

Lancaster City Museum

VISUAL STORY

and sensory maps



Key:



Sound



Mannequin



Hands on interactive



Video or film

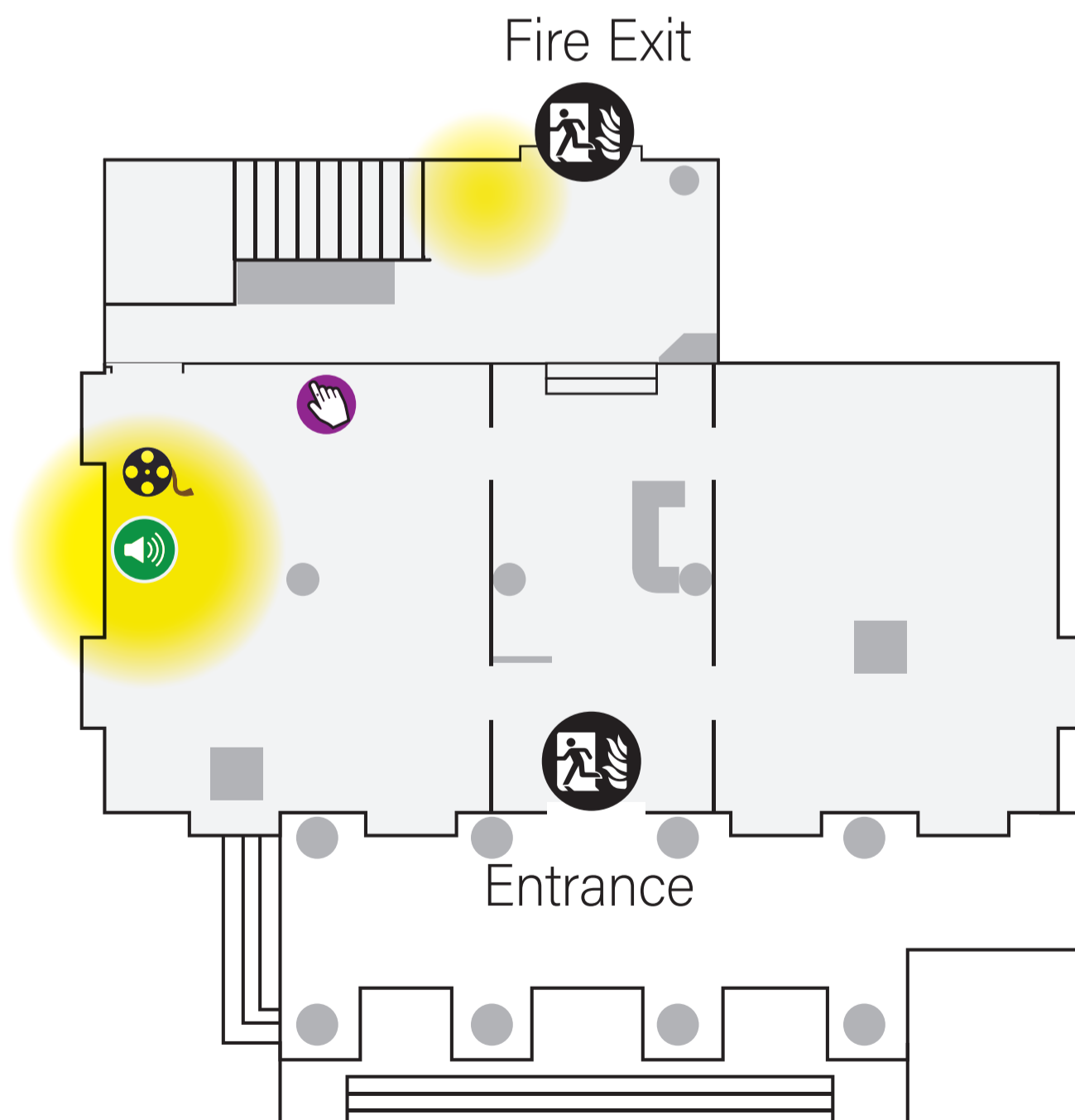


Sound/Noise intensity levels

● loud

● less loud

● quiet



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Sensory Maps

