

Planning Applications Sub-Committee PRESENTATION PACK

Date: TUESDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2025

Time: 9.00 am

Venue: LIVERY HALL - GUILDHALL

3. BURY HOUSE 1 - 4, 31 - 34 BURY STREET LONDON EC3A 5AR

Report of the Director of Planning & Development.

For Decision (Pages 3 - 130)

4. XL HOUSE, 70 GRACECHURCH STREET, LONDON, EC3V 0HR

Report of the Director of Planning & Development.

For Decision (Pages 131 - 266)

5. RIVER FORESHORE ADJACENT TO RIVERBANK HOUSE SWAN LANE EC4R 3BF

Report of the Director of Planning & Development.

For Decision (Pages 267 - 278)





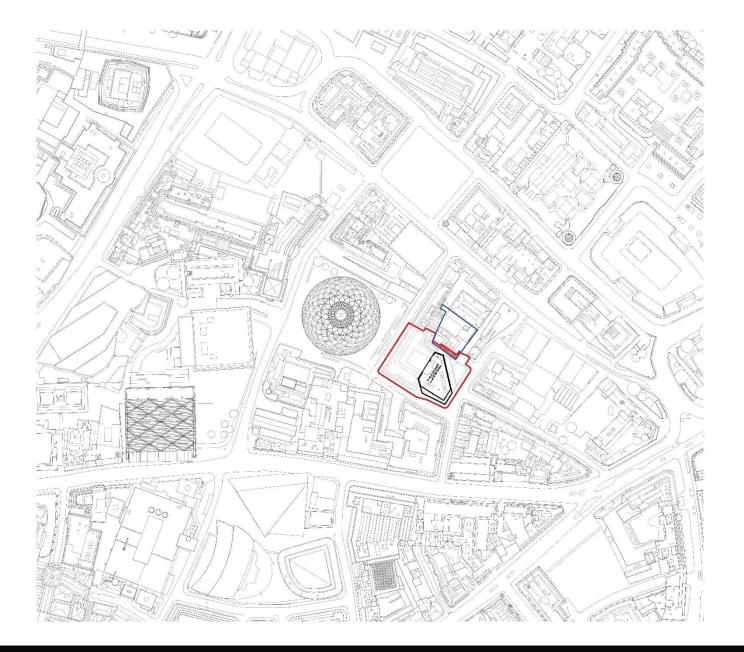


1-4, 31 and 33-34 Bury Street, London, EC3A 5AR

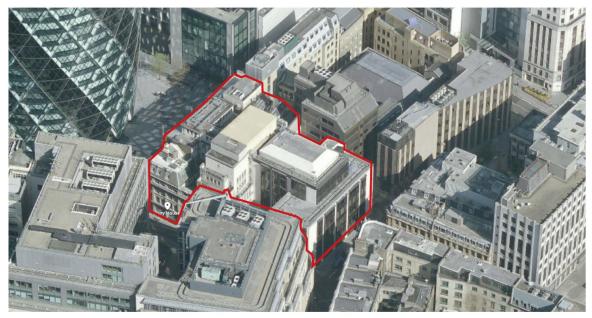
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The Site

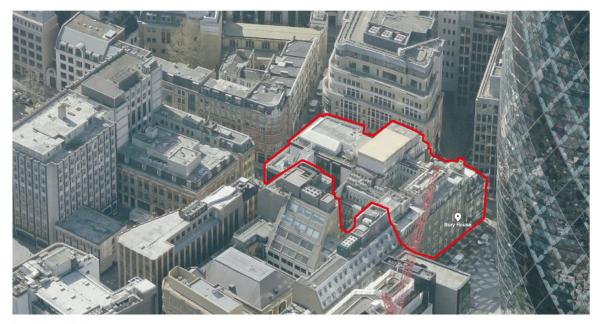
The Site extends to approximately 0.2458 ha (2,458 sqm) and comprises Bury House (31 Bury Street), Holland House (1-4 Bury Street) and Renown House (33-34 Bury Street).



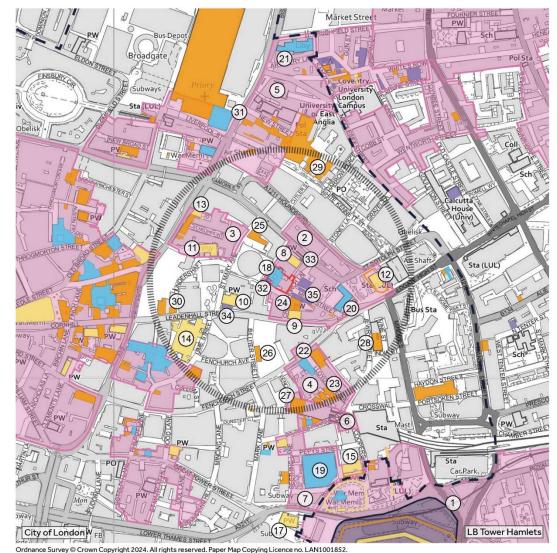
KEY



View – looking north



View – looking south



Approximate Site boundary marked in red for indicative purposes only. An approximate 250m radius is marked on the map. Heritage assets within this radius are identified.

