

3 - 4 Warmair House Green Lane

Northwood HA6 2QB



Design & access statement

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2.0 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to describe the conversion of 3-4 Warmair House from a commercial property into a multi-unit residential property under Class MA of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) 2015 Order.

The two storey building has been vacant for some time and will require significant investment to make good the external fabric and convert the interior space into 3 residential apartments.

We are appreciative of the strategic sensitivities of this site in terms of its history, architectural character, and heritage value within the Northwood district centre and Northwood conservation area. As such exterior modification will be limited to repairs and making good, removing extraneous pipework/cabling, externally mounted air handling units, signage, and lighting etc. Windows and doors will be replaced where necessary with new components in keeping with the age and character of the property.

To accompany this submission a 'Proposed Accommodation Light Assessment' has been prepared by CPMC.

Currently the proposed scheme comprises of the following elements.

- 3 new residential apartments
2 x 1 bed 2 person
1 x 2 bed 3 person
- A new single storey enclosure with a green roof to accommodate storage of;
Up to 6 cycles spaces for residents
Waste & recycling bins
- 2 designated parking spaces
- Introduction of PV panels on the south roof pitch
- Total residential and ancillary space area 13m²

Key

- ① 24 - 38 Green Lane
- ② Service yard
- ③ 1 - 2 Warmair House
- ④ 3 - 4 Warmair House
- ⑤ Pinnacle apartments
- ⑥ Green Lane car park
- ⑦ Substation
- ⑧ Site entrance

3.0 Site overview



Aerial view of 24-38 Green Lane & 1-4 Warmair House, Northwood HA6

3.1 The site

The plot is accessed from Green Lane via a narrow (2.9m) road which slopes down and opens out to a service yard which provides access to Warmair House and car parking.

1-2a Warmair House is a single storey metal clad commercial/ light industrial unit which is in partial use for storage.

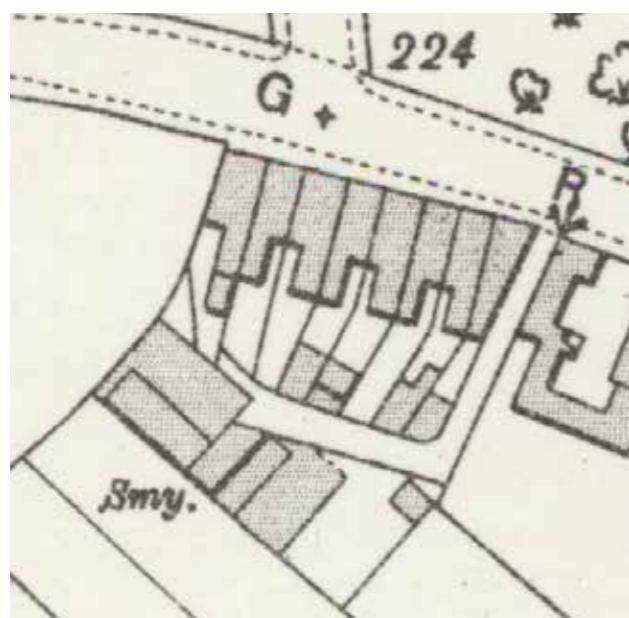
3-4 Warmair House is a vacant brick two storey property which abuts 2 Warmair House which also has an upper storey. Both properties are or were used for commercial purposes.

There is some evidence to suggest that 3-4 Warmair House was originally used as a smithy. The abbreviation 'Smy' is annotated the 1914 Ordnance Survey map (see below).

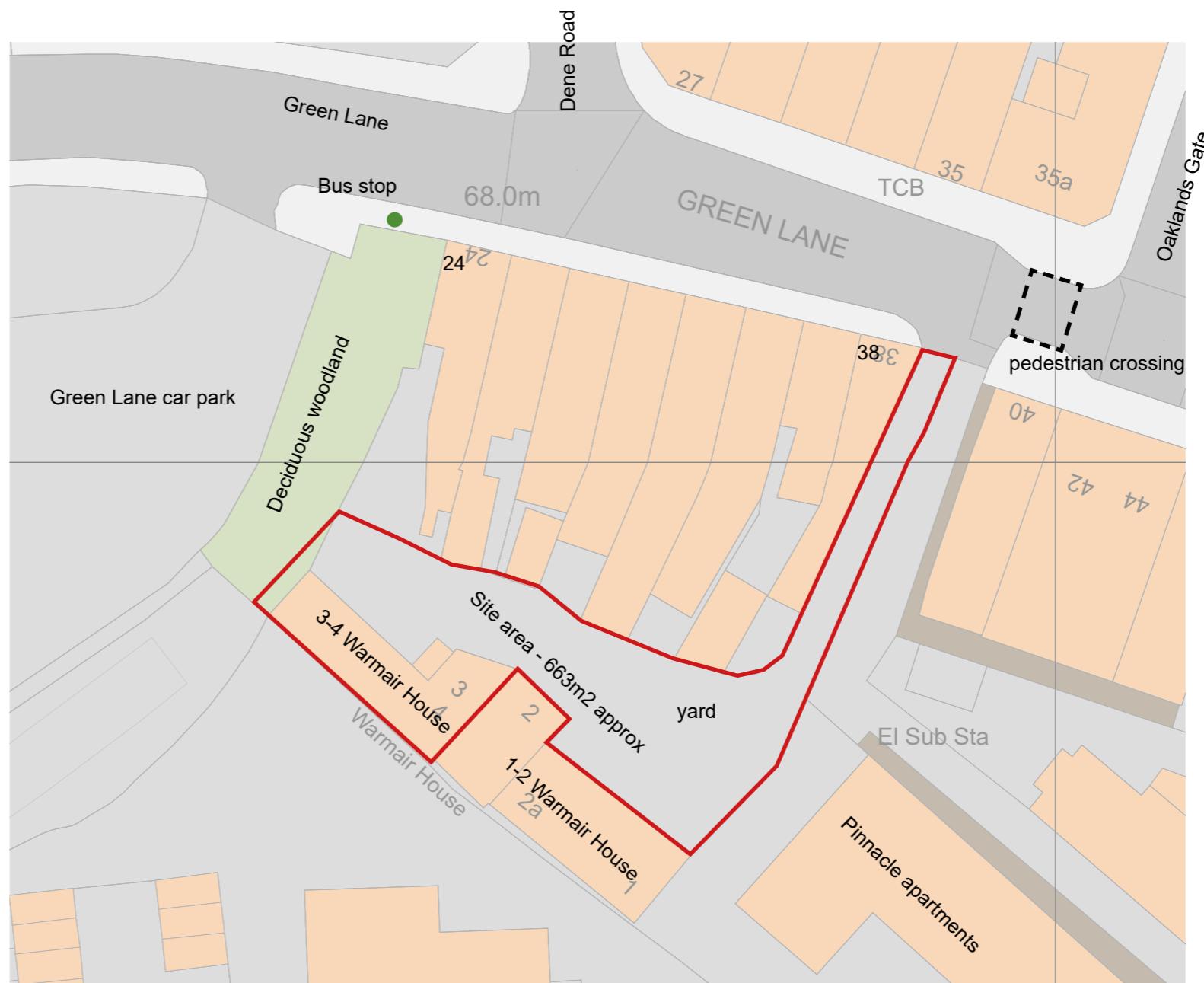
A relatively dense area of woodland lies to the west of the site and forms an effective buffer from the Green Lane car park to the site.

The northern boundary of the site is composed of a series of outbuildings, extensions, and fencing which is associated with properties of 24-38 Green Lane.

In addition to the Northwood town centre area, the site also lies within the Northwood Conservation Area.



Extract from 1914 OS Map



Extract from OS Map



3.2 Site photography - context



Site access from Green Lane



Vehicular access from Green Lane



Vehicular access from Green Lane



The yard outside of 1-2 Warmair House



The yard opposite of 3-4 Warmair House

3.2 Site photography - 1-4 Warmair House exterior views



Overhead view of 1-4 Warmair House



3 - 4 Warmair House, Green Lane, Northwood



Stair access to 4 Warmair House



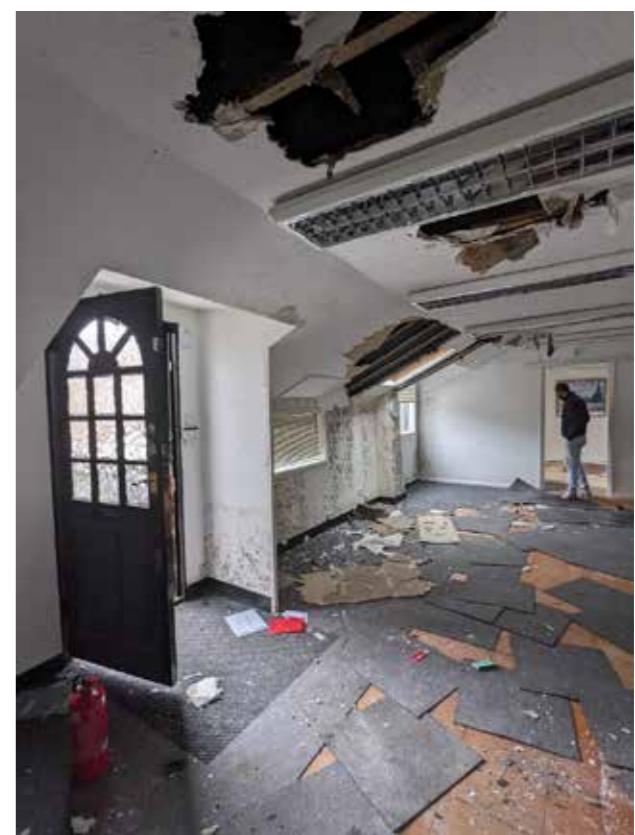
Frontage of 3-4 Warmair House



West gable of 3-4 Warmair House

3.2 Site photography - 1-4 Warmair House - interior views

Interior views of 3 -4 Warmair House indicate the generally poor condition of the interior spaces and the spread of mould on some of the walls.



3.3 Conservation & Heritage

The site falls within the red zone on the map opposite which is part of the Northwood Conservation Area.

To the bottom right the second map clearly indicates that 24-38 Green Lane and the buildings to the south of the site, 1-4 Warmair House, both contribute positively to the overall character of the area.

Extract from Northwood Town Centre, Green Lane Conservation Area Appraisal. September 2019

The Pavement, numbers 24-38.

This was the first parade of shops built along Green Lane and is visible in the 1914 Ordnance Survey map. It is less flamboyant than its later neighbours. The parade is two and half storeys with shops on the ground floor with a red brick first floor with yellow brick decorative courses and dormer windows in the attic under slate roofs. The parade steps up the slope of Green Lane creating interest. There are two windows on each first floor with large paned single sash windows and a single dormer centrally positioned above.

To the rear of the Pavement located on an alley that runs behind, is an interesting surviving outbuilding, possibly a stable block. It is constructed of London stock brick with slate roofs and has three pitched roof dormers breaking through the eaves.

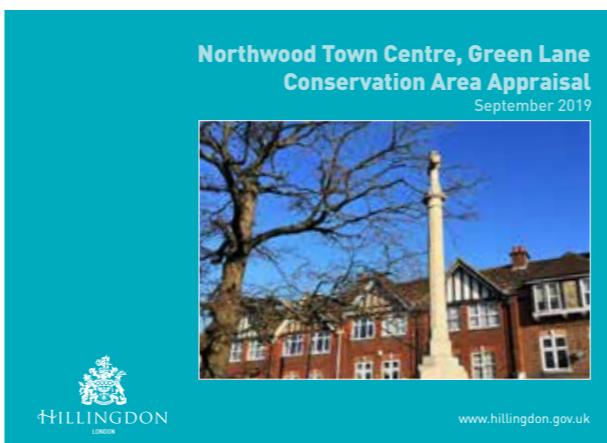
It is clear from the documents illustrated that the heritage value of the buildings within the site are key to any future plans for redevelopment.