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First Floor

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Sound



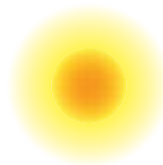
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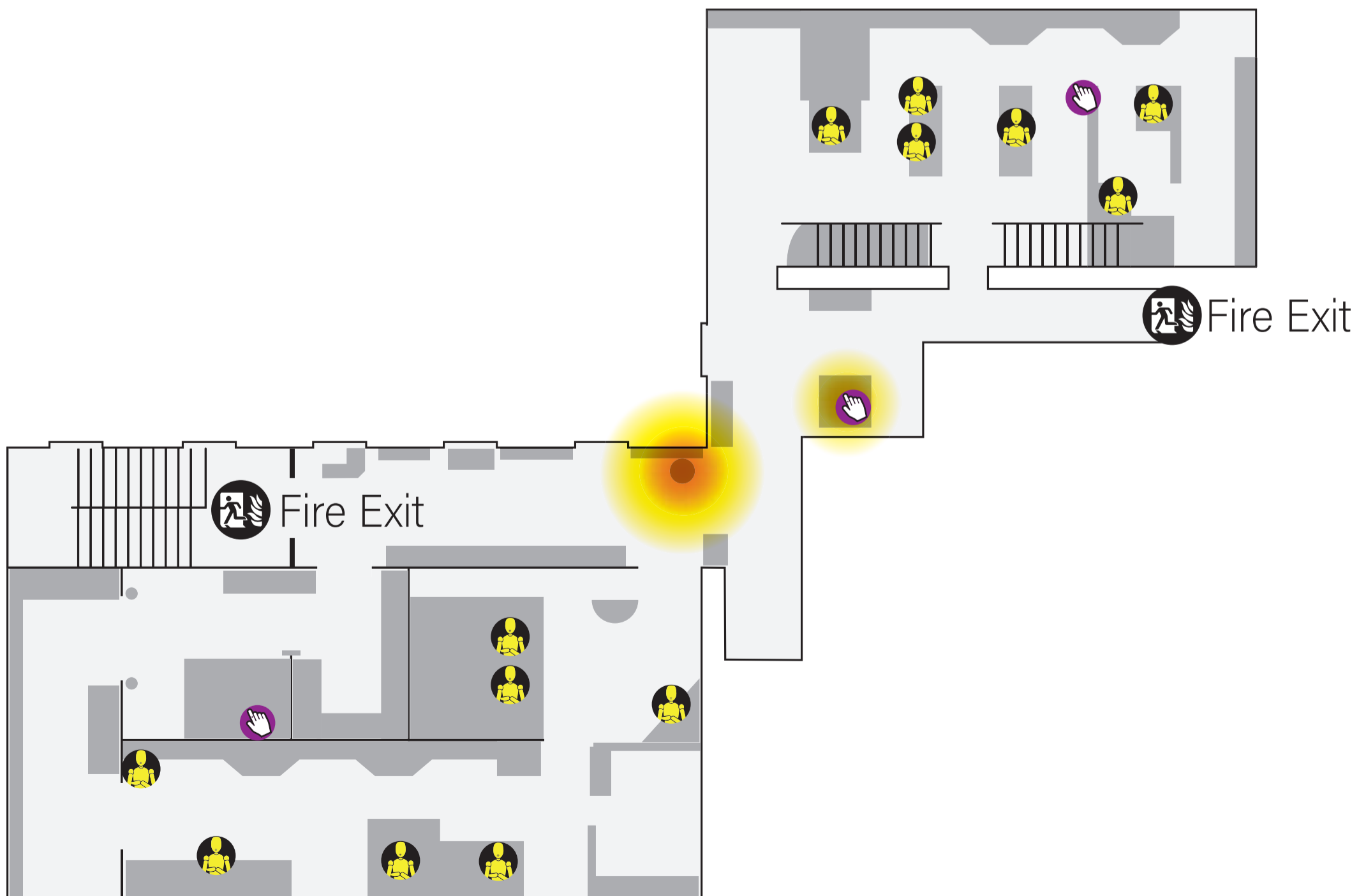