Conservation areas are marked in pink and identified below.

Borough boundaries are marked with a blue dotted line.

Listed buildings:



Grade I listed building

Grade II* listed building
Grade II listed building

Locally listed building

World Heritage Site:

Tower of London

Conservation areas and World Heritage Sites

- Tower of London WHS and Conservation Area
- 2 Creechurch Conservation Area
- 3 St Helen's Place Conservation Area
- 4 Lloyd's Avenue Conservation Area
- 5) Bishopsgate Conservation Area
- 6 Fenchurch Street Station Conservation Area
- 7 Trinity Square Conservation Area

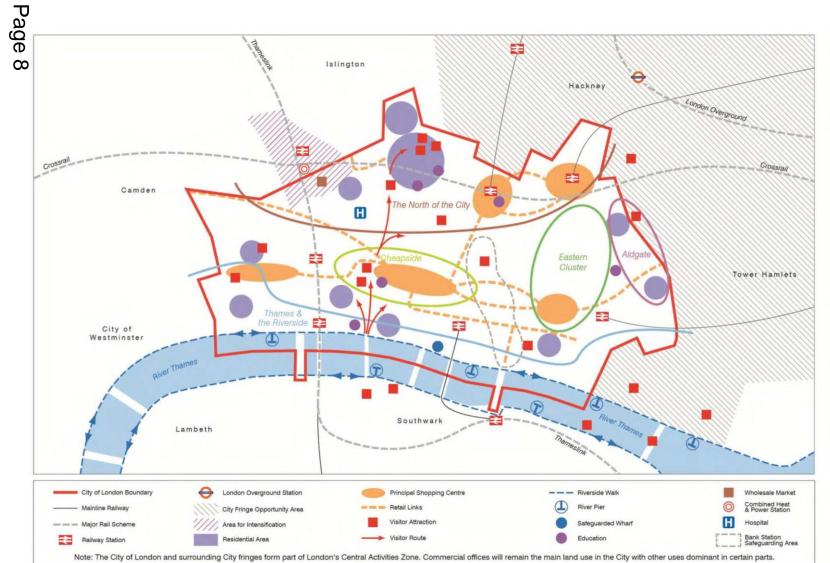
Listed buildings

- 8 Bevis Marks Synagogue
- 9 Church of St Katharine Cree and Gateway
- (10) Church of St Andrew Undershaft
- (11) Church of St Helen
- 12) Church of St Botolph
- Guild Church of St Ethelburga the Virgin, Bishopsgate
- (14) Group: The Lloyd's Building
- 15) Trinity House
- 16) Tower Bridge (off map)
- 7) Church of All Hallows by the Tower
- (18) Holland House
- (19) Former Port of London Authority Building
- The Aldgate School (listed as Sir John Cass School)

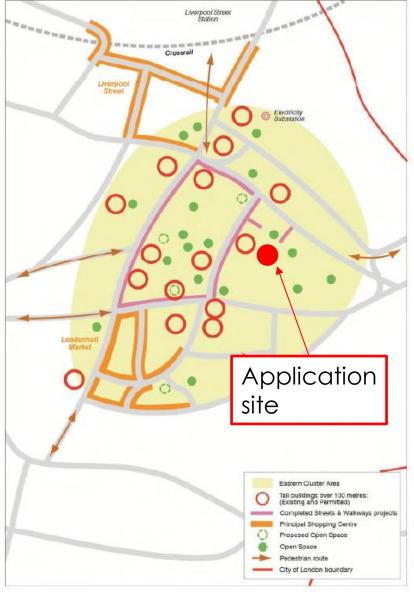
- Bishopsgate Institute and Library
- (22) Group: Receptors on Fenchurch Street
- (23) Group: Receptors on Lloyd's Avenue
- (24) Nos. 2-16 Creechurch Lane
- 25) 38 St Mary Axe
- 26) 20 and 21 Billiter Street
- (27) Front Block of Fenchurch Street Station
- Sir John Cass College (now David Game College), Jewry Street
- Group: Port of London Authority buildings
- 30) 139-144 Leadenhall Street
- 31) Group: Buildings along Bishopsgate

