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Design & Access Statement Replacement Entrance Doors Thistle Hotel, 126, Southampton Row, London, WC1B 5AD

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1. Introduction

1.1.1 This Design & Access Statement has been prepared by Malcolm Hollis LLP in connection with a planning application submitted on behalf of Guoman & Thistle Hotel Support Office. The application seeks planning permission for the replacement of existing glazed double entrance doors, with new automatic glazed double entrance doors. The existing doors have been in place for many years and our client has now identified the need to replace them with a more efficient automatic solution.

2. Site Context

- 2.1.1 The application site is located within the London district of Camden, bounded by Southampton Row to the South West and Queen Square to the North.
- 2.1.2 The building is currently operating as a hotel.

3. Site Design

- 3.1.1 The proposed automatic glazed double entrance doors will sit within the existing opening. The glazed arch above will remain.
- 3.1.2 The existing layout of the hotel entrance and reception will remain unaltered as a result of these proposals.
- 3.1.3 The scale of the proposed doors is to match the existing being replaced.
- 3.1.4 The proposed doors shall be glazed and finished with a brushed stainless steel frame.

4. Summary

- 4.1.1 The design of the scheme has been based on the form and context of the existing facade and neighbouring properties. The design process, the results of which are outlined in this report, have resulted in a design which responds to the sites existing features. The approach to the design of the doors complement the existing building and minimises impact on surrounding properties
- 4.1.2 The site provides an accessible environment by foot, cycle and car. No existing links are lost as a result of the proposals.
- 4.1.3 The scale of the proposals closely match the existing in terms of height, scale and materials.