

Location:
New Dwelling, Rowstock
Client:
Mr & Mrs A Stibbs



MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE

Repair of listed thatched barn with new extension to form a family home in the countryside

Above *The new extension with terrace from the master bedroom*
Below *The dwelling in context*

Rowstock Barn links an early 18th century aisled barn with a new contemporary structure to form a single individual residence.

The original 3-bayed barn is a fine example of the local timber-framed vernacular and was listed Grade II in 2004. The barn had a relatively modern extension at its northern end which was of very poor construction creating a negative impact. This structure and the existing profiled asbestos roof sheeting over the entire barn were removed and the barn's timber frame then fully restored.

A new wing, which straddles the footprint of the former extension, houses the bedrooms and bathrooms, and allows the





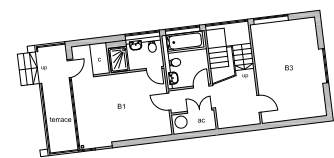
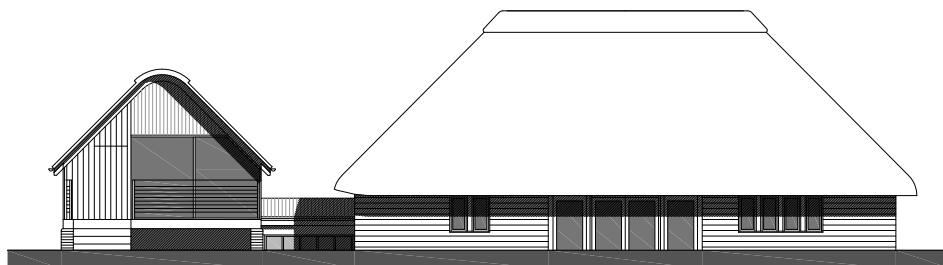
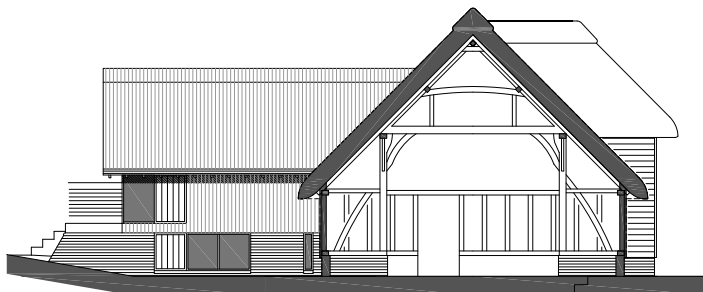
impressive volume of the listed barn to remain uncluttered – this accommodates open plan living, kitchen and dining space.

The two buildings are connected by a simple low link which, like the bedroom wing, is set half a storey below ground level.

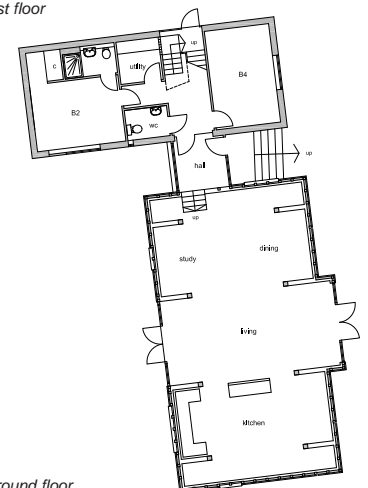
Whilst the two structures share simple forms that reflect their agricultural heritage, the palette of materials that has been selected is distinctly different.

The barn's thatch is re-instated and the walls clad in untreated western red cedar boarding, whereas the new wing is detailed in a crisp profiled metal cladding.