Therefore we have commissioned Cogent to appraise the heritage value of all the buildings on the proposed site and the relationship of those buildings within Northwood and the Northwood conservation area.

For further information please see the heritage statement which accompanies this document.

Key

The site



The maps and diagrams on this page are all extracts from the above document.



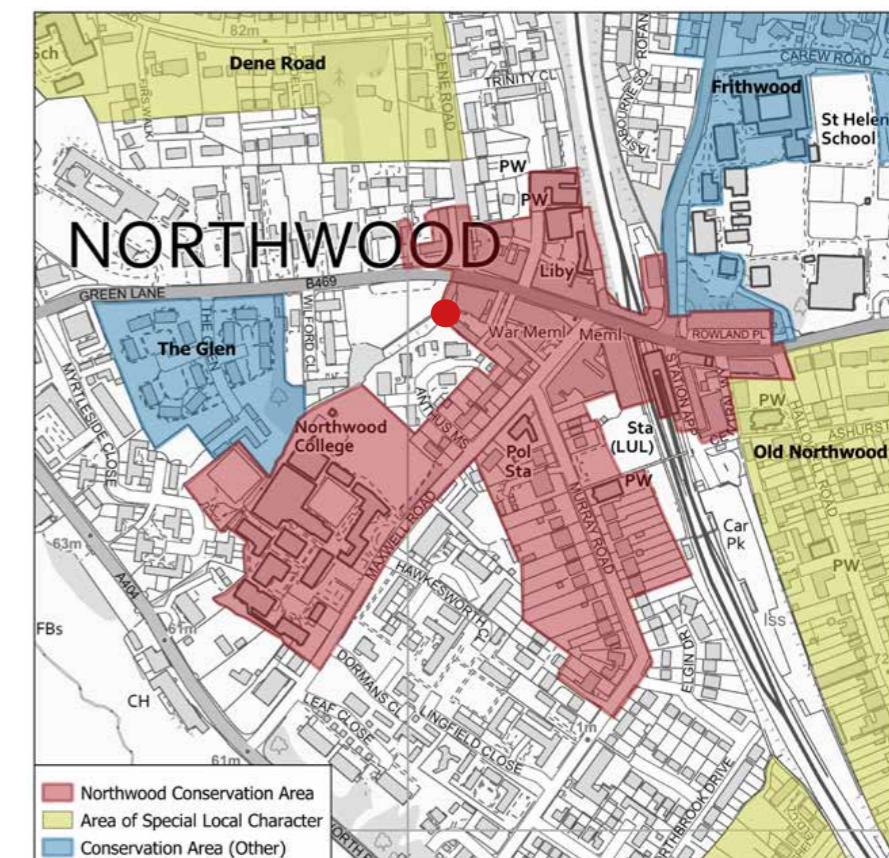
24-38 Green Lane



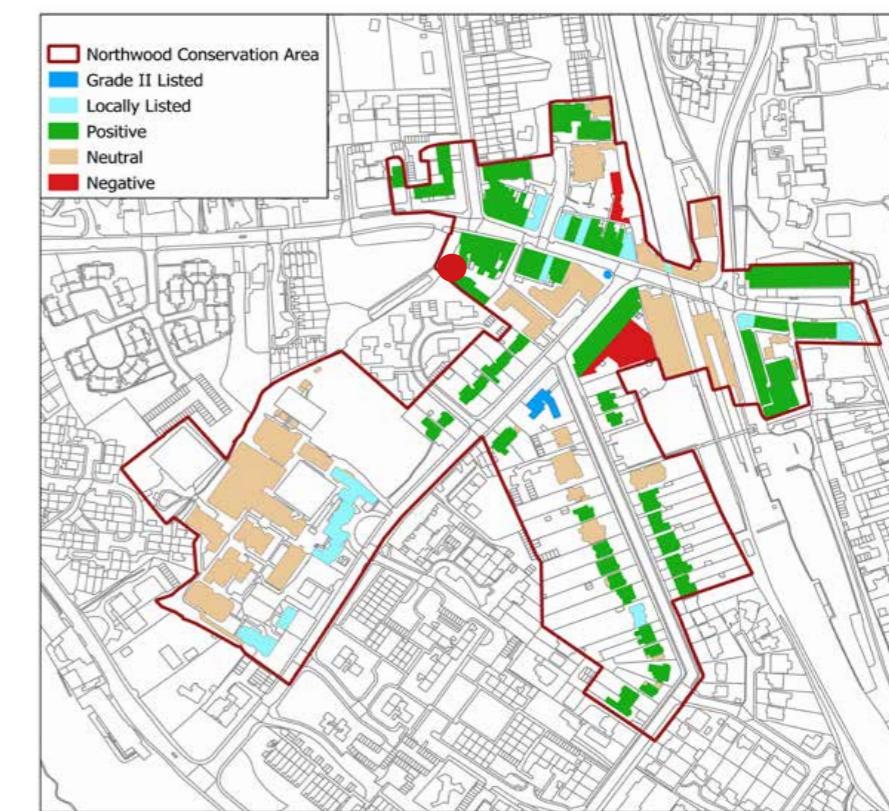
Outbuildings to the rear of Green Lane



Outbuildings to the rear of Green Lane



Conservation and special character areas.



Listed buildings and building character contributors, Northwood.

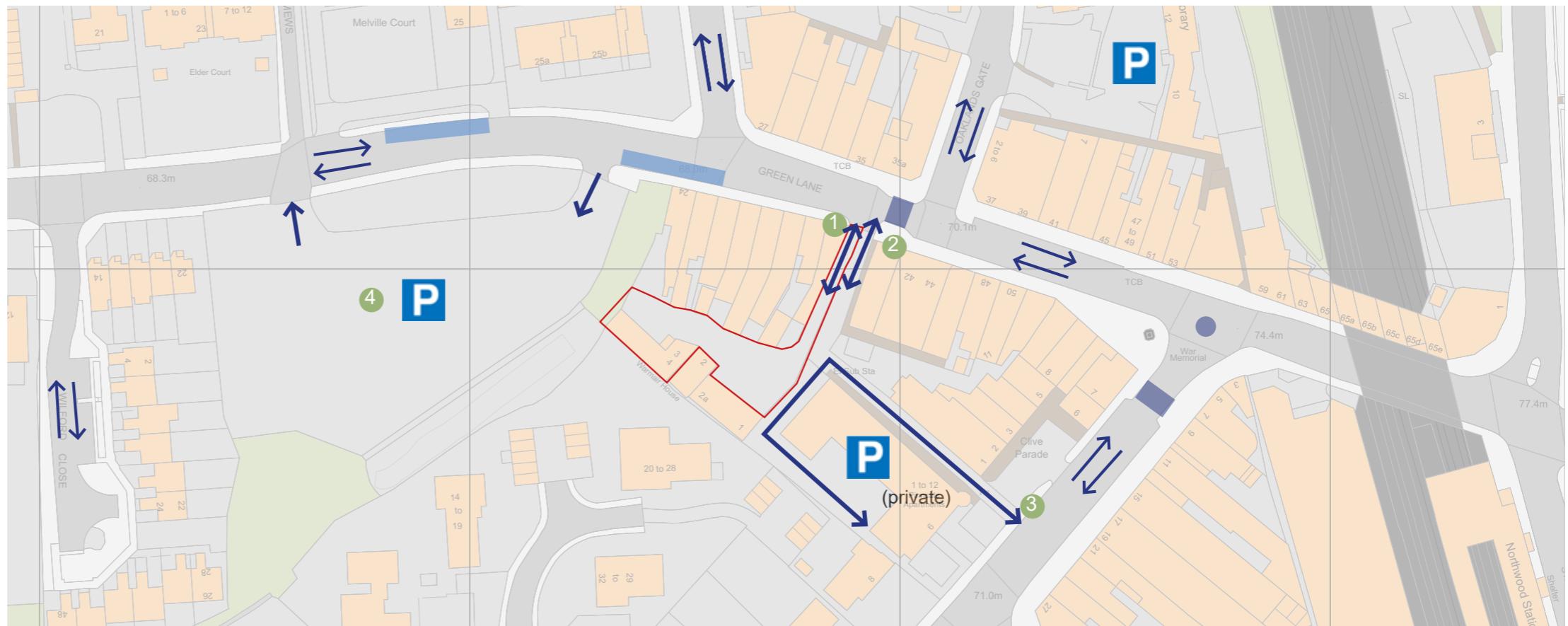
3.4 Vehicular access & circulation

The map diagram on this page indicate the basic traffic circulation on the adjacent street and point of access to the adjacent properties.

At present there seems to be an absence of dedicated cycle lanes/ routes in the vicinity of the site.

Key

- 1 Access to rear of 24-38 Green Lane & 1-4 Warmair House
- 2 Access to rear of 40-44 Green Lane & substation
- 3 Access to private underground parking for Pinnacle apartments
- 4 Green Lane car park - 157 spaces
- Bus stop
- P Pedestrian crossing
- ↔ Direction of traffic



Map indicating primary vehicle circulation

3.5 Public transport

The site is reasonably well connected and served by several nearby transport links. Northwood Station is 175m to the east of the site and is part of the Metropolitan Line (Zone 6).

There are bus stops located directly adjacent to the Green Lane site.

These provide the following bus services at bus stop H & G (Dene Road)

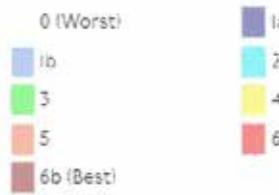
- 282 - Ealing Hospital to Mount Vernon Hospital
- 328 - Golders Green to Chelsea Worlds End
- 331 - Ruislip Station to Belmont Road
- H11- Mount Vernon Hospital to Harrow Bus Station

PTAL is a measure which rates locations by distance from frequent public transport services.

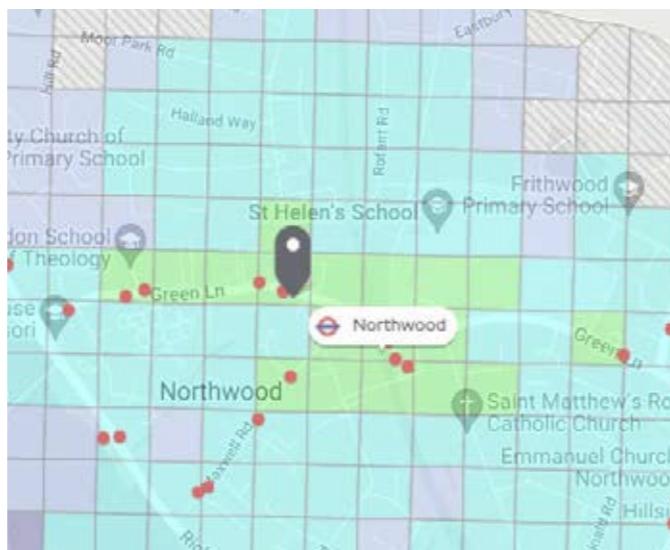
The site has a PTAL rating of 3 which is classified as 'Good'.



Public transport plan



PTAL key



Extract from TFL WebCAT



Metropolitan Line

3.6 Site topography

The topographical survey on this page indicates the significant changes in elevation on Green Lane and also from Green Lane to the rear of the plot.

Providing level access to proposed properties and also good site drainage will be key design challenges.

The lowest part of the site is directly opposite the stairway to #4 Warmair House. To mitigate against the build up of surface water we are proposing a communal space for residents which will also function as a SUDS feature or rain garden in this location.

