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DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

Planning Issue

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1.0 BACKGROUND

This design and access statement has been prepared to support the application for planning permission at UCL Woburn Square for the temporary relocation of an existing security cabin.

2.0 THE SITE

Woburn Square comprises two roads that sit either side of Woburn Square Garden, with Gordon Square at one end and pedestrian access to UCL SOAS and IOE at the other. Deliveries of goods and services to the IOE are accommodated for by a private road that connects Thornhaugh Street to Woburn Square.

The proposal looks to temporarily site a security cabin behind an existing security gate on Woburn Square at the junction with Gordon Square.

In the proposed location there currently sits a vehicular barrier system which will be rearranged to accommodate the relocated security cabin.



Proposed site for relocated cabin behind existing security gate / vehicular barrier

There are no trees on the site.

3.0 THE PROPOSAL

The proposal forms part of a wider strategy being implemented by UCL to improve the logistics operation currently in place. A 'management plan' (prepared by others) should be referred to, to ascertain both the details and the projected benefits of this in full.

The benefits of the proposal in the immediate vicinity of the Woburn Square area are aimed toward improving parking and security control, (for UCL), vehicular circulation and pedestrian safety whilst maintaining the public access through the area.

The works indicated include:-

1. Refurbishment of the existing gate / operational point of control.
2. Relocation of a security cabin for on-site personnel at this point, (for a temporary duration whilst a separate application for a more permanent cabin is prepared).
3. Upgrade / relining of road markings with a view to improving vehicular circulation and improve pedestrian safety.

4.0 LANDSCAPING

No works involved

5.0 ACCESS, PARKING AND TRAFFIC

There are a number of existing parking bays and road demarcations on Woburn Square including a number of 'keep clear' areas that are necessary to facilitate the movement of deliveries to and from the IOE by means of the service road.

The parking restrictions delineated, however, are not currently enforced and as such the road is often littered with cars in 'keep clear' areas and on the double-yellow lines.

Road markings would be upgraded / relined and enforced by the security personnel situated in the relocated cabin with a view to properly managing traffic & parking in this area and as such improve both the vehicular circulation and pedestrian safety in the process. Use of a 'manned solution' means that the existing gate can be left open, maintaining the existing public access through.

6.0 CONCLUSION

This minor proposal to temporarily relocate an existing security cabin aims to improve parking and security control on Woburn Square with a view to improving pedestrian safety and the management of deliveries as a result.