

56 Goodge Street, London
Benito's Hat
Design, Access & Heritage Statement

Description of Development/environment

Benito's Hat, Goodge Street is a food retail operation providing hot & cold consumables for people visiting the retail unit. The available options to the consumer include hot soups, salads, taco's, burrito's, hot & cold drinks and additional 'impulse' goods available at the retail till point.

Customers have the option to dine in the retail unit, sit outside on the provided external seating or take away their items for consumption off the premises.

Key Access Issues of the Design/Policy

In accordance with current DDA regulations, disabled access to Benito's Hat, Goodge Street, London, has been accommodated within company policy by the following facilities and processes.

- Once inside the space, corridor and passing widths are sufficient to allow all users to access the required areas.
- The building has retained it's entrance original step in keeping with the surrounding units meaning that step free access is not possible. However, it is Benito's Hat's company policy to assist customers with access into their property where required and provide accommodation where practical in all and any way possible to facilitate the needs of customers and staff whilst within the Benito's Hat retail environment.
- A carefully designed lighting system of spot lights recessed into the ceiling outlines directional walkways throughout the space. These lighting levels are sufficient to provide good visibility for movement within the space to all users as well as informative signage.

In addition to the lighting, a contrasting colour scheme has been included.

On request, a member of staff will be available to assist in product selection, purchase and carriage of purchase to place of chosen onsite consumption.

Heritage Policy

Grade II listed house, now with ground-floor restaurant. c.1760 on land held by the Goodge family. EXTERIOR. Ground floor altered in C20. Above is a regular facade in which five of six C18 sash windows survive with small paned glazing bars under gauged brick heads. At rear the ground floor is built out.

Benito's Hat intend to replace the current tired and mismatched fascia sign with a clean singular fascia with non internally illuminated lettering to avoid glare. It is Benito's Hat's intention to reuse the existing trough lighting which will be repainted in a matching grey Pantone to the fascia signage itself in order to be provide a more subtle and discreet approach to the lighting.