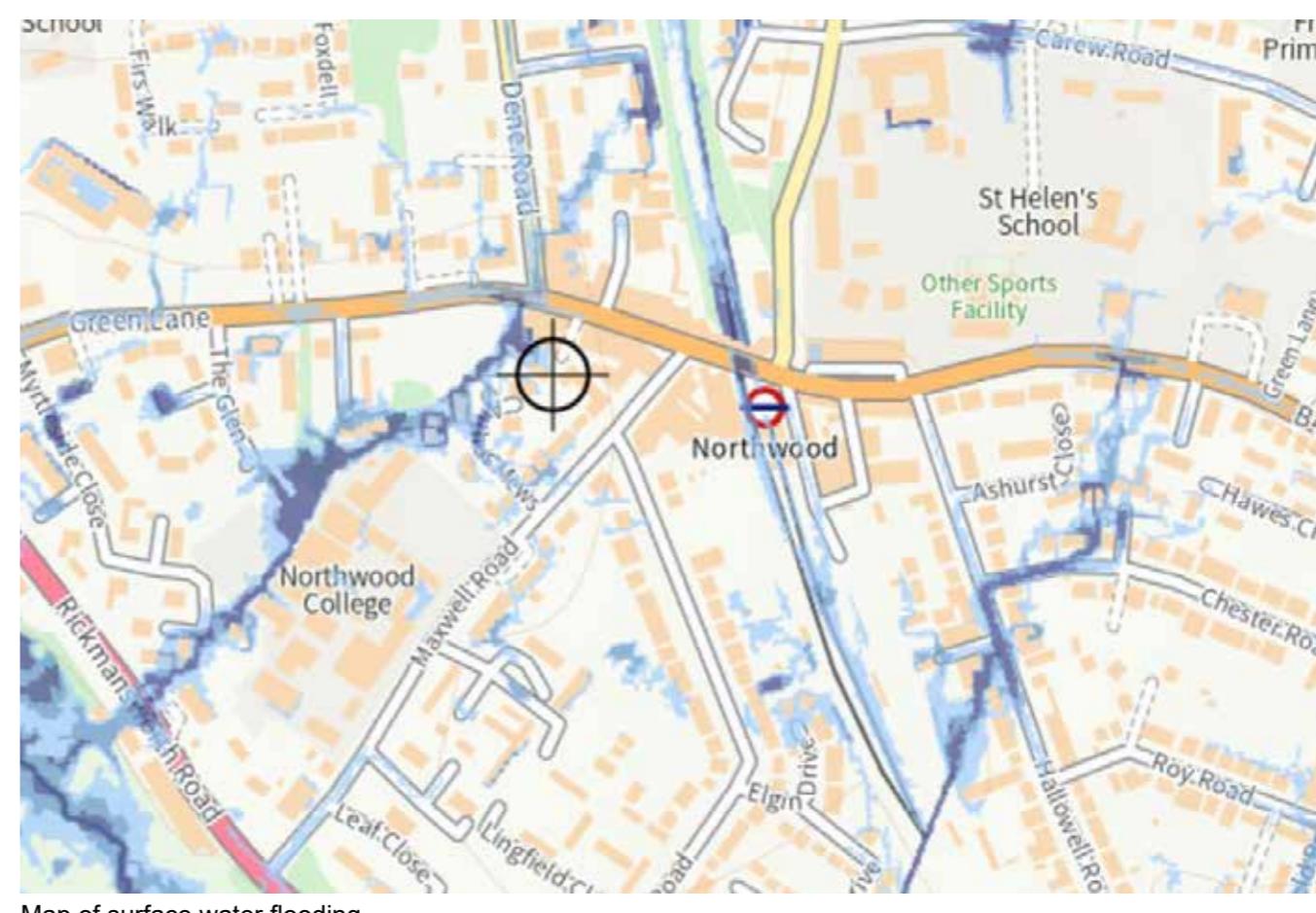
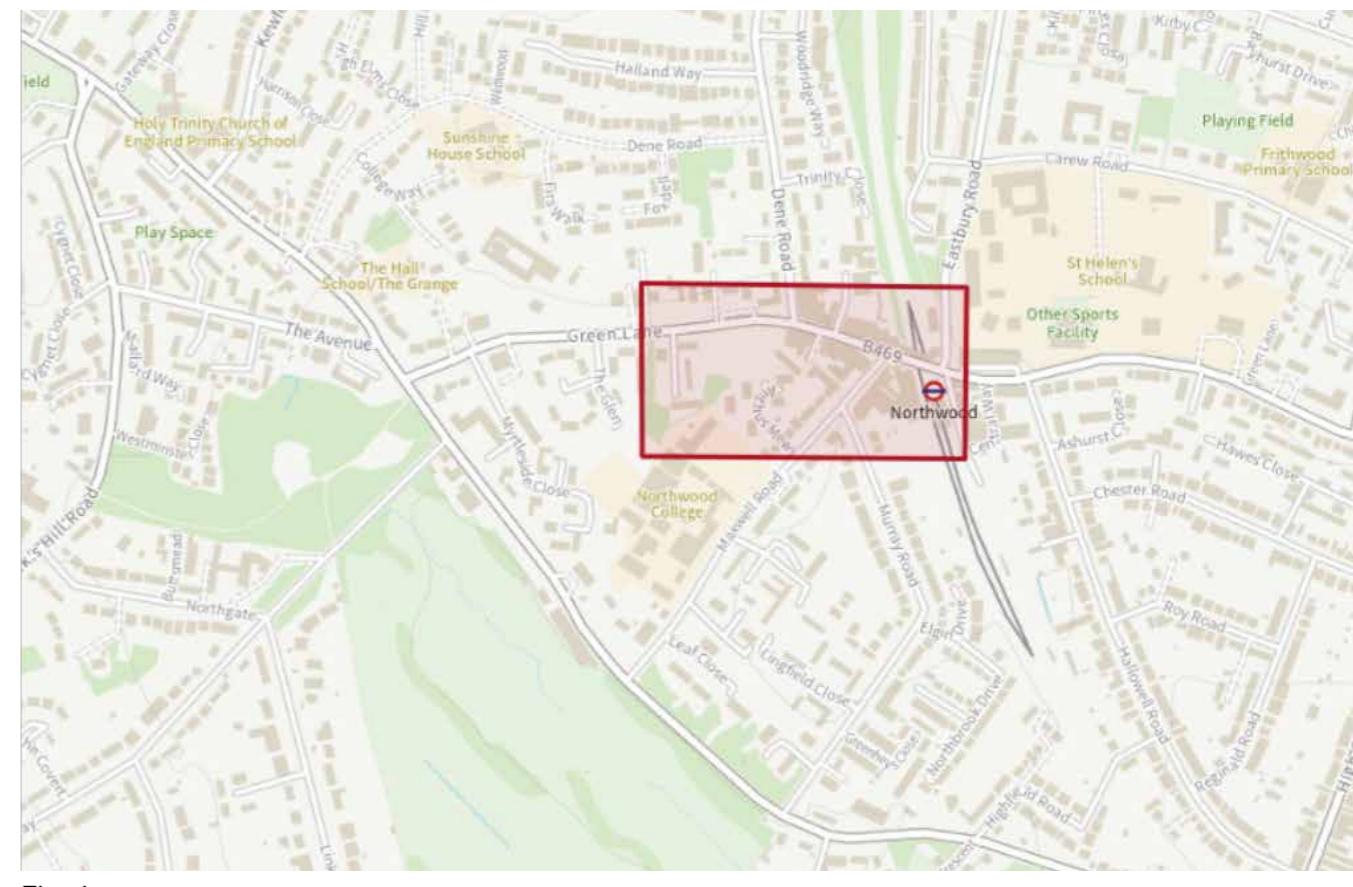


3.7 Flood risk and surface water

The maps on this page extracted from www.gov.uk illustrate the risk of flooding to the site and potential effects of surface water flooding.

The top right map indicates the site lies within flood risk 1 and therefore has a low probability of flooding from rivers and the sea.

The lower right map illustrates the impact of surface water flooding. This demonstrates the risk is medium to high due to the low lying nature of the western portion of the site. The more elevated areas to the east of the site fall within the relatively low risk category.



3.8 Trees

The diagram on this page highlights the mature deciduous woodland that forms a green buffer to the western boundary of the site and continues around the southern edge of the Green Lane car park.

Our intention is to disturb this grouping of trees as little as possible both above and below ground.



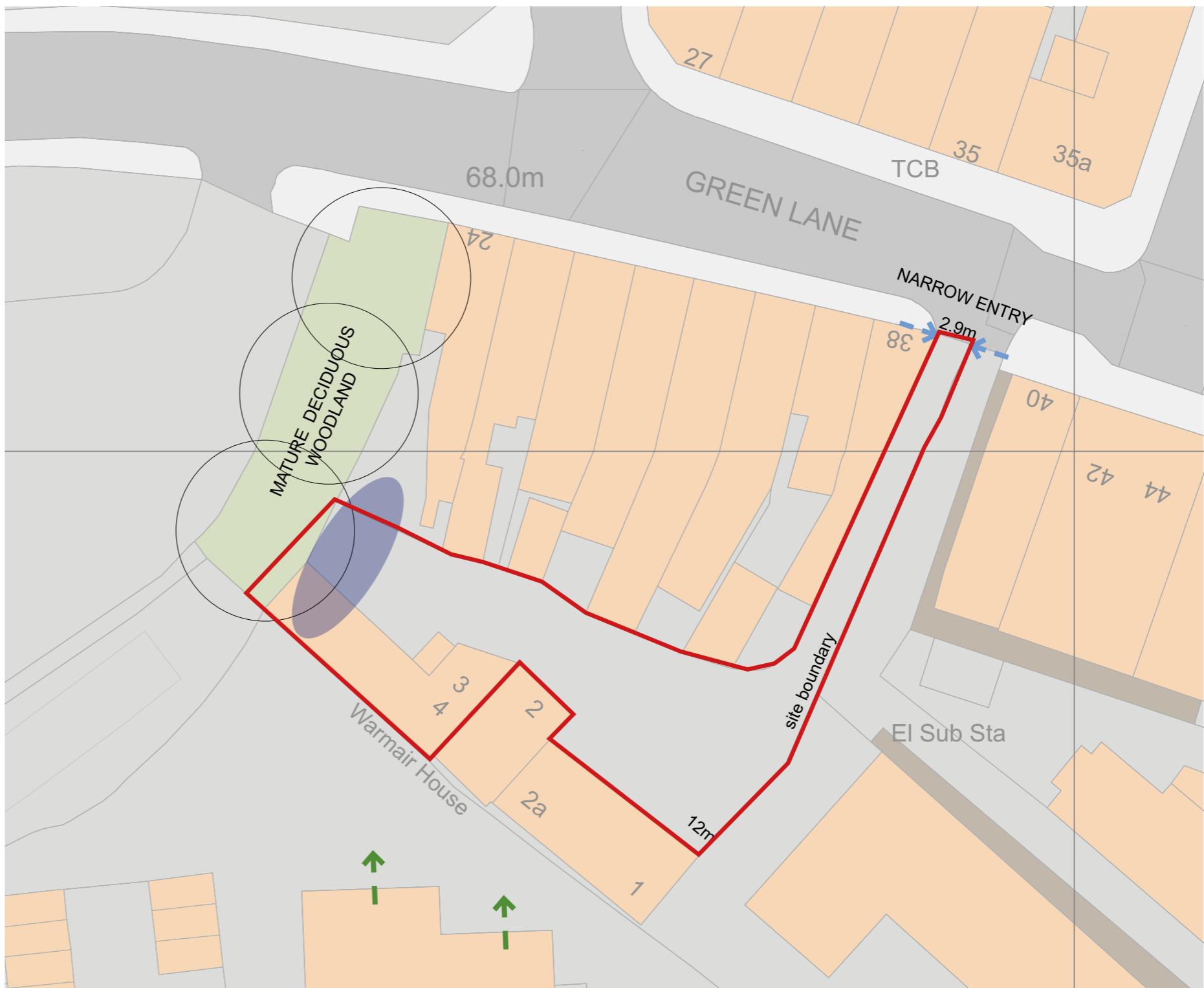
3.9 Site Constraints

The site presents a number of constraints which we can identify and summarise as follows:

