



Design & Access Statement Supplementary Information For External Platform Lift



47 Russell Square, WC1B 4JP

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INTRODUCTION

This Design and Access Statement Supplementary Information provides more detailed information about the proposed installation of an external disabled platform lift referred to in the existing Planning and Listed Building applications at 46 - 47 Russell Square, London WC1B 4JP, references 2015/7277 & 2016/0323.

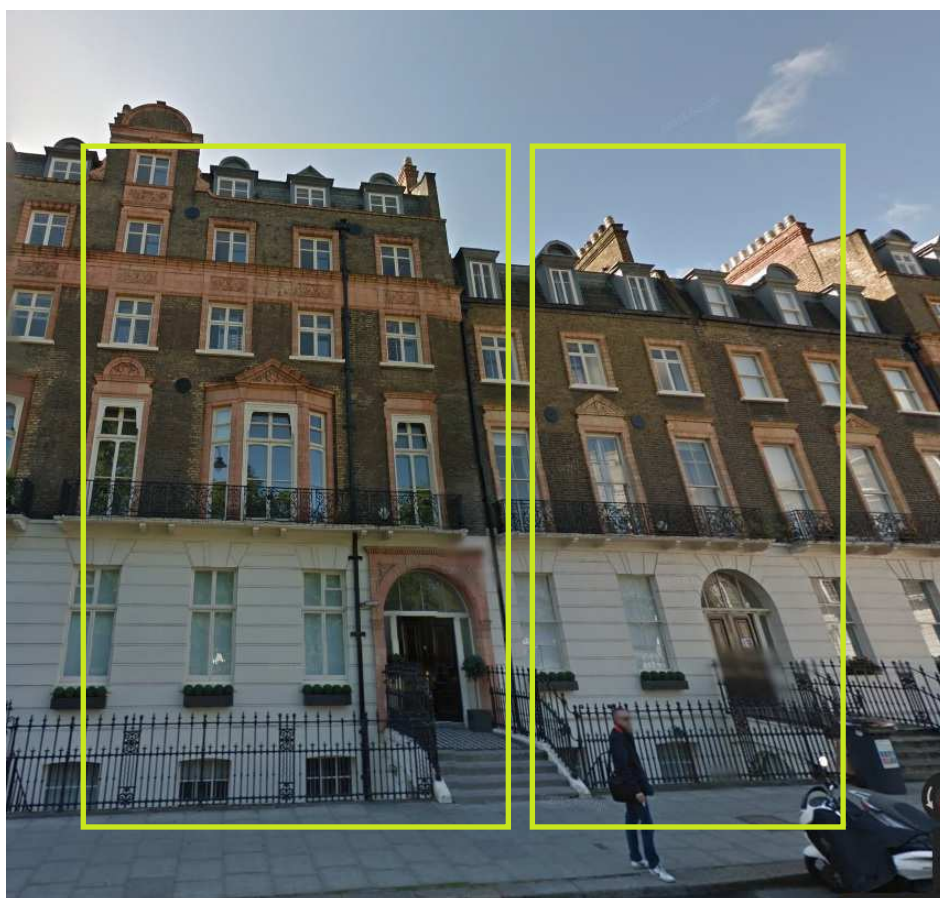
This document is to be read in connection with the original application documents and drawings in addition to the following documents submitted at the same time as this supplement to the Design and Access Statement:

1. Heritage Assessment Supplementary information regarding disabled lift dated February 2016
2. Drawing 4054/D/(-)100 rev.0 Proposed External Lift

1.0 THE EXISTING BUILDING

The grade II listed buildings (no. 46 & 47) were originally two separate townhouses, built by developer James Burton in c1800, which were subsequently joined together.

Previous alterations to these building include changes of use and internal alterations, including removal of internal walls and doors and the additional services within the property. A lift giving access to all levels within both houses has been previously installed, however in order to gain access to the lift you need to have already accessed the building from pavement level, by either walking up the five stone steps to the front door at ground floor level, or down fifteen stone steps to enter the building at basement level via the lightwell. This arrangement is characteristic of the street and property period and therefore must be retained because of the building’s listed status.



No. 47

No. 46

2.0 ARCHITECTURAL PROPOSAL

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

As noted in Section 1 “The Existing Building”, there is already an existing lift within number 46 giving access to all floors within number 46 and 47 Russell Square, however in order to get into the building and access the lift there is a stone flight of stairs up to the front door and another down to the door at basement level.

This proposal aims to overcome the issue of gaining initial access to the building, by installing a platform lift within the front lightwell to pavement level and basement level. The proposed platform lift would be located within the front lightwell of number 47 and will enable wheelchairs users to enter the building at lower ground floor level, from where there is level access to the existing internal lift which gives access to all other floors in both houses.

