

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

FOR

133 St Marks Avenue, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 9LL

Introduction

This statement is submitted in support of the application for the creation of a vehicle crossover and driveway at 133 St Marks Avenue, Northfleet. The proposal seeks to enable safe and convenient off-street parking for the residents of this two-bedroom, ground-floor flat, which forms part of a terraced house comprising two flats.

Site Context and Surrounding Area

St Marks Avenue is a non-classified road, with no existing parking bays situated in front of the application site. The introduction of a driveway will alleviate pressure on on-street parking and contribute positively to the local streetscape. A precedent for similar access arrangements already exists in the immediate vicinity, as dropped kerbs are present at 145 and 147 St Marks Avenue, just metres from the proposed crossover. Additionally, two further dropped kerbs are located nearby at 6 and 8 Beresford Road. These existing accesses are clearly depicted on the accompanying block plans.



Above are photos of the existing terraced house and the front garden, showing the proposed location for the vehicle crossover and driveway.

Driveway Design and Drainage

The proposed driveway will feature a tarmac surface, designed to accommodate two vehicles in compliance with Kent County Council's Dropped Kerb Application Guidance. The driveway surface will connect to an integrated drainage system that directs surface water to a soakaway located beneath the driveway, thus ensuring effective and environmentally responsible water management in line with local policies and guidelines.

Conclusion

In conclusion, this proposal provides a practical off-street parking solution for the residents, matching similar arrangements in the area while prioritising safety and local character. We trust that this application demonstrates our commitment to creating a functional and well-integrated driveway and respectfully request that the application be granted approval.