- Sensitive location relative to potential heritage assets and inclusion within the Northwood conservation area.
- Restricted site access for vehicles.
- Daylight and overlooking of neighbouring residential properties requires careful consideration.
- Given the topography of the site, rainwater drainage requires careful consideration.
- Whilst attractive, the dense woodland to the western boundary does impact daylight and sunlight penetration to the site.
- Poor state of repair of the existing building both externally and internally

Key

- Overlooking / daylight issues
- Restricted access
- Potential for surface water build up



3.10 Site Opportunities

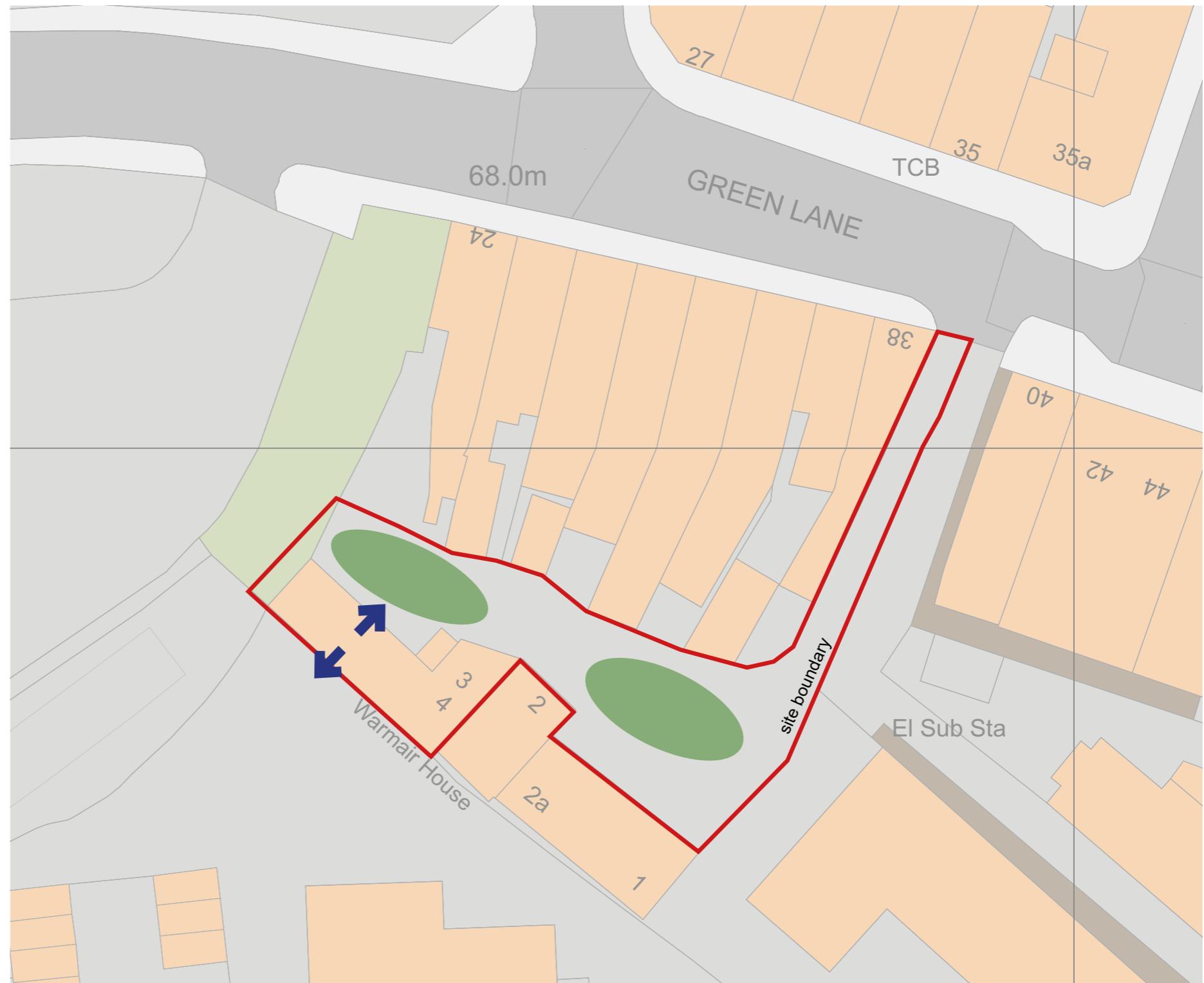
The site represents a number of significant opportunitists which we have identified and summarised as follows:

- Provision of high quality housing.
- Opportunity to provide a much 'greener' low carbon development.
- Enhance the character of the town centre location and conservation area.
- Added structure to the car parking arrangements in the yard with an overall reduction in parking spaces/ vehicles movements.
- Retention of existing trees.
- Improve site access for vehicles and pedestrians with better paving and lighting
- Maximise dual aspect apartments.

Key

 Dual aspect homes

 New landscaped space



4.1 Plans



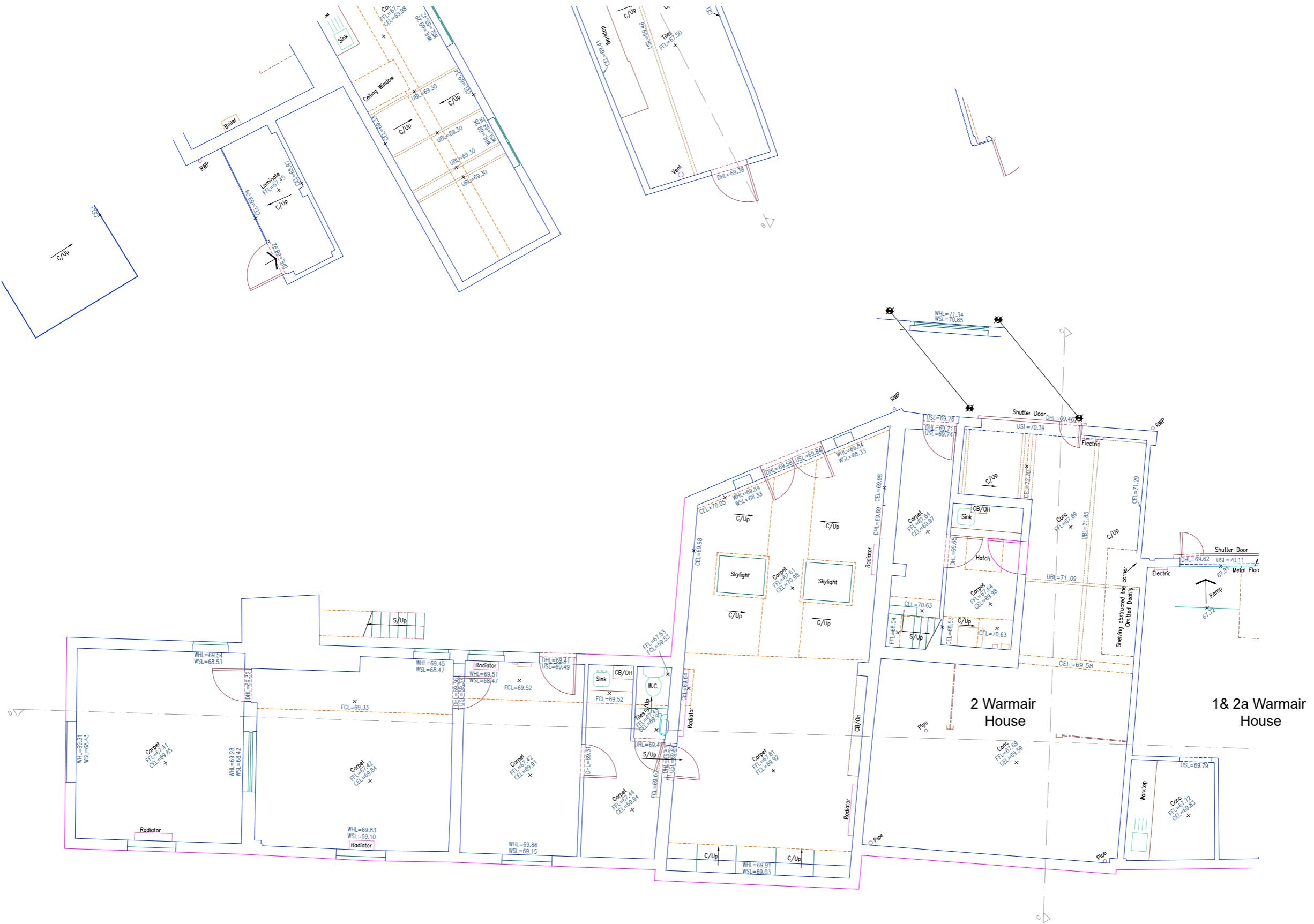
Site boundary

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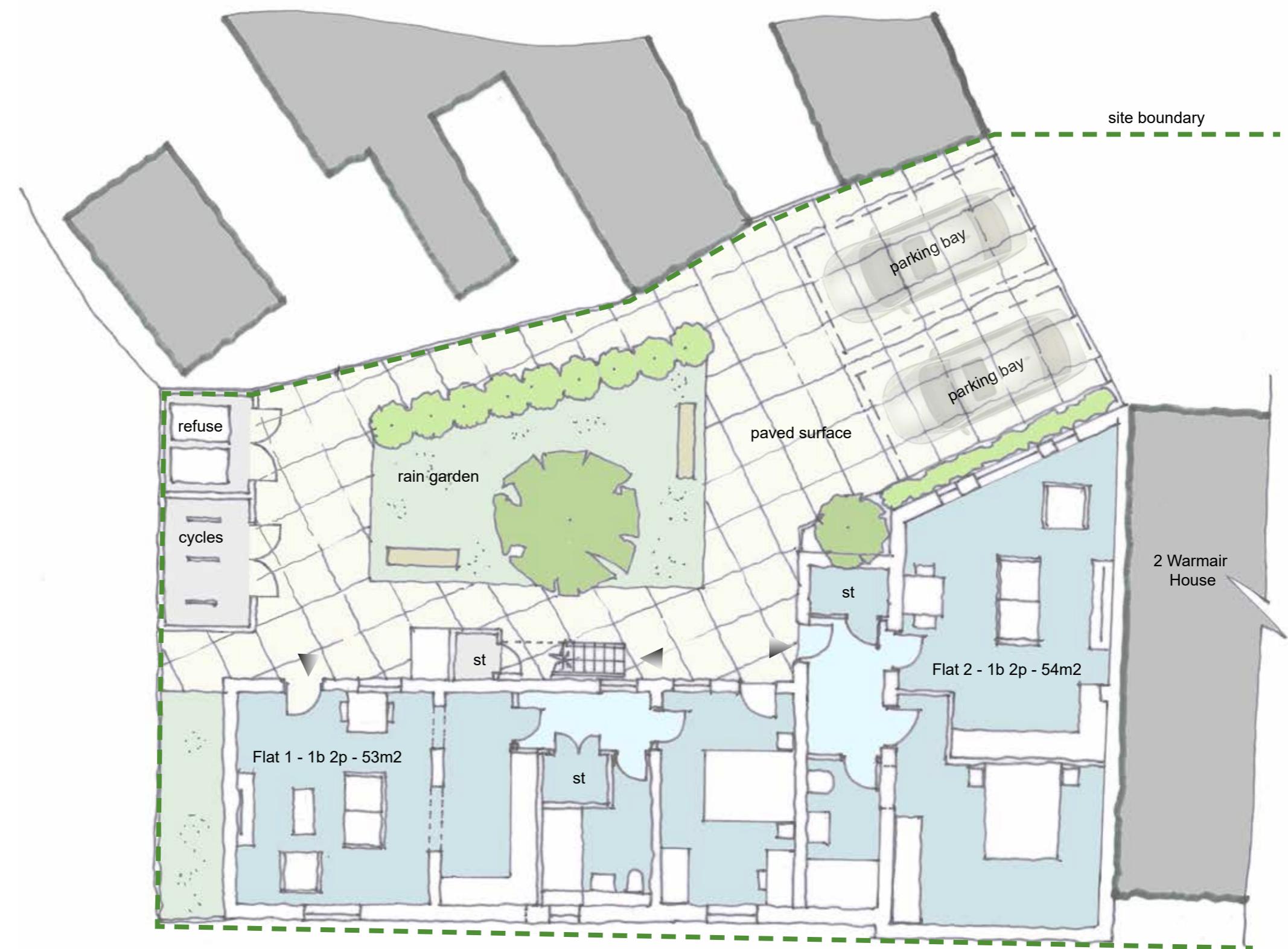




