

Design and Access Statement

9 Stevenson Square, Manchester

Alterations to existing canopy, new signage, and new electricity kiosk



1.1 General Description

9 Stevenson Square is an existing former mill building located on the corner of Stevenson Square and Lever Street. It was formerly used as offices and a bank and is currently undergoing a full refurbishment. It is a 4-storey brick building with later additions in the form of a new canopy to the Stevenson Square elevation. The building is located within the Stevenson Square conservation area.

The current application seeks approval for amendments to the existing canopy which involve reducing it in size as well as recladding the existing canopy structure, new signage in conjunction with the canopy and a new electricity kiosk to be located in the rear yard area.

1.2 Amount

There is no extension proposed. The canopy will be reduced in size from its current form and the kiosk will be 3.1m x 3.7m.

1.3 Scale

The scale of the proposed kiosk will mean it is subservient to the existing building and it will be located within an existing yard which is enclosed on all 4 sides (3 by buildings and 1 by an existing gate). The kiosk will have space around it on all four sides to allow for access and fire escape from the main building. The scale of the signage will be in proportion with signage in the surrounding area, and the contents of the signage will say '9 Stevenson Square' and will be 196mm tall x 2826mm wide.

1.4 Landscape

There are no landscaping works proposed as part of this proposal.

1.5 Appearance

The proposed alterations to the canopy and signage are designed to enhance the existing building and also the surrounding area of Stevenson Square.

1.6 Access

Access to the building will be unaffected by the proposal, with access at the front entrance via a double door, and access to the rear as existing. Adequate space has been allowed around the kiosk for exit and fire escape from the rear of the building.