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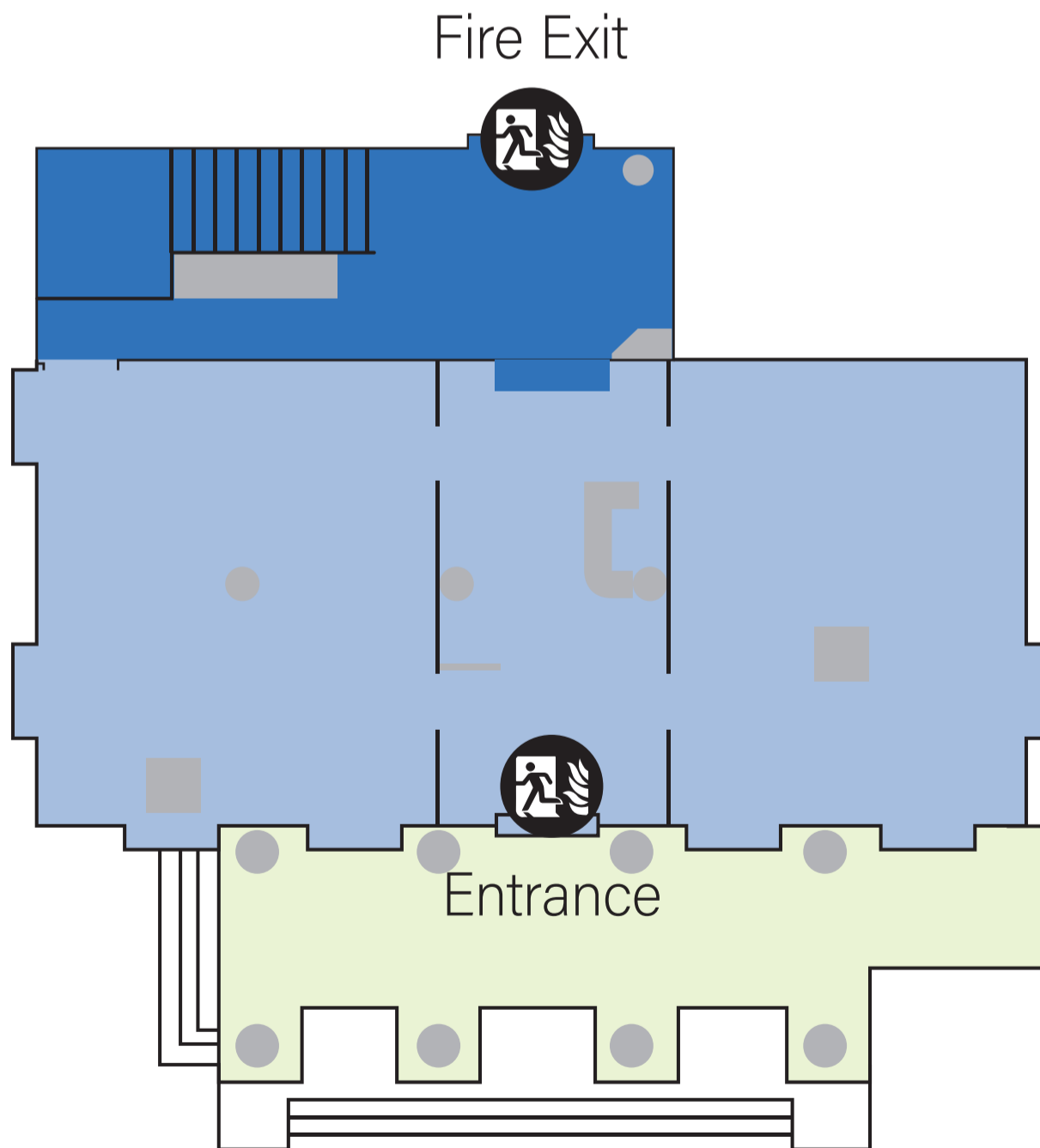
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Light levels

