

Proposed internal alterations to 136 Castle Hill. Reading.

Design and Access Statement

136 Castle Hill is a four storey terraced town house constructed Circa 1830.

Many period features remain and the proposed internal alterations are designed to provide modern facilities to the house whilst causing minimal impact to the existing building fabric and on those period features.

There is at present only one family bathroom and the provision of new shower rooms within each of the two largest bedrooms will ensure that the house will serve the future needs of a growing family.

The proposed enclosure to each new shower room is constructed with studwork partitions finished externally with painted plaster to match the existing walls and partitions.

Where existing doors are to be re-located, the existing doors, linings and architraves will be carefully removed and re-used in their new positions. Features such as the ceiling cornices will be left in their present position in case future owners wish to remove the en-suite shower rooms. Facsimile cornices will be provided to the new structures and where minor re-positioning of the existing interior partition walls is necessary.

All services will be concealed within the ceiling/floor voids or within the new stud partitions.

The present owners wish to ensure that by providing these facilities this house will serve both their present needs and those of future owners for the foreseeable future.

The owners would be pleased to discuss this project with a Conservation Officer and, should it be necessary, are open to suggestions if minor alterations to the design are required.