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Design Statement for Proposed Dwelling at:

20 Plymouth Road, Barry,
CF62 5TY



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1.0 Introduction

This Design Statement has been prepared by RA Architects Ltd. on behalf of John Mcilhiney to explain and support a planning application for the alterations and change of use of 20 Plymouth Road, Barry. The aim of the design is to introduce a studio apartment into the space providing adequate and private amenity space for the occupant.

2.0 Design Statement

The alterations to the existing building will complement the immediate area and its scale, design, material consideration and character will ensure the aesthetic of the street is reinforced. The design proposes using 'wasted space' to help aid and secure more floor space for the occupant. The basement has a head height of 1.8 meters (to underside of joists at gf level). A lowered front garden to provide privacy for the occupant while not impacting the vision splay of the intersecting roads. The lowered garden will also provide a high-level window for the kitchen area. At main entrance level, we have designed a large living / dining area. Finally, utilising the high-level ceiling, we have designed a mezzanine bedroom level.

Overall, this proposal splits into 3 separate levels and is adequate as a studio apartment.

3.0 Local Vernacular Form

Examination of the existing local vernacular highlights that a lot of the front gardens are used as amenity spaces. They are lowered down to help provide adequate privacy for occupants while also following the slope of the main road. There are a few properties in the area where evidence of front garden amenity is utilised:



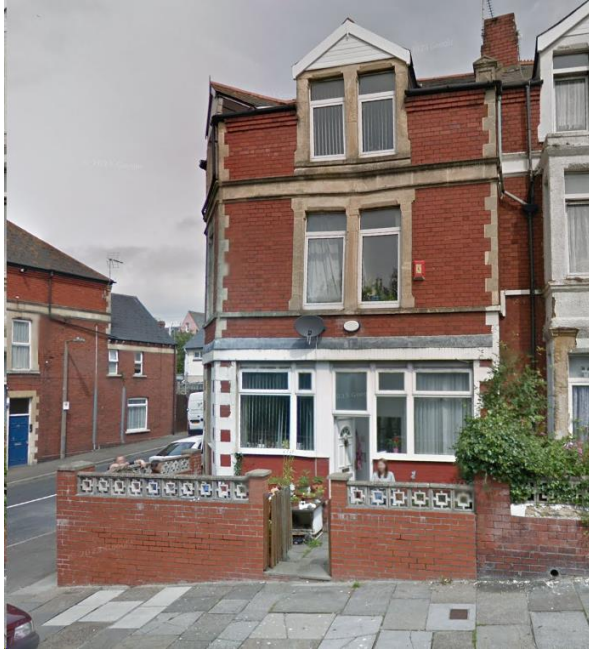
27 & 28 Plymouth Road, Barry

An example of properties on the same street using the front garden as amenity space.



10 Plymouth Road, Barry

An example of a property on the same street using the front garden as amenity space.



18 Plymouth Road, Barry

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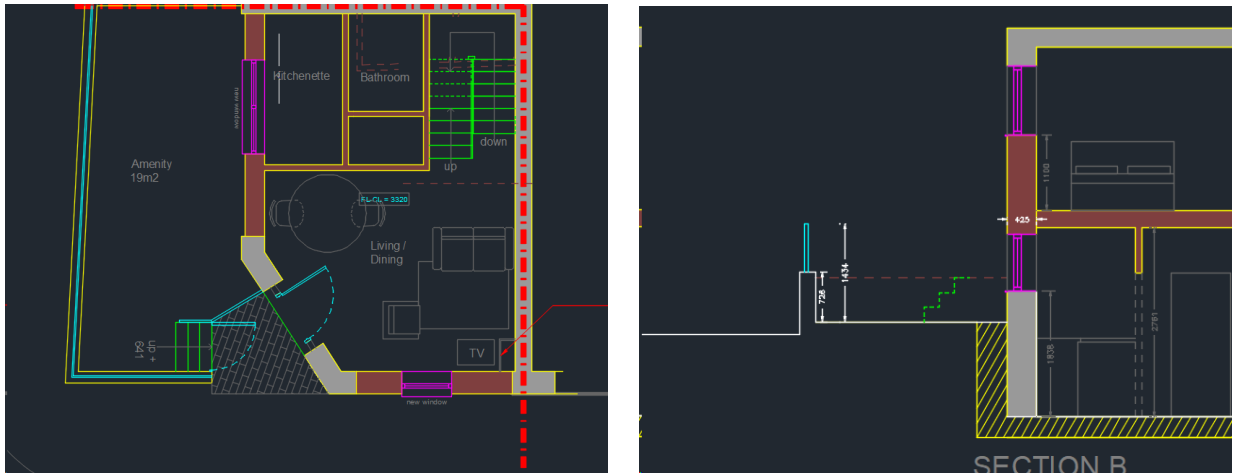
4.0 History



20 Plymouth Road, Barry in 2008

As part of our proposal, we would like to drop the level of the front garden down to provide more privacy. As shown above, there is indication that the front garden used to be lower than

it currently is. We would keep the garden wall as is but provide steps down into the new amenity space from the front door area.



Proposed design of front garden amenity space.