

289 High Holborn

DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

Application

The applicant wishes to replace the existing entrance to the offices at 289 High Holborn with a new slim profile Crittal style entrance door and patinated bronze finish surround.

The site is within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area and therefore requires planning permission.

The Existing Building



Photograph of the street elevation of 289 High Holborn

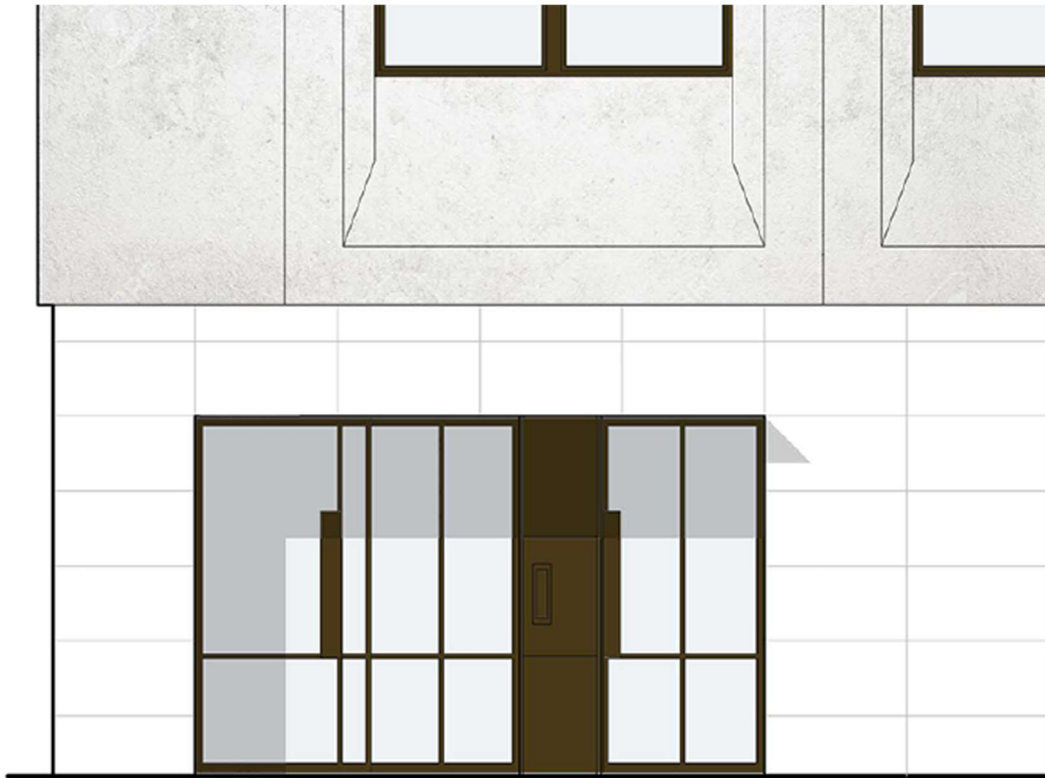
The existing building as can be seen above is brutalist in architectural style and the windows on the upper floors are aluminium in a grey-brown colour. The proposed entrance door will be much more in keeping with the style of the existing building and tie in with the existing fenestration.

Existing entrance doors



The existing entrance doors are polished stainless steel.

Design Proposal



Sketch of the proposed entrance doors

The main entrance to the upper floors will have inward opening double doors. A patinated bronze panel hides the wall separating the reception area from the access and emergency escape from the basement. There is also a letter box within this panel. The door to the basement opens inwards. The reveal of the doors is clad in patinated bronze.



Precedent for entrance doors – 25 Savile Row

Access

The design of the front door will allow access for all and will meet the requirements of Building Regulations Part M.