

Globe & Simpson Building

Manchester

Proposed Façade Modifications – Design Strategy/Evaluation

Works are proposed to introduce additional localised doors and louvres to the New Quay Street and St. John's Square elevations at the Globe & Simpson building. The works are localised to the ground floor and mezzanine levels of the building, and are proposed in support of a new F&B occupation to the current vacant unit.

In arriving at the current design proposals, the F&B occupancy of the space together with the original design of the base building and the overall building occupancy has largely dictated the strategy.

Whilst New Quay Street is the public highway running parallel and adjacent to the Globe & Simpson building, the principal frontages of the ground floor unit front Water Street and St. John's Square.

Noting the position of the existing main entrances to the ground floor unit, this dictates the internal spatial design layout of the F&B occupation, with the greeting, seating and bar areas located in proximity to the main entrance doors. The “back of house” operations for a F&B operation would be typically at the rear of the unit and in this instance would be the New Quay Street elevation.

Whilst the New Quay Street elevation fronts the public highway, it already captures back of house functionality, which serves the overall building. Means of escape doors, delivery entrance doors, substation access doors and louvres are already present to the elevation, and the new installations will replicate the design and colour of the existing installations.

In terms of internal distribution of services, the internal vertical risers are being utilised as part of the overall building occupation including the ground floor unit, however to support F&B offering the modifications to the façades is required.