existing ground floor scale 1:100 @ A3



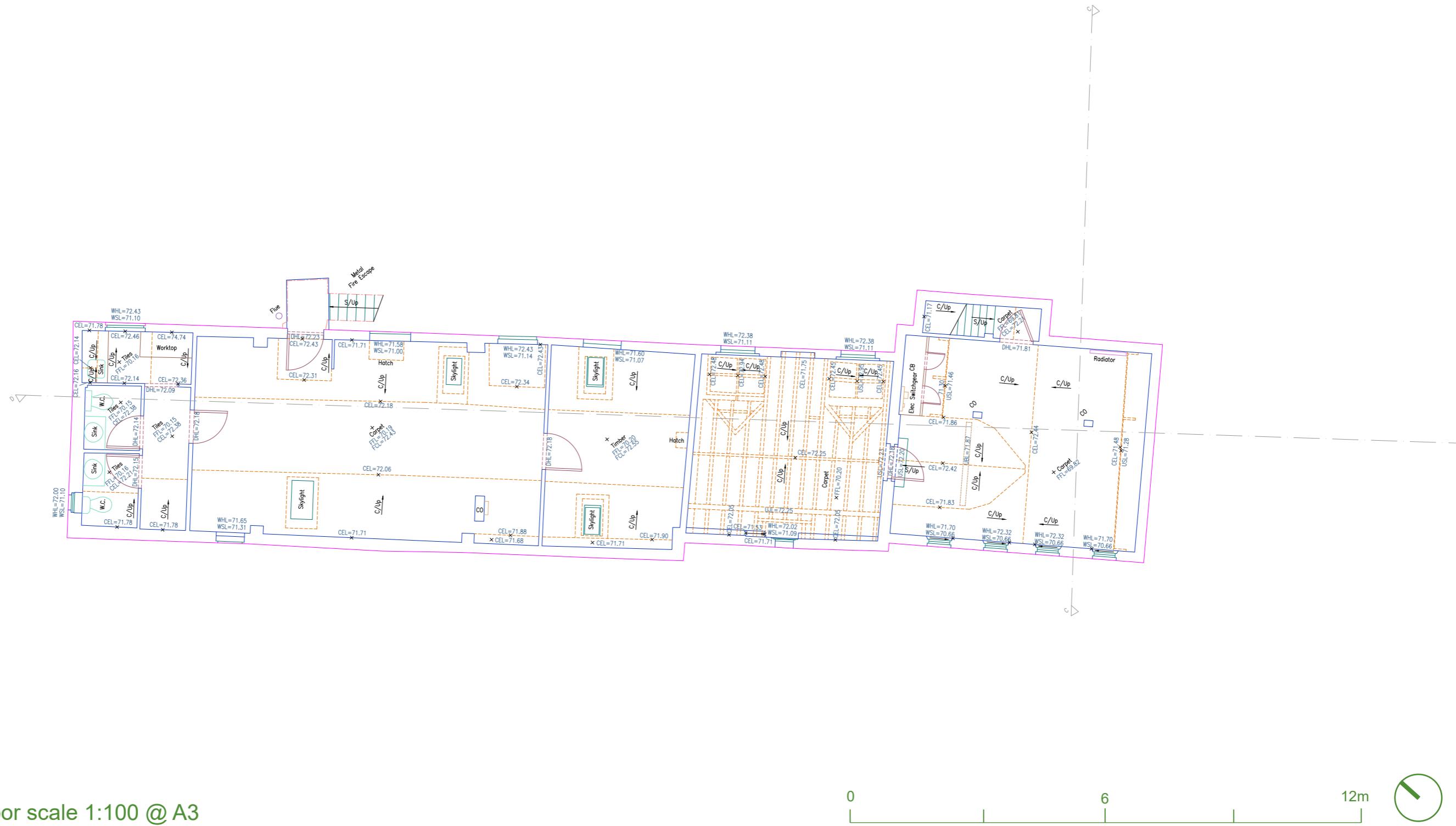
4.1 Floor plans



proposed ground floor scale 1:100 @ A3

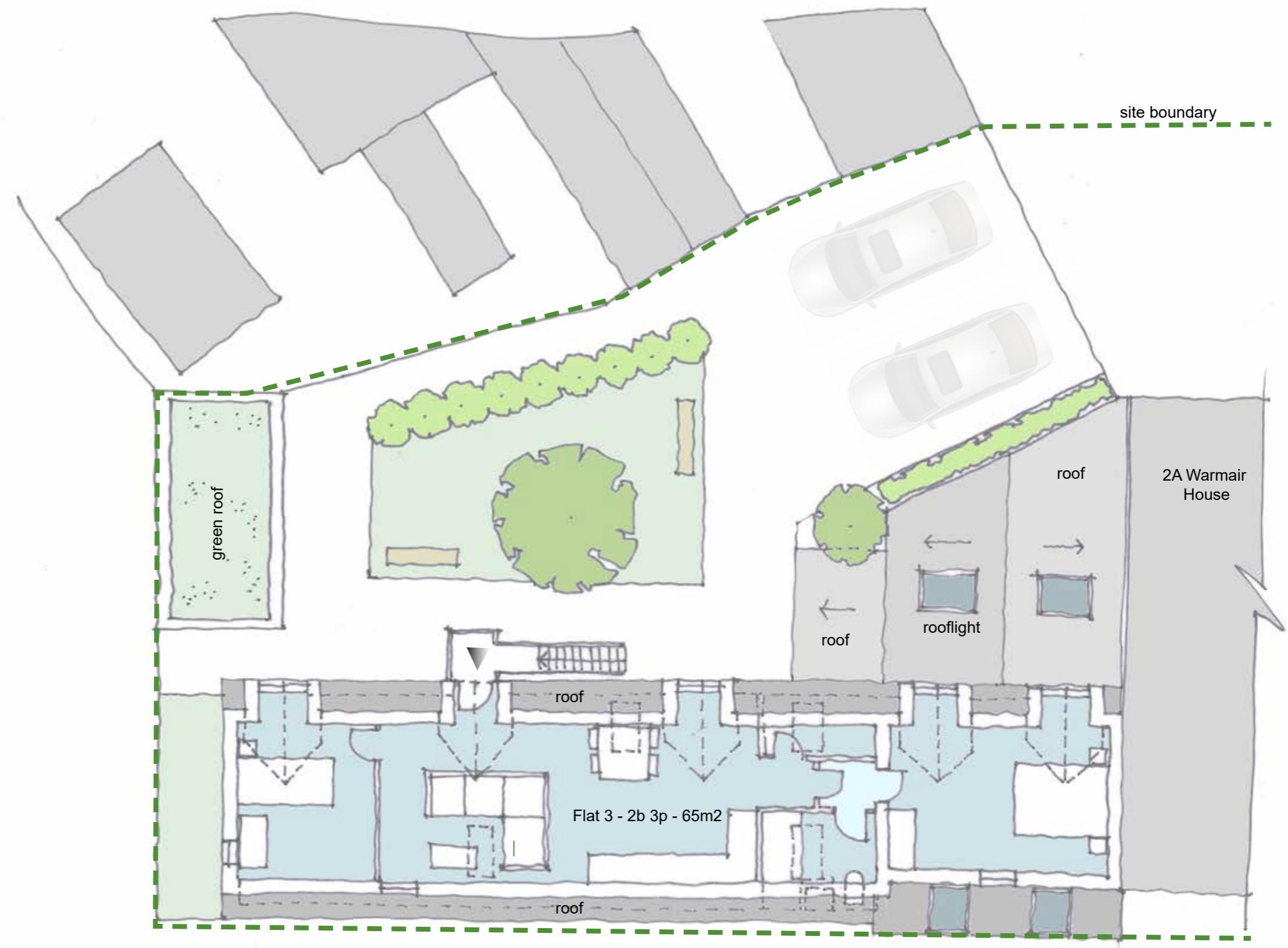
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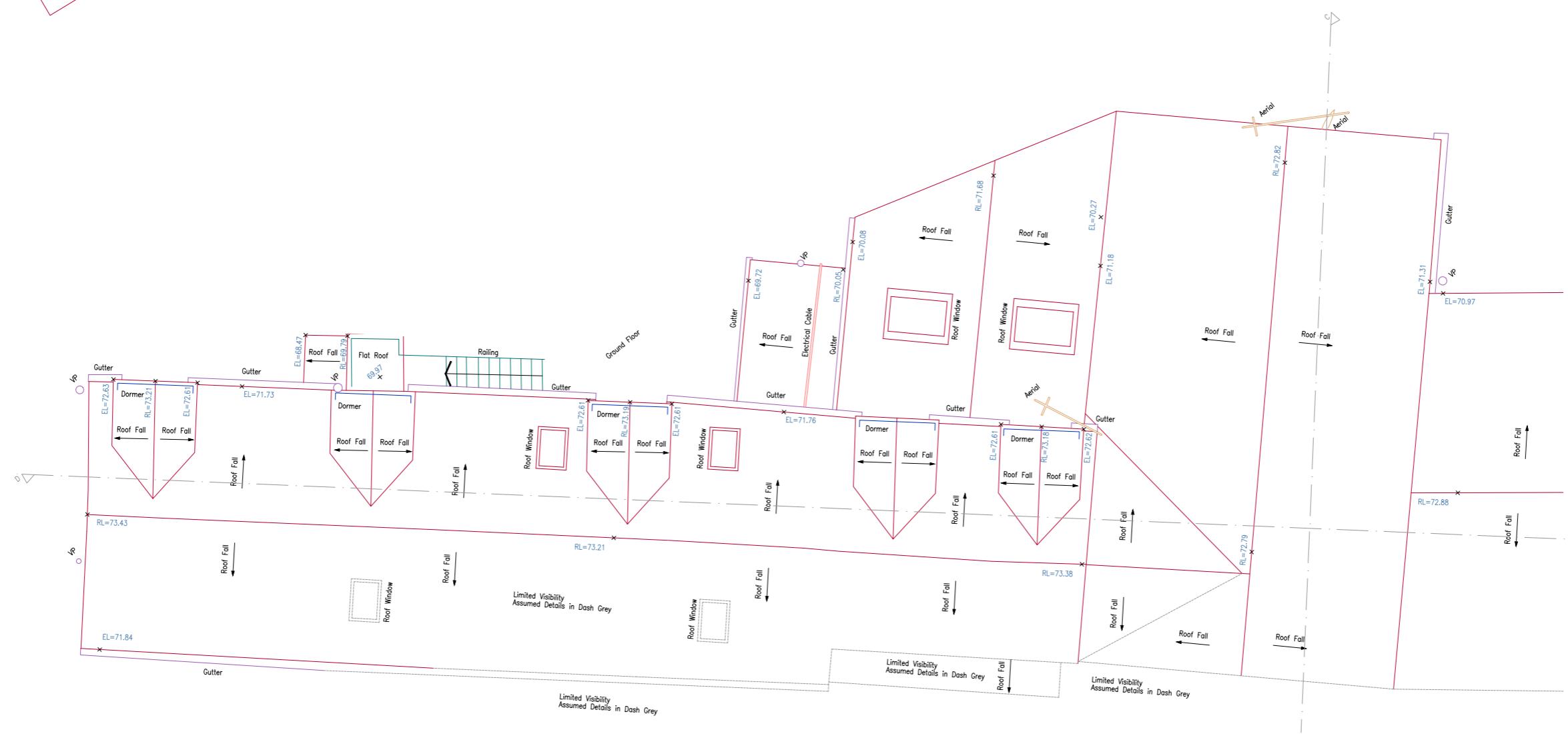


