

Planning Statement for
The Installation of Defibrillator and Bleed Kit Cabinets
To Nationwide Building Society

Nationwide Building Society are committed to supporting the communities they serve, with branches located at the centre of high streets across the UK. As part of this commitment to community wellbeing, they aim to ensure people have rapid, 24/7 access to vital emergency equipment whenever it is needed.

As such, they plan to install external defibrillators and bleed control kits across all Nationwide branches. Each piece of equipment will be housed in its own dedicated, secure external cabinet.

The aim is to deliver a clear, simple, and potentially lifesaving message:

Where there is a Nationwide branch, there is always access to a defibrillator and bleed kit in an emergency.

Both cabinets are to be installed on the external walls of Nationwide Building Society branches, as indicated in the enclosed Elevation drawings. The details of the cabinets, from St John's Ambulance, along with the branding that Nationwide Building Society intend to apply to the face of the cabinets, are also enclosed.

The cabinets need to be in a prominent location where they can easily be seen and, at a height where they can be reached in case they are needed in an emergency. We have proposed that the cabinets are fixed in locations that, whilst prominent, have limited impact on the appearance of the conservation area.

The cabinets can be removed if they become redundant and the benefits of installing these cabinets are potentially life-saving so we consider that this outweighs any harm to the appearance of the conservation area.