The Meeting Place Cafe, Kings Esplanade BH2022/01609

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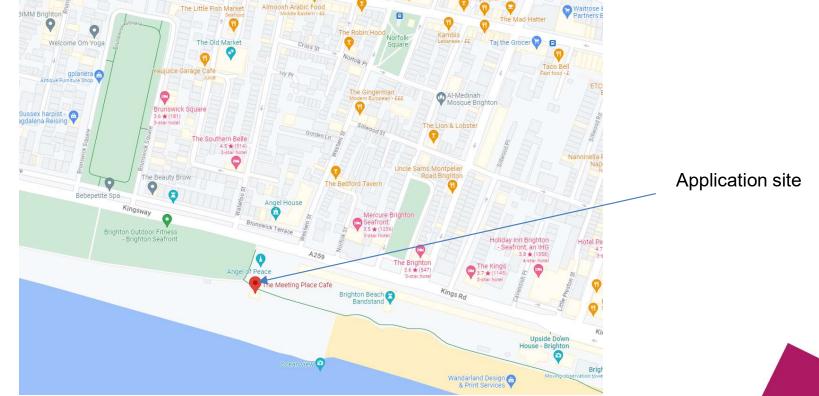


Application Description

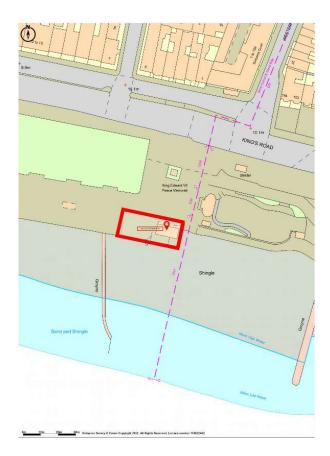
 Demolition of existing café building and replacement with new single-storey café building (Class E).



Map of application site

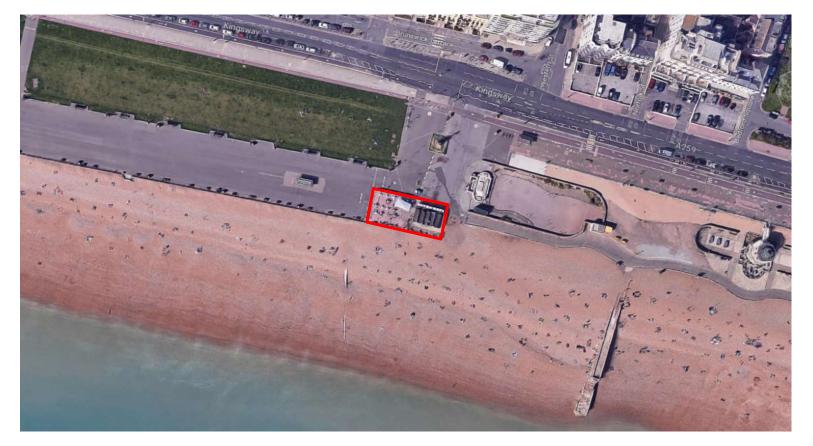


Existing Location Plan





Aerial photo(s) of site





3D Aerial photo of site

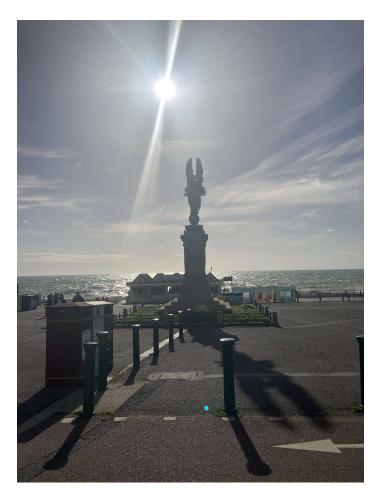




Photos of the site



View of existing café when looking eastwards



Peace Statue with existing café behind



Photos of the site



Rear of the existing café building



Photos of the site



View from Kingsway to the south



View from Kingsway Eastwards



Existing Block Plan

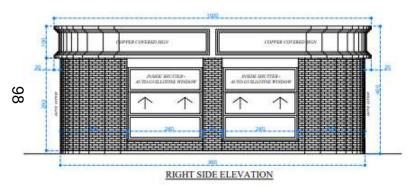


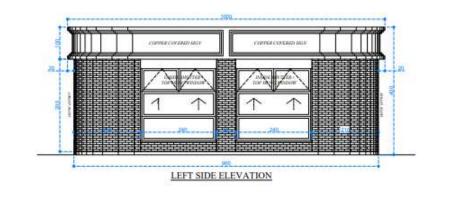


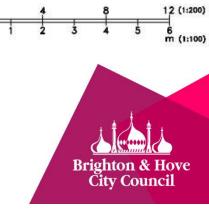
Proposed Front (north) and Rear (south)Elevations



