

SADLER BROWN ARCHITECTURE

Proposed Internal Platform Lift and Steps
at
Lloyds Bank
Hugh Street
St Marys
Isles of Scilly
TR21 0PW

Design and Access Statement
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Introduction

This Design and Access Statement has been prepared on behalf of the Lloyds Banking Group. It accompanies a Planning and Listed Building Application for new level access into the branch.

Context

The branch is situated in a central location within Hugh Town, St Marys and is Grade II listed.

In addition, the islands in their entirety are designated as both Conservation Areas and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs).

Heritage Statement

SV9010 HUGH STREET, Hugh Town 1358-0/8/60 (South West side) Lloyds Bank

GV II

House, now bank. Mid C19. Colourwashed render over granite rubble; gabled scantled slate roof; rendered end stacks. Double-depth plan. 2 storeys; 4-window first-floor range. Horned 2/2-pane sashes. Porch to left of centre with 2 Roman Doric columns and correct Doric antae, entablature and cornice; 4-panelled door and rectangular fanlight. Interior: enriched cornices to ground floor. Included for group value.

Listing NGR: SV9018110605
(Source: Historic England)

Proposed Works

In accordance with the proposed plans submitted with the Planning and Listed Building Application, the work will comprise of the removal of the existing external entrance steps, lowering of the internal floor (where required) and alterations to the existing entrance door and surround. In addition, internally there will be a new platform lift and steps to enable customers to gain independent access into the branch together with internal alterations and remodelling to facilitate these works.



Existing Entrance

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The works which will be visible externally are:

- Adapting / removal of the existing entrance steps to form level access. Extent to be removed shown in red below.
- Existing entrance door frame to be adapted to suit new levels, existing doors to be reused and adapted to provide glazed upper panels with new glazed fanlight above.
- Removal of existing handrail and installation of new to both sides of entrance.



Existing Entrance



Existing Banking Hall

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Internally the works will comprise:

- Removal of the existing entrance lobby.
- Partial lowering of banking hall floor.
- Installation of new platform lift.
- Installation of new accessible cashier counters.
- Internal remodelling of banking hall layout to facilitate works.

Alternative solutions such as an external ramp were deemed not suitable, primarily due to the constraints of the existing pavement in terms of levels.

It is hoped the proposed banking facilities will not only assist the Bank in meeting their obligations under Equality Act 2010, but also benefit the area and its endeavours to bring both new and existing customers to the Bank and its neighbouring retailers.

Access

Currently the only access into the Branch for customers is via the main entrance steps, which may deter / hinder customers from entering the branch. The proposed works are to remove the existing steps and introduce a new internal platform lift and steps to enable independent access for all.