

# 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

3.0 Site overview

- 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



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.

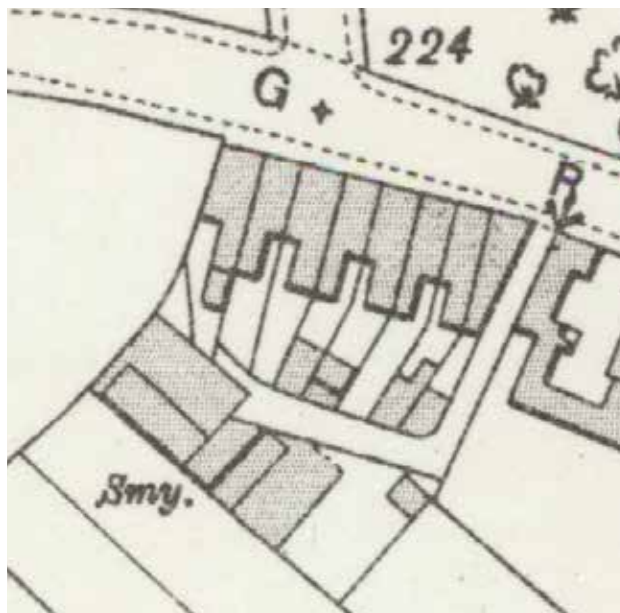
3-4 Warmair House is a vacant brick two storey property which abuts 2 Warmair House which also has an upper storey. Both properties are or were used for commercial purposes.

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

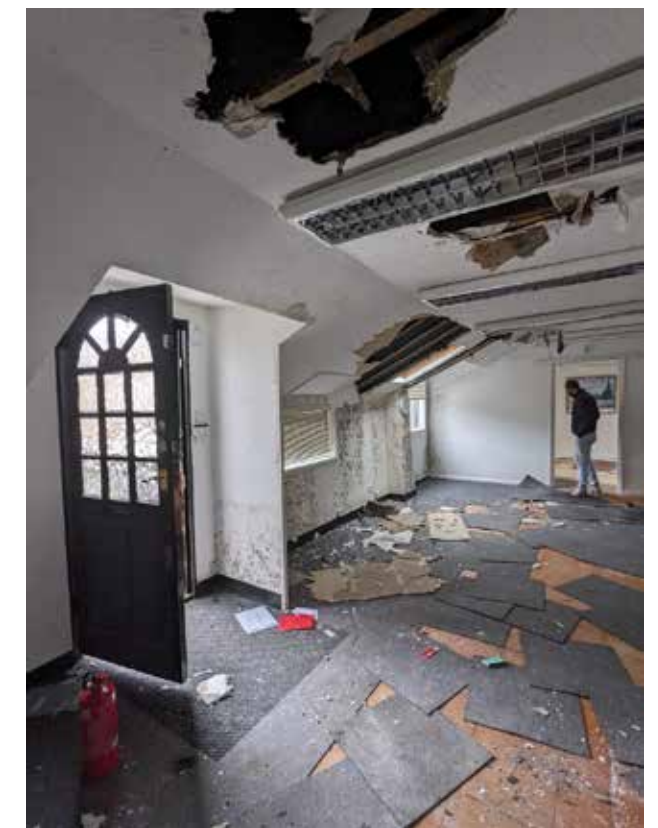


West gable of 3-4 Warmair House



### 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.



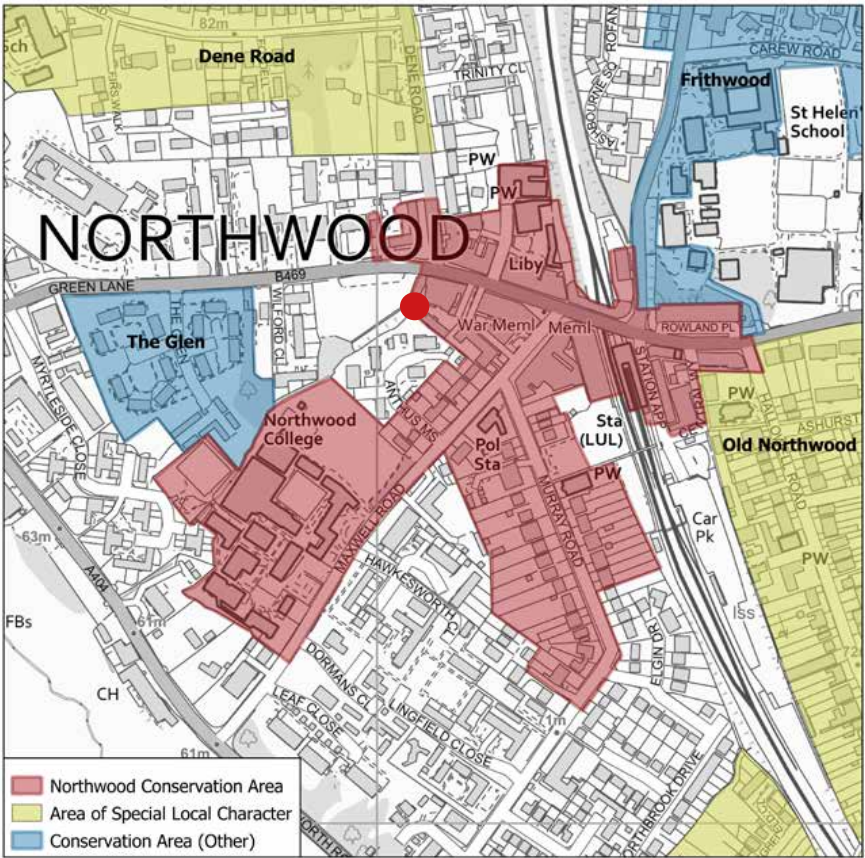
24-38 Green Lane



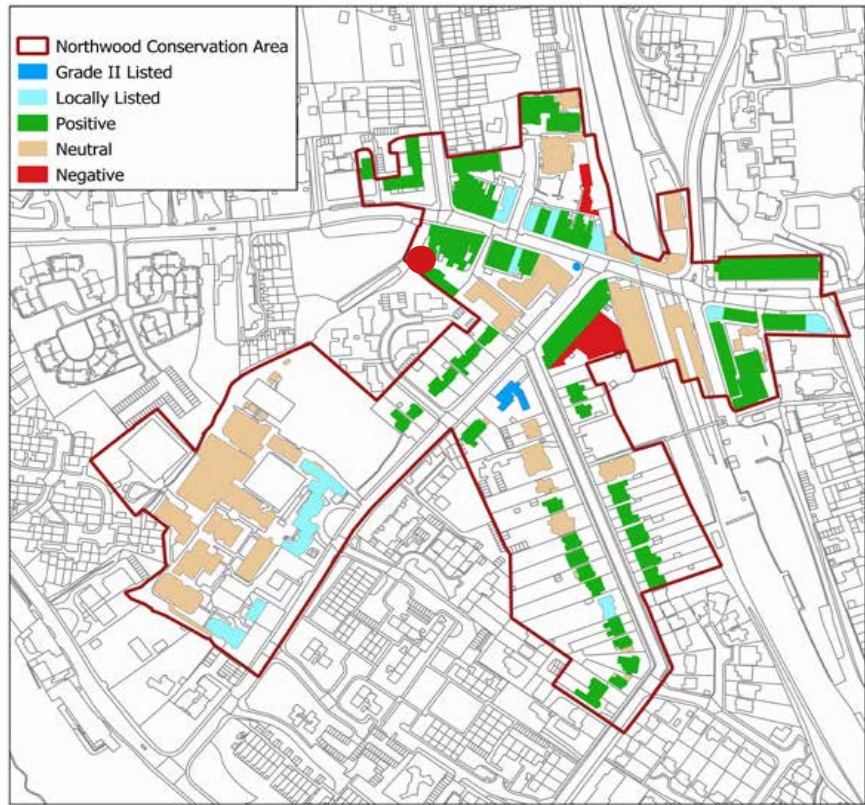
Outbuildings to the rear of Green Lane



Outbuildings to the rear of Green Lane



Conservation and special character areas.



