

ELLINGHAM VILLAGE HALL



ACCESS STATEMENT – DETAILS OF HOW THE BUILDING MEETS ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Levels

The building is single storey, with no internal changes of level, set back approximately 18m from the highway. There is a new vehicular access and a direct, gently sloping (1:40) bitmac surfaced footpath from the existing footpath on the highway. The car park is close to the building, and two 3.6m x 6m marked disabled parking bays are provided next to the building entrance, finished with gravel in a

polypropylene grid to meet the requirements of surface permeability and a wheelchair usable surface. There are dropped kerbs at the site entrance, to suit pedestrian access from the car park and adjacent the disabled parking bays.

Entrance and Circulation

A single fully glazed entrance door with a visible dark coloured frame and stainless steel handles; suitable for use by all visitors to the building, is identified and protected by a canopy. This door opens out with a clear width of 1005mm and a 30kN maximum closer. Internally there is a mat suitable for wheelchair use, level with floor surface.

The plan is simple, minimising circulation areas, and with no narrow corridors. A large entrance lobby gives access to all the main rooms, with a store opening directly off the hall.

Doors

All internal door leaves excepting that to the cleaner's cupboard provide a clear opening width of 850mm, including each leaf of the double doors to the hall and the store. The hall door, kitchen door and accessible wc door all have closers with 30kN maximum operation, the doors to the male and female toilets have standard closers.

Fire exit doors from the hall have a clear opening width of 850mm and a level threshold.

Toilets

In addition to male and female toilets, a separate unisex accessible toilet is provided, with space standards, sanitary fittings and a call system to Part M. All the toilets have high level windows to provide natural light.

Glazing Manifestation

Manifestation to Part K is provided to the entrance door and glazed screen and the glazed doors and full length glazing to the hall.

Finishes and visual contrast

Glazed external doors have visible dark coloured frames and stainless steel handles to aid identification of the location of the door and handle. Internal doors are painted.

Internally a single colour and pattern of UK manufactured vinyl flooring is used for all the rooms, with a slip resistant finish to the entrance lobby, kitchen, and toilets.

Paint finishes to walls, ceilings, doors, skirtings, architraves and door furniture provide visual contrast to aid users with visual impairment. In principle a dark skirting and architrave (LRV 16%) provides a good contrast to medium reflectance floor and door colours, and a light wall colour, with white ceilings.

Recent additions

Hearing loop included in Audio Visual system.

Buzzer on door for assistance to enter the building, set at wheelchair height.

Visual markers on large window areas.

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