

Design and Access Statement

Introduction

1. This Statement accompanies an application for listed building consent. It has been prepared in order to summarise the extent of the works proposed. This should be read in conjunction with the submitted pack, prepared by Fowler Martin and Heritage Statement, prepared by Gerald Eve LLP.

Purpose and Scope

2. The general purpose of the proposal is to improve the safety of the buildings through the replacement of the existing fire alarm systems.
3. The works are predominantly internal and relate to the fixing of devices and cabling to walls and ceilings, to support the fire alarm systems. Minor external works are also proposed.
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5. The proposed works would be sensitive to the heritage asset and would not involve any adverse disturbance to the listed building and fabric, which would undermine its significance. Furthermore, the works would preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.
6. The proposals have been assessed against the relevant policies and are considered to accord with the development plan.

Access

7. There are no changes proposed to the method of access to the building. Existing access arrangements will be retained via the main building entrances along Gordon Square and additional secondary access via the rear of the building. Within the building there is stair access to all floors.

Conclusion

8. The proposal seeks to replace the existing fire alarm system with a more modern and compliant system. The works are in full accordance with the relevant planning policies of the development plan.