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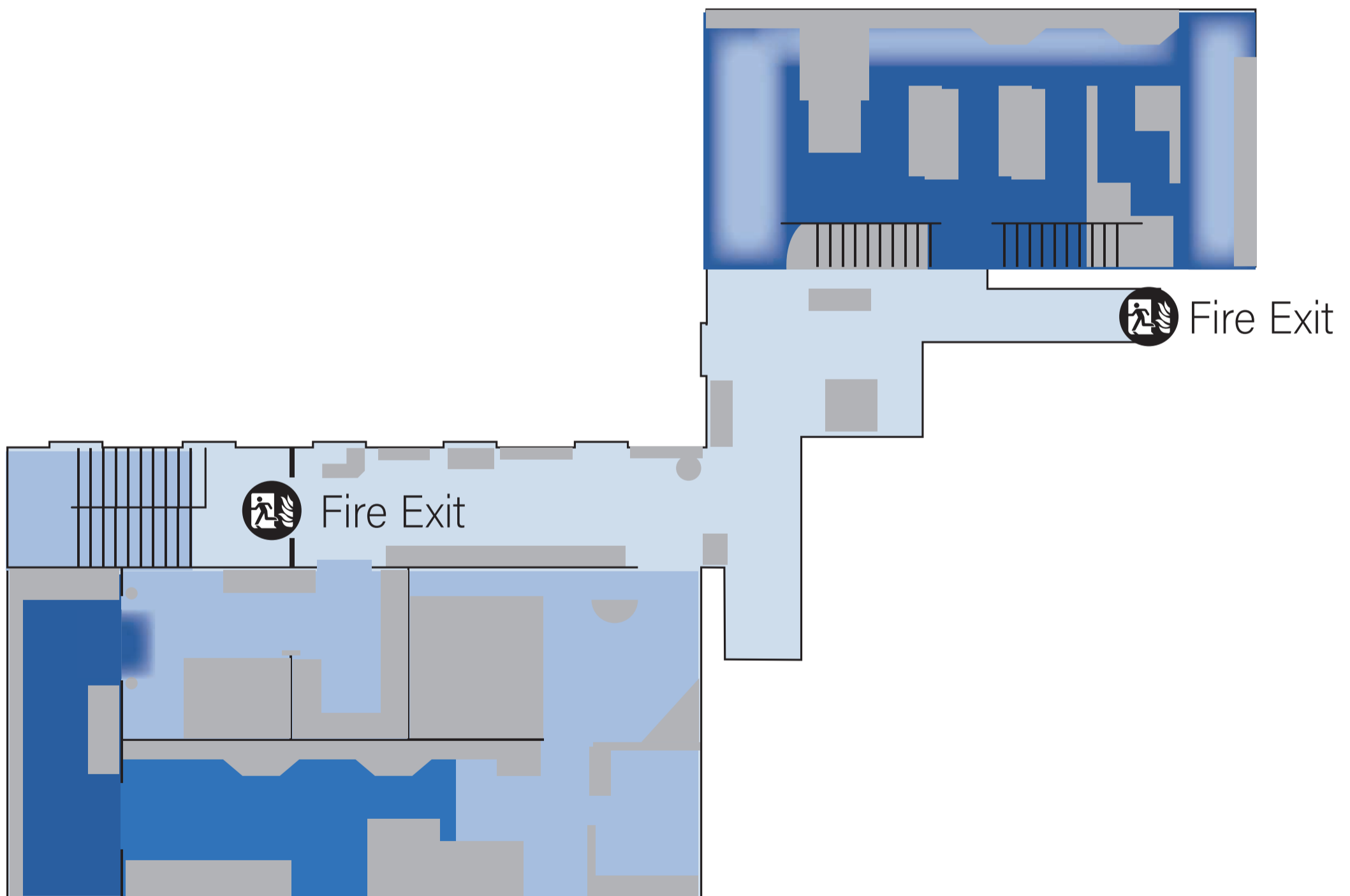
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- Less dimly lit
- Well lit
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Please note: some galleries are dimly lit to prevent delicate pigments in our artefacts from fading away.

When you get to the museum:

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The museum is a big building with pillars and a clock tower.

There is a sign on the building that says 'Museum' in big white letters.

There is also a sign near the door that tells you that the museum is open.

The museum is free. You do not need a ticket.

There is a ramp for wheelchair access on the right-hand side of the steps leading up to the museum.