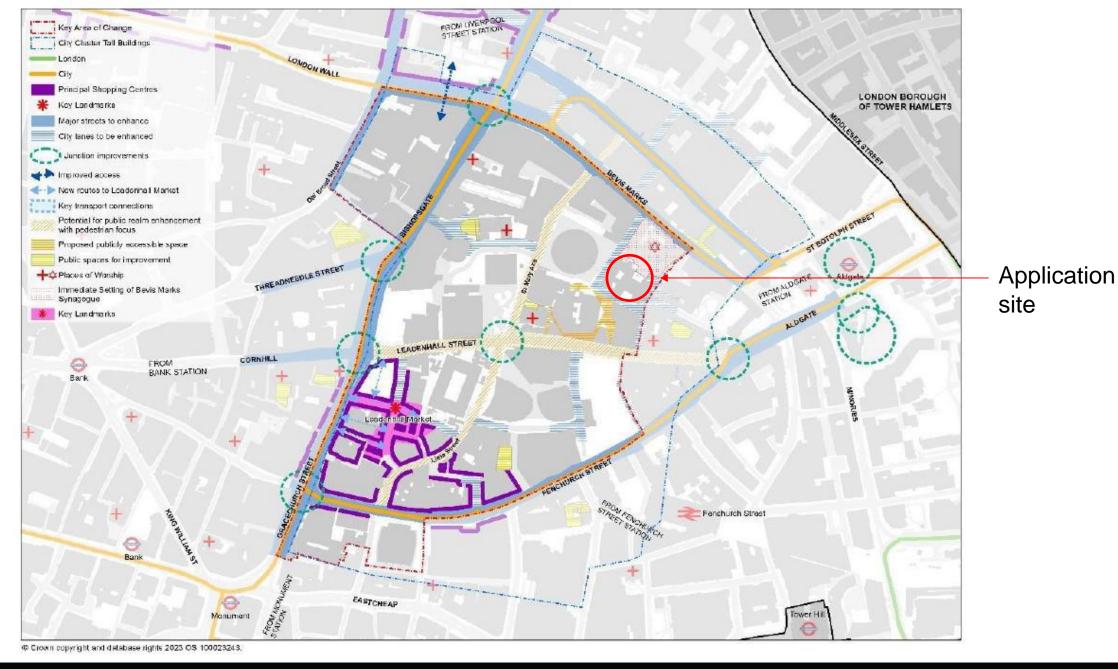
Non-designated heritage assets

- Renown House, 33-34 Bury Street
- The Rabbi's House, 2 Heneage Lane
- 34) 113-116 Leadenhall Street
- Group: Receptors along Mitre Street and Creechurch Lane



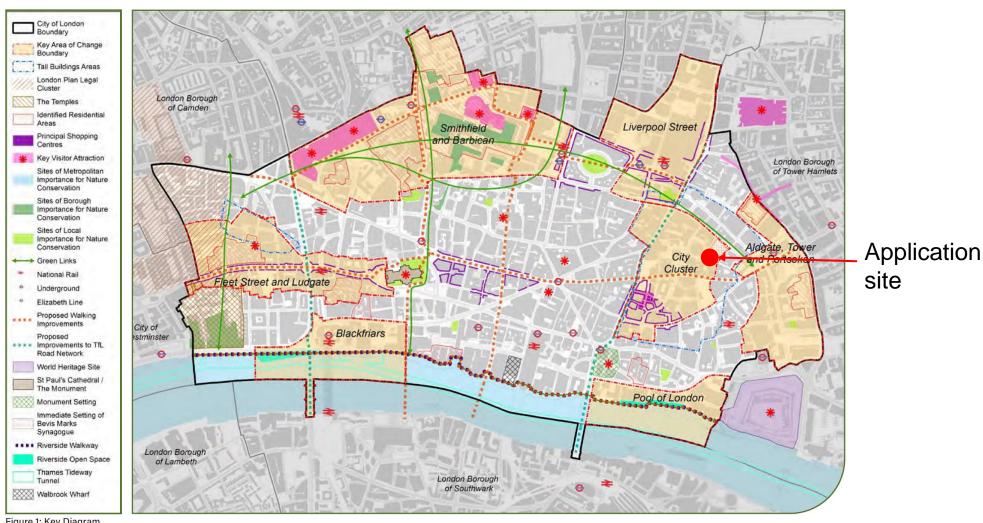
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Emerging Plan 2040 - City Cluster

Spatial Strategy



4.5 TOWNSCAPE ANALYSIS

4.5a Adjacent Building Heights

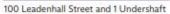
Key

High rise Building

Mid rise Buildings

Low rise buildings







40 Leadenhall Street



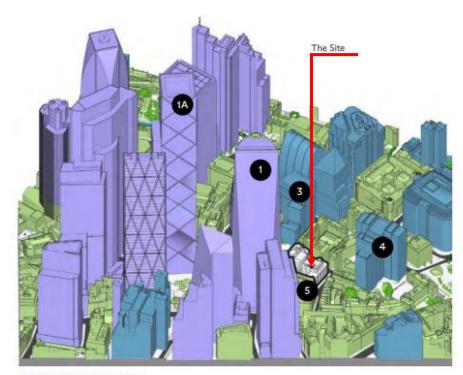
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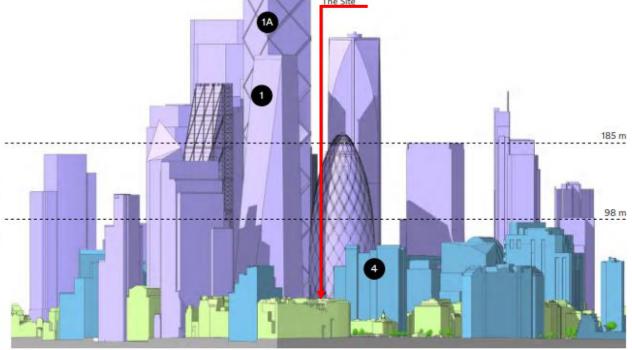
6 Bevis Marks



