

Design & Access Statement

International Lutheran Student Centre, 30 Thanet Street WC1H 9QH

Installation of a New Entrance Door

29th March 2018

Background

Following two break-ins through their Thanet Street entrance, the ILSC has sought the advice of the Metropolitan Police's design-out-crime department. Among other points, they were advised that the installation of a new entrance door in line with the main building facade would greatly improve security of the property, as this would remove the existing recess where criminals can hide from view.

This planning application proposes the new entrance door in line with the police's recommendations.

Design

The new door will sit in the plane of the main facade, converting the current sheltered external space into an internal lobby.

The new door and solid panel were carefully designed with the character of this 1970s building in mind. We consulted the former project architect at the original designers Maguire and Murray Architects when deciding on the proportions and use of glazing bars. The new door matches the scale of the fenestration of the building and the architectural style.

Access

The access to the building is not changed by the proposal.

The access into the building will be available by disabled visitors and users of the building, with there being a level threshold and a clear door opening of at least 850mm.