

Heritage Statement plus Design & Access Statement

Installation of new shopfront Planning Application at 39-45 High Street, Prescot Knowsley L34 6HF

The site has been trading as a bakers and coffee shop since the 1920's under the name of Rays Bakery.

Chatwins the Bakers have recently bought over the site and will continue to trade as a bakers and coffee shop. The work is being done in stages with the Coffee shop opening early next year.

The building is not Listed or a Heritage Asset but is within the Conservation area.

It looks like originally it would have been four small shops & over the years has been altered to work as one shop albeit with several entrance doors.

The shopfront is primarily a timber frame with brickwork to stallrisers. Our proposal is to simply replace the existing dilapidated frontage with similar finishes e.g. The new shopfront frame will be painted timber & we will retain the brick finishes and match as closely as possible where required. We will be installing timber fascia panels with hand-painted signage.

We also plan to close up the door to the far right which currently opens into a large electrical cupboard, there is some structural damage here above the door.

There will be one main entrance door with level access to shop as existing.

In our opinion we are improving the look of this very tired & dilapidated frontage by changes which are sympathetic to the existing building.

Our proposals will enhance in our opinion the surrounding buildings & area.