



Eaglewood Design

*41 Shaw Road
Blackpool FY1 6HA*

Heritage Statement

New Shop front at 41 Market Street, Blackpool.

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Town Centre Conservation Area appraisal – February 2015

“Overall Market Street is neutral in character. Positive buildings include no. 41 the Market Street Diner.

Many of the period shopfronts have since been replaced by unsympathetic architecture, particularly at ground level. Fortunately, much of the older fabric above ground floor level has survived redevelopment and this combined with the narrow building frontages and back of pavement development, has helped to retain the character of the Conservation Area.”

Existing details

The property we wish to alter is the aforementioned No. 41 although it is now named The Frying Squad and is both a sit-in restaurant and takeaway. The frontage is wooden-framed and painted in 2 different shades of blue. The current design only allows for a door head-height of 2m which looks and feels very restricted. There is also no symmetry to the door and window arrangements.



Proposed details

We intend to replace the existing shopfront with a properly designed and more open frontage. The signage will remain the same but be lifted enabling us to fit larger plate glass windows and doors. We are also able to fit an opening-light above the doors which will help increase ventilation and reduce condensation thereby keeping the glass clear, dry and more attractive looking on the street scene. There will be solid stall-risers at the bottom of the windows.

The taller frame will help to remove the feeling of restriction overhead and the centrally positioned doors coordinate better with the arrangement of tables and chairs inside the shop. The metal frame will be blue in colour; approximately the same shade as the present wooden-frame.

In conclusion

Many of the shops in this street scene have large, open glass frontages, most of which feature solid stall-risers. We intend to include all those positive elements already visible along this side of Market Street with items specific to the operation of hot food provision, i.e. opening lights above the door.

Finally the raising of the signage will help to tidy up the current large blank space over the signs.