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Goldsmiths Cottage, Highgate

Client: Private Cost; £1.73m Highgate Conservation Area

Description:

The west wing and garden wall were retained for their contribution to the character of the conservartion area. The central wing was reconstructed over a new basement and the east wing was added, increasing the area of the house from 112M² to 440M² as commensurate with land values.

The house incorporates active and passive energy reduction features and has achieved an EPC rating of B, which is exceptional for a house of this size.

Features include, airtight construction and MVHR (mechanical ventilation with heat recovery), geo-thermal air supply ducts, high levels of insulation, high performance windows, rain water recycling, air source heat pump and solar thermal panels. Energy management systems prioritize supply from solar panels, heat pump and backup condensing gas boiler in that order.

Controls are accessible remotely.



Section illustrating basement and lightwell





Street view



L to R: Retained wing, rebuilt wing, extension



Courtyard





New staircase