The front doors are heavy with glass panes.
Push them to open them.

When you are inside:

When you come in there may be other people in the museum.

If it is a busy day it may be noisy. You can go straight upstairs if you want. The upstairs is usually quieter.

The reception desk is in front of you on the right. There will be a person behind it

who works for the museum. If you have any questions they can help. They will be wearing a blue lanyard.

The museum has objects and information about the history of Lancaster and the local army regiment. There are six rooms to see.

You may take photos if you want.

You are not allowed to eat in the museum.

There are no toilets in the museum.



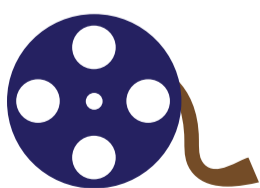
Temporary Exhibition Rooms:

The first two rooms downstairs are temporary exhibition rooms.

They are very light rooms and may sometimes have a television that plays videos and sound.

The exhibitions in these two rooms change so may be different every time you visit.

There is often a colouring table in these rooms. You can colour in a picture if you like. Just ask at the front desk for a colouring sheet.



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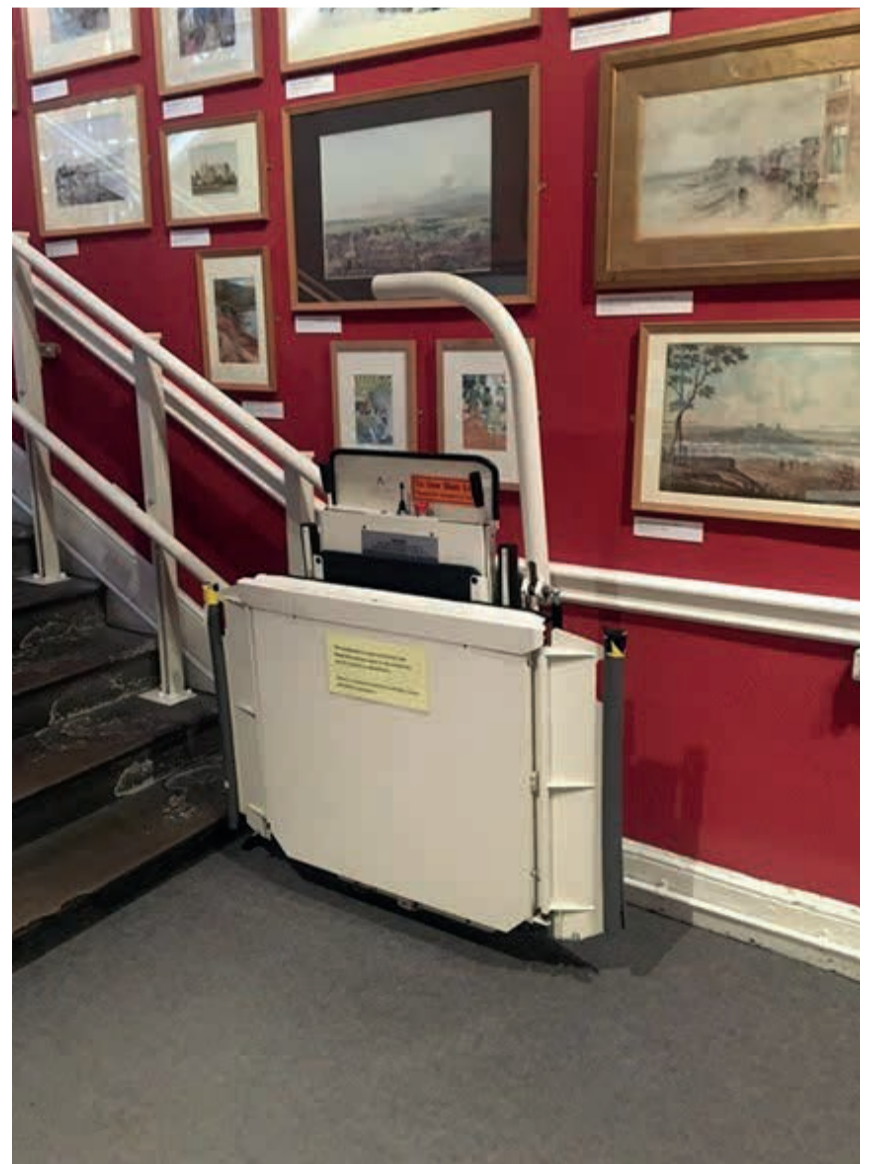
The Staircase:

To go to the main exhibition rooms, go up the big stone staircase.

