

Heritage Statement.

The Brunswick (shopping) Centre is the lower part of a Grade II 'Megastructure' (List entry 1246230). It comprises two, linked blocks of 500 flats with the shopping centre, and basements. It was designed in the 1960s and is an example of re-enforced concrete megastructure. The structure is of historic interest rather than architectural. Vodafone has a shop within the centre. It has no modern communications link (e.g. wi-fi). This proposal will bring broadband into the shop from the fibre network below Handel Street. There is no anticipated impact on the special interest of the building as the cabling works are within the basement of the Centre, and non-public parts of the shop. The basement already contains a large amount of services for the shops above. Impact has been avoided as the other option would have been to excavate the shopping centre footpath. Vodafone engages the services of Chartered Surveyor/Chartered Town Planner, Euan FS Pearson FRGS MRTPI MRICS to assist with works it intends to carry out on listed buildings etc. Reference is always made to the listing description published by Historic England. Relevant English Heritage guidance is also considered