The new platform lift will be formed of frameless clear glass panels with handrails and fixings in black gloss to be as discreet as possible behind the new gate which will be formed within a section of the existing railings.

EXTERNAL TREATMENT

- The new gate which will access the platform lift will be made from a section of metal railings to match the existing railings in order to maintain visual consistency.
- The platform lift will have a Yorkstone floor to match that in the basement lightwell.
- The platform lift will have clear frameless glass sides with discreet controls mounted on painted black posts

3.0 PRECEDENTS

3.1 St Pauls Chapter House - Paternoster Square - adjacent to St Pauls Cathedral
This external lift has been installed to the front of a grade I listed building within the City of London. At 188mmx1200mm it is slightly larger than our proposed platform lift but is similar in the materials used, the new gate matches the existing railings and the glass enclosure is near invisible.



3.0 PRECEDENTS

3.2 Estonian Embassy - 44 Queens Gate Terrace, London, SW7 5PJ
This external lift has been installed within a lightwell of this grade II listed building in a similar position to our proposal. At 1700mmx1200mm it is slightly larger than our proposed platform lift but is similar in the materials used, the new gate matches the existing railings and the enclosure is glass with powdercoated



the lift at pavement level

the lift at lower level



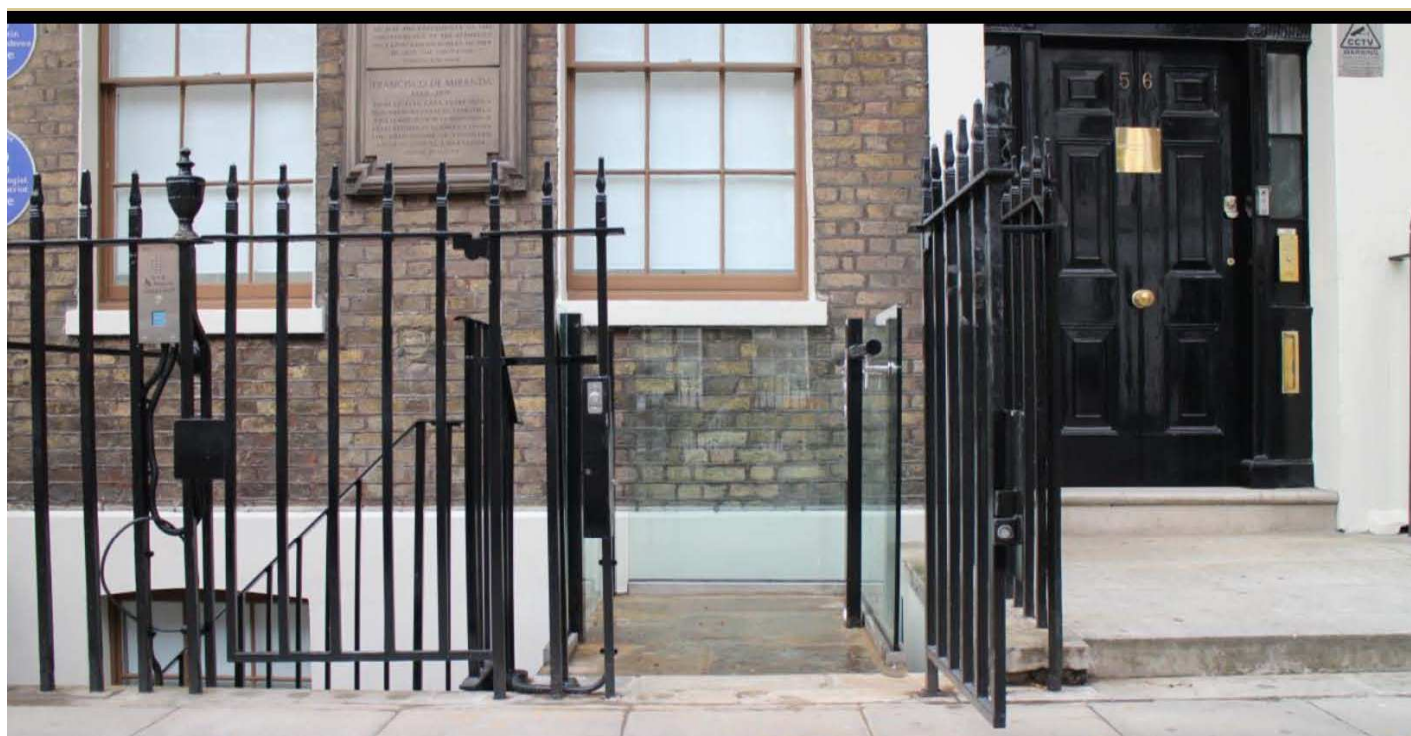
the lift with gate open at pavement level



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Some further examples

