
**Design and Access Statement
For New Glazed Doors, Alucobond
Cladding, Rendered Walls and
Columns, and new Paving to the
Lidl Food Store, London Road,
Cowplain, PO8 8DF**

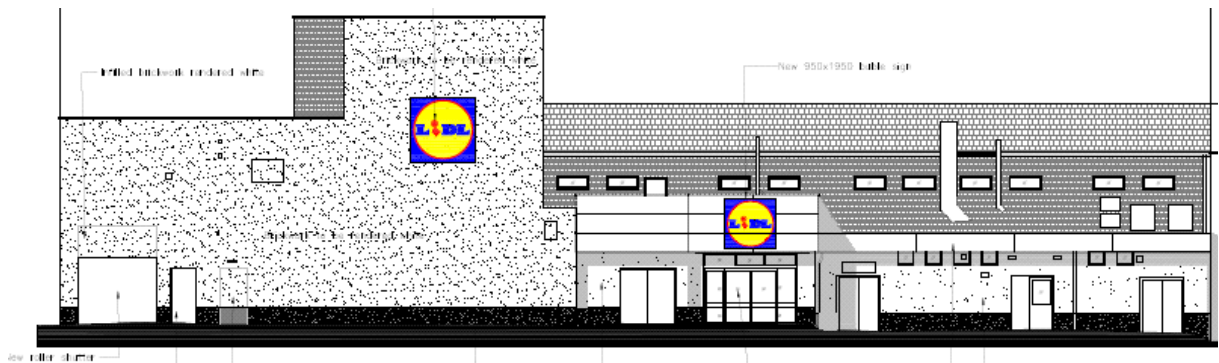


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Design and Access Statement for Elevations Changes to Cowplain Lidl Neighbourhood Food Store



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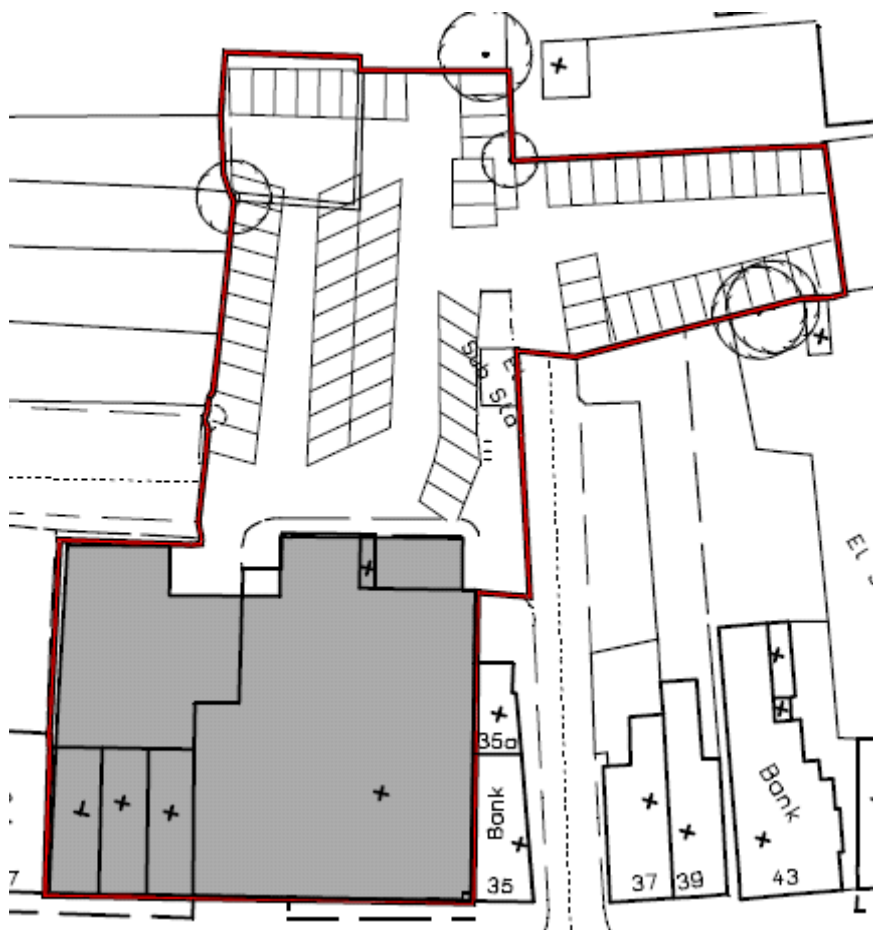
1. Existing Development

