Design and Access Statement

Replacement Elevation Works

At: No. 16 Edward Street, Blackpool, FY1 1BA.

For: Blackpool Council

Introduction

This Design and Access Statement forms part of an application for Planning Permission for elevation works to Samaritans, 16 Edward Street, Blackpool, FY1 1BA.

The description of the proposal reads as follows:

"Removal of existing render, UPVC windows and doors, signage panels and replacement render finish, timber sash windows, hardwood doors, and new boundary treatment to include low-level boundary wall with painted metal railings."

Applications for signage and lighting will be made under separate cover.

This document should be read in conjunction with the following drawings:

- JBA337-PL-20.001 Site Location Plan
- JBA337-PL-20.002 Existing and Proposed Elevations

Background

A £7m project is underway to give some of Blackpool's key roads a facelift to make streets more welcoming and shops more vibrant. The project began in January 2017 with upgrade works to Church Street. The works include resurfacing the roads, improving pavements and crossings, adding more benches, bins and cycle parking.

The second stage of the Quality Corridors project will involve working with local businesses to help them improve their shop fronts, making both their businesses and the town centre look more appealing. The grant scheme will allow businesses in certain areas to bid for money to do the work, with more information on the bidding process to be revealed later in the year.

The aim of the Quality Corridors Project is to encourage the economic revitalisation of Blackpool town centre through a programme of highways, public realm and building improvement schemes. The programme is jointly funded by the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and Blackpool Council and is administered by the Council.

The contribution, imagination and enthusiasm of local businesses and property owners will be vital in maximising the potential of the scheme to achieve both essential and aesthetic property improvements, and an improved range of quality sustainable businesses in the town centre.

Use

No Change of Use is proposed.

Site Assessment

Samaritans sits within a terrace row fronting onto Edward Street in Blackpool town centre. To the front a new low level boundary wall and painted metal railings will be installed adjacent and along the row in order to create a separation from the pavement to the building façade.

Amount and Scale

No additional floor area is proposed as part of this application.

Appearance

The proposals seek to unify the terrace row into one coherent façade. Existing UPVC windows and doors will be replaced and the existing rendering will be removed and replaced with a K-Rend façade. New front boundary walls with painted metal railings will be installed to back of pavement to replicate the original built form.

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