DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT:

Submitted in support of a Planning Application for:

“Single storey multipurpose space”

Site Address:
Spring Lane Primary School, Spring Lane, Northampton, NN1 2JW

Applicant:
Spring Lane Primary School, Spring Lane, Northampton, NN1 2JW

HDA Architecture ref: 12041

A. DESIGN

A1. Proposal
A1.1 The Qube is needed to provide a small area teaching space for groups of children, which the school has no space for small group teaching and this year the staff room has to be used and this is not ideal. The qube will not replace existing buildings, but will be of great benefit in the long term as it will give small groups additional teaching space. It does not affect any play areas and will not increase the staffing of the school.

A2. Size
A2.1 Size on Plan: 7.2 x 4.2m
Height: 3.25m from the adjoining external ground.

A3. Layout & Relationship To Surrounding Features
A3.1 Position: The structure is located to the East of the school and sits near to the boundary at Scarletwell Street.

A4.4 Scale
A4.1 The Qube will cover 31sq/m of ground with an additional external decking area of 15sq/m.

A5. Landscaping/ Boundaries
A5.1 A 4.3m long ramp is proposed to the main entrance with steps up to the decking.

A5.2 No changes to the adjoining site boundaries are required or proposed.

A6. Appearance

A6.1 Please refer to the submitted drawings. The external cladding and decking is Western Red Cedar. Doors and windows are powder coated aluminium (dark grey), and the roof is a grey single ply membrane. Examples of completed Qube buildings can be viewed at: www.theqube.co.uk

A7. External lighting
A7.1 No external lighting is proposed

A8. Sewage/ Utilities
A8.1 There is no proposed foul drain.
A8.2 Rainwater outlets will be discharged into a Water Butt for re-use.
B. ACCESS

Building Regulations/ DDA requirements:
Access to the Classroom:

The ramp is designed to comply with Part M of the Building Regulations, allowing full access to wheelchair users.

Light switches are to be positioned at a maximum height of 1200mm above finished floor level.

Sockets are to be positioned at a minimum height of 400mm above finished floor level (maximum 1200mm).

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Qube classroom (Example only)