The store currently comprises a 1027m² GIA food store with a sales area of 780m² and 80 car parking bays. There are also 3 sublet units to the left of the Lidl store comprising a total of 332m² GIA. The site is located off London Road just after the junction with Silvester Road.

Site Location



Site Layout (To Remain the Same)



Existing Elevations







2. Proposed Development

The proposed development would not involve a change of use of the building nor an increase in trading area. The application is for aesthetic improvement to the building. The alterations are designed to improve the appearance of the store, creating a more pleasurable shopping experience, with a view to sustaining and hopefully growing the success of the store in the future.

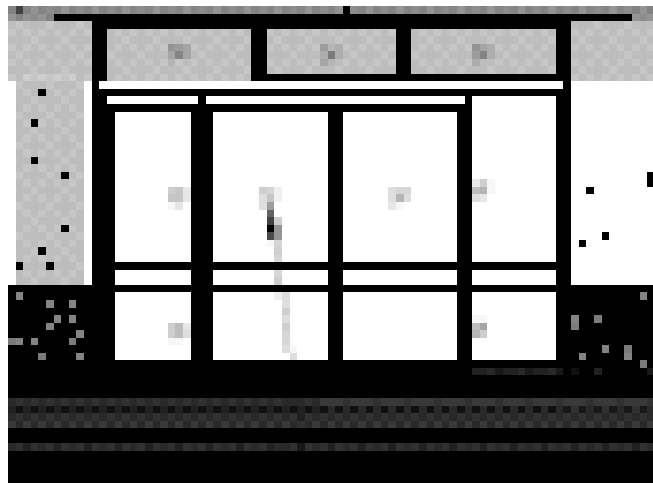
The key design objectives are: -

- To improve the design given the site's prominent location whilst increasing the ease of maintenance to the fabric of the store.
- To promote sustainability and use sustainable methods within the design where applicable.

The proposed elevations changes comprise: -

- Replacement glazed screen doors

Proposed Glazed Doors (2m Wide Opening)

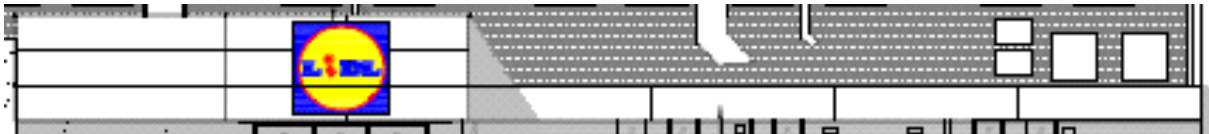


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- Flat panel Alucobond cladding to fascia strips in line with Lidl's new UK specification.