existing first floor scale 1:100 @ A3

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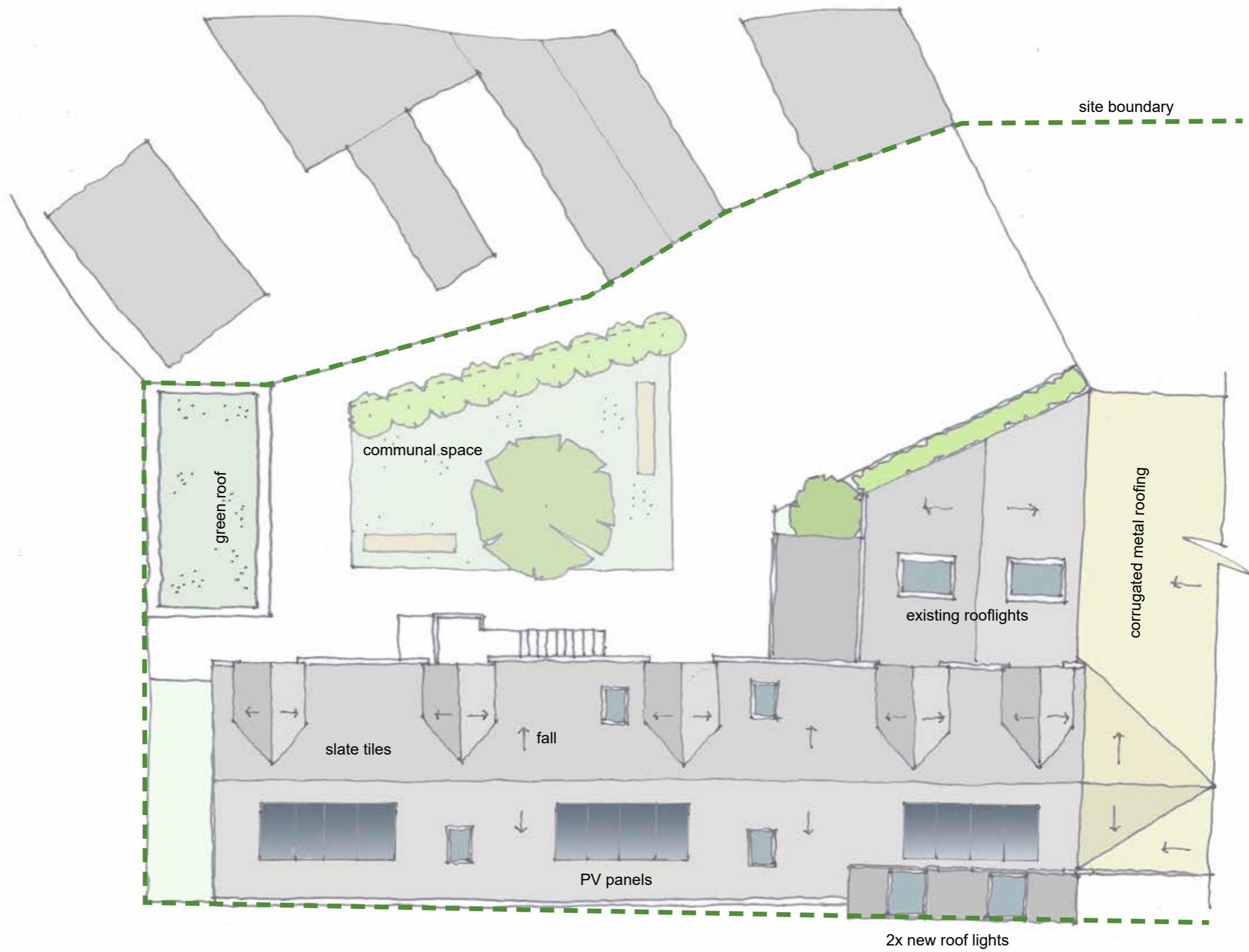
proposed first floor scale 1:100 @ A3



existing roof plan scale 1:100 @ A3

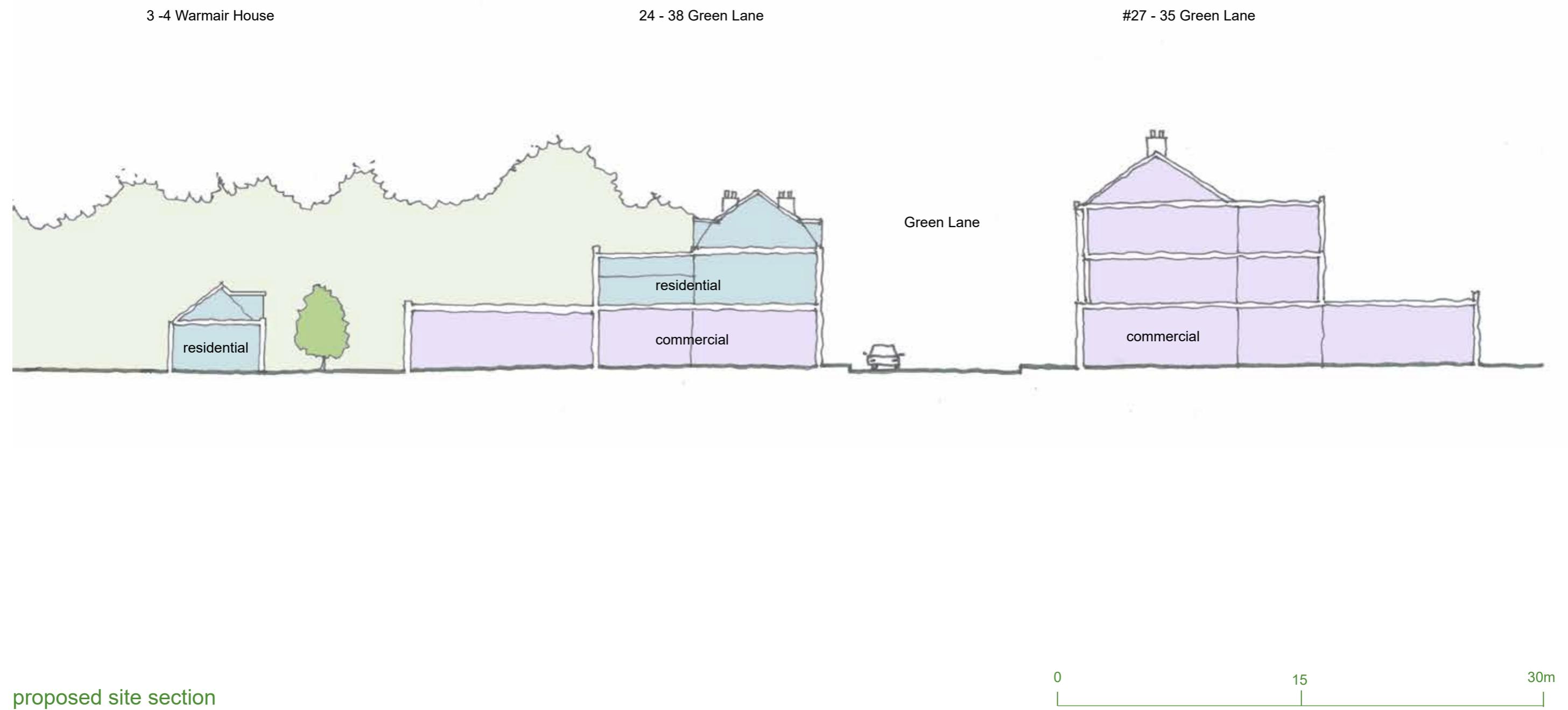


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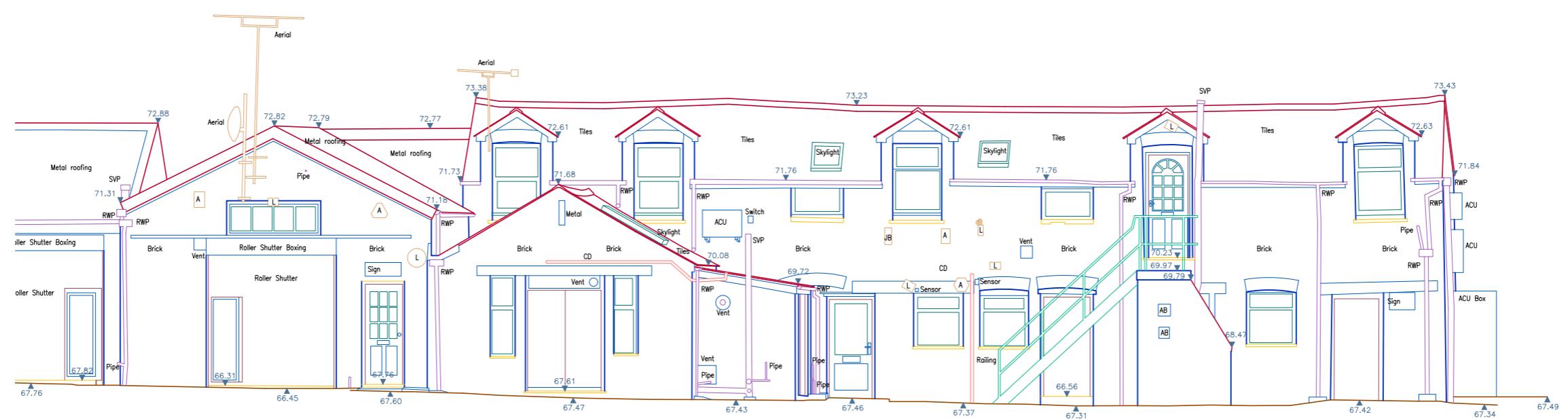
proposed roof plan scale 1:100 @ A3

