Design and Access Statement

101 Congleton Road

Proposed Driveway

Introduction:

This Design and Access Statement outlines the proposed design for a new driveway. The project aims to enhance the accessibility and functionality of the property while ensuring compliance with local planning regulations and policies. This project will also enable the installation of an electric vehicle charging point. The statement provides an overview of the design considerations, access provisions, and the rationale behind the proposed development.

Site Description:

The property is located at 101 Congleton Road, in Biddulph, and is a residential dwelling. The existing property has a lawned garden to the front with no driveway or off road parking. As existing, an electric vehicle charging point can not be provided. At present there are 10 properties with 14no. vehicles all using Congleton Road for on street parking. Thus reducing the carriageway width to single carriageway. The proposed driveway will improve access, accommodate multiple vehicles, and provide a suitable location for the installation of an electric vehicle charging point.

Design Objectives:

The key design objectives for the new driveway are as follows:

a. Enhance functionality: The driveway will provide sufficient space for vehicle parking.

b. Improve accessibility: The design will ensure easy and safe access for both pedestrians and vehicles, including consideration for individuals with mobility challenges.

c. Complement the existing context: The new driveway will be designed in harmony with the materials used in the surrounding properties, ensuring visual coherence.

Design Considerations:

The following design considerations have been taken into account:

a. Dimensions and layout: The dimensions of the driveway have been carefully planned to accommodate multiple vehicles comfortably. The layout allows for easy ingress and egress without obstructing the public footpath or neighbouring properties.

b. Materials: The choice of materials for the driveway will be in line with the existing aesthetics of the property and the surrounding area. High-quality and durable materials will be selected to ensure longevity and low maintenance requirements.

c. Landscaping and greenery: The design will incorporate appropriate soft landscaping elements, such as green borders and planting, to enhance the visual appeal and soften the impact of the hard surfaces.

Access Provisions:

The driveway will have a widened entrance to allow for easy and safe entry and exit of vehicles. Consideration has been given to sightlines and the integration of appropriate signage to ensure safe access from the public road.

Conclusion:

The proposed design for the new driveway aims to improve accessibility, functionality, and aesthetic appeal while adhering to local planning policies and regulations. By carefully considering the design objectives, access provisions, and compliance requirements, the new driveway will be an asset to the property and the surrounding area.