

Design & Access Statement

TSB – Jarrow

Site Location

TSB Bank, 63 Ellison Street, Jarrow, Tyne and Wear, NE32 3HZ

Existing & Proposed Use

The property is a 2 storey sandstone building. The building is situated within a row of retail shops on the High Street. The building is currently used commercially by the TSB banking group PLC. The use of the property is to remain the same but will provide level access for all users of the property.

Proposed Works

Works are proposed to improve access for disabled people in compliance with the Disability and Discrimination Act 1995, the Equality Act 2010 and part M of the building regulations. The existing external steps are to be removed, providing a level threshold to facility, where internal building works will meet the aforementioned requirements.

The existing doors & frames are to be modified/ lowered to new threshold level. The timber panel above existing doors are to be extended down in glazing. Wooden infill elements of existing doors to change to glazed boxes. Doors to be modified to incorporate automatic sensor/ push pad activation. Doors to activate when a person enters the top of the ramp to ensure doors are in open position well before a person comes within the arc of the door's swing.

Amount of development

It is thought that the proposed works will enhance the existing buildings front elevation. The proposal will need to be discussed with the local authorities' highways department to ensure that there is minimal disruption to the existing pedestrian access route in front of the building.