

Supporting Statement – Proposed Vehicular Access and Dropped Kerb 53 Eastleigh Road

This application seeks permission for the formation of a new vehicular access onto Eastleigh Road, including the installation of a dropped kerb and the removal of a section of the existing front boundary wall to facilitate off-street parking within the residential curtilage.

The proposed access has been carefully positioned within the site frontage to maximise visibility for vehicles entering and exiting the highway, whilst maintaining an appropriate distance from the nearby junction. The access width has been designed to accommodate a standard single vehicle, and sufficient on-site space is available to enable vehicles to enter and leave the site in a forward gear, in accordance with highway safety considerations.

The proposal provides a usable off-street parking space within the site, ensuring that vehicles can be accommodated entirely within the property boundary without overhanging the public footway. The existing footway is of generous width, and the proposal maintains a safe and unobstructed pedestrian route.

There is limited availability of on-street parking in the immediate vicinity, with nearby streets frequently operating at capacity. The provision of off-street parking will reduce reliance on on-street parking and minimise vehicle movements associated with searching for parking, thereby contributing to local highway safety.

The proposal will also improve accessibility to the property, particularly for visitors with limited mobility, by enabling closer and safer access to the dwelling.

Existing highway features and infrastructure, including the nearby lamp column and service cover, will be retained and will remain accessible at all times. The proposed works do not obstruct or interfere with these elements.

Overall, the proposal represents a modest and proportionate alteration to the property, improving accessibility and parking provision while maintaining highway safety and the character of the surrounding area.