There are lots of paintings on the walls on the way up. You must not touch these paintings as lots of them are old and delicate.

There is no lift to go upstairs. But there is a stair lift. If you need to use the stair lift, ask at the downstairs reception desk and they will help you.

The stair lift is slow and makes noise. If someone else is using the stair lift you may have to wait to go upstairs until they have finished using it.




Upstairs:

At the top of the stairs is a long corridor. This corridor is usually very light and quiet.

There is a desk on the left of the corridor. There is usually someone who works for the museum sat behind this desk. Ask this person if you have any questions.

There are chairs further down the corridor. You may sit in these if you want.

There is a big bell at the end of the corridor. Sometimes people ring the bell and it makes a loud noise. 

The first entrance on the right of the corridor is the local history section. This is all about the history of Lancaster. There is a sign on the entrance saying, 'start here'.



The Local History Gallery:

The first section is about the very early history of Lancaster. This section is quite dark but has some bright lights.

There are two games on the wall. You can play these if you want. You can also dress up as a Roman soldier using our dressing up clothes. 🖱️

The next section is dark. This is because there are old objects in this section which can be damaged by light.



The Local History Gallery:

The next area is light, especially if it is sunny outside.

There are lots of mannequins in this section. They show what people wore in the past. Do not touch the mannequins or the displays. 🧑

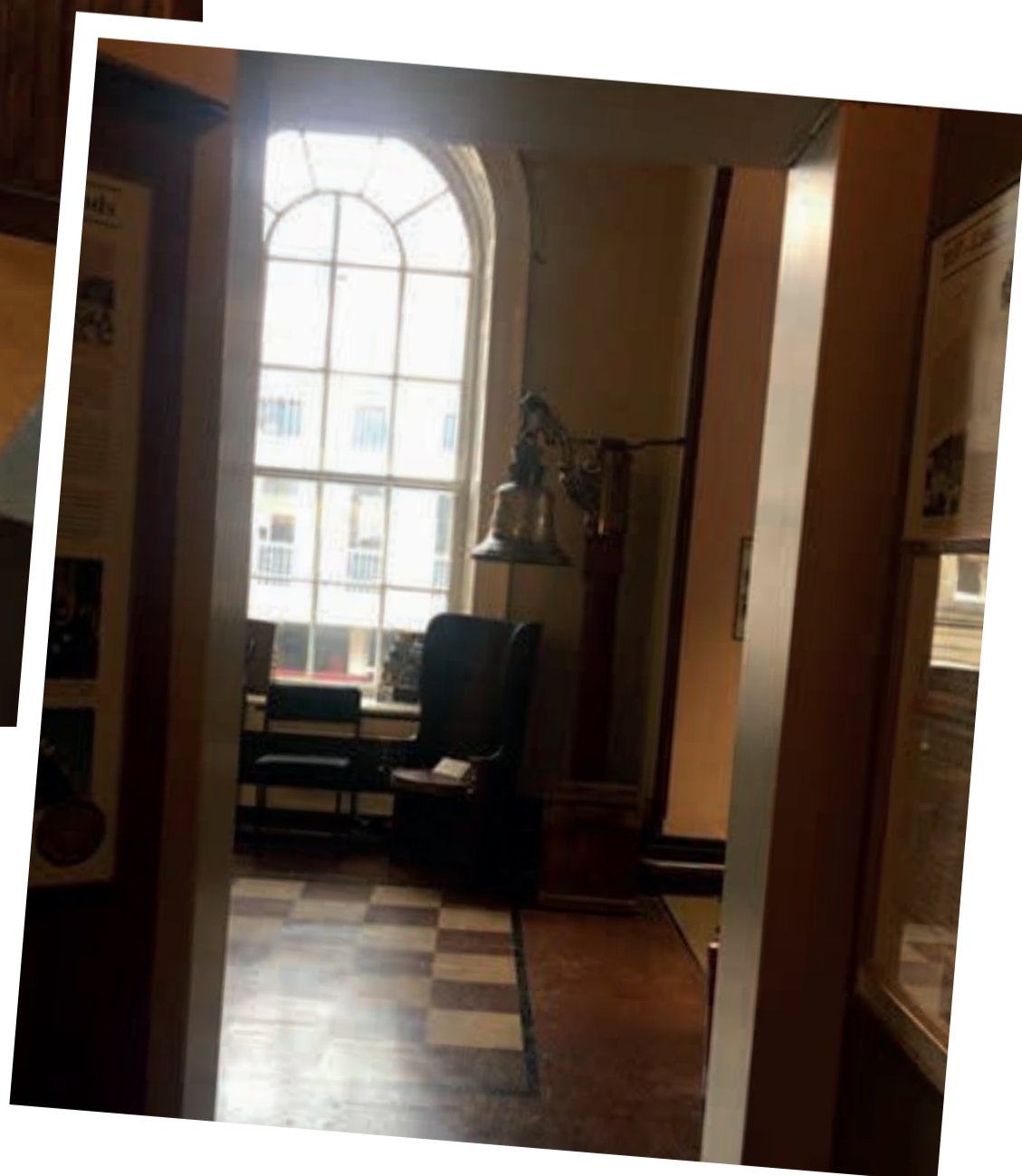
The next section is darker again and has more mannequins. There is a display of a man on a toilet and a woman in a washroom. Do not step into the washroom or an alarm will make a noise. 🔊