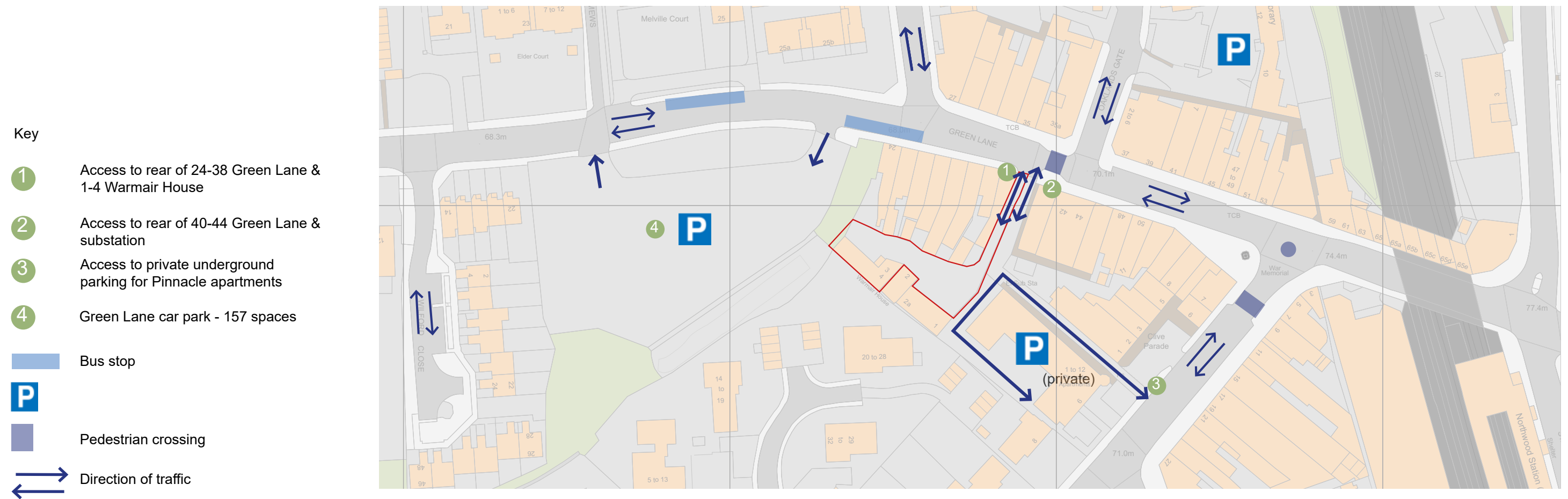
Listed buildings and building character contributors, Northwood.



### 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.



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.

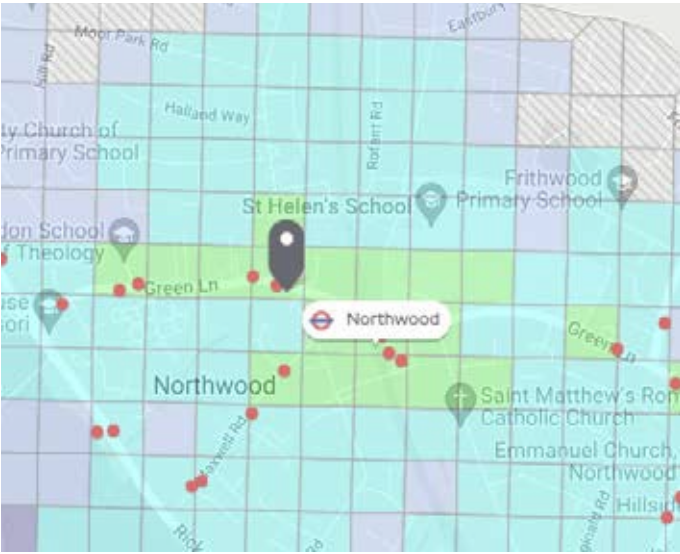
The site has a PTAL rating of 3 which is classified as 'Good'.



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.



