

Corby Old Village School

High Street

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Proposed New Reception Entrance with Headteacher Office & Meeting Room, and Library

On behalf of the

The Board of School Governors and Headteacher

Existing Site Photographs and Supporting Information

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Status: PLANNING

Rev C 24 September 2010 - Covered play area note added 2b.

Rev D 17 January 2011 - Additional photos and supporting information.
Statement 2d. Photos 07-09 added. Artist view of Entrance photo 10.

Rev E 07 March 2011 - Photo 10 revised. Item 1d revised, 4c added.



Photo 01 - Existing South Elevation



Photo 02 - Existing East Elevation - Inner Courtyard



Photo 03 - Existing West Elevation - Inner Courtyard



Photo 04 - Existing West Elevation - Staff Car Park Entrance



Photo 05 - Existing Soffit Details



Photo 06 - Existing Rear Gable to Hall and Building Plaque



Photo 07 - Internal Corridor



Photo 08 - Internal Corridor to Hall



Photo 09 - Brick Quoin detail



Photo 10 - New Reception Access

Design & Access Statement and Supporting Statement to the Planning Application:

The Head and governors of Corby Old Village Primary School would like to be able to increase the security of the school, provide additional facilities for the Headteacher and Staff, and library & activity space for the school children.

1. USE:

- a. To provide a new entrance to the school for staff, parents and visitors and be accessed from the main car park. The level of security will be dramatically increased as it will prevent general access to the larger areas of buildings and grounds. The new entrance will lead directly into the reception and office administration area.
- b. The existing Headteacher office is inadequate and it is difficult to provide meeting space for many important staff and parent discussions during normal term times. The extension will provide three new rooms, two of which will serve as a headteacher's office and a dedicated meeting room.
- c. To accommodate the new reception office, the existing library will be relocated in the central part of the new building. Circulation space will be increased to enable the main hall to be used without access being required to reach each side of the school, and to provide activity space for smaller groups of children with teachers. The existing office will return to classroom accommodation to cater for an increased intake of children.
- d. The existing covered walkway area between the two sides will remain intact for the foreseeable future. The original elevations and many features of the school will remain partly obscured but remain an open view as seen from a fuller part of the school grounds.

2. LANDSCAPING, APPEARANCE & SCALE:

- a. There will be no formal landscaping. The extension will be formed within the inner courtyard area and should not impact on any surrounding neighbours. It will use much of the existing structure to give support to the new flat roof.
- b. The existing covered play area will remain. It is of great use to the school and it does spoil the appearance of the main elevation. The proposal will not detract from that elevation and subject to funding in the future this simply fixed structure could be removed.
- c. There are many features in the brickwork, the window cills and lintols, and within in the soffits and fascias at roof level. It is intended to use the same detailing of projecting brick quoins, overhanging soffits with profiled timber mouldings to match the existing. The windows will be of modern materials to match the existing replacements made some while ago. Rainwater goods in cast iron with metal fixtures.

- d. Internally the existing painted brickwork will remain. Features of existing brickwork inside will be painted to match. Plaster surfaces only to new block walls forming the headteacher office and meeting room.
- e. A single tree will be removed, including the raised bed that it grows in.
- f. The flat roof line will remain well below that of the main pitched and tiled roofs of the adjacent buildings although slightly higher than the existing.

3. LAYOUT:

- a. The layout of additional space has been achieved by using an area that has generally been unusable because of the small raised beds.

4. ACCESS:

- a. The main vehicular and pedestrian access to the school will not be altered and no additional parking is required.
- b. There is adequate disabled access but will give much easier and direct access to the school.
- c. The existing window opening will be cut out to floor level to accommodate a new door with transom panels over to retain the lines of the adjacent windows.

5. TRANSPORT LINKS:

- a. There is no proposal to revise any transport links.