HISTORIC AND DESIGN ACCESS STATEMENTS

Paydens Pharmacy, 21-23 London Road, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN13 1AR

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Historic Statement

Grade 2 Listed Building circa 1550. Oak Timber Framed Hall House building with Ground First and Roof with modern additions undertaken in 1987 during a full repair / refurbishment of the premises was carried out. At the same time the 1960's rendered walls and Aluminium shop front where replaced with stock facing brick sand plain clay tile hanging and a timber framed shop fronts.

The Structural timber frame was retained where possible on the ground floor, first floor and roof frame. On the ground floor elements that were not able to be retained due to fungal and insect attack were replaced with oak clad steel beams and columns to replicate the existing.

Design Access Statement.

1.0 Introduction

This Design & Access Statement (ref. SP1622/DAS 01) has been prepared in support of a request for Full Planning Approval from the Local Planning Authority for:

• The Proposed installation of New Internal Security Shutters to the Ground Floor Pharmacy area.

2.0 Site Description

The property is a listed building located in a prominent place in the London Road, Sevenoaks. Retail Pharmacy is situated on the ground floor with a Medical Centre above. The Medical Centre has a separate entrance to that of the Pharmacy.

3.0 Relevant Planning History and Use

• <u>Installation of a single A5 timber security screen, in natural oak with strip glazing panels in toughened glass within the existing entrance vestibule of no.21-23 London Road.</u>

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• Installation of a single security grille sited within the existing entrance vestibule of no.21-23 London Road. External portcullis roller security grille (steel inner construction set within aluminium tubes with vertical aluminium links).

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Ref. No: 09/01858/LBCALT | Received: Wed 05 Aug 2009 | Validated: Wed 05 Aug 2009 | Status: Refused

 Installation of a single security grille sited within the existing entrance vestibule of 21-23 London Road. Seceurovision 8000 roller security grille with perspex infill panels (extruded aluminium punched slat construction with solid lower panels).

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4.0 Design, Appearance, Scale & Layout

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5.0 Access & Landscaping

Access to the property is directly off the London Road. Ground floor Pharmacy and First Floor Medical Centre have separate entrances.

6.0 Summary

The subject of these proposals is related to the ongoing security issues in 2014-15 following a series of break-ins via the Shop Front Entrance and a set of oak framed Bi-fold shutters were installed to enhance security of the shop front entrance.

Sadly events have now created another form of entry, by perpetrators who are now bold enough to smash through the full shop front glazed windows and follow up with destroying the internal glazed fixtures and fabric of the building to steal the stock.

We are now seeking consent to install aluminium security shutters internally to protect the shop from these attacks.

The proposed new shutters are to be fixed internally at the back of the window display beds and behind the existing timber beams so that when the shutters are lowered they are behind the window bed displays so they remain in full view of the street and the shutters with have no effect on the street scene. The Shutters are proposed to be finished in a matt grey which will mimic the shop space as it appears out of hours.

See drawing attached and over marked photographs to indicate the proposals.

Hopefully this will deter the intruders who would have to negotiate a second line of defence to gain access.