Design and Access Statement with Heritage Statement

Additional Doorset
College Building
for SOAS, University of London WC1H 0XG

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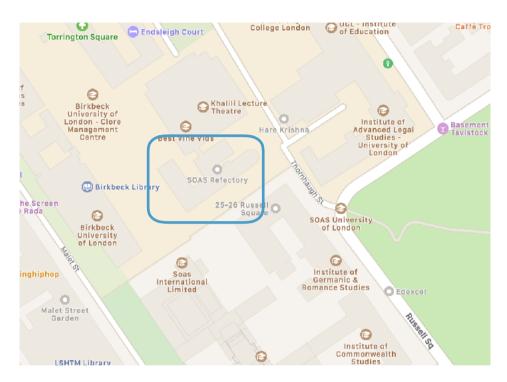
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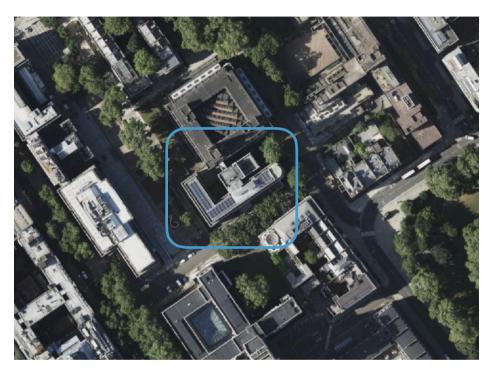


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1.00 Introduction

This Design & Access and Heritage Statement has been prepared in support of an application for listed building consent submitted by Kendall Kingscott Limited on behalf of SOAS University of London.

This Statement relates to the College Building. The address is:

SOAS University of London 10 Thornhaugh Street London WC1H 0XG



2.00 Site Description

Part of SOAS, the building is used for educational purposes and was first designated as a Grade II listed building on 28th March 1969. The Statutory Address was stated as SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES (UNIVERSITY OF LONDON), THORNHAUGH STREET.

The List Entry Number is 1379007. The description states:

University school. c1939-5. By Charles Holden. Brown brick with Portland stone dressings. 5 storeys and basements (4th floor set back). Main south front with 17 windows and curved corner bay (5 windows) treatment at east end. Single storey, 2 window projection at east end. Central entrance with plain stone surround and plaque with name of school over. Flush frame metal windows with horizontally set panes. Stone band and sill string at 1st floor level, echoed by dressing to parapet above 3rd floor. Cartouche with coat of arms centrally at 2nd floor level. Lead rainwater heads and pipes, dated 1940.

Source: Historic England

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Source: ssa.camden.gov

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3.00 Proposed Works

- The works involve the installation of a new fire rated wall and fire rated double doorset with access control on the first floor corridor 1/009 in the College Building.
- The works will require removal of lighting fixtures on the ceiling and preparing floor and wall surfaces before installing a new full height fire rated partition wall with new lighting. The wall and new double doorset will provide improved acoustics and security to offices based in the area. The new doorset is to match the existing doors, in particular, the doorset parallel to the other side of the area that is being improved.

4.00 Planning Policy

Under the Camden Local Plan 2017 Policy D2 Heritage (Section 7.42 Enhancing the historic environment)

states that the "Council has adopted detailed guidance for the preservation of heritage assets in the supplementary planning document Camden Planning Guidance on design". Issued in January 2021, item 5.6 General principles states "Where individual elements of buildings are being replaced or upgraded as part of maintenance work, materials should be used that respect the character and architectural integrity of existing buildings. The use of like-for-like replacements will often be the most appropriate design response to ensure that the overall design quality and composition of an existing building or group of buildings is not compromised."

The proposed doorset is an additional item of work based on these principles, namely the use of like- for-like materials in terms of timber, finishes and ironmongery.





5.00 Design and Access Statement

5.01 Use

The University is in continuous operation and the new doorset will be used by academics and professionals based in the offices in the area of the floor.

5.02 Amount



Only one doorset will be installed which is sufficient to address the issue of security and privacy. .

5.03 Layout

The layout of the building will be unchanged. There will only be one additional partition and doorset.

5.04 Scale

The work will require removal of lighting, preparation of floor and wall and ceiling surfaces before the installation of a single partition wall and double doorset, the installation of new lighting, access control and making good. The doorset will match the existing dimensions and proportions.





5.05 Landscaping

The existing hard landscaping will be unaffected by the proposals.

5.06 Appearance

The materials and finishes chosen for the works will involve patch repair of plaster and decorations to match the existing finish. The new doorset will match the finish and style of the adjacent doorset on this floor.

Existing door opposite the proposed new door location.

6.00 Parking and Access

Parking will be unaffected as there is no designated parking space adjacent.

7.00 Sustainability

Given the limited scope of work there is little opportunity to address sustainability issues. However, the timber will be FSC certified from responsibly managed forests.

8.00 Summary

This proposal involves small works which are designed to enhance the security of the area by installing a doorset and partition in matching materials appropriate for the College Building.