

Design and Access and Heritage Statement to support Planning application no PP-13536282: Natwest Bank, 22 George Street, Richmond, TW9 1JW



The replacement of the two external ATMs and new ATM tablet signage

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Heritage statement has been written in direct proportion to the minor scale of the proposed works. All necessary and relevant information has been included without the inclusion of any unnecessary information that does not have any relevance to proposed replacement works.

2.0 PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

This Natwest branch is located within Central Richmond Conservation Area. The origins of the settlement of the area date back to the 14th century. George Street formed part of an important coaching route to London. The area has been repeatedly redeveloped resulting in a variety of high quality buildings. Though many of the 18th century buildings have been gradually replaced by mid to late 19th and early 20th century architecture, many of the original buildings survive behind more modern frontages.

This Natwest branch is a 3-storey Georgian Style building of brick and stonework construction with pedimented sash windows with carved detailing to upper floors. The frontage is inset behind columns beneath dentilled cornice.

3.0 DESIGN CONCEPT

The bank is currently undertaking a national programme whereby they are replacing and upgrading their ATMs. The new ATMs will increase convenience for customers by allowing better access, a more ergonomical design and have cyber protected security. They are also accessible for people with hearing loss.

4.0 THE WORKS

The works comprise the replacement of the two external ATMs either side of the entrance to the building. The existing apertures are to be altered to suit the new ATMs and all disturbed finishes to be made good to match existing. New ATM tablet signs are to be installed to replace existing (see drawing).





5.0 IMPACT OF THE PROPOSAL

The visual impact of the proposal will be minimal. The ATMs and signage are to replace existing. The ATMs are located in the covered entrance, obscured by the columns, and are therefore sympathetic to the street scene and the amenity of the Central Conservation Area.

6.0 ACCESS

Access to the branch will not be affected by the proposed works nor will they affect the public space.

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