

**Westcot – Design and Access Statement for Replacement Windows, Driveway & Painting
Front Exterior - 1st September 2026**

Site Details:

Westcot, The Ridgeway, Shorne, Gravesend, Kent. DA12 3LN

Proposed Works:

Replacement of all four existing aluminium sash vertical slider windows on the ground floor at the front of the property with Roseview Rose Collection Ultimate uPVC sash windows.
Replacement of the existing crazy-paved driveway with Regatta Style pavements – Silver Haze cobble design.
Painting the rough cast rendering and bay window at the front of the house white, with black fascias and guttering.

Reason for Planning Application:

The property 'Westcot, The Ridgeway' falls within the 'Chestnut Green Conservation Area' and the proposed works will be visible from the highway.

Justification:

Windows:

The existing aluminium windows are badly corroded and leak. The internal window ledges are beginning to rot because of the damp, hence the condition of the property is deteriorating. Replacing the windows with new uPVC types will eradicate the damp and condensation issues present at the front of the property, and will prevent further damage from occurring. The replacement uPVC windows will match those on the first floor and will unify the appearance of the front of the property.

The new windows to be installed are Roseview Rose Collection Ultimate sash windows with slim meeting rail (white) <https://www.roseview.co.uk/products/ultimate-rose/>.

These windows have been chosen because the adjoining property 'The Hendleys' has the same windows, which were approved in 2018 (Ref: Application 20180683).

Driveway:

The existing crazy paved driveway is beyond repair and needs to be replaced. The replacement Regatta style paving will enhance the look of the property from the road and match the driveway of the adjoining property 'The Hendleys'.

Painting Exterior:

The paint on the fascias, guttering and rendering is flaking off and no longer providing protection against water ingress.

The painting of the rough cast rendering and the bay window at the front of the property will be white, and the painting of the fascias and guttering will be black to match the adjoining property 'The Hendleys'.

The proposed works will maintain the character of the property and enhance its features by updating the property.

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