



CASE STUDY: HAMPTON LUCY EXTENSION



OVERVIEW:

As a busy family with two young children, the client contacted us to create a rear extension for kitchen and dining living space, so they could watch their children play while they cooked and worked from home. The existing kitchen was dark and narrow, and a separate living room meant they couldn't see the children from their old kitchen.

A new front porch extension was also required to provide extra space for coats/boots. The existing front door opened directly into the lounge, and had been a revision to the home by previous owners. The client wanted to reinstate the original position of the front door.

CHALLENGE:

For the front porch extension, the application reinstated the original position of the home's front door. Approval was granted with a planning constraint restricting the size of the porch to 3m² to ensure the new porch fitted into the existing streetscene.

The property backs onto Charlecote conservation area and a heritage statement was required to support the planning application.

SOLUTION:

The front porch extension was designed to reinstate the bricked up doorway, and a pitched roof offers space and shelter to the entrance to the home.

The rear extension features a flat roof with ceiling lanterns, and following a SAP Standard Assessment Procedure to calculate overall brick/glazing ratio, two sides of the extension (plus the rear living room window) were permitted bi-folding doors to allow direct access to the garden and ample light to the new family space.

RESULT:

Having started the project in July 2020, the clients are delighted with the results. The welcoming porch way entrance invites the family home to enjoy extra space at the front and through to the rear of the house. The flexibility of the rear kitchen dining extension allows the children to play safely inside or out in the garden while parents work from home, prepare meals, or socialise with friends or family.

“When we were looking to plan our hallway and kitchen extensions we approached a number of architects, and found Stolwood to be the most responsive, something they continued throughout the work, always being available for support and any questions. They designed both the kitchen and hallway extensions, and managed the planning permission process for us as well, something which we were extremely grateful for when addressing the challenges involved in a front extension and gaining planning permission. The support through this process was invaluable in getting us the approvals we needed. Thanks again John and Emma!”

PROJECT BENEFITS:

- Welcoming porch way to reinstate original entrance to the home
- Kitchen dining room rear extension to give the family a bright, versatile and welcoming social and working space
- Increase the market value of the property