

Design and Access Statement

Project Reference: 7135

Project Description: UoM Museum Kitchen Alterations

Client: University of Manchester
Manchester Museum, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9GP

Site Address:
(if different from above)

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1. Introduction

Further to The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2013 this Design and Access statement deals with the issues listed within the (no. 1238) amended article 4.-(1) Design and access statements 8.-(1) clauses 3 (a) to (e) – i.e. those abbreviated in the contents above.

2. Design Principles

The University of Manchester wish to improve the existing café kitchen and function kitchen, replacing with fittings as shown on Alliance drawing 002 and 005. Whilst improving these fittings, the proposals include replacing the existing PVC wall cladding, vinyl flooring and metal ceiling tiles. In addition, it has been identified by the University that access to the function kitchen through an escape staircase is not ideal and thus an alternate entrance formed. Further detail of these alterations are included within the Heritage Statement and the drawings.

3. Appraisal of Context

As contained within the Heritage Statement, the proposed works are to the internal elements of the building.

The buildings most significant heritage assets are its external features.

4. Policy

The Heritage Statement addresses the Planning Policy. It states “In line with Section 16 of the NPPF and the Planning Act 1990 (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas), the alterations proposed will not lead to substantial harm or loss to Manchester Museum and will secure its optimum viable use by the University of Manchester.”

5. Consultation

The layout of the kitchens has been agreed with University of Manchester.

The drawings and specification will be issued to an Approved Inspector, or local authority for Building Regulations Approval.

The drawings and specification will be issued to Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service for their consultation.

Manchester City Council have not been approached prior to this application.

6. Address of specific issues

The new entrance into the function kitchen has been made of suitable width to accommodate all users in accordance with building regulations document M.

The removal of part of the servery provides improved access for staff into the café kitchen.