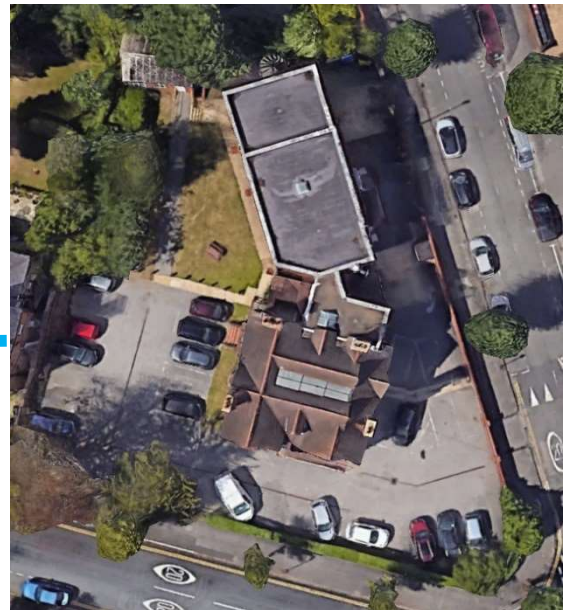
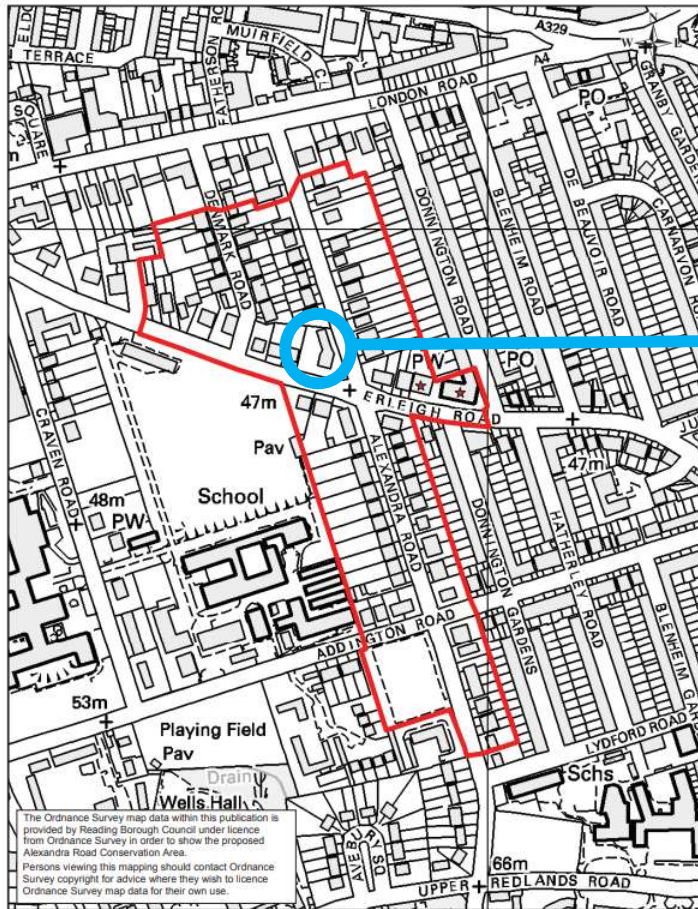


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(References to 25 Erleigh Rd area)



Aerial view of site

Conservation area plan

3.1 History:

An incised plaque on the gable of no. 25 Erleigh Road says 'Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. Founded 1897'. The origins of the Queen's Institute lie in the fund raising organised among 'the women of England' for an offering to Queen Victoria on the occasion of her Golden Jubilee in 1887. After the commission of a set of jewellery, there remained £70,000, and the Queen chose to use the money to support district nursing. The Reading branch of the Institute was founded on 5 November 1897 with premises in Erleigh Road, not far from the Royal Berkshire Hospital. Its object was to provide domiciliary nursing care for the sick poor of Reading. Today the building is occupied by the Berkshire Healthcare NHS Trust.



No works are proposed to this building

4.5 Architectural and historic character

There are only 10 instances of 20th century development in the proposed conservation area: the 1930s three storey extension to the former Nurses Home (rear of 25 Erleigh Road)



The single storey standalone building to the lefthand side of the 1930 building is the location of the proposed extension

4.9 Focal points and views

Buildings in Alexandra Road have a uniform height and no single building stands out but those buildings with a corner site such as nos. 25 Erleigh Road and 27/29 Erleigh Road are prominent in the street scene

4.11 Trees around this site

Though some have been felled, a number of young replacement trees have recently been planted. Trees in Addington Road and Erleigh Road also add to the area's well tree'd character.

Proposed Extension to the standalone outbuilding at rear of 25 Erleigh Road.

