

PROJECT	77-79 MOSLEY ST	DATE	April 2025
PROJECT REF.	1995	REVISION	

App refs: 139183/FO/2024, 139184/LO/2024

This report is written in support of a Discharge of Conditions application, for the following conditions:

139183/FO/2024

22) Notwithstanding the details as set out in condition 2 above no works shall commence in relation to the following items unless and until final details (including where appropriate specification and method statement) of the following have been submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as Local Planning Authority:
b) Reinstatement works to original shopfronts;

139184/LO/2024

7) Notwithstanding the details as set out in condition 2 above no works shall commence in relation to the following items unless and until final details (including where appropriate specification and method statement) of the following have been submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as Local Planning Authority:
b) Reinstatement works to original shopfronts;
c) Interface of partition to reception area and retained shopfront;

Shopfront Design.

Existing.

Temporary opening up works have now been carried out, and we have been able to take a measured survey of the existing fabric within the shopfront.

In summary:

The only remaining elements of the historic shopfront are the 2 no. cast iron columns (front faces), and a the decorative cast iron and stone spandrel/signage over.

Behind each cast iron column, a steel 'U' column has been installed.

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Column head and spandrel, with stone signage panels over.



Main column body with the remaining aluminium modern shopfront visible to each side.

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Side of cast iron column showing interface with later steel 'U' column.

Despite our architectural historian carrying out archive research, the only evidence we have of the previous shopfront design, is the image below from the 1954 application to turn the corner unit into the Huddersfield Building Society.

It is thought that this traditional shopfront was then covered over before 1973, as can be seen in the photograph below. There is no photographic evidence of the shopfront drawn in the 1954 drawing.



Shopfront shown indicatively on the 1954 application for the corner unit.

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Photograph from 1973 with the traditional shopfront covered/removed.

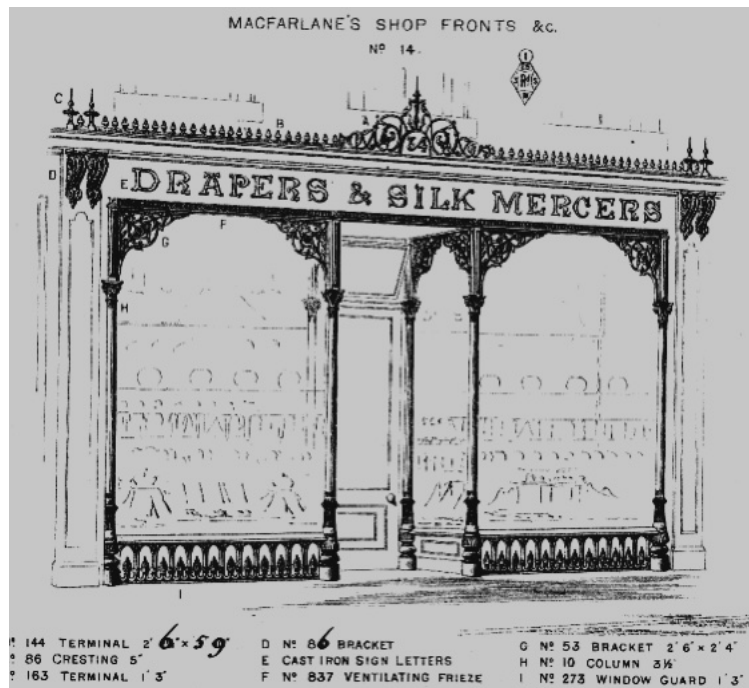
Proposed.

We have developed a modern shopfront design, which takes reference from the archive evidence, whilst working with the material configuration found on site.

As can be seen on the image below, typically cast iron shopfronts such as this, were made from a kit of parts ordered from the foundry. Typically, there would be a complete

frame in which to install the glass.

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Typical shopfront configuration formed from a kit of cast iron castings. E.g. McFarlanes.

However, in this case, there is no evidence of a frame ever having been in place to either side of the opening. These jambs are stone internally and sit upto the face of the currently installed modern shopfront.