There is also a much brighter section about education after the washroom. There is a desk in here that you can lift the top of to see inside, but it may be creaky.



The Local History Gallery:

At the end of this section there is a doorway that takes you back into the upstairs corridor. This is the end of the local history section.



Room Four:

At the end of the corridor there is a doorway into a new room. This room is light, especially if it is sunny outside.

There is a bench in this room that you may sit down on.

There is also a trainset in the room which can be noisy. 

You can press the buttons to make the trains go around.



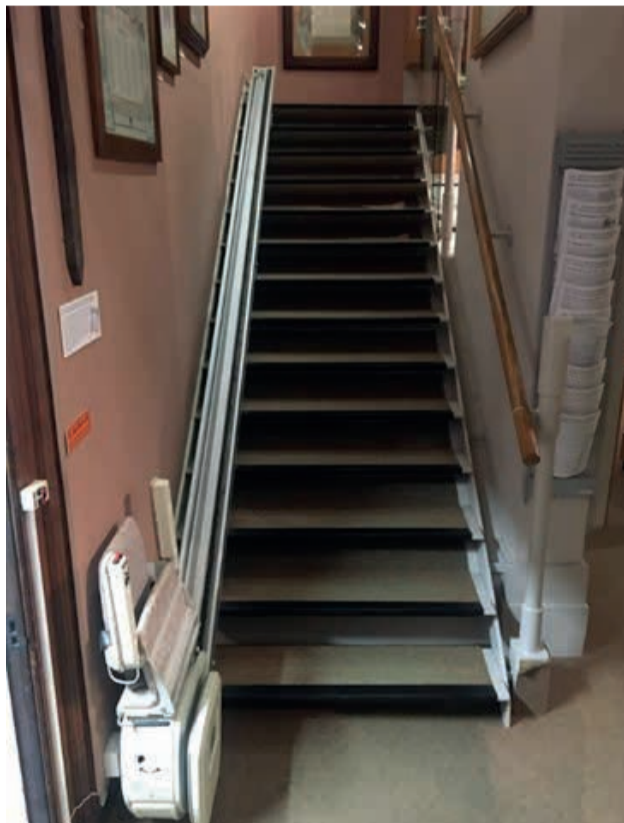
The King's Own Royal Regiment Museum:

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Next to this room is The Kings Own Royal Regiment Museum. This tells you about the history of local army regiment.

This is a dark room with lots of mannequins. 
The flooring changes within this section.

There are stairs in this room that lead to more displays about the army. These stairs are sometimes creaky. There is a stairlift available to go up these stairs. If you need to use it, please ask a member of staff on the upstairs desk.