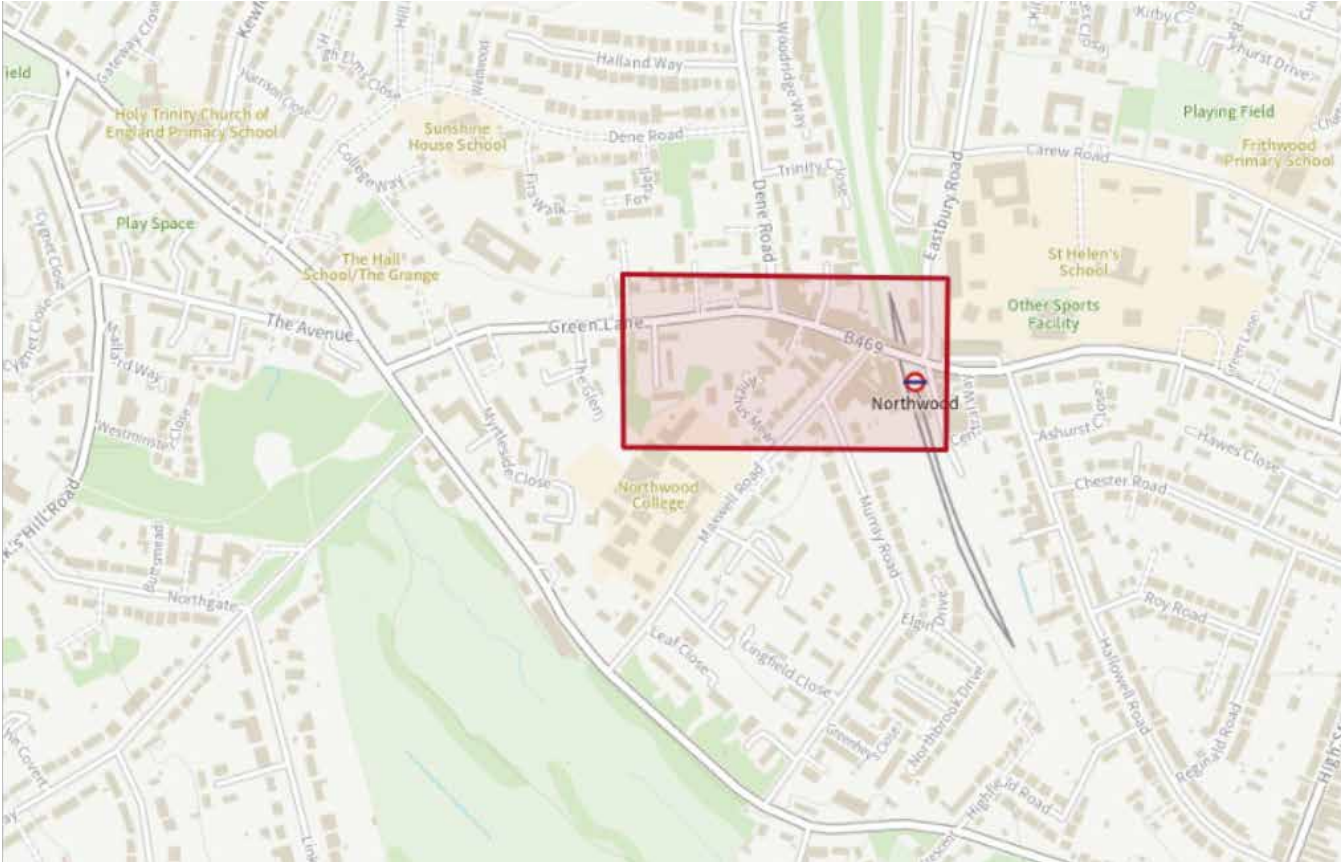


3.7 Flood risk and surface water

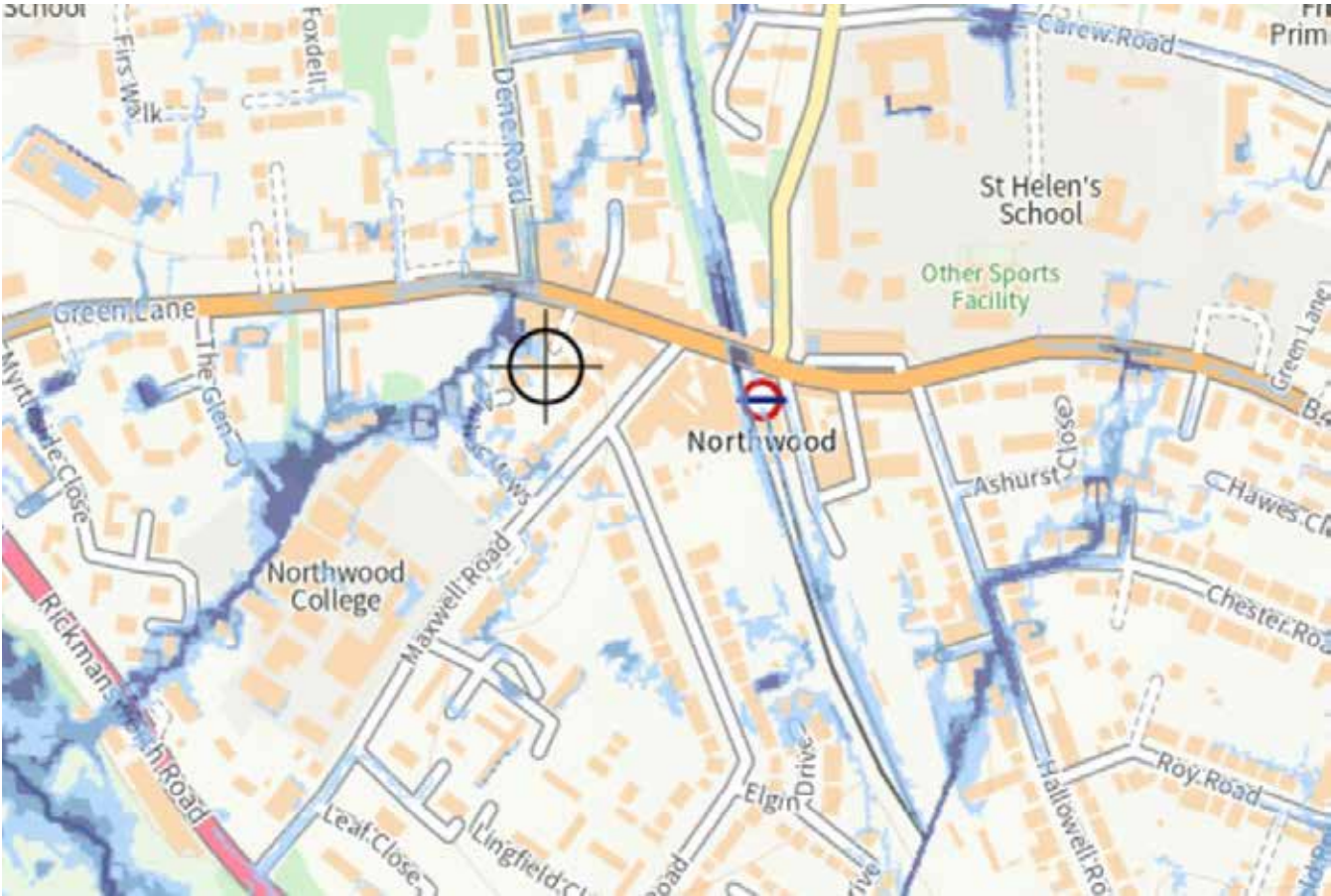
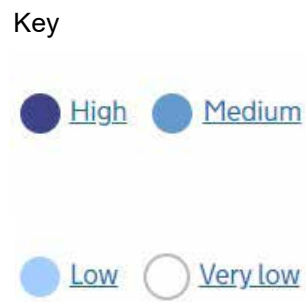
The maps on this page extracted from [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) illustrate the risk of flooding to the site and potential effects of surface water flooding.

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.



Flood map



Map of surface water flooding



### 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.








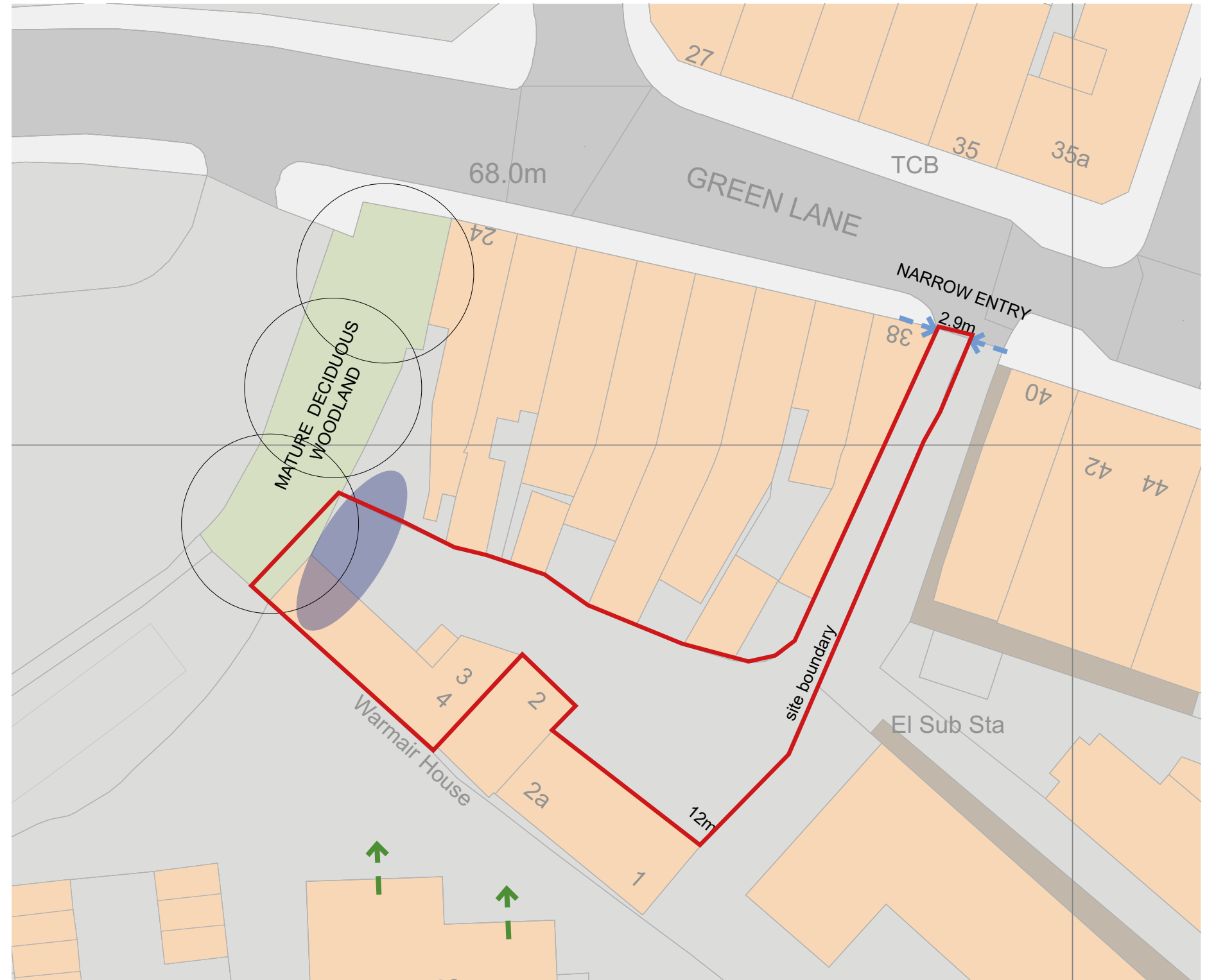
### 3.9 Site Constraints

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 opportunities 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.

