

Design and Access Statement

Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust
Roofing Ladders, part of North Block,
Royal Berkshire Hospital, London Road, Reading

Roof Ladder replacement to North Block,
Part of Royal Berkshire Hospital.

The Proposals

This proposal is to support the Listed Building application for the placement of roof ladders on the North Block building, part of the Royal Berkshire Hospital site. The current state of the roof is in need of constant maintenance due to the age of the building and general weathering. The access ladders have been slowly corroding over several years and are deemed unsafe. To keep up with the maintenance of the roof, the Trust have been forced to replace the ladders with modern alternatives that comply with current safety standards.

Design

The ladders have been replaced with modern stainless steel ladders as ladders that match no longer comply with safety standards. The new ladders are in line with EN 1422 Part 4

The work has been completed by a roofing access specialist whose recommendations to the Trust comply with all modern safety standards.

Access

The ladders are to provide access to roofing areas for qualified maintenance personnel only and are designed to current safety guidelines to prevent falls and injury.