88 Leadenhall Street



Illustrative Axonometric View



Illustrative Section

The Existing Buildings







View 2: Bury Street



View 3: Bury House Entrance



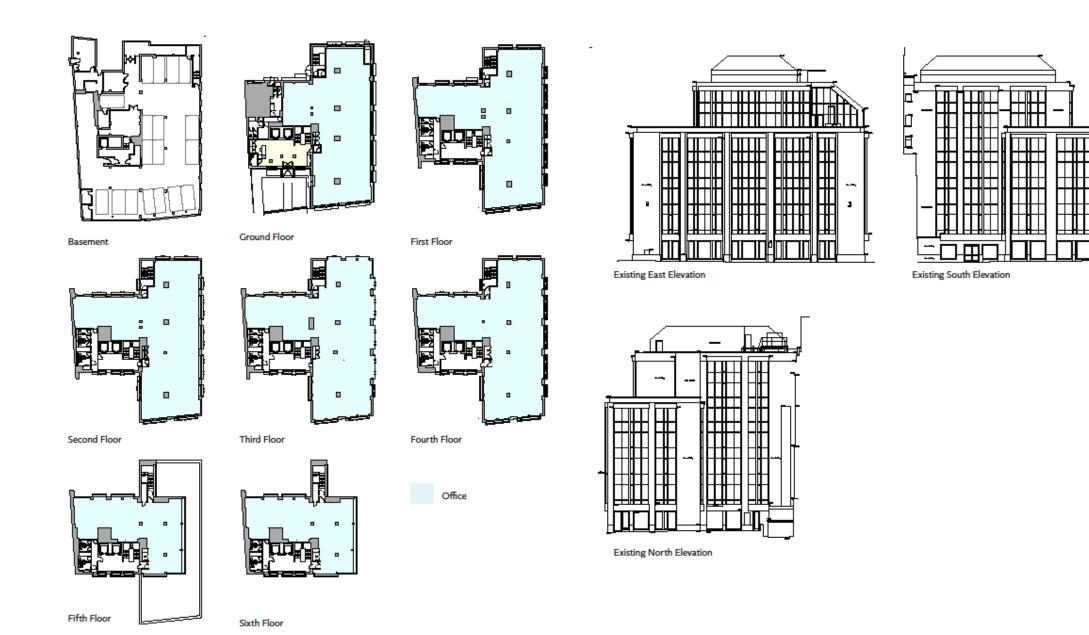
View 4: Mitre Street



View 4: Heneage Ln



Existing Key Axonometric





View 1: Bury Street (facing St. Mary Axe)



View 2: Bury Street (facing St. Mary Axe)



View 3: Renown House Entrance



View 4: Renown House Facade



View 4: Bury Street



Existing Key Axonometric



Existing Drawings: Renown House



View 1: Bury Street entrance (facing St. Mary Axe)



View 2: Entrance to No. 32 currently blocked



View 3: Bury Street (Holland House Main Entrance)



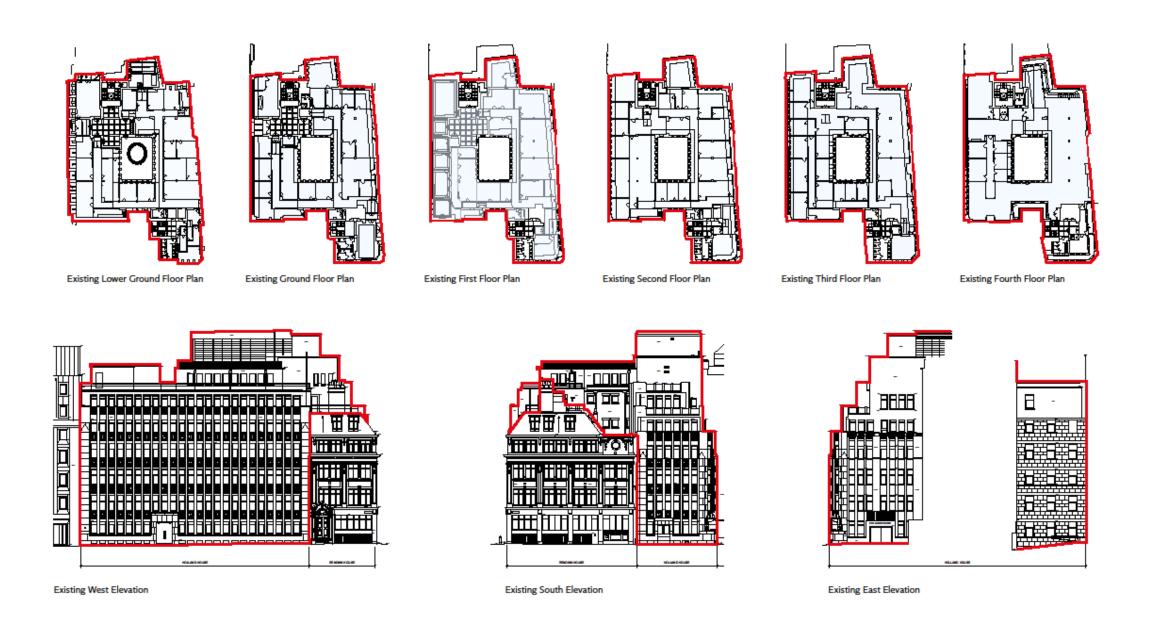
View 4: Heneage Ln



View 4: Bury Street (elevation fronting St. Mary Axe)



