

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Minor Development / Homeowner

Site Address: 35 Thomas Street, Pontardawe, SA8 4HD

Proposed Development: Two Storey and Single Storey Side and Rear Extensions and New Rear Dormer

Site description: The property is a semi-detached property with a front yard and rear garden areas. The front yard is a small area providing access to the front door and side path. The much larger rear garden area consisting of a lawned area, small patio and some outbuildings. There are timber fence panels to all three sides and these will remain in place. There are also some trees and hedges in the garden, all which are to remain in place and unaffected by the development. The development area consists of the small patio and lawn area so some green space will be removed.



View of rear and side boundary consisting of timber fence panels and artificial play area and lawned area.



View of substantial rear garden showing timber fencing panels to all 3 sides and partial lawn and artificial grass areas.



View of adjoining neighbours boundary



Front elevation view showing small yard area

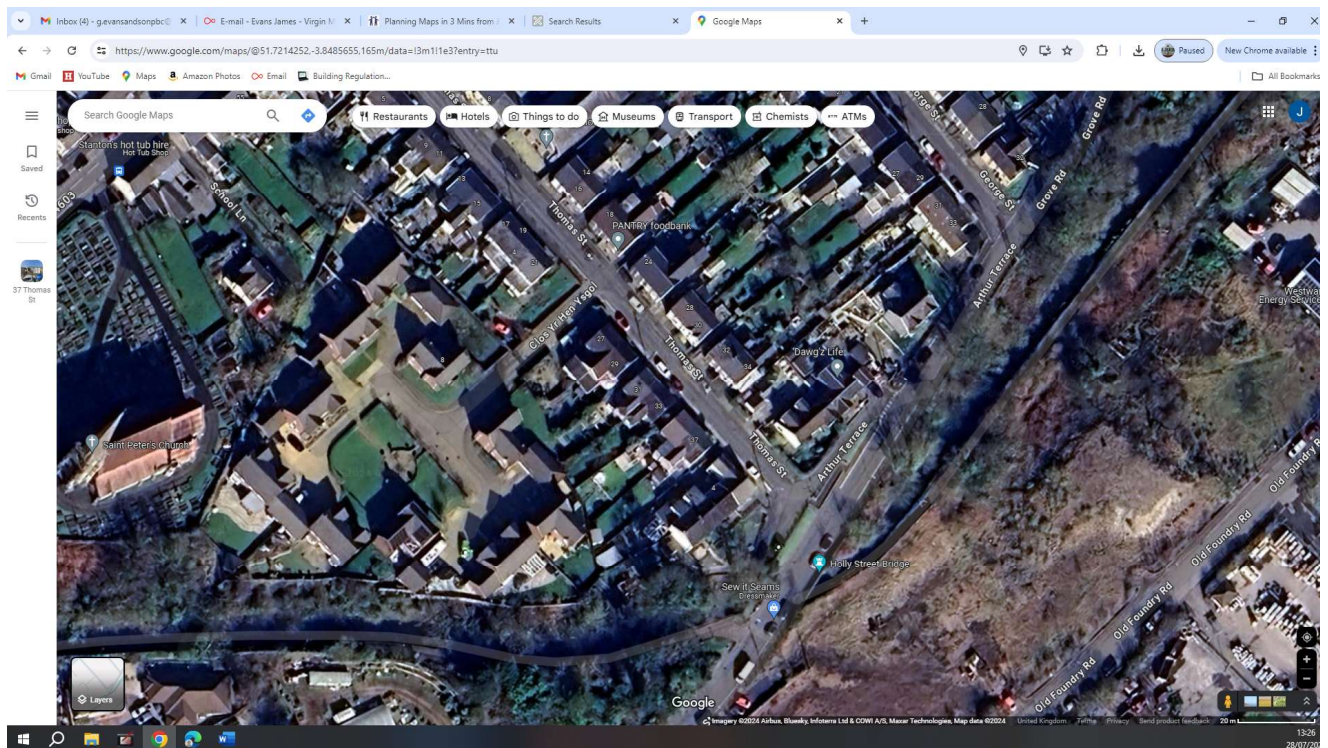


View of rear elevation showing outbuildings and extent of neighbouring property in relation to our development.



View of area where next extensions will be sited, including small patio area and lawn

Surrounding Area description: The application site is in close proximity to the town centre of Pontardawe, with similar properties in the vicinity of our location as shown by the google image below



Development Impacts:

The proposed extensions will be sited on an existing small patio area and partial lawned area. Some green space will be removed but no boundaries nor trees and hedges will be disturbed as part of the development. An existing storage building will be demolished to make way for the proposed rear extensions.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

It is proposed to provide the following:

Provide RSPB approved classic nest box or other nest box for House Sparrow:
Wooden with 3 Sub-divisions to support 3 nesting pairs. To be placed
Under the eaves of buildings.
Entrance holes: 32mm diameter
Dimensions: H310 x W370 x D185mm

This would create additional connectivity, and nesting habitats which were not part of the property at present.

Conclusion.

It is considered that subject to the above, that the proposed development would maintain and enhance biodiversity, build resilient ecological networks, and deliver net benefits for biodiversity by creating habitats which were not present at the property before the client decided on the development. This will ensure that any adverse environmental effects are compensated for.

Signed JHEvans (Agent)

Dated. 27th July 2024