



**58 Russell Square,
London WC1B 4HS**

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1. Introduction

The proposal being put forward is for a new partition wall with door to divide a large office into an office and lobby.

The building address is 58 Russell Square, London WC1B 4HS. This building is a Grade II listed building within the Bedford Estates and is in the Bloomsbury Conservation Area. It is in the Borough of Camden.

The building is one of two buildings that house the London Mathematical Society which comprises 57–58 Russell Square, London WC1B 4HS.

2. Design Principles and Context

The design principles for the proposal entail the creation of spaces within the building to serve the current requirements of the Society while respecting the existing fabric of the Grade II listed building.

The partition wall was designed in such a way so as not to damage the existing building fabric and can be removed at a later date with minimal making good to the walls and ceiling.

The original, ornate plaster cornice will be retained and protected from damage. The existing landing door is to be rehung in the new partition wall.

The partition was designed to appear as if it was part of the original building with matching proportions and details, as is appropriate for a historic building.

3. Approach to Access

The proposed wall, which separates a large office into an office and a lobby, is on the first floor of the 5-storey terraced building. The first floor is currently reached by stairs in both 57 and 58 Russell Square; a lift in 58 Russell Square stops on a half-landing 11 steps below the first floor. This access will not change.

The reused door is wide enough at 0.89 metres to accommodate a wheelchair and ambulant disabled people.

4. Local Planning Policies

The Local Authority (London Borough of Camden) were consulted about this proposal: both the Planning Team and the Conservation Team were approached and gave guidance on how to proceed. It was advised that although Planning Permission would not be required, a Listed Building Consent Application would be needed.