Existing Grey/White Fascia Strips



Proposed Grey Alucobond Flat Panel Cladding



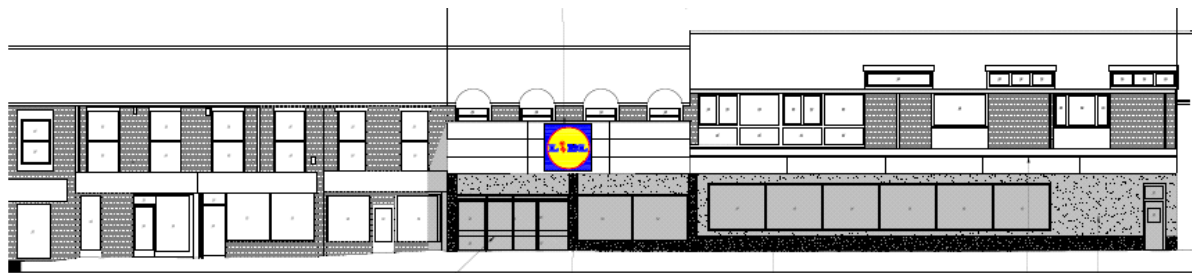
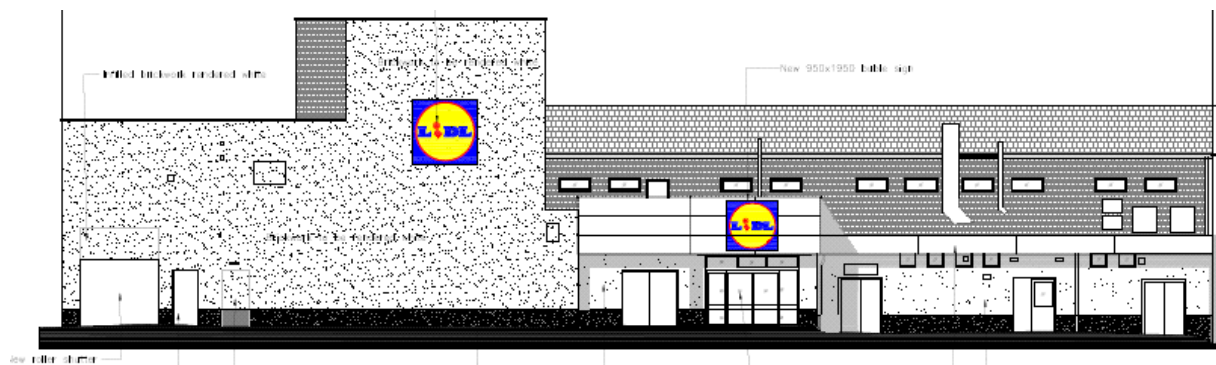
- White render walls and grey render columns and plinths to ensure easy maintenance and refurbishment. This is of particular importance with respect to re-painting, graffiti removal and repairs.

Existing Elevations





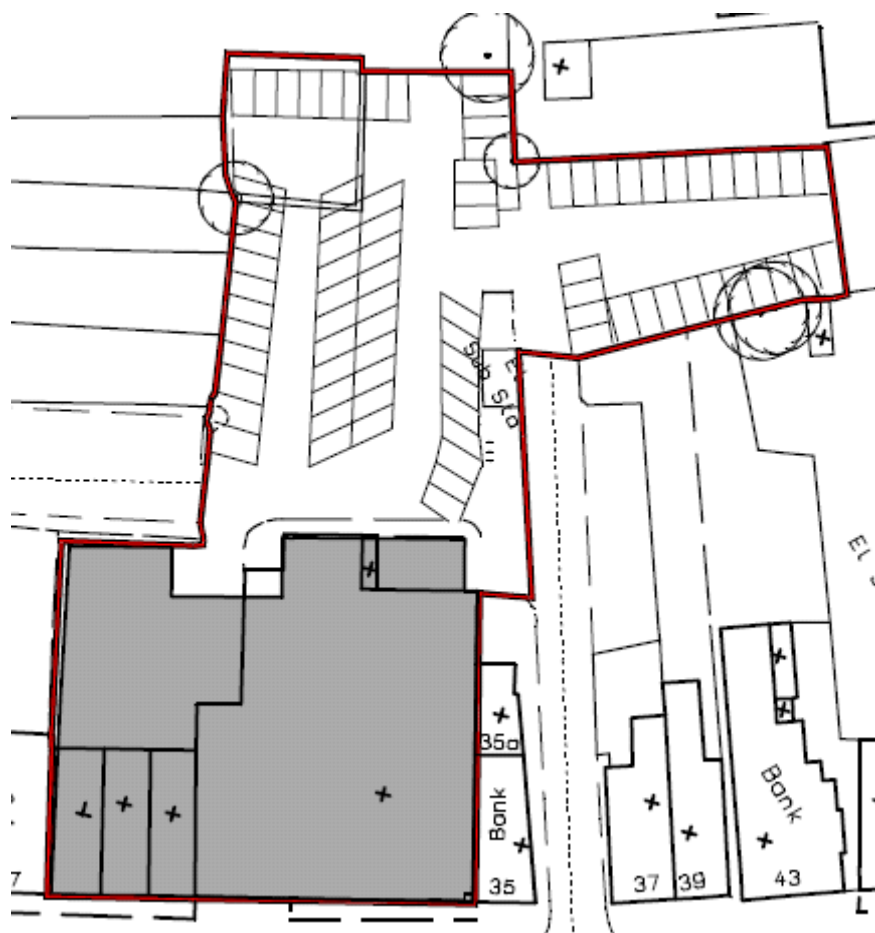
Proposed Elevations



3. Layout

The store and site layout will remain as existing.