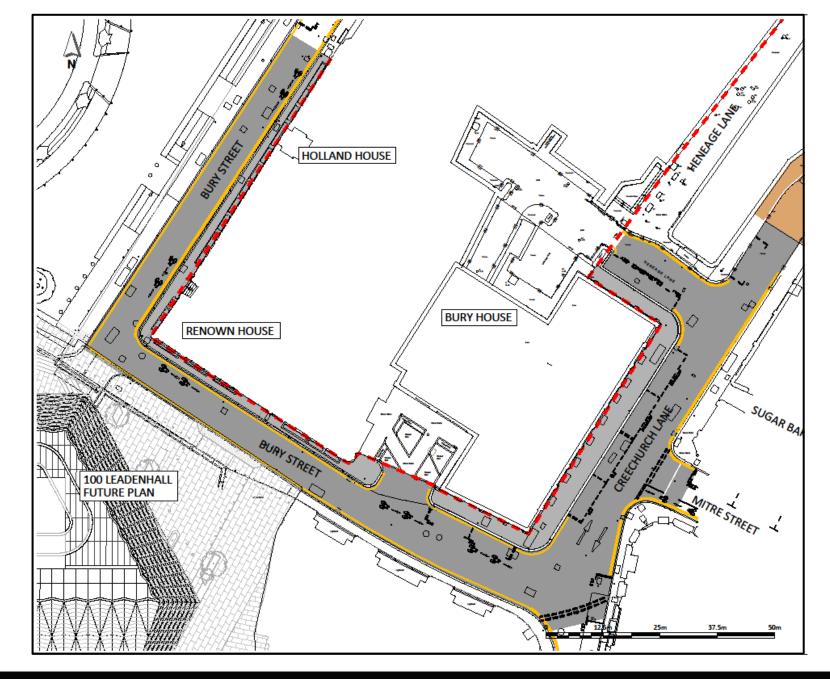
Existing Key Axonometric



Public Realm and Uses

Existing arrangement the main pedestrian access point is on the southwestern façade fronting Bury Street.

• There is no permeability through the Site.

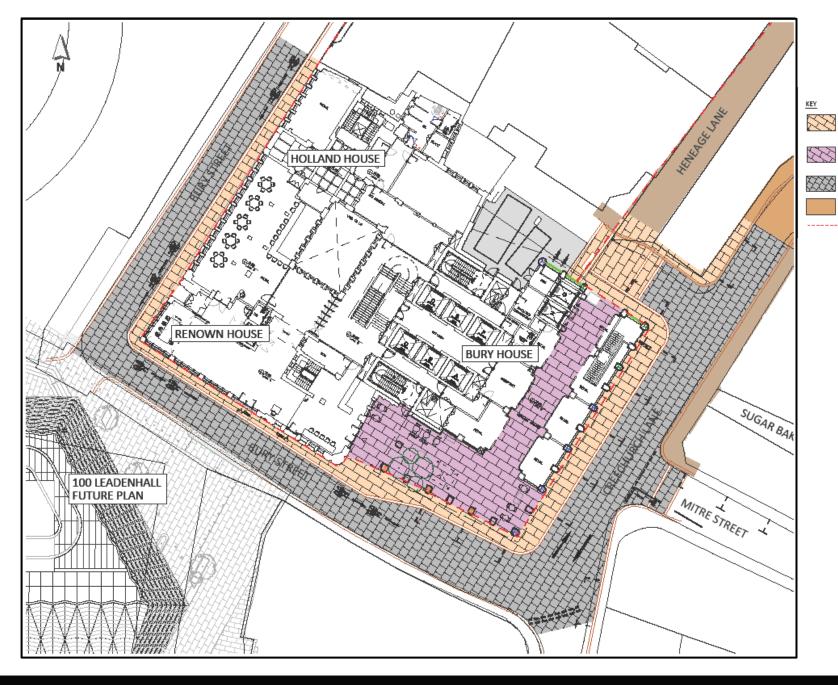


Existing: 352 sqm

Enhanced carriageway
Public realm to tie into proposed
schemes adjacent to the development
(100 Leadenhall)

- Widened footway along the western section of Bury Street
- Widened footway along the southeastern section of Bury Street