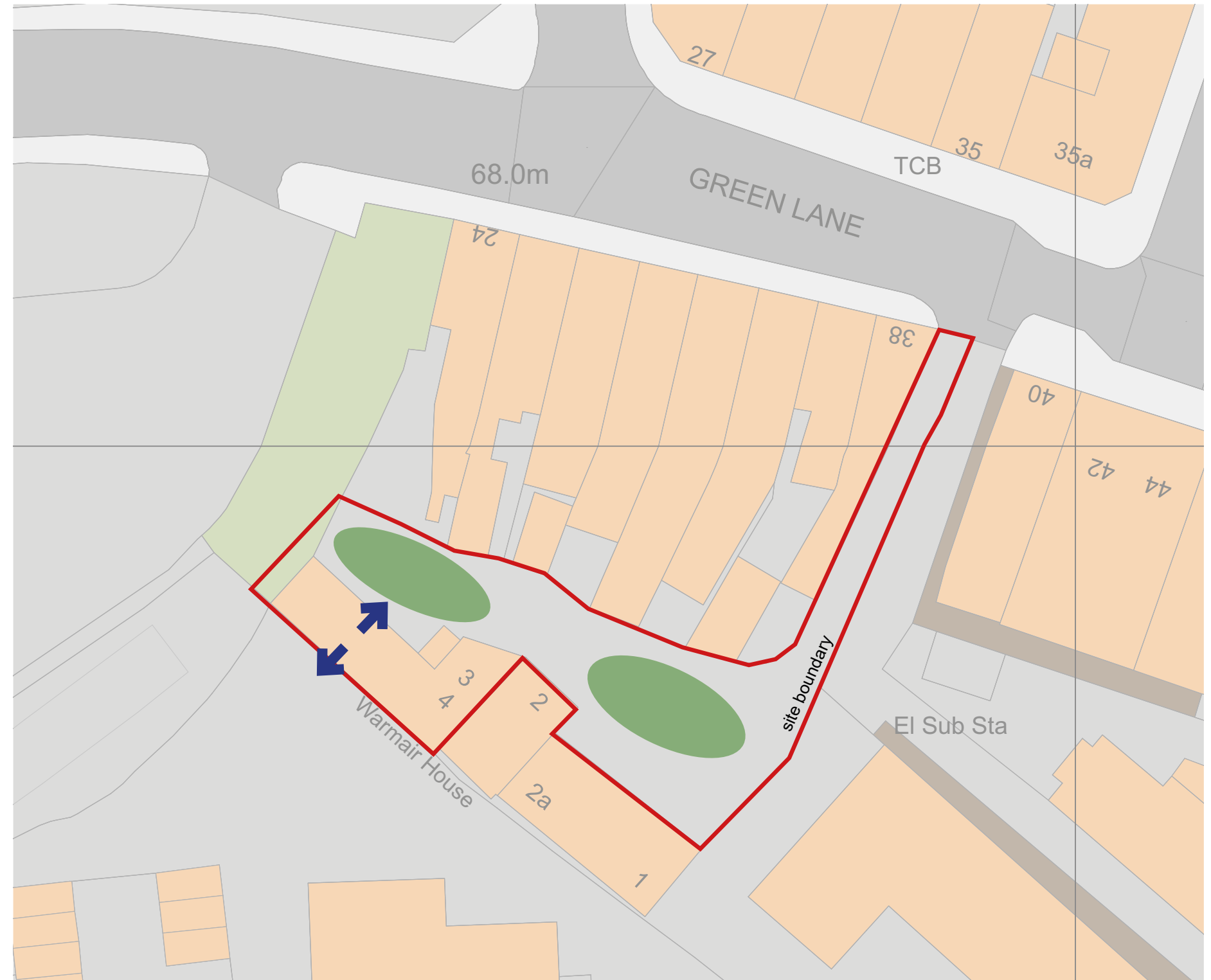
Key



Dual aspect homes



New landscaped space









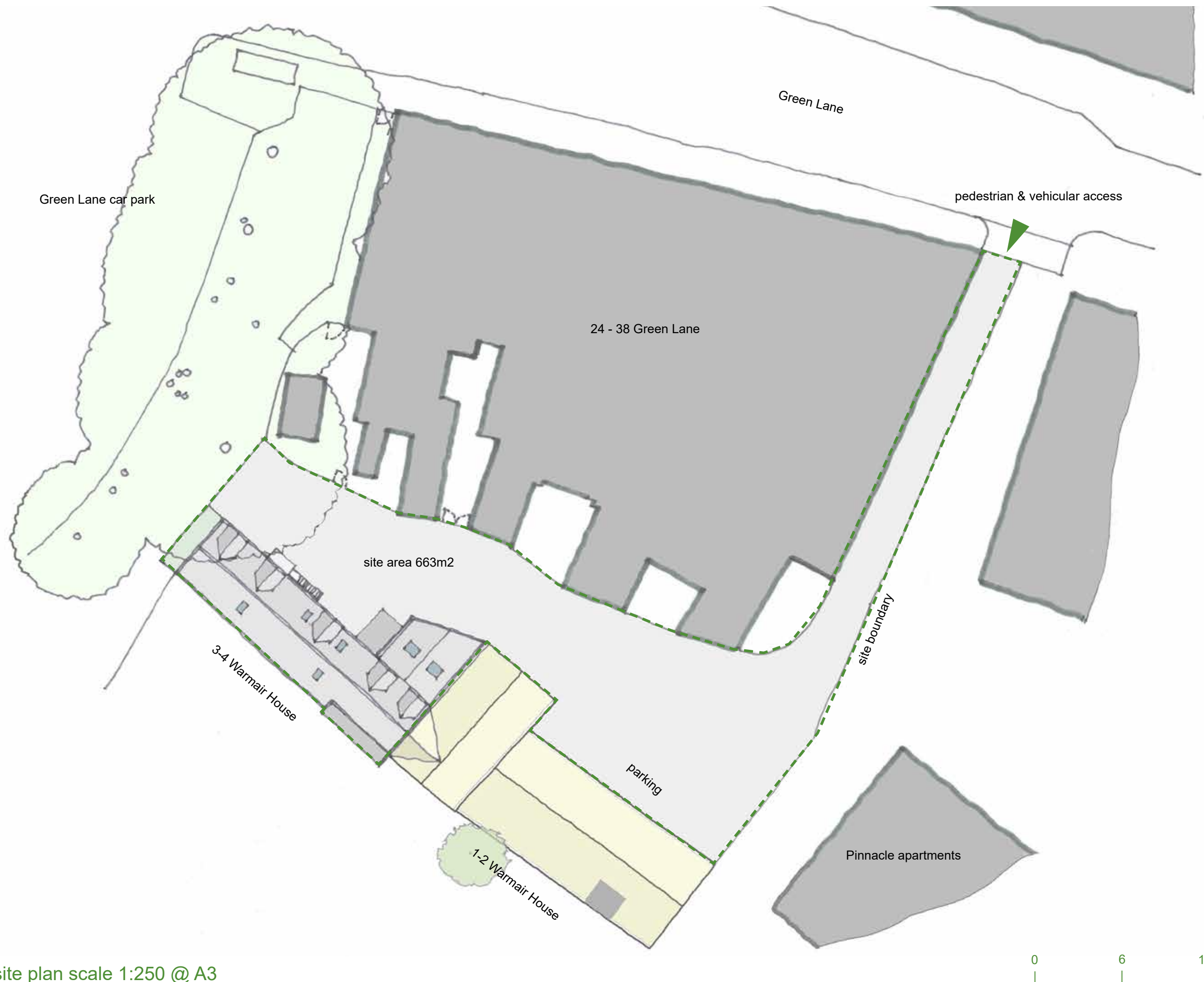
4.1 Plans



Site boundary

location plan scale 1:1250 @A3





existing site plan scale 1:250 @ A3



## 4.1 Plans



proposed site plan scale 1:250 @ A3