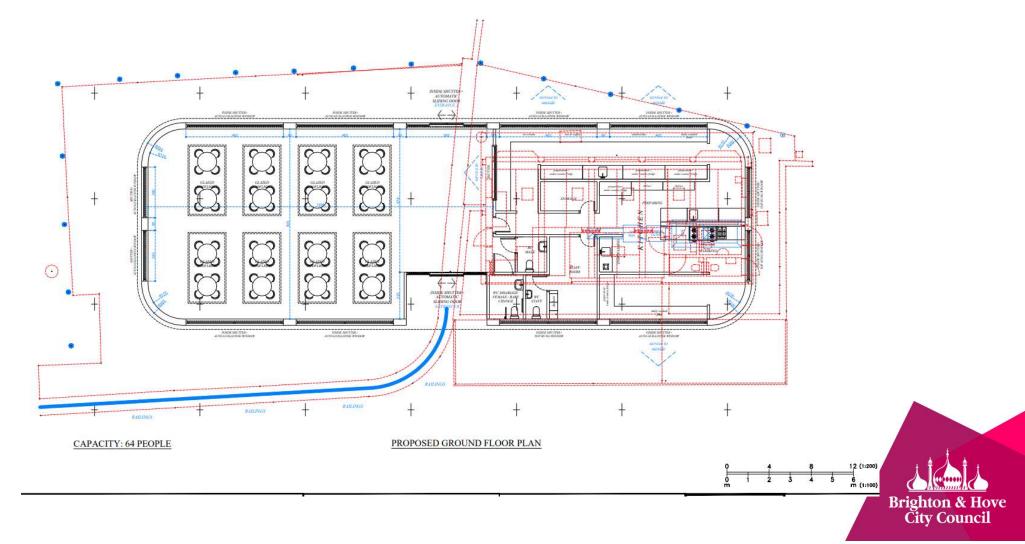
Proposed Side Elevations



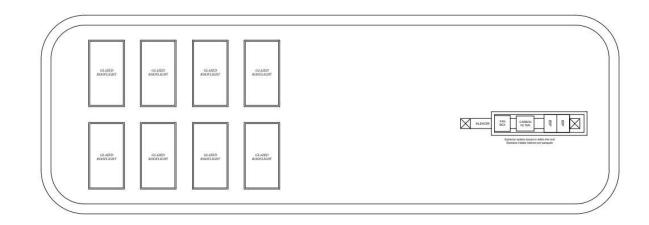




Proposed Floor Plan



Proposed Roof Plan



PROPOSED FLAT ROOF PLAN



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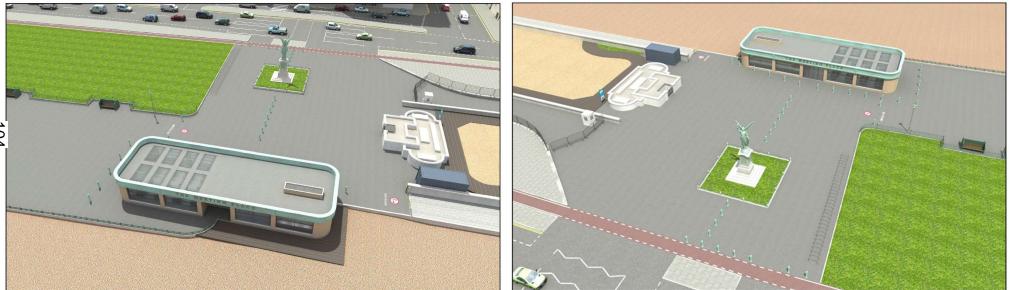




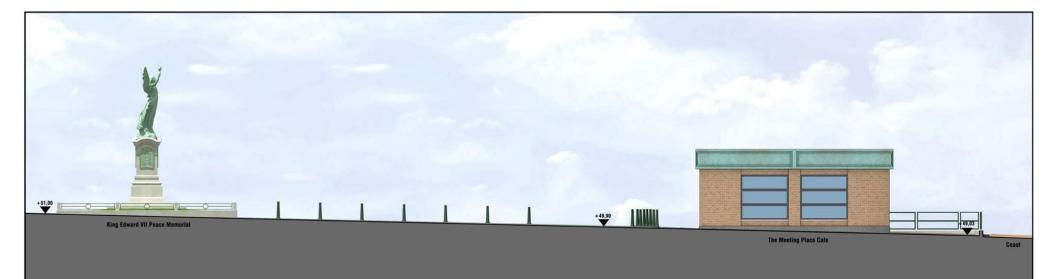














Key Considerations in the Application

- The Principle of development
- Design and appearance
- Impact on Heritage assets
- Impacts on amenity
- Highways

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Conclusion and Planning Balance

- The proposals would replace the current kiosk which is in poor repair and provides improved facilities.
- The current design includes revisions suggested by officers and is considered to form be of high quality.
- The concerns of the heritage team in respect of scale are noted; however the additional footprint of the new café largely covers the existing incongruous external seating area to the west. The new building is considered to be relatively modest, with a height similar to that existing.
- The proposed café is not considered to result in a harmful impact to neighbouring residents subject to conditions.
- The application would have an acceptable highway impact subject to a condition to secure cycle parking.
- The application is therefore recommended for approval.

