

**Consultation Response from KC,
Conservation & Design**

2025/93237 Huddersfield Railway Station, St George's Square, Huddersfield, HD1 1JB

Discharge of condition 4 (platform furniture) on previous permission 2021/91328 for Listed Building Consent for demolition of roofs B and C; demolition of two bays of roof A at the Manchester end; new section of canopy on the Penistone platform; installation of two new bays on roof A at the Leeds end; re-instatement of lantern to whole of roof A; platform alterations and extensions; new island platform; extension of existing passenger subway; in-filling of disused parcel subway; demolition of signal box, relay room and cable gantry between platforms 1 and 4; re-location of tea rooms; provision of new eastern footbridge and lifts/stairs and canopies; provision of overhead electric line equipment (within a Conservation Area)

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Responding Officer: SC

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CCTV

These cameras are compact and discreet, making them well-suited to sensitive heritage environments. Their discrete design and widespread use in public settings mean they are visually unobtrusive and unlikely to detract from the character of the station. Their positioning avoids key architectural features and, where feasible, non-invasive installation methods are proposed. The proposed cameras provide essential security coverage with minimal impact on the historic fabric or aesthetic value of the building.

It is proposed that eight cameras would be mounted on bespoke multifunctional totems situated along platform 2. Alongside CCTV cameras, the proposed totems would accommodate signage and customer information screens. These contemporary multifunctional fixtures would deliver efficient improvements to customer experience while facilitating the required camera coverage without adversely impacting the significance of the station.

Speakers

A total of 46 speakers are proposed to be located along platforms 1 and 2. Methods of fixing will be reversible or minimalist and these small functional items are considered necessary.

Customer Information Screens

The proposals seek to ensure screens are clearly visible to all users while limiting impact to historic fabric.

Waiting Shelters

It is proposed to construct one waiting shelter on platforms 3 / 4 and two shelters on platforms 5 / 6. The proposed waiting shelters are lightweight, contemporary structures designed to provide weather protection while maintaining visual transparency and minimal impact on the historic environment.

Lighting

Platforms 1 and 2 - The proposed lighting strategy for the platforms is designed to provide safe, efficient, and visually sympathetic illumination, respecting the heritage character of the station while meeting modern operational standards and efficiencies.

. A key focus of the scheme has been to ensure enhancement of the architectural significance of the Euston truss roof. The combination of proposed luminaires would draw attention to the impressive scale and craftsmanship of the ironwork, and newly reinstated roof lantern, while reinforcing the strong architectural rhythm of the space. Together, these elements create a balanced and respectful lighting composition that celebrates the roof's engineering heritage and contributes to the station's character.

Weather Screens

These are proposed for Platforms 3,4,5,6 to be 2.5m tall and 4m length glass panels with a bench for passenger comfort. As free standing structures they would not affect the overall character of the station.

Station Signage

These elements are essential for operational clarity and public safety and their design has been carefully considered to ensure compatibility with the existing character of the station. The signage is modest in scale, utilises materials and finishes typically found on the wider railway network, and would not adversely affect the station's significance or visual coherence.

Platform Surfacing

The existing platform surfaces comprise asphalt and tactile units. Where new surfacing is proposed, materials would be used which match the existing.

Benches

Where new benches are proposed throughout all platforms in the Station, they would be of simple and

contemporary design. Their clean, streamlined profile would ensure visual lightness, allowing the architectural features of the wider station to remain the focal point. The use of refined, durable materials reflects a modern approach to public seating while maintaining a sense of quality appropriate for the listed building.

Platform 2 Cycle Shelter

The appearance of the cycle shelter would be very similar to that of the existing structure, with no adverse impact to the significance of the listed building arising from the proposals.

Platform 2 Retail Unit

The overall appearance will be functional and consistent with other retail units commonly found in transport hubs, ensuring it integrates appropriately within the operational environment of the station.

Induction Loops

4 freestanding posts finished in dark grey are required for functional reasons and considered acceptable.

Help Points

3 freestanding posts 1.6m high finished in grey considered acceptable.

In conclusion the platform furniture proposed is considered to be functional, minimalist and reversible and will not harm the overall character of the working historic station listed structure. The Condition can be discharged.