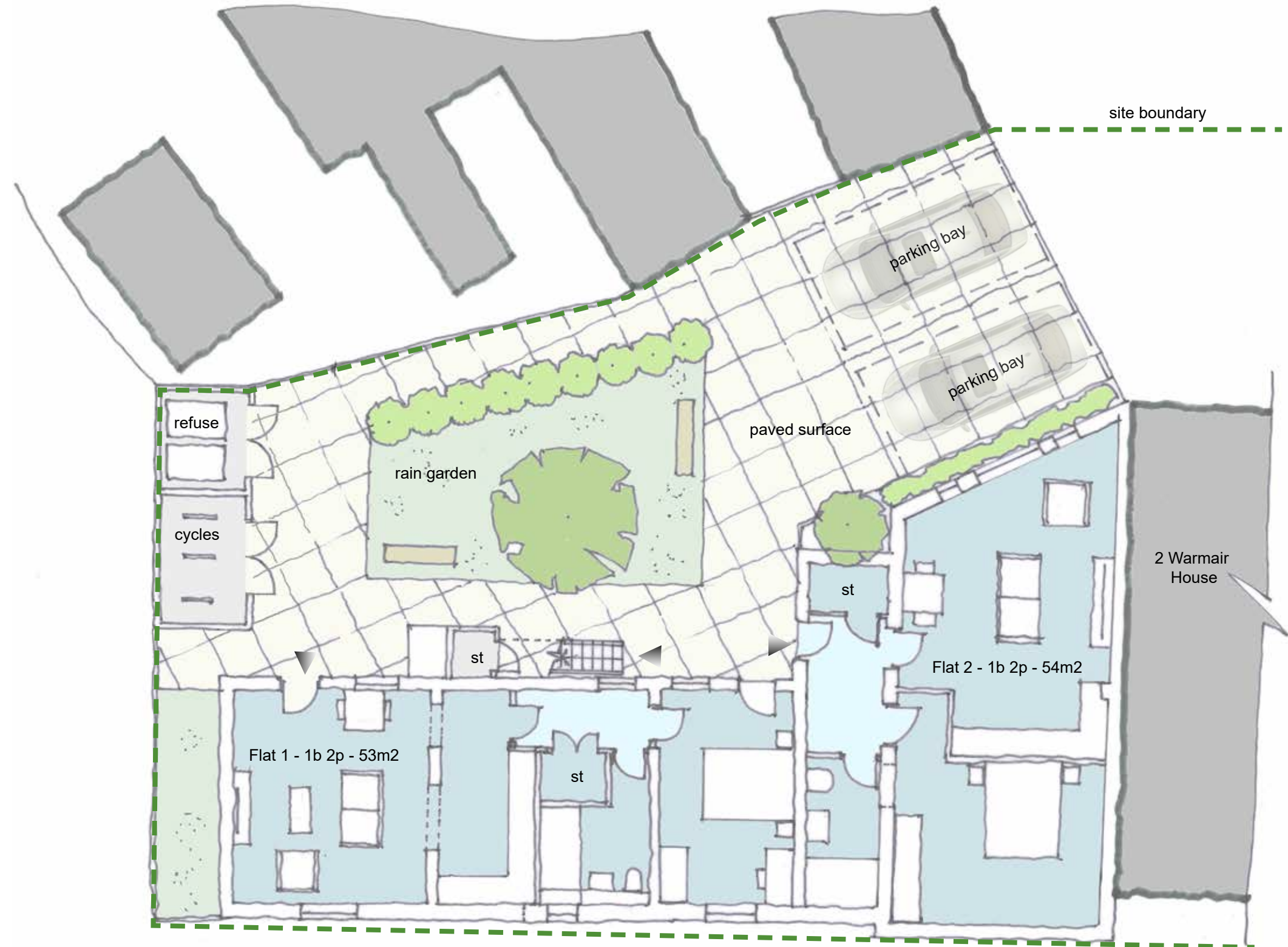




existing ground floor scale 1:100 @ A3

3 - 4 Warmair House, Green Lane, Northwood

## 4.1 Floor plans

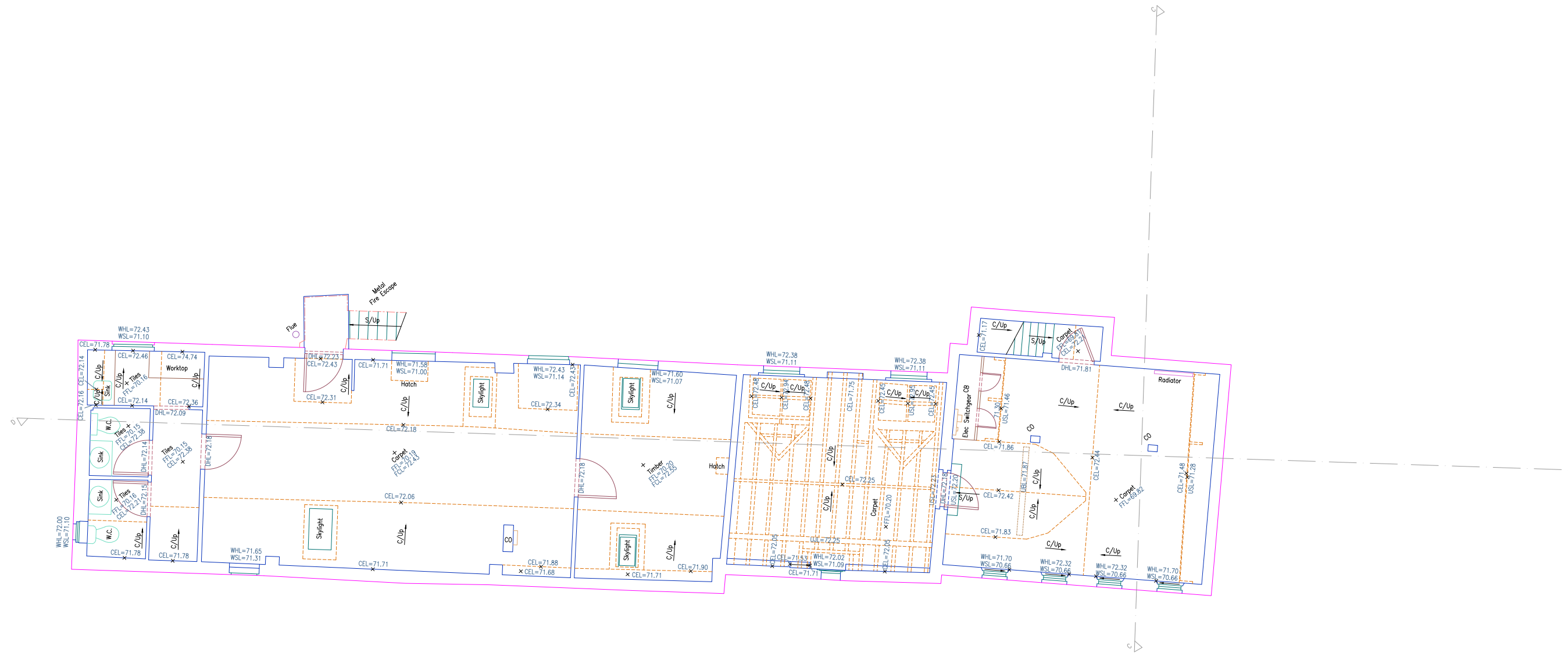


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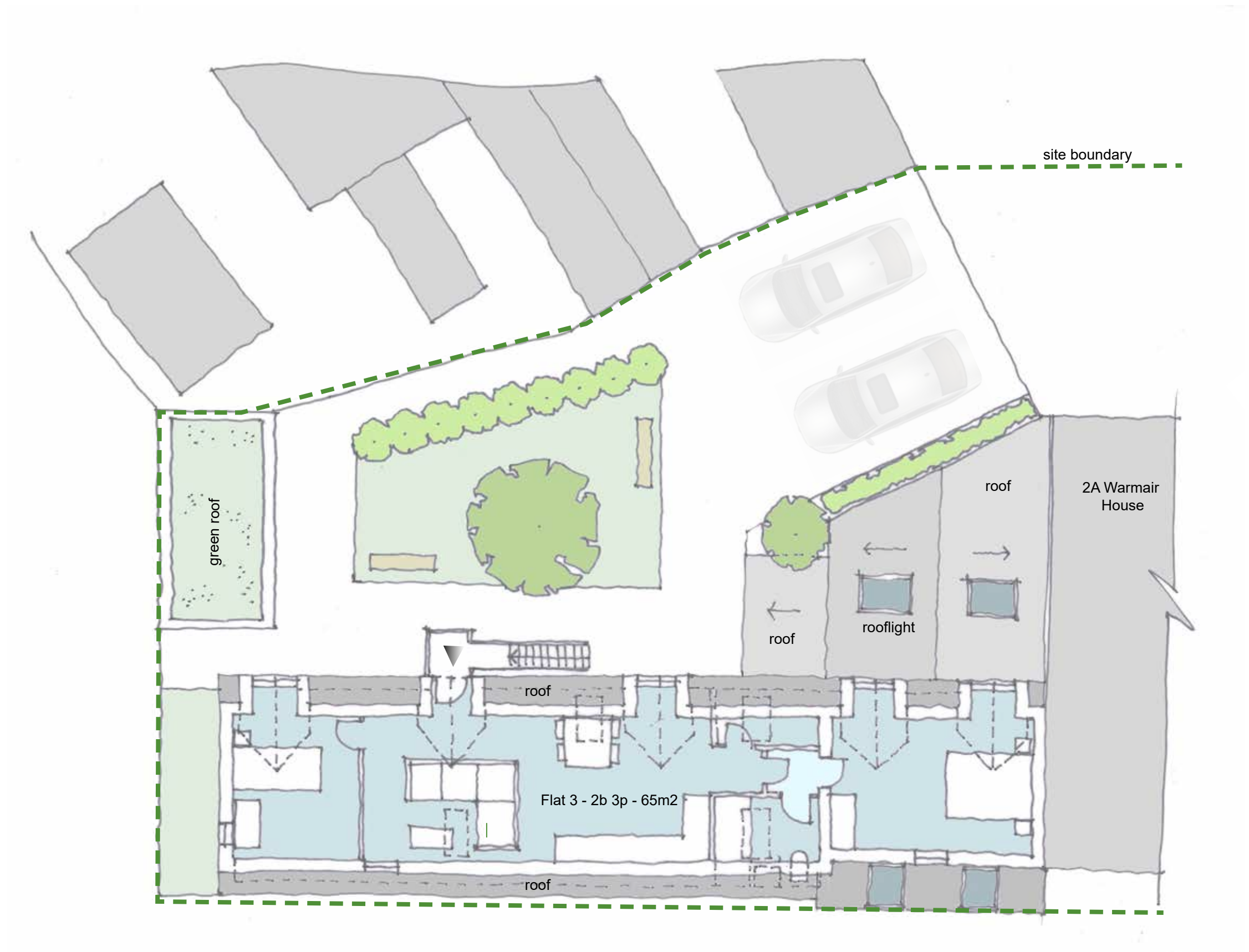


