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Great Russell Street, WC1

FAO Josh Lawlor

Thank you for allowing me to comment on planning application 2019/4797/P which relates to the change of use of a telephone kiosk outside The British Museum, Great Russell Street, WC1 into a retail kiosk.

I have reviewed the application and have no objections to the proposal but have the following comments and recommendations to make.

Comments and Recommendations

- ∞ Lock Ideally this should meet BS 3621 (it does not state on the application if the lock submitted meets this standard) but there should be no keys ever left inside the lock on the internal side, so the risk of someone being able to open the door after breaking the glass is mitigated.
- Glass The glazing specified is not security rated, just toughened, but should be adequate for this type of proposal as the risk of person accessing the unit is low. Consideration to how much a person can see what is within the unit must be made to reduce the temptation to an opportunist thief. So keeping high value items within the unit when not in use is advisable or if they are stored then kept within their own secure storage area. If on display one pane of glass could be removed and then just easily reached from the exterior.
- ∞ If a high value item is within the unit then property marking this with a crime prevention DNA marking kit will help to deter potential thieves if advertising its use within the unit is visible. Not only does this act as deterrent but any stolen property recovered can easily be traced back to the victim.

If the applicant wishes any further help or advice regarding crime prevention or physical security I will be more than happy to be contacted.

Kind regards

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