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Nationwide Building Society

4 Eldon Street

Barnsley

S70 2JB



Heritage Statement

This statement has been prepared to support our Advert Consent application to replace the external signage for Nationwide Building Society. The property is not listed; it is located within the Regent Street/Church Street/Market Hill Conservation Area.

The Proposals:

Works will include:

Externally:

- Replace 1no. Projecting signage with new 600mm.
- Replace 1no. Fascia and 1no. Logo with 1no. New blue fascia & 1no. New 490mm logo height.
- Replace 1no. ATM surround and decals with new.
- Replace statutory signage with new.
- Install new window message "A good way to bank."
- Replace safety manifestation with new.
- Post box number to be grey.
- Respray door frame.

The property is currently occupied by Nationwide.

The following statement explains the heritage context and appraises the property as a heritage asset.

Building Appraisal:

Nationwide, High Street, Barnsley is a two-story terrace building. The building is neither listed nor locally listed, it provides no significant benefit to the conservation area. It is flanked on one side by a listed building, which is noted below.



Heritage Category: Listed Building

Grade: II

List Entry Number: 1191723

Date first listed: 13-Jan-1986

List Entry Name: Former Yorkshire Bank

Statutory Address 1: Former Yorkshire Bank, 30, Market Hill, Barnsley, S70 2QE

Details: This list entry was subject to a Minor Enhancement on 9 March 2021 to amend the description, update the address, addition of a reference to selected sources and to reformat the text to current standards.

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BARNSELY MARKET HILL (east side), No 30, Former Yorkshire Bank

(Formerly listed as Yorkshire Bank, MARKET HILL)

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HISTORY

The Yorkshire Penny Bank was named in 1860, having been initially founded in 1859 as the West Riding Penny Savings Bank by Colonel Edward Akroyd of Halifax as a philanthropic organisation aimed at providing a means of saving for the working classes. The original plans for the Barnsley branch do not survive, but the planning register records new premises on Market Hill for the Yorkshire Penny Bank were submitted to the Streets & Buildings Committee on 23 July 1902. The building has the datestone 1903. An early-C20 photograph showed the original three-storey bank building with a canted corner entrance, three bays to Market Hill and two bays to Eldon Street. At this time the second-floor windows had decorative apron panels and lintel panels carved with raised, enriched cartouches. The ground-floor frieze had YORKSHIRE PENNY BANK in raised lettering to both elevations and BANK over the corner doorway. The planning register records that plans were submitted on 5 March 1924 to extend the bank on Eldon Street. A three-storey extension of five bays was subsequently built. The Yorkshire Penny Bank changed its name to Yorkshire Bank Ltd in 1959. Later the building was used by the Yorkshire Building Society before closing in 2016. It has now (2021) been refurbished as commercial premises.

DETAILS

Former bank, dated 1903 and designed for the Yorkshire Penny Bank in a Free Classical style.

MATERIALS: ashlar stone with a Welsh slate roof.

PLAN: a three-storey corner building.

EXTERIOR: this three-storey building has three bays to Market Hill, one corner bay, and seven bays to Eldon Street with a plinth and parapets. The main doorway is in the corner bay and has a small cartouche to the lintel with the initials 'Y P B' (Yorkshire Penny Bank). Over the doorway is a first-floor oriel three-light window whose tiled roof extends through the second floor and is surmounted by an enriched plaque bearing the date 1903 in raised numbers. Above this, breaking through the parapet, is a clock turret with a broken segmental pediment supported on tapering pilasters which flank the clock. The clock is by Potts of Leeds and has a circular opal glass dial with black Roman numerals. The first bay of the Market Hill elevation projects slightly and rises as a gabled dormer; the ground-floor window was formerly a doorway. The two large ground-floor windows to the centre and right bays have moulded ashlar frames and aprons with later glazing. The ground-floor frieze has enriched pedimented cartouches marking the bays. The paired first- and second-floor windows are all square-headed. The first-floor windows in the left-hand bay have shouldered lintels, those to the right have cambered arches above and central colonnettes. On the Eldon Street elevation bays one, two, six and seven are similarly detailed; bays three, four and five are similar, but the first- and second-floor windows are in triple groups with pilasters marking the bays and rising into the shaped parapet. The building has tall ashlar and brick stacks.

INTERIOR: not inspected.

Listing NGR: SE3447006381

Resource from –

[Former Yorkshire Bank, Non Civil Parish - 1191723 | Historic England](#)

Impact Summary

The building is not listed, the application relates to external works only. The proposed works are limited to replacement of existing advertising signage. Re-decoration to the existing entrance door will be the same colour as existing and is considered maintenance.

No discussions have been made with neighbours in relation to the proposals; the works are not considered to have any adverse impact on neighbours. The works are not considered to have any adverse impact to the existing appearance and amenity of the application site and that of its neighbours, rather, the proposals will benefit the front elevation. Access to the building will remain unchanged. The proposals will not affect public routes. There are no alterations proposed to the landscaping nor is there any opportunity to make improvements.

All works are intended to involve the minimum intervention and preserve the original look and feel of the existing building within the context of its conservation area.

The significance of the building has been considered and the proposed works will not impact its existing character. It is considered these works will improve the elevation and therefore makes a positive contribution to the conservation area.