existing first floor scale 1:100 @ A3



## 4.1 Floor plans

Please note the floor plan is cut 1.5m above the finished floor level and areas are measured at this point



proposed first floor scale 1:100 @ A3

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## 4.1 Floor plans



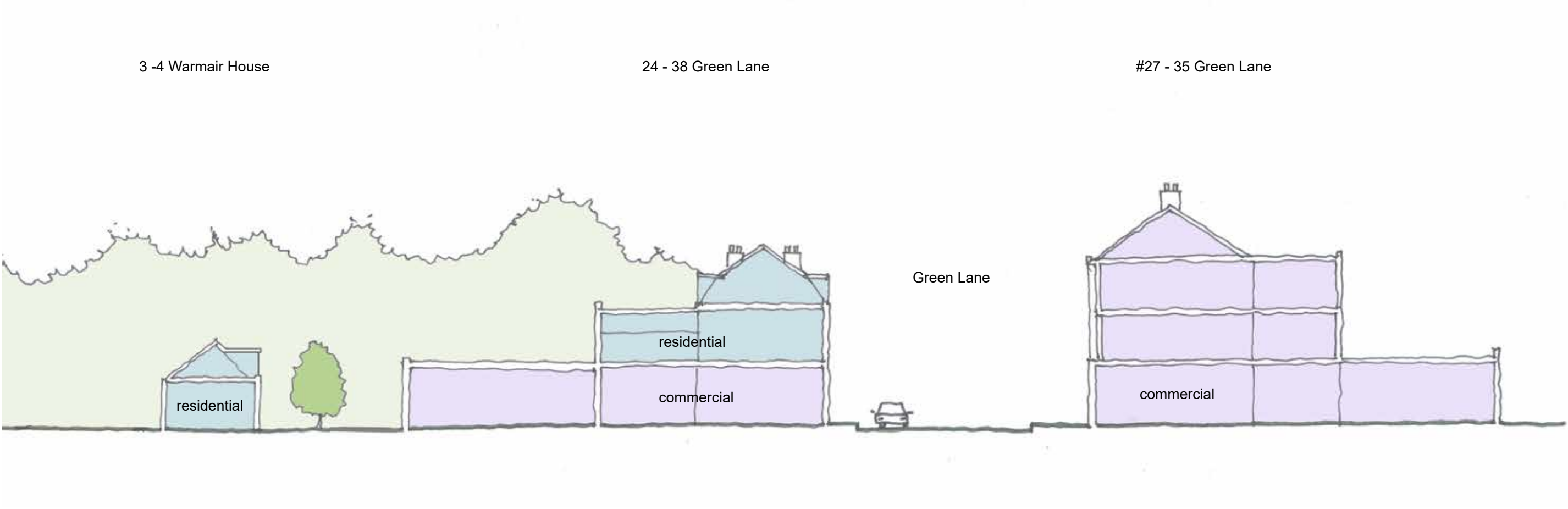
proposed roof plan scale 1:100 @ A3

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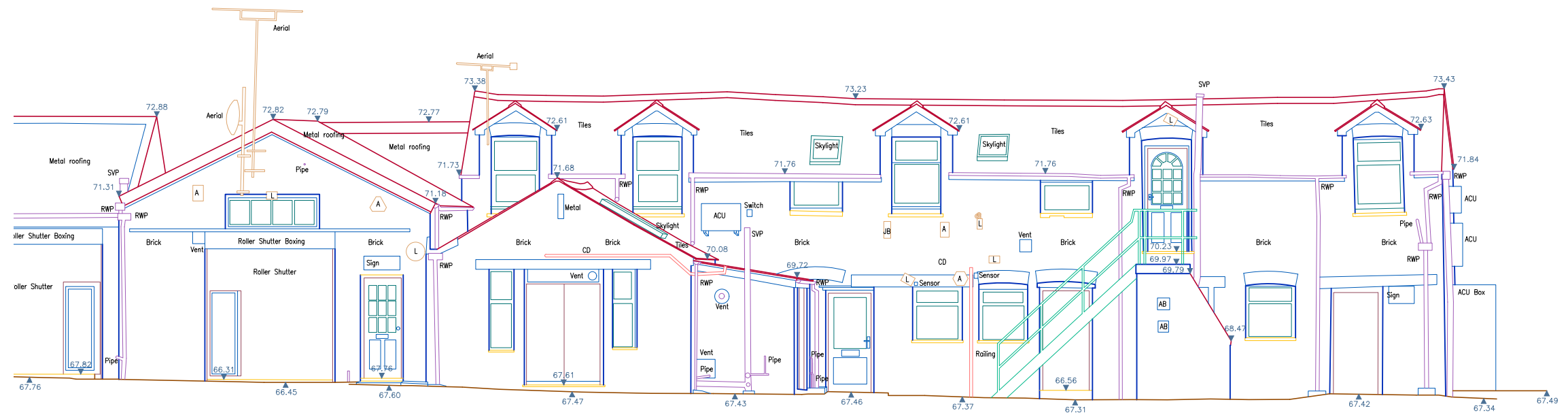
4.2 Site section



proposed site section

1 - 2 Warmair House

3 & 4 Warmair House



existing northeast elevation from yard 1:100 @ A3





## 4.3 Elevations



### 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 northeast elevation from yard scale 1:100 @ A3





existing southwest elevation scale 1:100 @ A3



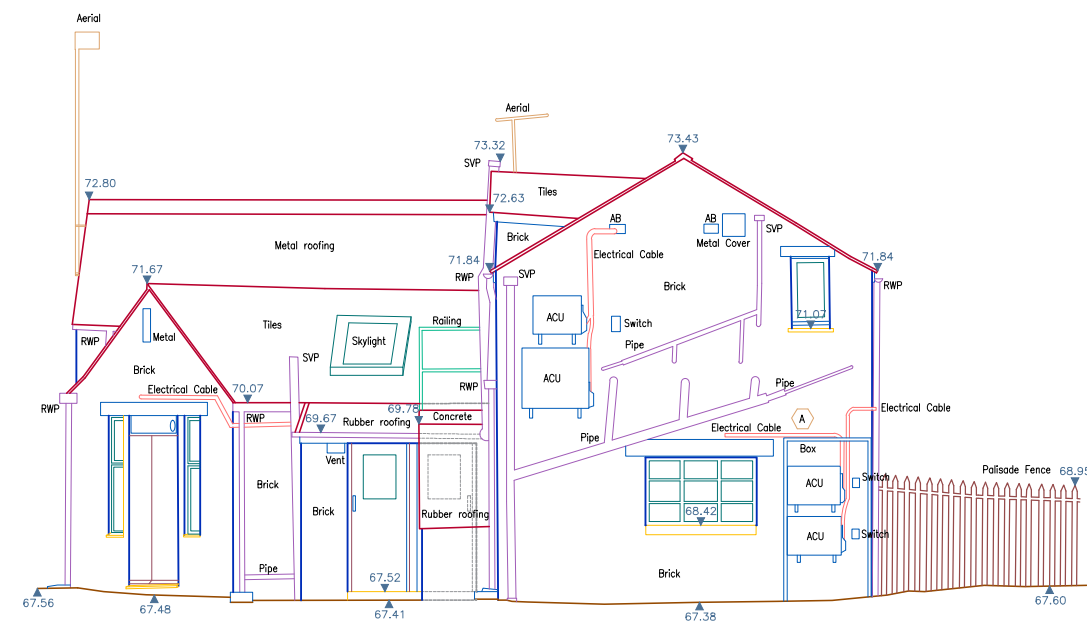
## 4.3 Elevations



### Key

- 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 MHVR 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