The outbuilding is a single storey with a basement that was likely built pre WW2 air raid shelter, this is now used for storage with the room over, historically used as a classroom.

Street scene

This outbuilding is not visible from Alexandra Rd and is approximately 36 meters from the public footpath on Erleigh Rd



View from Erleigh Rd / public footpath

Design and Materials

The proposed extension and re roofed existing building will have a ridge height approximately 150 mm higher than as existing building to accommodate additional insulation, overall width will match the existing and there should be virtually no addition bulk to the front elevation visible from the public highway.



Existing elevation

The new roof covering, to the extension and existing building is proposed to be a standing seam copper cladding that should develop a green patina over time and will replace the current corrugated asbestos sheeting that is grey/white colour.

Proposed elevation



Artist impression / 3D view (not to scale) for roof design

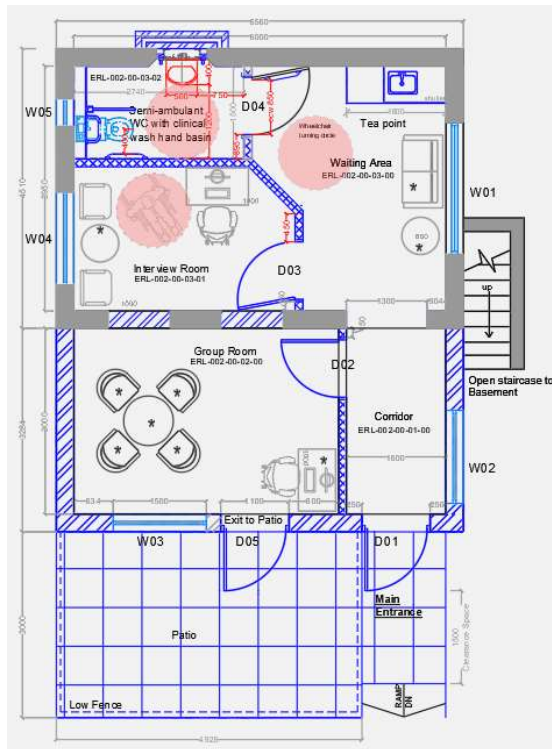
Brickwork, windows, and doors will match the existing finishes, handrails to steps, the steps and wheelchair accesses ramp will be modified to meet all H&S / DDA requirements

The overall buildings area (built environment on ground level)

- A) approximately = 396.00 m² overall area
- B) new extension = 22.00 m² this gives an increase of 5.5% giving new total of 418 m² overall area
- C) the estimated boundary area of the site = 1782.00 m²

Function of the new facility

The building is proposed to be used for a CAMHS (Children's Adolescent Mental Health Service) crisis facility for Reding area and operated by BHFT (Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust)



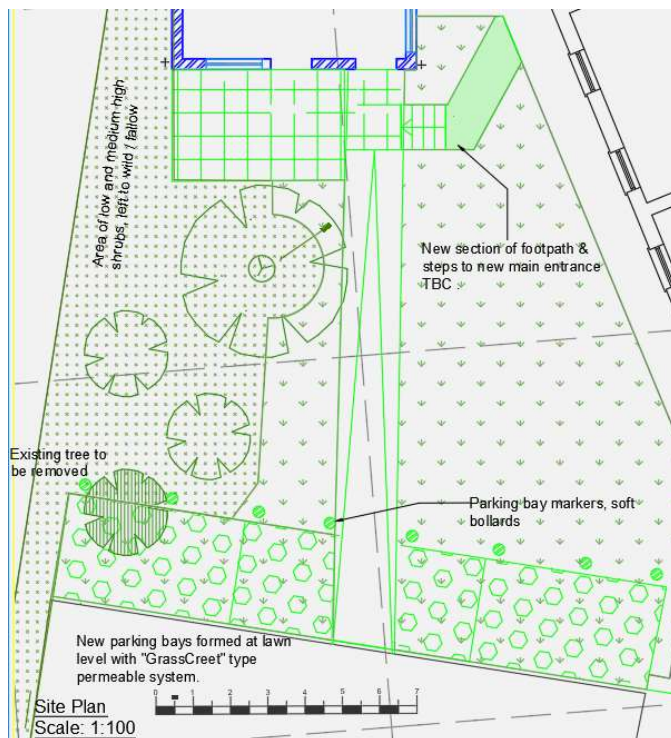
Within the building the following will be accommodated:

- One interview room (one on one counselling)
- One group meeting room
- one semi ambulant toilet
- A small waiting area with a tea point
- Externally a small fenced off patio for client and clinicians use

The basement will house all the service, water heating, foul drainage etc.

Access via existing external stair.

Floor plan – Existing and proposed areas (NTS)



Two additional parking bays as required

External area – 2 new parking bays (NTS)

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