace with new roller shutters with pass doors. We believe there will be no adverse effect on the building appearance.

6.0 Proposed Elevations

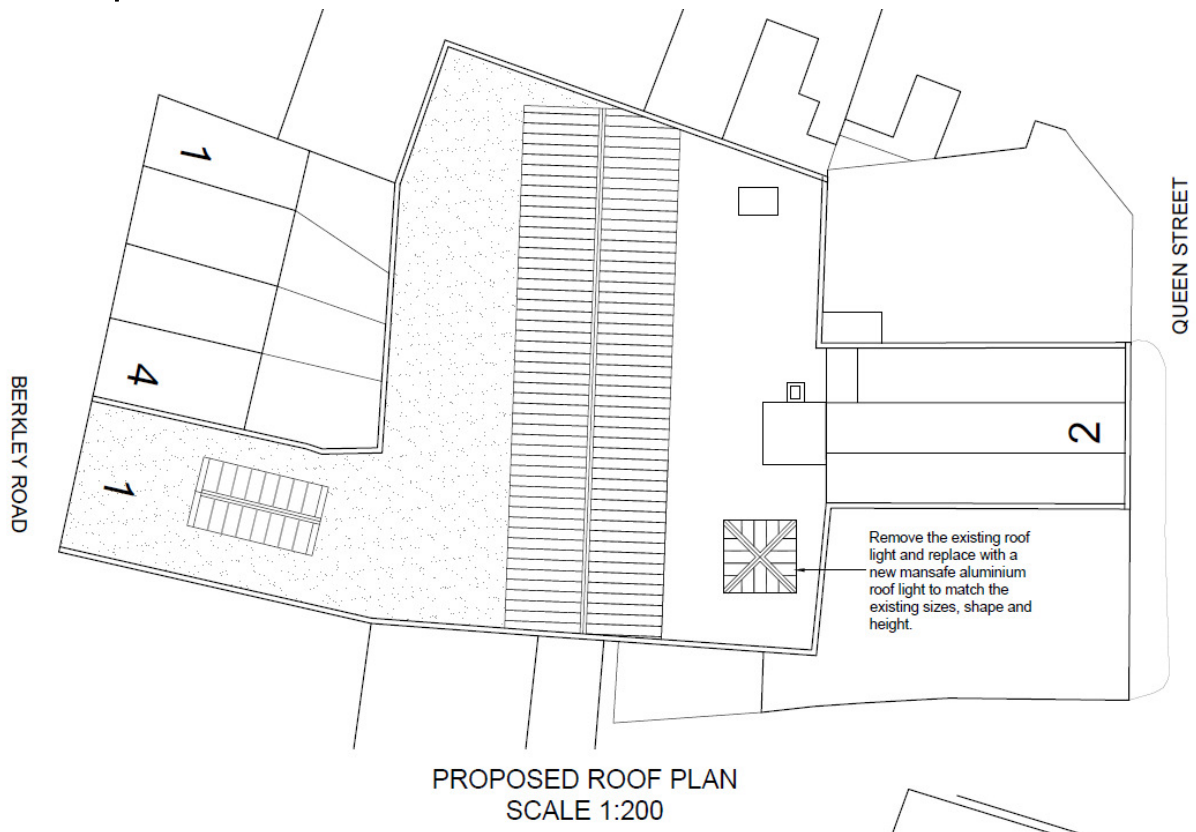


Proposed Queen Street Elevation



Proposed Berkley Road Elevation

7.0 Proposed Roof Plan





8.0 Traffic Red RAL 3020



Proposed Roller shutter colour – Traffic Red RAL 3020.