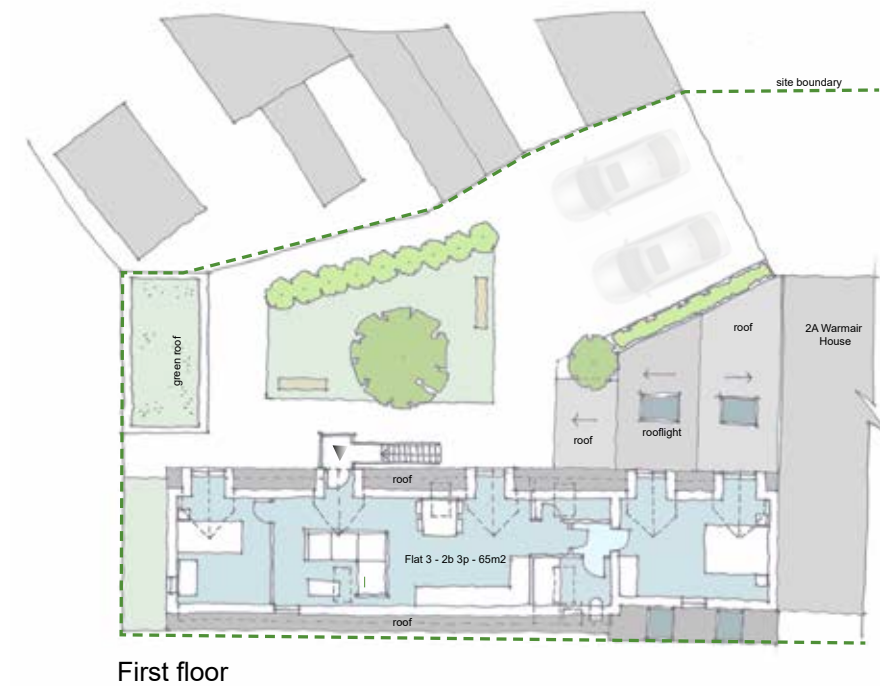
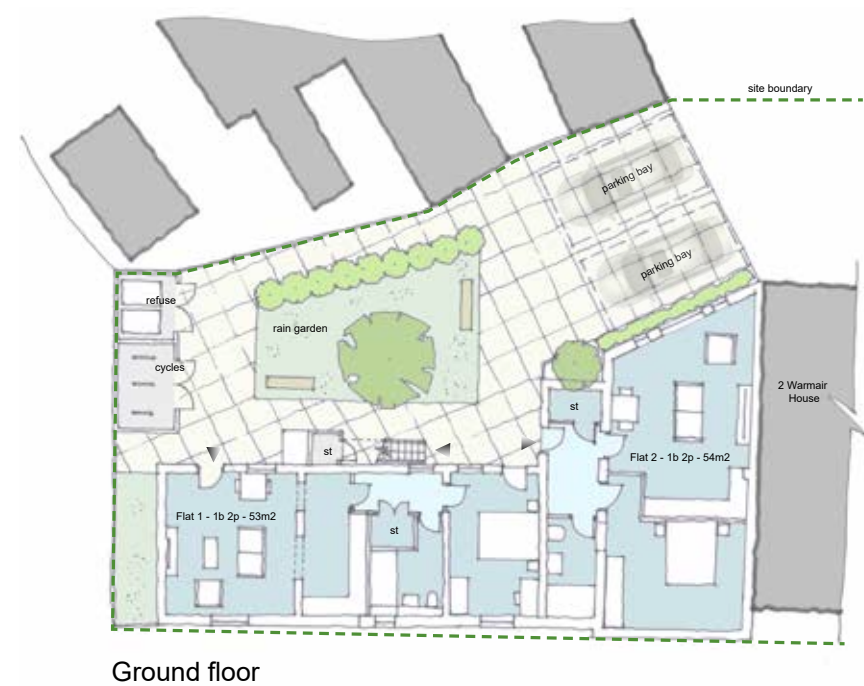
Bird feeders



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

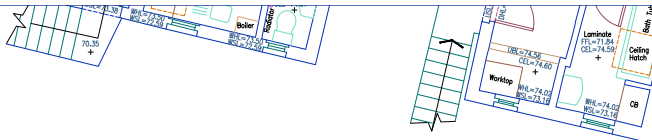
CAR PARKING - 2 standard spaces











Notes			
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Spot Level	+20.00		Sloping Beam Up 
Arch			Step/Stairs Up

**Notes**

All building lines have been shown at 1.50m from respective floor levels.

Overhead services such as pipes and ducts smaller than 200mm in diameter have not be individually shown.

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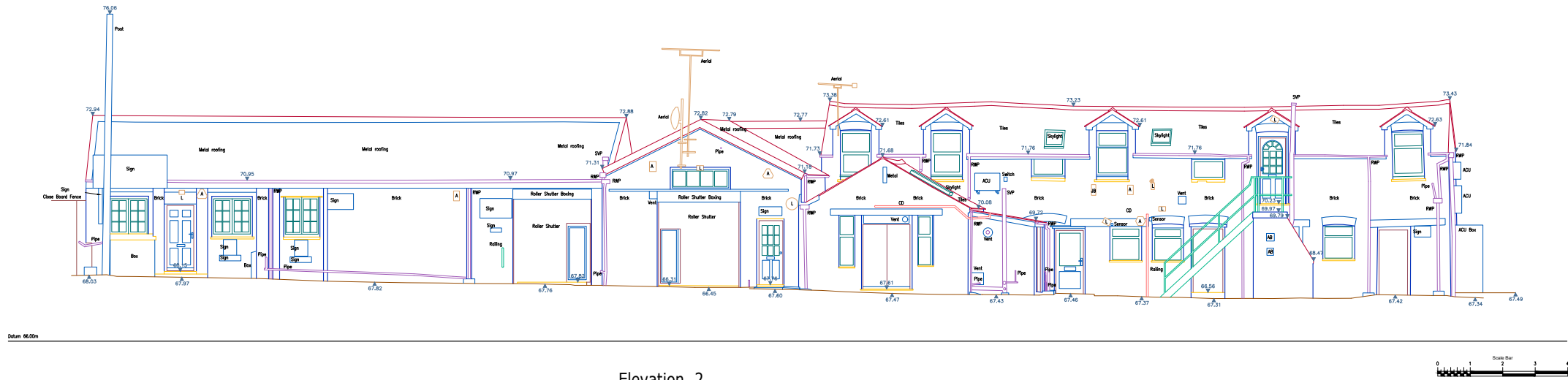
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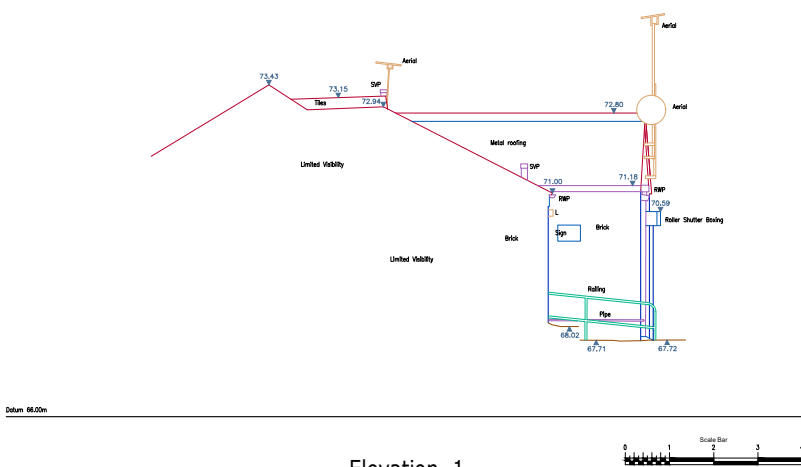
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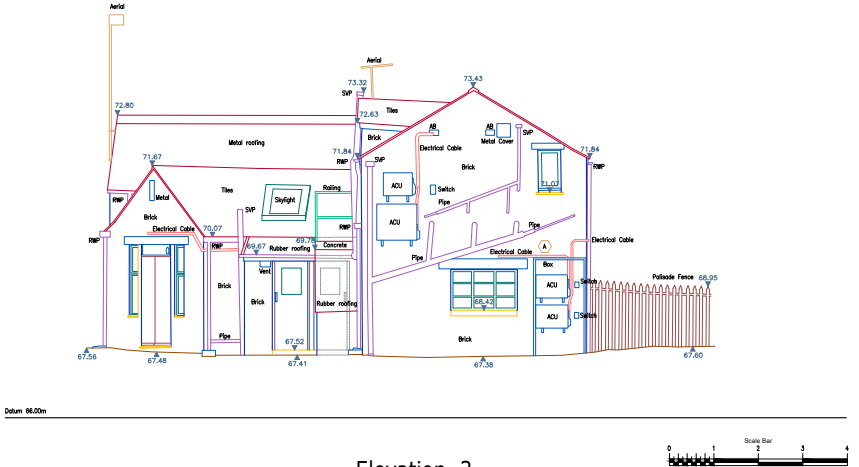