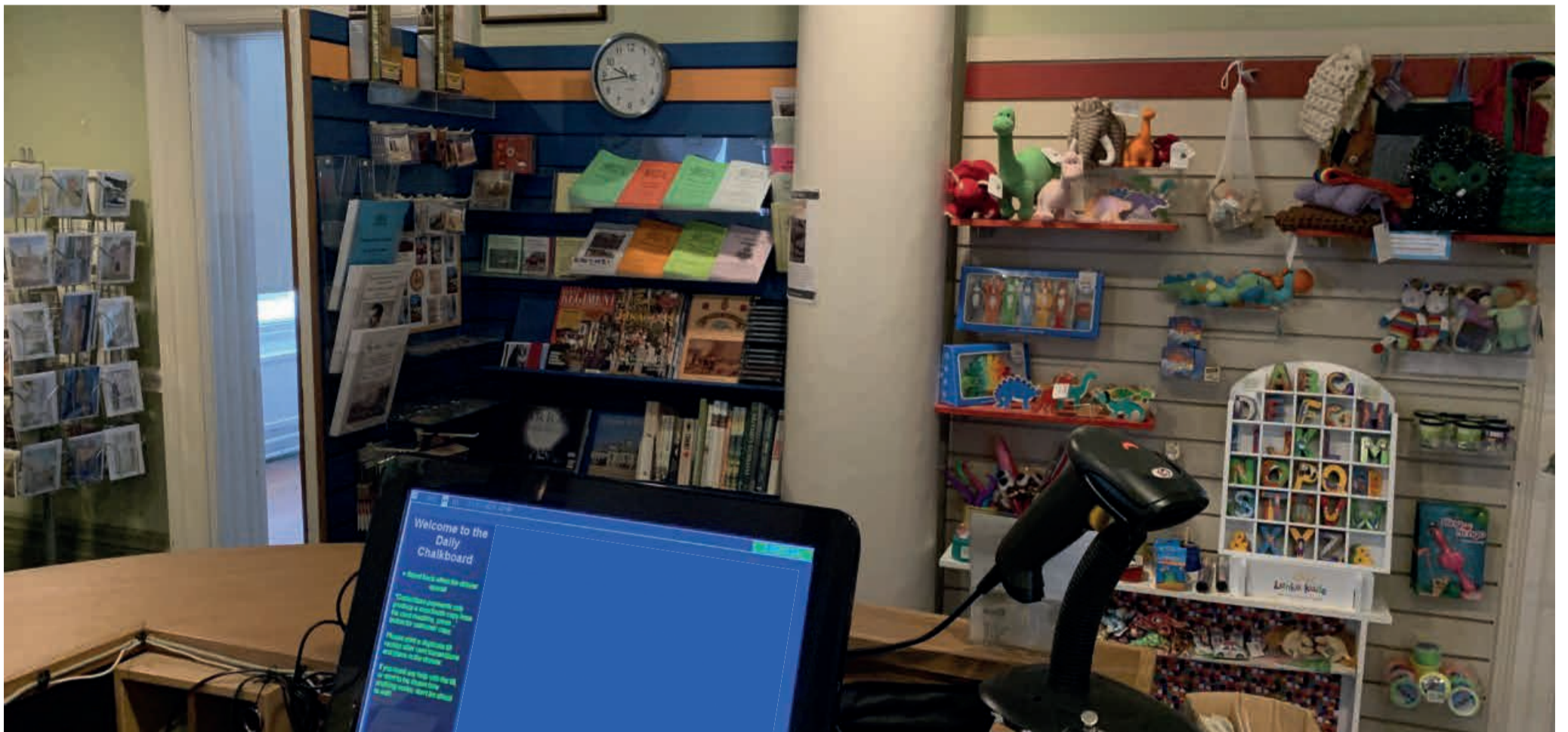


The Way Out:

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To leave the museum go down the big stone stairs that you used before.

You may want to buy something from the museum shop on the way out.



We hope you enjoyed your visit at the museum.

You can tell us about it by sending us an email, writing a letter or drawing a picture when you get home.

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Please remember that our exhibitions do change so may not be the same when you visit.