

Design and Access Statement

23 Russell Square – Installation of a Timber Louver

23 Russell Square is part of the part of the School of Oriental and African studies and is a grade II listed building. Currently there is a large maintenance program being undertaken and as part of the project the mechanical and electrical consultant has informed ourselves that it is necessary to improve the ventilation in the basement to room FB09 which is where the gas meter is located.

Having looked at a number of options it was decided that replacing the top glazed pain of glass in the window to room FB09 with a timber louver would be the most suitable option.

This decision was made as it is not only the most practical option in regards to providing ventilation but will also minimise the effect to the character of the building. Using a louver in this location will compliment the louver vent adjacent the window on the Western elevation as can be seen in the photo below.

The proposed louver is to be finished to match the window finish so there is to be no contrast between the window and the new timber louver.

There will be no change to the access of the window.

Existing
Louver to
Western
Elevation.



Proposed top
glazing to be
removed and
timber Louver
installed.