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Single storey rear extension and alterations to Spring Wood, 240 Spring Road, Letchworth Garden City
Listing, Design and Access Statement

Spring Wood is a Listed Grade 2 detached property.

Designed by M.H. Baillie-Scott 1905-1906 in a vernacular style. The ground floors main feature is a two storey studio drawing room at the east wing. The rest of the house is one and a half storey with steep clay plain tile roofs with gables, cat slide dormers and ground floor bay windows and 3 chimney stacks the main one being on the studio gable.
Walls are roughcast painted white.
Softwood windows with mullioned flush casements and oblong leaded lights with a 5 light transom and mullioned 2 storey window on the north side of the studio/drawing room.
Some alterations were carried out through Cecil Hignett in 1929 and an annexe was added over the double garage in later years.
There appears to be no original drawings in the HF collection except tracings of what were believed to be original plans but in fact are not and some that also depict a different design than exists.

For materials see drawing 5 all to match existing.

The proposal is for an eastern side kitchen extension with a flat roof surrounded by a parapet wall and a bay window all similar to features on the house including a 5 light window together with a white aluminium lantern roof light behind the parapet wall.

Internally a new en-suite is proposed as shown in bedroom 1 and other alterations include re-opening access to a former gallery over the drawing room and re-instatement of a conservation roof light at the point of access to also add light to the landing (see as proposed first floor plan, drawing 4).

Joinery will be to match existing including skirting's and architraves (torus).
Ironmongery will also match existing including that retained for re-use and available matching products that have been researched. Replacement windows where necessary will be softwood to match existing joinery sections and double glazed leaded lights.

The proposals do not affect existing pedestrian or vehicular access