4.2 Site section



1 - 2 Warmair House

3 & 4 Warmair Hous



existing northeast elevation from yard 1:100 @ A3

3 - 4 Warmair House, Green Lane, Northwood

4.3 Elevations

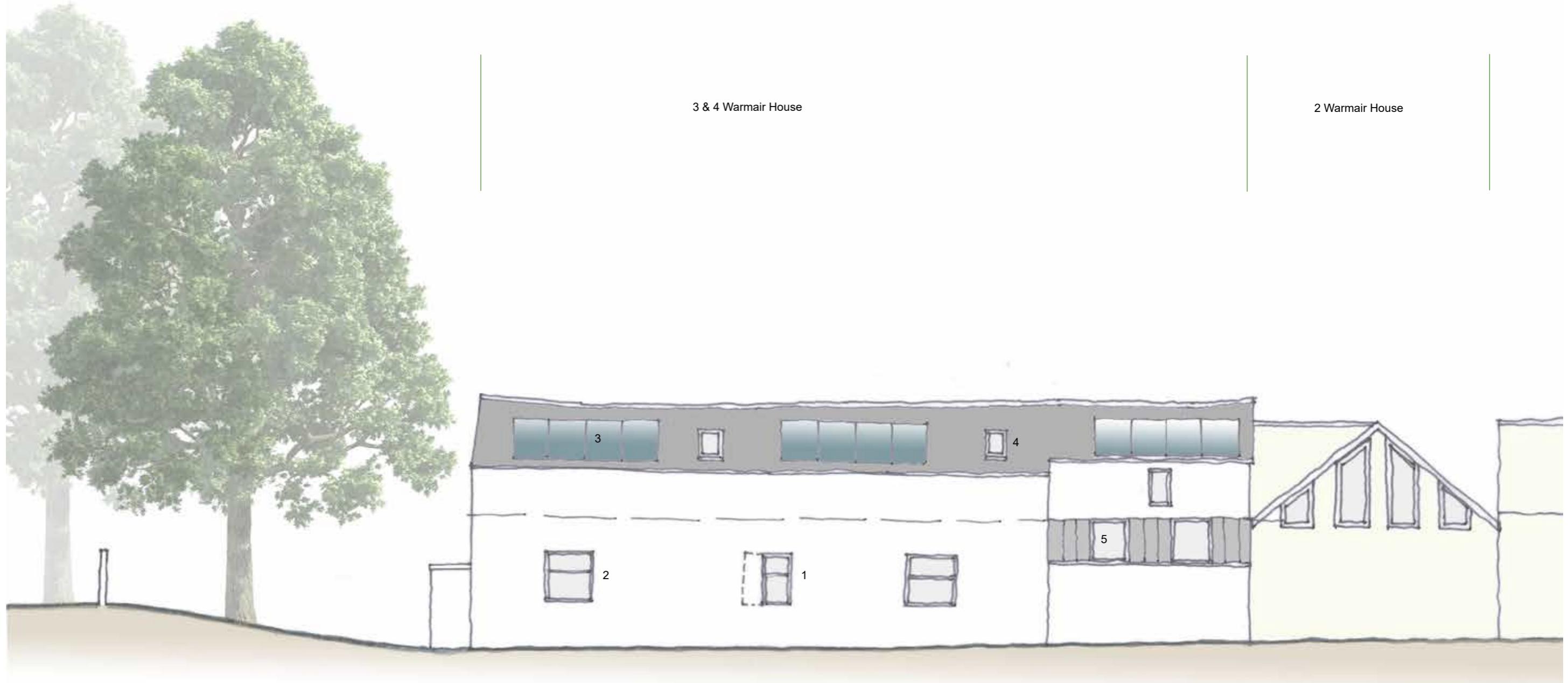


proposed northeast elevation from yard scale 1:100 @ A3



existing southwest elevation scale 1:100 @ A3

4.3 Elevations

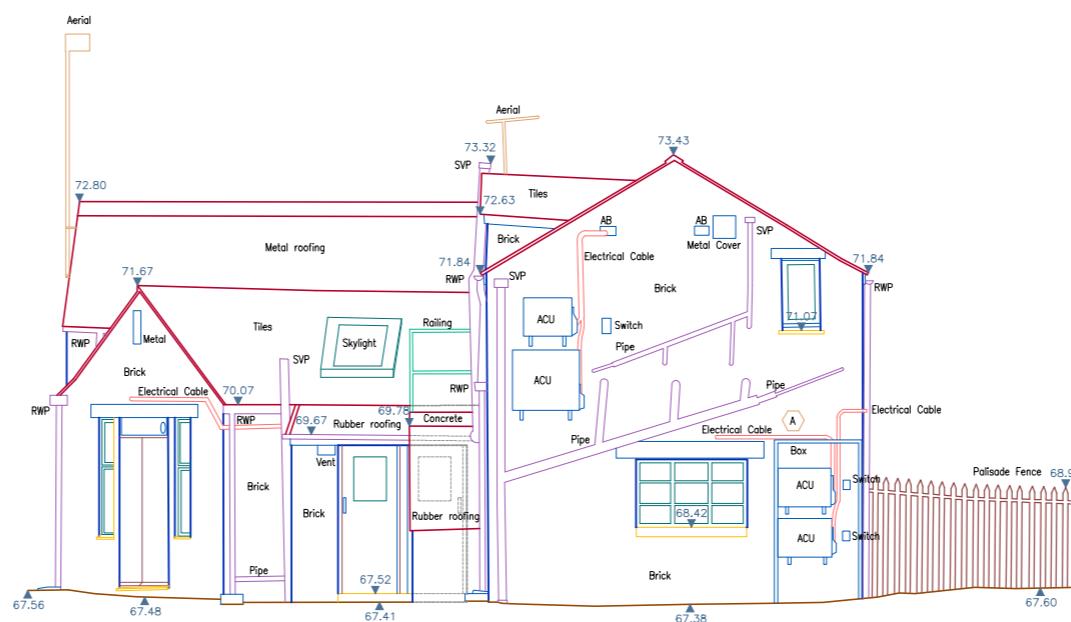


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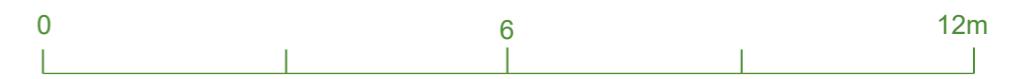
1. Modified window opening
2. Existing windows
3. Photovoltaic panels
4. Existing roof lights
5. New rooflights

proposed southwest elevation scale 1:100 @ A3





existing northwest gable elevation scale 1:100 @ A3





Key

1. Existing door locations
2. Existing window locations
3. New cycle/ refuse store with green roof
4. Existing roof light positions
5. Rain garden

proposed northwest gable elevation scale 1:100 @ A3

4.4 Materials

The material proposed are largely traditional in keeping with the character and age of the building.

Where possible, the existing materials will be made good (brickwork) and replaced only where necessary, for example, the slate roofing.

Given the relatively poor condition of the building fabric, we anticipate many of the windows, guttering, downpipes will require replacement.

All extraneous cabling, flood lighting , AHU's, signage and pipework/flues will be removed from the exterior of the building.



External residential doors



Slate tiled roofing as per existing



Coloured asphalt



External wall lights to residential entrances



Timber sash windows



Communal space paviors



Driveway lighting

4.5 Sustainability & biodiversity

Our objective with this project is to create a low carbon design which minimises its carbon footprint throughout the life cycle of the project.

Passive and renewable design features will be incorporated to create a low carbon design which promotes and improves biodiversity relative to the current situation.

Sustainable features proposed for this project can be summarised as follows:

- Significant retention and reuse of the existing building fabric.
- The retention of existing trees and woodland.
- Introduction of PV panels on the roofs to provide renewable energy.
- Utilising the flat roofs to provide green roofs and therefore contributing to the biodiversity net gain.
- Secure cycle storage for all residents, commercial users and visitors.
- Explore the uses and potential of rainwater harvesting
- High performance glazing
- Energy efficient lighting and controls within dwellings and communal areas
- Low flush capacity WC's and water efficient taps
- Sustainable drainage systems to manage rainwater run off in the form of a rain garden and permeable paving.
- Additional ventilation and cooling capacity provided by an MVHR units within dwellings to prevent overheating.
- New provision of habitat for insects and birds



Retention of existing trees



PV panels



SUDS - rain garden



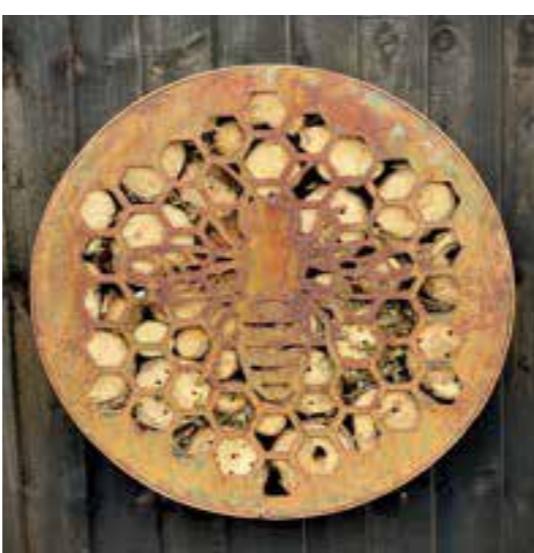
Secure cycle storage



Extensive green roofs



Permeable paving



Habitat support - bug hotels



Bird feeders



Habitat support - bird boxes

4.6 Existing & proposed areas



EXISTING AREAS - 3-4 Warmair House

Ground floor (3 Warmair House)	107m2 NIA
First floor (4 Warmair House)	65m2 NIA
Total	172m2

PROPOSED AREAS - 3-4 Warmair House

Ground floor (3 Warmair House)	107m2 NIA (residential)
	13m2 NIA (refuse & cycles)
First floor (4 Warmair House)	65m2 NIA (residential)
Total	185m2

PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL MIX - 3-4 Warmair House

Ground floor (3 Warmair House)	2 x 1 bed 2 person units at 53 & 54m2
First floor (4 Warmair House)	1 x 2 bed 3 person unit at 65m2
Total - 3 residential units	

CYCLE STORAGE - 6 spaces

REFUSE - 1 X 1100l bins - waste
1 X 1100l bins - recycling

CAR PARKING - 2 standard spaces





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First Floor

24 - 38 Green Lane,
Northwood, HA6 2QP

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Bottom Level	AS	Aspirating Spring
Bottom Level	CE	Ceiling
Bottom Level	DC	Door to Door Sill
Bottom Level	DH	Door Sill to Head
Bottom Level	FC	False Ceiling
Bottom Level	HT	Height
Bottom Level	UD	Underside of Duct
Bottom Level	UDB	Underside of Boxing
Bottom Level	UDJ	Underside of Joist
Bottom Level	UPI	Underside of Pipe
Bottom Level	URSD	Underside of RSJ
Bottom Level	US	Generic Underside
Bottom Level	WS	Floor to Window Sill
Bottom Level	WH	Window Sill to Head

STN Sloping Ceiling Up
+20.00 Sloping Beam Up
Step/Stairs Up

coincident with Ordnance Survey National Grid
Station 1STN

lines have been shown at 1.50m from respective services such as pipes and ducts smaller than 200mm have not be individually shown. If multiple services are located, an outline of the full extent will be shown; this will be accompanied with a level indicating the underside point.



breations	
P Air Conditioning Unit	RL Ridge Level
P Break Glass Point	SSL Structure Side Level
P Concrete	TWL Top of Wall Level
G Gufly	ULC Underside of Level
J Rail Steel Joists	UBL Underside of Boring Level
P Vent	ULL Underside of Joist Level
P Vent Bench Mark	URSL Underside of RSJ Level
V Vent	WSL Window Sill Level
W Waste Pipe	WL Window Head Level
	Heights
A Arch Crown Level	AC Arch Crown
A Arch Spring Level	AS Arch Spring
C Ceiling Level	DC Door to Floor
C Coping Level	DD Door Head
D Dore Head Level	FH False Ceiling
F False Ceiling	HD Head
F False Floor Level	HT Head Top
R Roof Level	UBX Underside of Boring
I Insert Level	UD Underside of Duct
P Parallel Level	UJ Underside of Joist
	URS Underside of Pipe
	URS Underside of RSJ
	WHS Window Head
	WHS Window Sill
	WHS Window Head

Survey Grid
Local Grid coincident with Ordnance Survey National Grid
Survey Station 15TN

