

Design and Access Statement – Etchingam CE Primary School

- Use

The proposal is to install two outdoor shelters, the first being a pergola to provide a shelter for parents dropping off and picking up pupils at the beginning and end of the school day. This forms part of the School Travel Plan through which funding has been granted. The shelter will help to encourage parents to walk their children to school and reduce the number of car journeys made at the busy peak times.

During the school day the second shelter (gazebo) will be used as an outside classroom for groups of pupils to work in, weather permitting. The gazebo will enhance the existing accommodation and provide much needed group space and alternative teaching areas.

- Amount

Gazebo – 5m span across and 3.4m high

Pergola – 4 x 2m and 2.3m high

- Layout

Both structures provide seated benching with open sides.

- Landscaping

Both units will blend into the existing extensive foliage on site and therefore further landscaping does not seem necessary for this proposal.

- Appearance

The gazebo is a hexagonal shape and the pergola a rectangular shape both in softwood, pine coloured timber and a timber roof with lead flashing.

The pergola has trellis to the sides.

- Crime prevention

This is a small village school with no major crime issues.

- Access

Access to the gazebo will be via one side of the structure facing the playground

Access to the pergola will be via two sides as shown on the attached plans.

The entrance to both structures will be made flush with the ground to allow for disabled access.

