

**DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF
A PLANNING APPLICATION FOR MINOR ALTERATIONS TO
THE FRONT ELEVATION OF
TAC HANDEL STREET, LONDON WC1N 1NP**



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1. Introduction

1.1 This application is for planning approval for alterations to one of the entrances into the building on the Handel Street elevation.

1.2 This proposed minor alteration is part of an essential ongoing programme of works to upgrade parts of the TAC Handel Street building. The upgrading is required to accommodate additional staff following the amalgamation of the Navy, Army and Air Force recruiting organisation into one body, part of which is based at the TAC Handel Street.

1.3 The proposed alterations include –

- Replacement of the existing single door leaf and adjacent window with a new glazed door.

2. Details of the alterations

2.1 The new entrance screen will consist of an openable leaf, approximately 900mm wide, to allow wheel chair access into the building, the existing door is too narrow for wheelchair access.

3. Access to the building

3.1 The widened approach and front door will allow wheelchair access, compatible with Approved Document M of the Building Regulations. Other, ongoing internal alterations to this part of the building include a new ramp from the entrance door into the main entry level of the building. On this level is a disabled toilet and a lift which provides access to all floors in the building.