

15 Minutes in the Shoes of an Architect

You are given a site in the city of Manchester and asked to propose a building. Address of the site: Charles Street, Manchester, M17DF, you might want to google map the site if you have access to the computer.

You are asked to consider:

- What type of building do you want to propose on site? Some ideas might include: a museum, cafe, student accommodation, hotel, restaurant, bike repair shop? Why?
- How will the building look? Start creating small scale models using plain paper or sketching some concept ideas for your building. Think about how will people enter the building? Is it from the front?
- What happens in the building? What is essential for your building to operate? Is your building just one big room? Multiple rooms? Is everything on one floor? Multiple floors? How will people walk through your building?

Photographs below show the site from the front and back. The first photograph is taken from the street. The latter picture is taken at the end of the site with photographers back facing towards the arches.



