Design & Access Statement for planning purposes

Proposed Costa Coffee, Unit 4, 10 – 18 Queen Street, Barnsley S70 1SJ.

1.1. Introduction:

1.1.1. This Design and Access Statement has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 4C of the Town & Country Planning General Development Procedure Order 1995 and the guidance set out at Section 3 of Circular 01/2006: Guidance on Changes to the Development Control System. As set out at paragraph 77 of the Circular 01/2006, Design and Access Statements, "should be concise and their length and content should be directly proportional to the scale and the complexity of the proposals."

1.1.2. The proposal is fully illustrated on the application drawings and is described in this Design and Access Statement, which is proportionate to the scheme under consideration.

1.2. Background:

1.2.1. Costa Coffee proposes to undertake a fit out of a retail unit previously occupied by 'Evans' to form a coffee shop.

1.2.2. As part of the fit out Costa Coffee are designing and installing a new shopfront and external signs.

1.3. Accessibility:

1.3.1. Costa wish to make the premises as accessible as possible, in line with local planning policy and the obligations imposed on Costa as service providers under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995.

1.3.2. The main entrance door will provide level access to the store and a minimum clear opening width of approximately 1 metre.

1.4. Design:

1.4.1. The material and colour selected for the shopfront frame will provide an image in keeping with the brand and sympathetic with the upper elevation and adjacent shopfronts.

1.4.2. The shopfront frames will be aluminium powder coated Costa Brown RAL 8016.

1.4.3. The materials and colour selected for the signs will provide an image in keeping with the brand and sympathetic with the upper elevation and adjacent signs.

1.4.4. All new shop front signs will be designed to achieve good colour contrast and be visible from the footpath.

1.4.5. The fascia sign will consist of dense white opal perspex letter faces with stainless steel rims and returns to each letter, mounted on an aluminium back ground stove enamelled Costa red.

1.4.6. The projecting sign will consist of dense white opal fret cut letter faces on an aluminium back ground stove enamelled Costa red.

1.4.7. The fascia sign will be illuminated by white LED illumination through the Opal Perspex front face of each letter.

1.4.8. The projecting sign will be illuminated by white LED illumination through the Opal Perspex bonded to the inside of the sign.