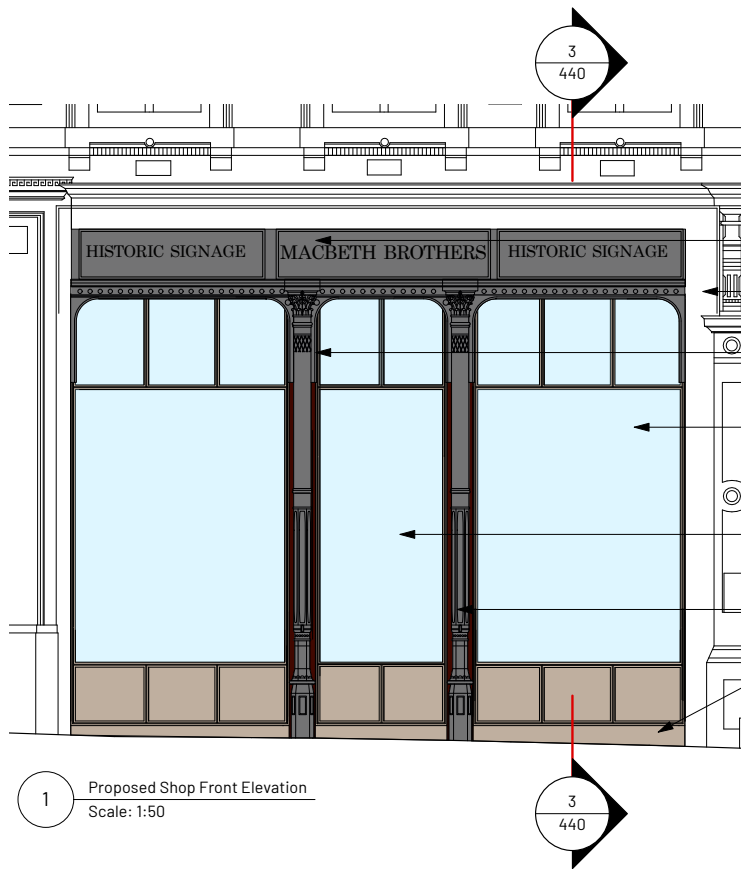
Equally, there is no evidence of such a piece of iron having been cut away from the remaining cast iron shopfront members, such as the horizontal enrichment band, the spandrel, or the columns.

It may have been that the shopfront itself was formed from a timber frame which was set back from the pavement line to create a display area, and perhaps a recessed door.

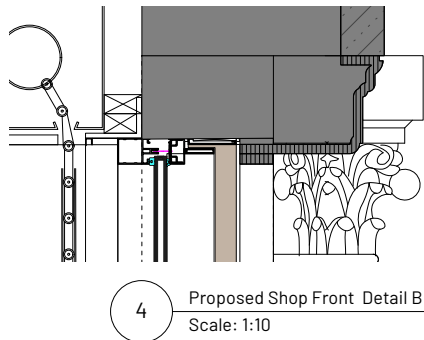
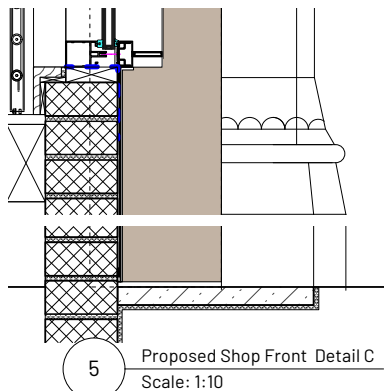
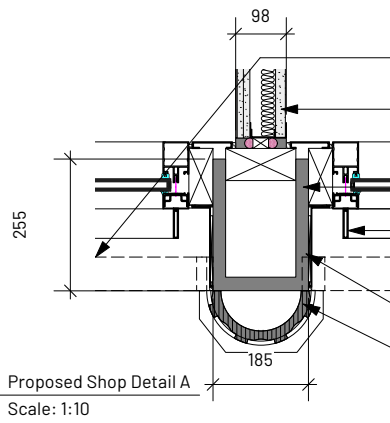
However, there is no photographic evidence of sufficient quality to determine the historic shopfront configuration, and the existing shopfront has at some point been modified to include 'U' section steel columns behind each cast iron column.

Therefore, we are proposing to install a simple modern glazed shopfront to the rear of the existing cast iron.

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Proposed Elevation.



Proposed Details.

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- Anodised bronze coloured aluminium framing has been chosen to offer the warmth of timber, but recognise that this is not the original shopfront – nor can it be, as the evidence of such framing is not available.
- The frame is located behind the cast iron frontage line, with a neutral shadow gap located between it and the existing columns.
- A refined 'T' shaped frame profile is designed to continue this minimalist contemporary solution.
- A solid stallriser echoes the traditional configuration, along with the high level smaller panes beneath the signage.
- The signage and existing cast iron decorative framing will all be restored using like for like materials and methods as detailed in the NBS. The colour will be confirmed following paint analysis.
- The new frame will be fixed back to the existing steel members with steel brackets. It is not intended to fix anything into the existing cast iron framing.
- The security shutter is located internally, and when open, will not be visible externally. The ultimate requirement for this will be determined by the end users based on any security concerns they may have in this respect.