

## DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT

16-18 Hatton Garden, London. EC1N 8AT

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Front elevation

Shop front

### Introduction, Site and Context

The application site is at 16-18 Hatton Gardens, EC1N. The building is 5 storeys of multiple uses. The ground floor was used as a betting shop, however is now closed for refurbishment. Offices take up the rest of the floors above. This layout is typical of the Hatton Garden area.

The usage of these buildings is relatively similar; however, the building façades are very much different down the length of the street. The shop fronts mainly have boxing up to hip height with glazing above for display. The frontages are flush with the building façade, with the entrance door being set back. No's.16-18 is currently fully glazed in a diagonal position to the street line with one entrance to the left.

The signage along the street consists of one hanging sign and a large sign above the entrance.

The client's design brief is to keep the existing the shop front but to rationalise the internal layout, improve the building condition and improve the quality of space and natural light throughout the property.

## **Design Proposal**

The client proposes a new sign to advertise the business name/logo. This is to be fixed in the existing recess at high level above the entrance door. Additionally to this, a projecting hanging sign will be hung on the existing dark grey tiles that surround the shop.

Internal alterations will make better use of the overall space. The proposed alterations will follow the detailing of the existing property and will therefore not affect the existing integrity or character of the building.

## **Access**

### Entrances

The existing ground floor is accessed via a small ramp from Hatton Garden. Internal access will remain as existing. All areas, routes and entrances will be well lit.