Site Layout



4. Scale

The site area and building dimensions will remain as existing.

Proposed New Elevations

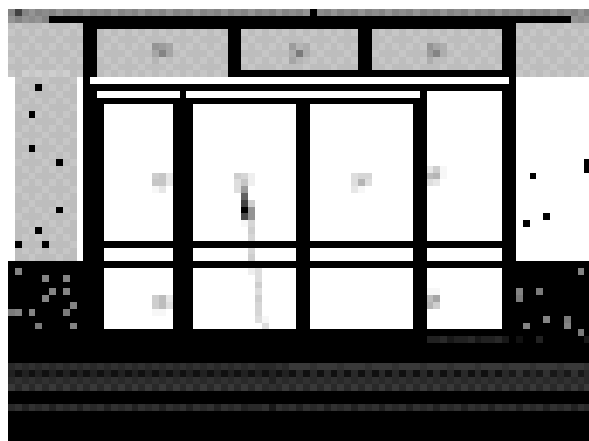


5. Design

The alterations represent an upgrade in line with Lidl's latest standard specification that is being used across the UK. The changes include 2m wide opening glazed doors, flat panel Alucobond cladding to fascia strips, white render walls and grey render columns and plinths, plus the provision of block paving to customer walkways.

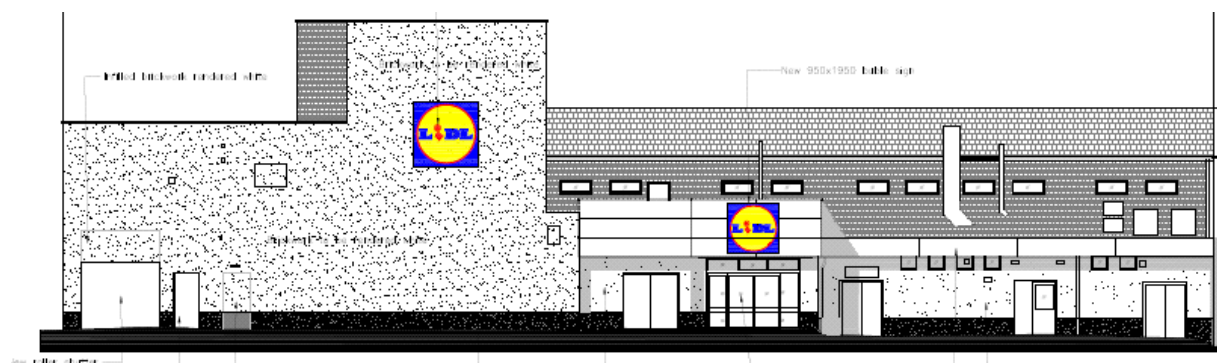
The new glazed doors offer a single 2m wide opening as opposed to the old 1m wide in and out doors.

Elevation Showing 2m Wide Opening Doors



It is proposed that the external finish will be in textured render. The lower elevation of the external walls will comprise light grey painted plinths with integrated white textured panels above. The upper half of the elevation will consist of flat panel Alucobond cladding in place of the existing wave profile cladding.

Elevation Showing Textured Render and Alucobond Cladding



This finish is easy for staff to maintain and refresh and adds a clean modern aspect to the building. Experience with brickwork stores has shown that vandalism and weathering can rapidly degrade the finish, leading to a visually unappealing structure.

6. Access

Vehicle and pedestrian access to the car park and store will remain as existing. Car parking provision will remain at 80 bays.

Existing Vehicle and Pedestrian Access Remain Unchanged