Elevation 2



Elevation 1



Elevation 3

Abbreviations			
A	Alarm Box	L	Light Water Pipe
AB	Air Brick	RWP	Rain Water Pipe
ACU	Air Conditioning Unit	STR	Staging Tied Roof
BC	Brick	SWP	Sub Water Pipe
CD	Culvert	TP	Trunking Box
GM	Gas Meter	VP	Vent Pipe
WB	Wardrobe	VP	Vent Pipe
JB	Junction Box	WP	Waste Pipe

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

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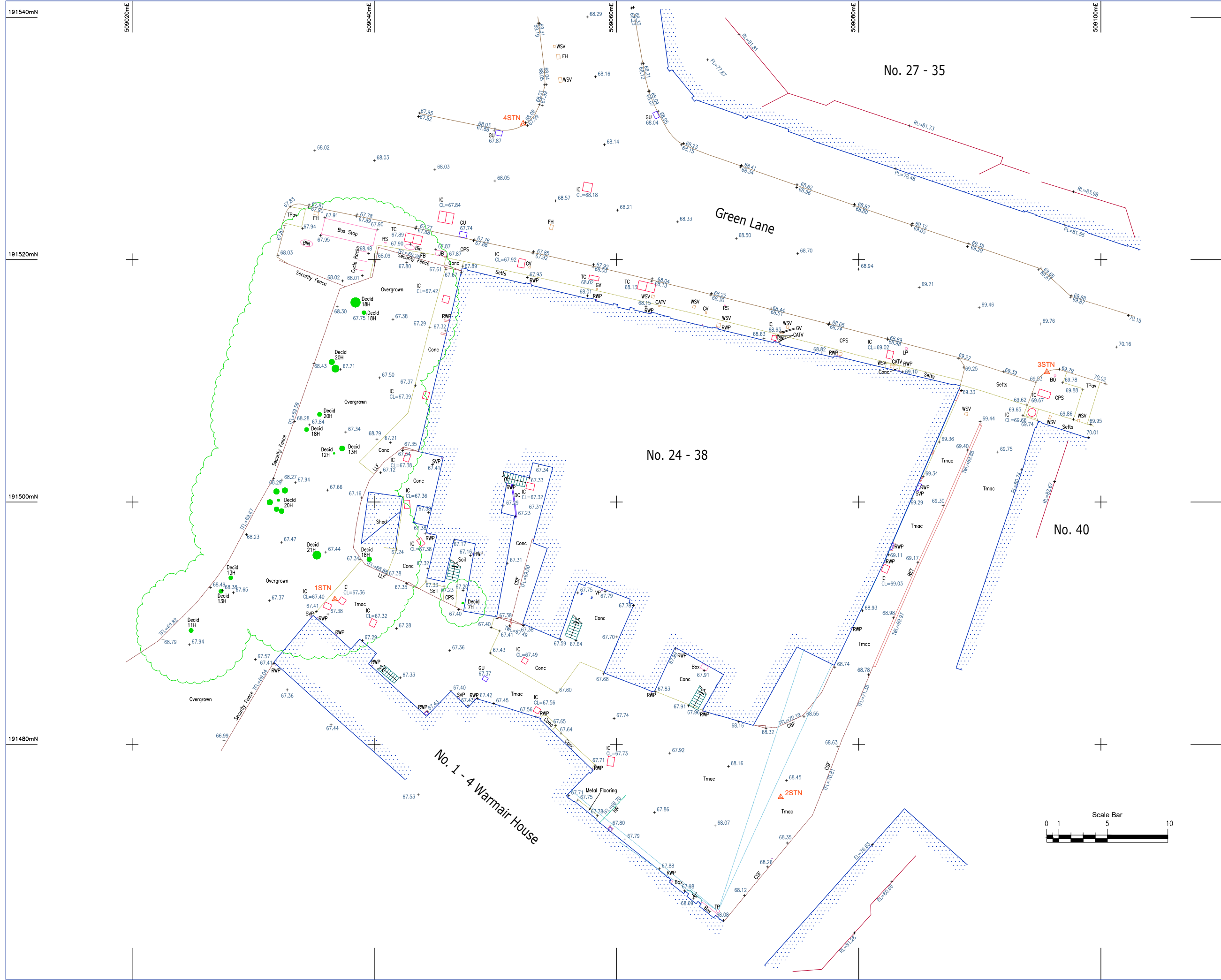
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**Fences**

CBF	Close Board Fence	UTL	Unable to Lift
CLF	Chain Link Fence	WC	Water Cover
CPF	Chestnut Pailing Fence	WM	Water Meter
CSF	Concrete Slab Fence	WVO	Wash Out
IRF	Iron Railing Fence		
LLF	Larch Lap Fence		
OSB	Open Board Fence		
PRF	Post and Rail Fence	ACU	Air Conditioning Unit
PSB	Pedestrian Safety Barrier	BB	Belisha Beacon
PWF	Post and Wire Fence	BO	Bollard
		BS	Bus Stop
		CO	Column
		EP	Electricity Pole
		FP	Flag Pole
		GP	Gale Pole
		JB	Junction Box
		LB	Litter Bin
		LP	Lamp Post
		LW	Light Well
		MK	Marker
		PB	Post Box
		PM	Parking Meter
		PT	Post
		RS	Road Sign
		RSC	Roller Steel Column
		RWP	Rain Water Pipe
		TBM	Temporary Benchmark
		TCS	Telephone Call Box
		THL	Threshold Level
		TK	Tank
		TL	Traffic Light
		TP	Telephone Pole
		VP	Vent Pipe

**Surfaces**

B Pav	Block Paved	PT	Paving
Conc	Concrete	RS	Road Sign
CPS	Concrete Paved Slabs	RSC	Roller Steel Column
CP	Crazy Paved	RWP	Rain Water Pipe
FB	Flower Bed	TBM	Temporary Benchmark
Tmac	Tarmac	TCS	Telephone Call Box
TPav	Tactile Paved	THL	Threshold Level

**Covers/Drainage**

AV	Air Valve	TL	Traffic Light
CL	Cover Level	TP	Telephone Pole
CH	Coal Hole	VP	Vent Pipe
CP	Catch Pit		
CTV	Cable TV		
DC	Drainage Channel		
EC	Electric Cover		
FH	Fire Hydrant		
GU	Gully		
GV	Gas Valve		
IC	Inspection Cover		
IL	Invert Level		
Int	Interceptor		
KO	Kerb Outlet		
MH	Manhole		
PL	Petrol Interceptor		
RE	Rodding Eye		
SC	Skewaway		
SV	Service Valve		
TC	Telecoms Cover		

**Levels**

ACL	Arch Crown Level	ASL	Arch Spring Level
ASL	Arch Spring Level	DSL	Door Sill Level
DSL	Door Sill Level	DSL	Door Head Level
DSL	Door Head Level	DSL	Damp Proof Course Level
DSL	Damp Proof Course Level	DSL	Eave Level
DSL	Eave Level	DSL	Floor Level
DSL	Floor Level	DSL	Flat Roof Level
DSL	Flat Roof Level	DSL	Parapet Level
DSL	Parapet Level	DSL	Ridge Level
DSL	Ridge Level	DSL	Structural Slab Level
DSL	Structural Slab Level	DSL	Threshold Level
DSL	Threshold Level	DSL	Top of Fence Level
DSL	Top of Fence Level	DSL	Top of Wall Level
DSL	Top of Wall Level	DSL	Underside of Beam Level
DSL	Underside of Beam Level	DSL	Generic Underside Level
DSL	Generic Underside Level	DSL	Window Sill Level
DSL	Window Sill Level	DSL	Window Head Level

**Notes**

Survey Station	STN	Foul Pipe	→
Spot Level	+20.00	Storm Pipe	→
Arch	→	Step/Stairs Up	→
Gate	→		
Contours	→		
Hedge	→		

**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 OSGM15

**Survey Stations**

Name	Easting	Northing	Height
1STN	509036.741	191491.978	67.407
2STN	509075.561	191475.645	68.411
3STN	509096.542	191510.738	68.710
4STN	509052.295	191531.238	68.085

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