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DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

Ref: 14 Roger Street, Camden, WC1N 2LN

LAYOUT

The design and layout of the proposal has been very carefully thought out. As a national provider of substance misuse services, we look very carefully at the design and layout of our buildings and services to ensure that we achieve well designed and safe environments for our service users.

As you will see from our proposal, the basement, ground, 1st and 2nd floor areas are designated to client access areas, while the 3rd floor will be dedicated as a staff administration area.

The layout of the client areas will promote accessibility for members of the community that may in other buildings struggle to gain access; wheelchair access is also available.

The premises will also benefit from linked security to the local police and key holding services as well as the ability to be remotely accessed.

To further detail our design access statement I have included a summary of the key points that we took into consideration when preparing our application.



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

<p>Site Address</p>	<p>14 Roger Street, London WC1N 2LN</p>
<p>Description of Development</p>	<p>CRI intend to use the premises to operate the Camden Substance Misuse Service. The service consists of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Access / Drop In • Structured Day Programme which includes Psychosocial Interventions • Care Planned Counselling in both a group and individual setting • Needle Exchange • Health Care Assessments and Treatment. <p>This service is provided for clients resident in the Borough of Camden only.</p>
<p>Key Access Issues</p>	<p>There is currently one entrance to the premises, This entrance allows for DDA access from the road. A Disabled door buzzer set at low level will be provided for DDA Access.</p> <p>The ground, first and second floors will be dedicated to client services and will incorporate a series of interview / counselling rooms, group rooms and a life skills kitchen. The third floor is dedicated as an administrative base for staff.</p> <p>The control of access to all areas will be controlled by digi-locks to all doors. The doors will also benefit from DDA compliant safety glazed viewing panels and door closers.</p>
<p>Entrance</p>	<p>The main entrance for clients to the building will be via the front entrance clients will have to go through an air lock which will be controlled by the reception staff, the door will benefit from an intercom, CCTV and door release button controlled internally.</p>
<p>Location</p>	<p>When deciding on this particular site, the geographical location of public transport was a key factor, by the nature of our clients they will generally access the service on foot or by bus. The service is a few minutes walk from all major bus routes. This proximity allows all clients from the borough to access the service. CRI conducted</p>

	<p>a full assessment of the Borough to establish the most appropriate location to locate this service. Camden DAAT have specified that the service must operate from a site that is South of the Euston Road. CRI and Camden DAAT recognise that this area has areas of high public interest / tourism. CRI enclose our assessment conducted on the area for places of high public interest / tourism along with an assessment of local school provisions and high density residential areas. CRI believes that in 14 Roger Street, we have identified one of the few properties in an area that could house such a service without impact on areas of high public interest / tourism and high density residential area.</p>
<p>Opening Hours</p>	<p>Opening Hours (Staff):</p> <p>Monday to Friday - 8.00am – 8.00pm Saturday – 9am – 6pm</p> <p>Opening Hours (Clients): Monday to Friday - 9.00am - 7.00pm Saturday – 10am – 5pm</p>
<p>Parking</p>	<p>14 Roger Street does not benefit from it's own parking. Local parking restrictions apply. CRI's staff are encouraged to travel to work by public transport only. The premises benefits from easy access to all public transport services. Our service users are generally not in a position to own a vehicle and therefore we do not believe that there will be any impact of an increased number of vehicles to the area.</p>
<p>Security</p>	<p>All CRI premises benefit from comprehensive security installations; this includes CCTV, Panic Alarms, High Specification Intruder Alarm, Fire Alarm and Door Access Control. We also include on our installations monitoring to Custodian Monitoring Stations and Police Response Services</p> <p>These measures are preventative rather than the anticipation of problems on our buildings; clients enter into a strict code of conduct when receiving treatment by our projects. Failure to abide by the agreed conduct can result in being excluded from the service.</p>

<p>Affects on neighbouring premises</p>	<p>All CRI premises operate a discreet service. A small discreet plaque will be placed close to the front door with the CRI logo etched in aluminium. Regular maintenance to the external paintwork etc will be carried out in line with our lease agreements. Consultation and good basic neighbouring work is always emphasised to keep good relationships with close by businesses and residential premises.</p> <p>Projects carried out by the service users of the service sometimes involve the cleaning of neighbouring premises, streets, pathways etc.</p>
<p>Plans</p>	<p>We have included the floor plans for the proposed service which include the proposed layout changes.</p>
<p>DDA Access</p>	<p>The premises benefits from a one main entrance which is DDA compliant. Within the building there is a DDA compliant lift to all floors and DDA accessible toilet facilities are already installed.</p>