Analysis of retrofit possibilities, problems and solutions - 6 houses, Crumlin (Target A2 BER Rating)



- Current house layout and restricted gross floor area is not suitable to ensure a sustainable future for this house type for the next 50 years, as requirements have changed.

- Lack of insulation throughout is resulting in substantial heat loss and over-reliance on Primary Energy sources.

- It is apparent from analysis carried out that there is a very high risk of both surface humidity and condensation build-up within these structures owing to the both the nature of their construction, and the lack of controlled ventilation. This moisture buildup may result in the degradation of materials such as timbers, possibly resulting in wet rot. It will also give rise to the potential for the growth of mould and mildew both on wall and ceiling surfaces where it is clearly visible, as well as in concealed spaces such as within ceilings.

- The concrete structure affords a relatively high level of air tightness, but the lack of controlled ventilation and high permeability of materials elsewhere within the structures means that there is the opportunity for much of this condensation to evaporate therefore not manifesting as a problem currently. However in addressing the heat loss situation in the properties with added insulation and reduced air permeability, these problems will come to the fore unless addressed.

- Linear thermal bridging is a considerable issue owing to original detailing, some easier to deal with than others. The cast in-situ concrete chimney stack is a particular



Initial Measures...Not there yet, but might this be enough?



Revised Status - BER A3 Primary Energy Use 66 kWhrs/m² year

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CEILING TO ATTIC:

300mm Isover Metac Mineral Wool between and above existing ceiling joists on original 12.5mm plasterboard ceiling with 2.5mm skim finish, layer of Intello Plus membrane fitted directly to underside of original ceiling and taped to perimeter wet plaster walls with Tescon tape with new 12.5mm plasterboard ceiling with 2.5mm skim finish to underside.

U-Value: 0.09 W/m²K

ROOF TO EXTENSIONS:

3mm Zinc roof finish on 8.5mm Permo sec 'Hairy Chest' membrane on Ampatec Protecta layer on 172mm Kingspan TEK panel (comprising 15mm OSB on 142 Insulation on 15mm OSB), biscuit jointed as per Manufacturer's details, all joints in TEK panels taped with Tescon tape, with 35mm battens to interior to proivide service void for electrics with Vapour Control Layer fitted above 12.5mm plaster board ceiling with 2.5mm skim finish.

U-Value: 0.12 W/m²K

WALLS TO EXTENSIONS: 10mm Aquapanel on 55mm vertical battens providing ventilation space with insect mesh on 172mm Kingspan TEK panel (comprising 15mm OSB on 142 Insulation on 15mm OSB), biscuit jointed as per Manufacturer's details, with

<u>FLOOR:</u> 65mm polished concrete screed on 50mm Kingspan K3 insulation on 150mm concrete raft on DPM/ Radon barrier on 250mm Kingspan K3 insulation on

Existing tiled removed and replaced on Apmatec Protecta vapour diffuse

breather membrane on 35mm battens with 75mm Isover Metac Mineral Wool between existing 100mm rafters, original 12.5mm plasterboard ceiling with

2.5mm skim finish to remain to underside of rafters with a layer of Intello Plus

membrane fitted directly to underside of original ceiling and taped to perimeter wet plaster walls with Tescon tape with new 50mm Kingspan K17 dry lining

with Vapour Control Layer finished with 12.5mm plasterboard ceiling with

2.5mm skim finish to underside.

U-Value: 0.21 W/m²K

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- Increase in floor area to 78m² - full compliance with DOE Guidelines. Small single storey extensions front and rear constructed using 172mm SIPS panels with additional insulation to interior for walls and roofs.

- Redesign of internal layout to provide larger open plan living space to rear of house, including a space for a home office.

- Replace existing ground floor slab throughout with polished concrete Passive Slab, including insulated foundations.

- Repurposing of chimney structure within house for vertical service riser (SVP, Extract, M&E). If existing concrete structure is to remain in place, new insulated pressed metal housing terminal to be fitted to chimeny above roof line.

- 150mm EPS External Wall Insulation with Baumit render to be fitted to existing concrete walls. xisting pebble dash to be plastered to provide tight fit. Existing concrete details at ring beam, window cills and canopy to door to be cut back in line with wall.

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—— Replacement 25mm concrete tiles - 1.5 W/mK