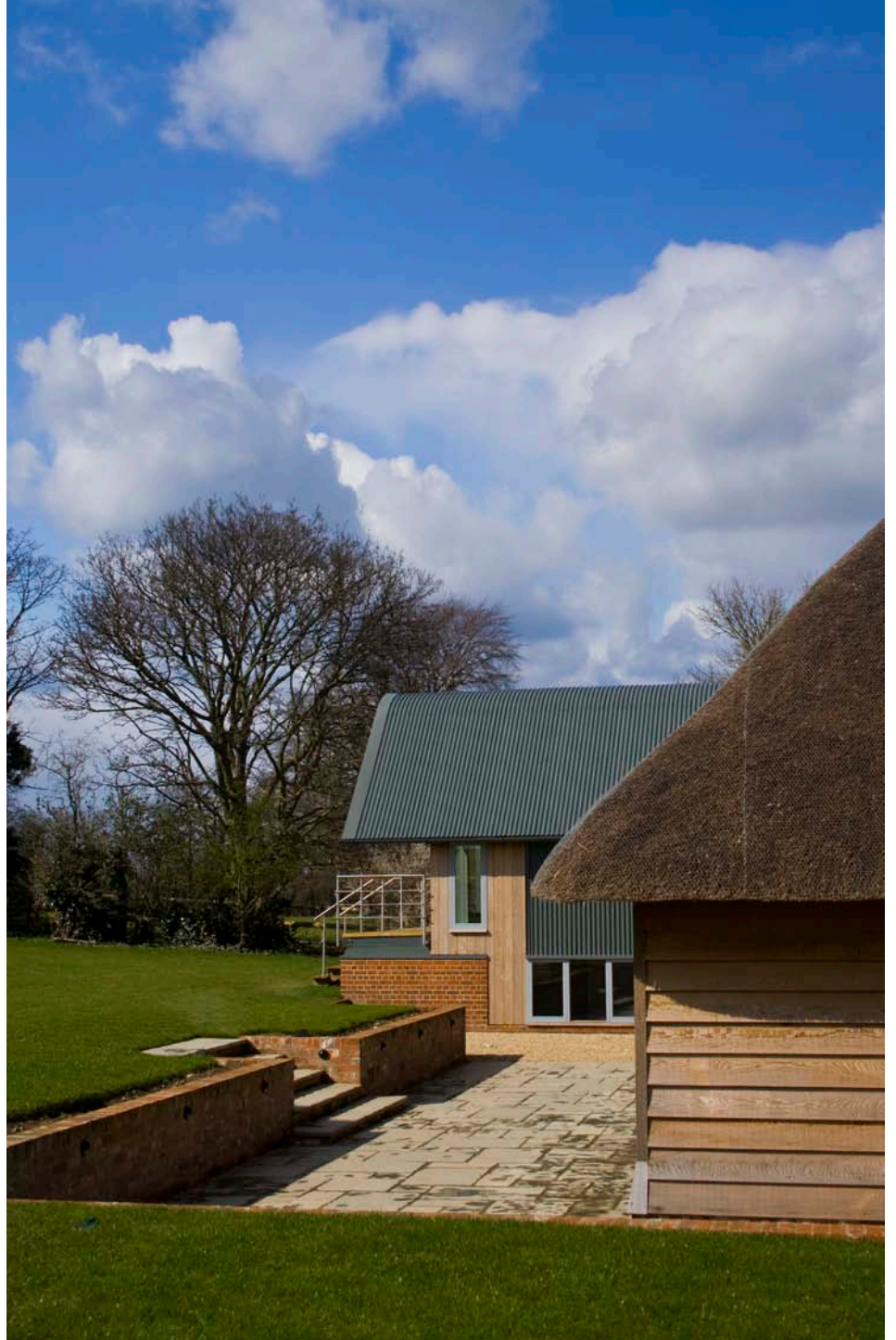
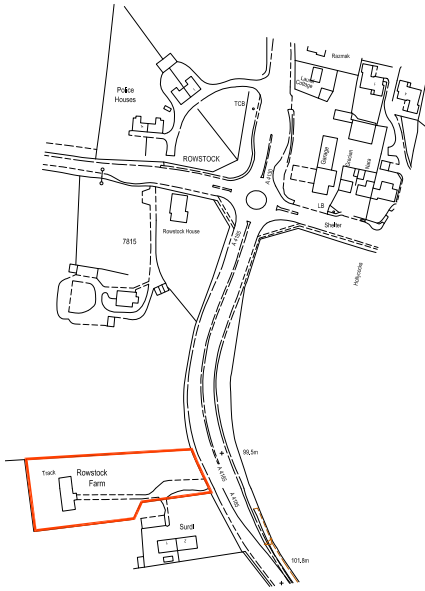
Above From the open plan living space within the original barn, one can see the entrance hall and staircase to bedrooms within the new wing
Right Cross-section thru' barn/living space with new extension in background
Far right Floor plans.
Below Rear elevation



first floor



ground floor





Above Externally, natural materials of the original barn contrast with the crisp appearance of the new wing
Left The projecting canopy becomes even more dramatic after dark
Below The newly repaired barn dominates the overall composition.



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