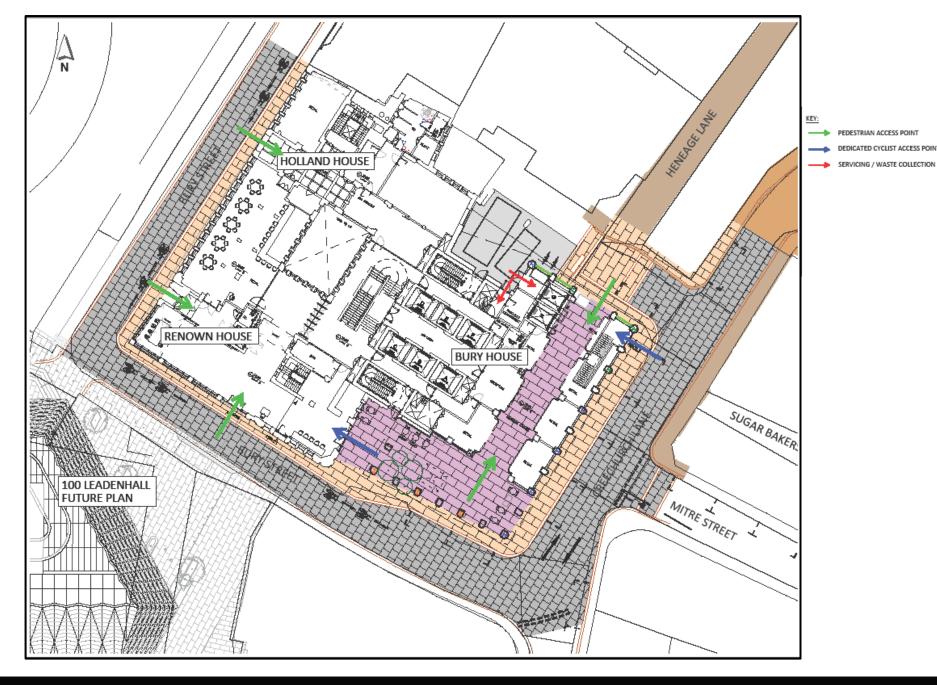
Proposed: 619 sqm (75,9% increase)