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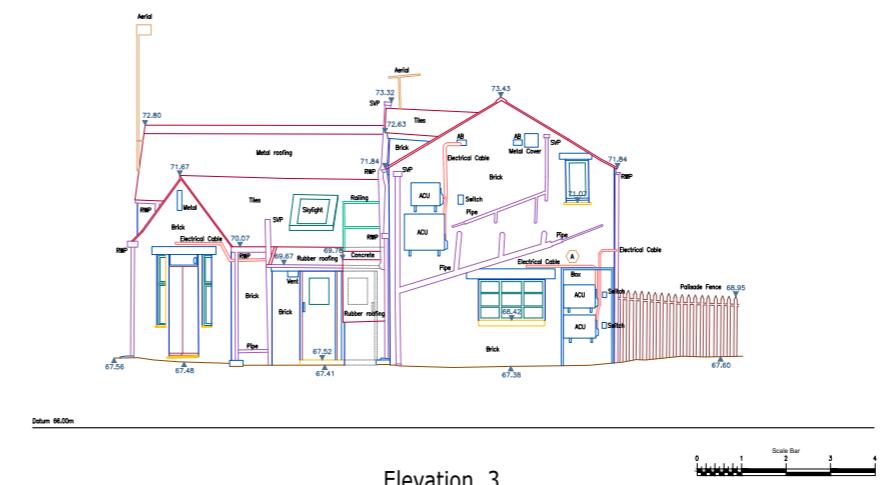
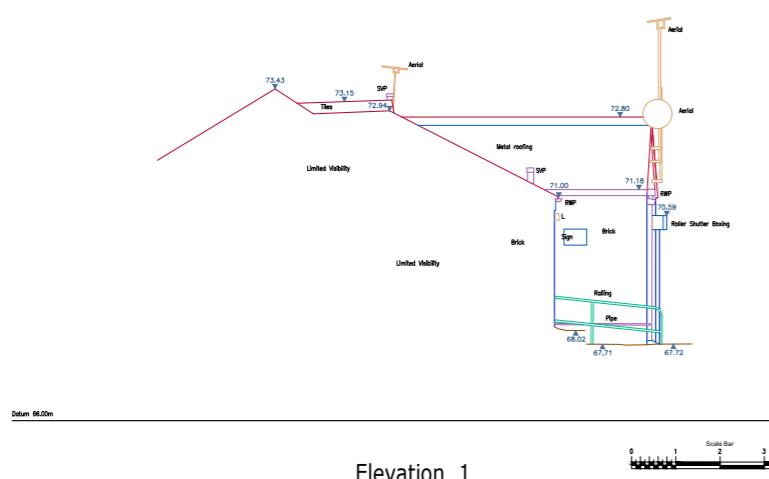
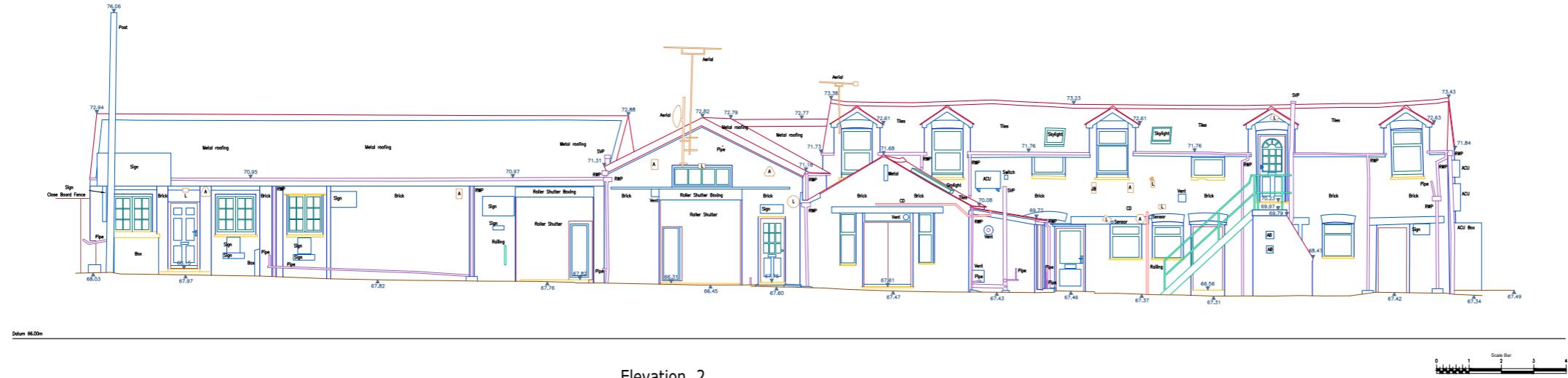
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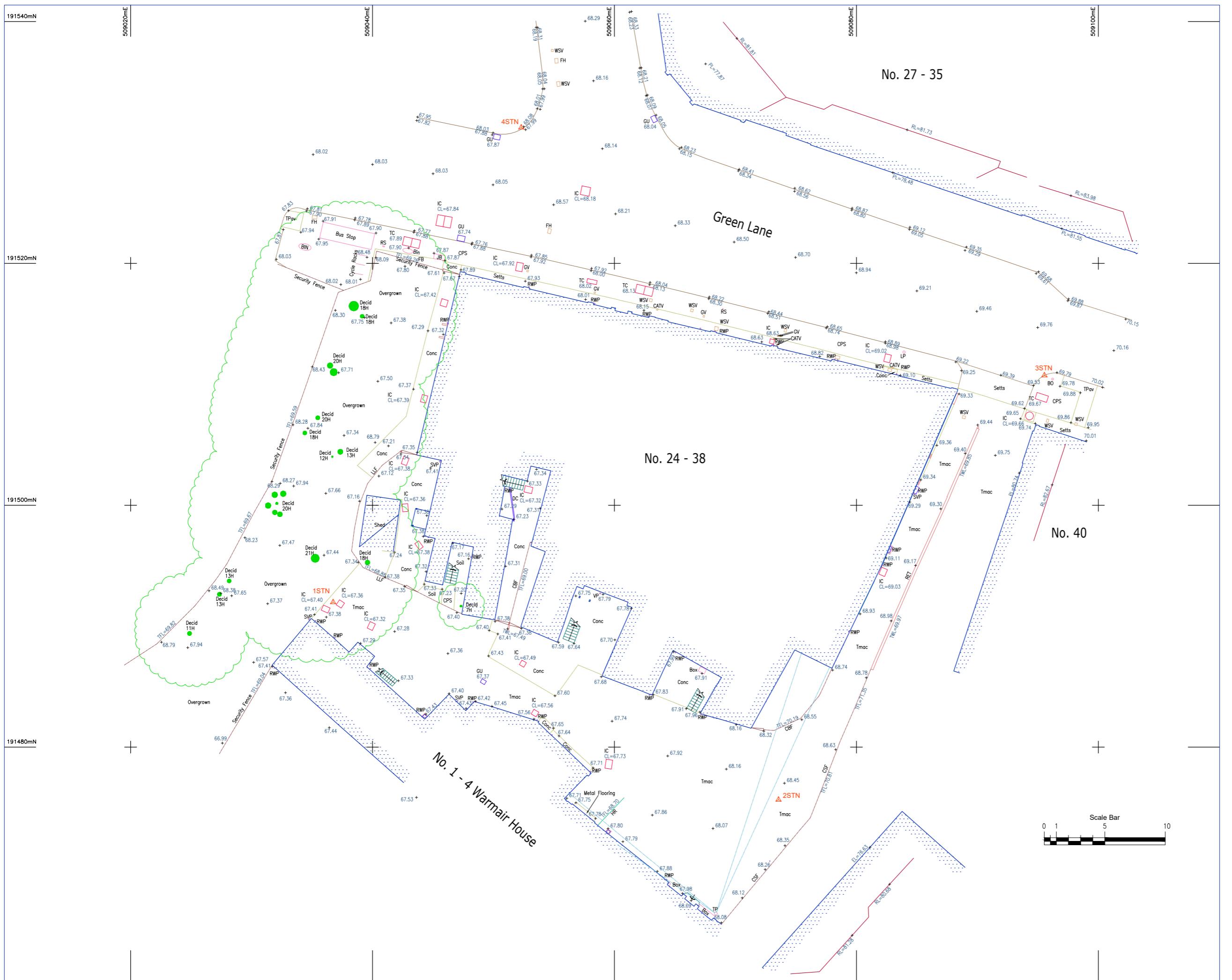
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Abbreviations			
A	Alarm Box	RGP	Light
ACU	Air Conditioner	STR	Water Pipe
BK	Brick	SVP	Stepping Tied Roof
CO	Column	SV	Soff Vent Pipe
GM	Gas Meter	DS	Drain Pipe
JB	Junction Box	VP	Vent Pipe
		WP	Waste Pipe

Survey Datum
Ordnance Datum Newlyn (ODN) - GPS Derived Orthometric Heights related to OSGM15

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CBF	Close Board Fence
CLF	Chain Link Fence
CPL	Chestnut Paling Fence
CPW	Corporation Paling Fence
IRF	Iron Railing Fence
LRF	Larch Lap Fence
OPF	Open Paling Fence
PRF	Pestle and Rail Fence
PRF	Pedestrian Safety Barrier
PWF	Post and Wire Fence
Walls	
BW	Brick Wall
CCW	Concrete Wall
GW	Galvanised Wall
RET	Retaining Wall
SW	Stone Wall
TW	Timber Wall
Surfaces	
BPav	Block Paved
CPav	Concrete Paved
CPsl	Concrete Paved Slabs
CZP	Crazy Paved
FB	Flower Bed
TM	Tarmac
TPav	Tactile Pavement
Covers/Drainage	
AV	Air Vent
CL	Cover Level
COH	Coal Tar
CPH	Catch Pit
DC	Drainage Channel
EC	Electric Cover
GU	Gas Hydrant
GV	Gas Valve
IP	Insulated Pipe Cover
IL	Invert Level
Int	Interceptor
KO	Kerb Outlet
MH	Man Hole
Pint	Petal Interceptor
ROD	Rodding Eye
SAY	Soakaway
SC	Septic Tank
SV	Service Valve
TC	Telecoms Cover
Utilities	
UTL	Unable to Lift
WC	Water Cover
WM	Water Meter
WO	Water Out
Street Furniture	
ACU	Air Conditioning Unit
BB	Beacon Beacon
BO	Bollard
BS	Bus Stop
CO	Column
EP	Electricity Pole
FP	Flag Pole
GP	Gala Post
JB	Job Box
LB	Litter Bin
LP	Lamp Post
LU	Lighting Well
MK	Marker
PB	Post Box
PM	Parking Meter
PT	Post Top
RS	Road Sign
RSC	Road Steel Column
RWP	Rain Water Pipe
TCB	Telephone Call Box
THL	Threshold Level
TI	Traffic Island
TP	Traffic Light
TP	Telegraph Pole
VP	Vent Pipe
Levels	
ACL	Arch Crown Level
ASL	Arch Spring Level
DSL	Door Seal Level
DHL	Door Head Level
DPCL	Damp Proof Course Level
EL	External Level
FL	Floor Level
FRL	Floor Roof Level
IPR	Internal Roof Level
SSL	Structural Slab Level
TFL	Top of Fence Level
THL	Threshold Level
TWL	Top of Wall Level
UBL	Underside of Beam Level
GEN	General Underside Level
WBL	Window Base Level
WHL	Window Head Level

Grid & Datum
Survey Grid
Local Grid coincident with Ordnance Survey National Grid
at Survey Station 1STN

Survey Datum
Ordnance Datum Newlyn (ODN) - GPS Derived Orthometric
heights related to OSGB15



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Where there are multiple trees of the same species, the largest will be drawn.

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