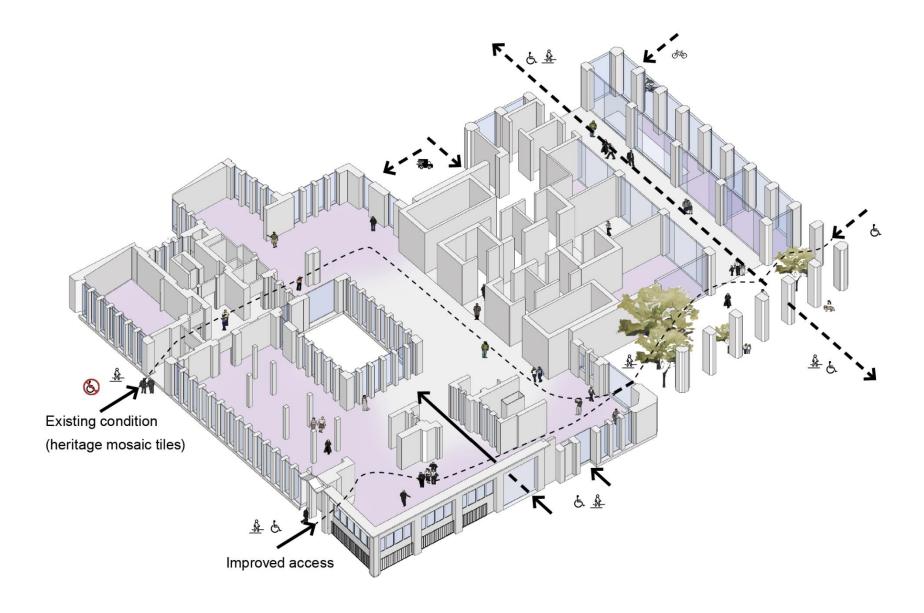


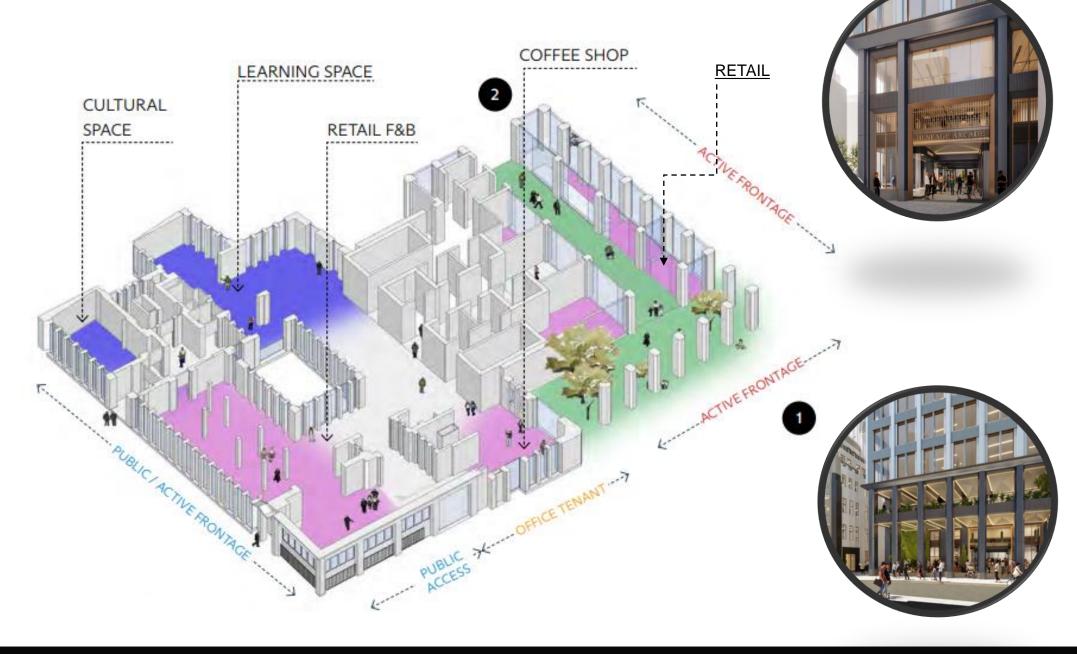
ENHANCED FOOTWAY PAVING

NEW PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE SPACE WITHIN THE SITE BOUNDARY

AREA PREVIOUSLY UPGRADED BY ADJACENT DEVELOPMENT





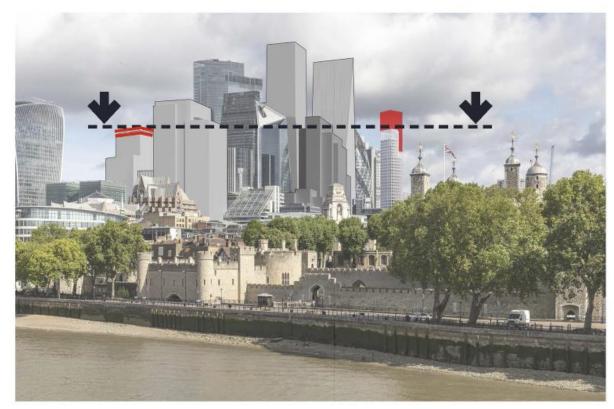




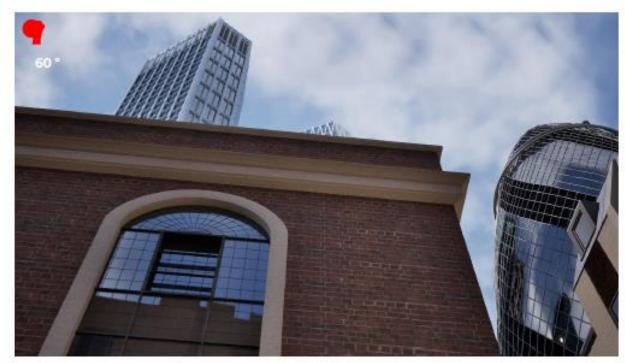
Design Concept & Evolution



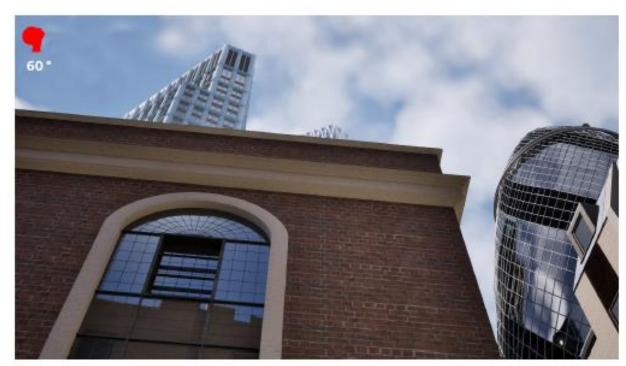
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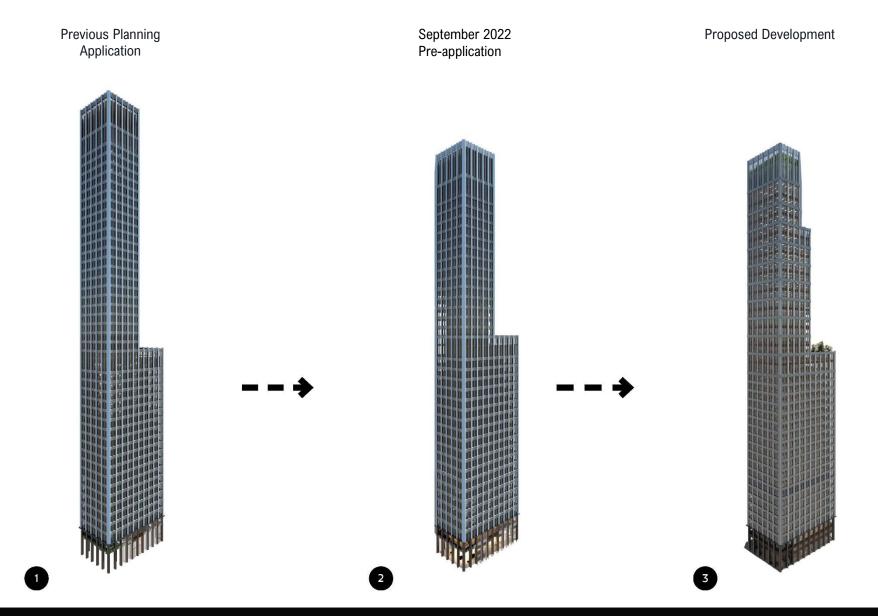
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View from Bevis Marks Synagogue Courtyard: Previous Application



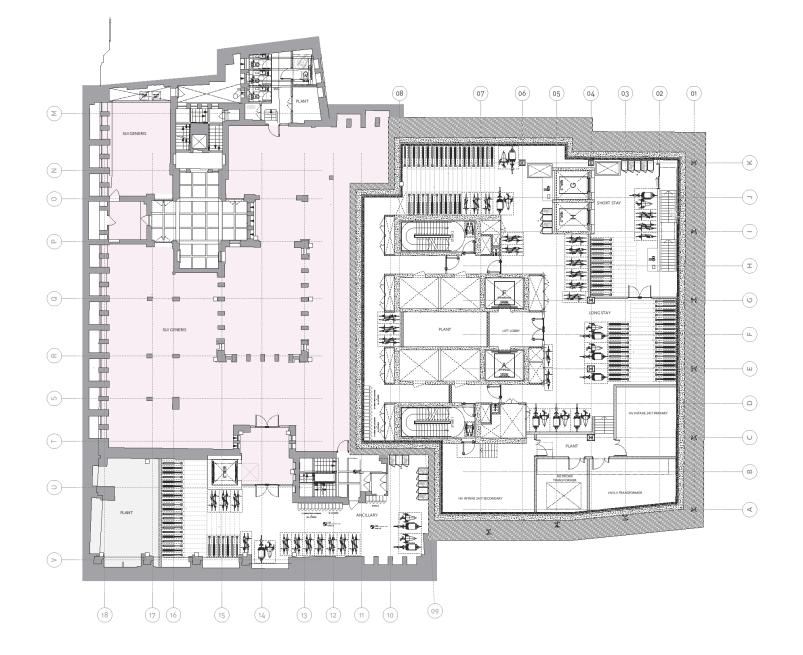
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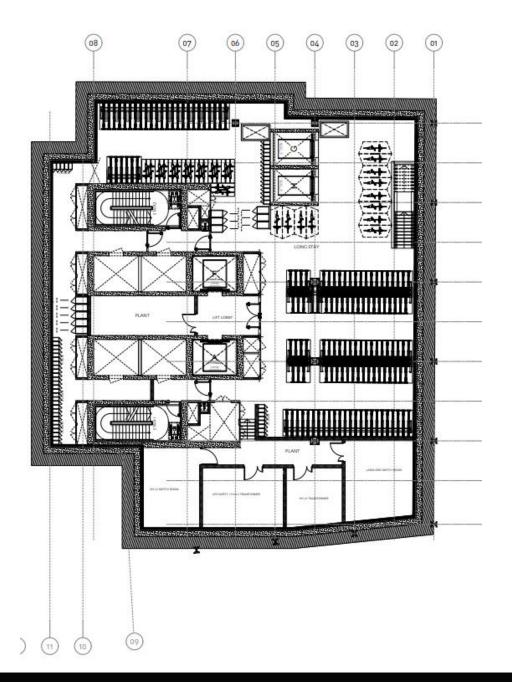


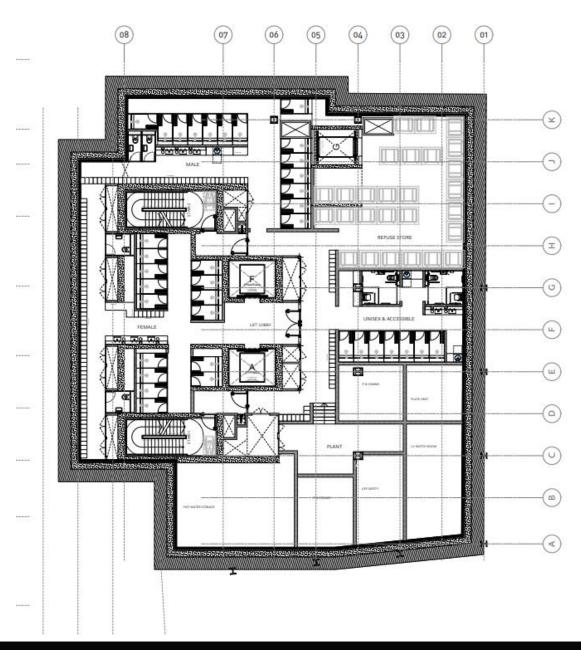
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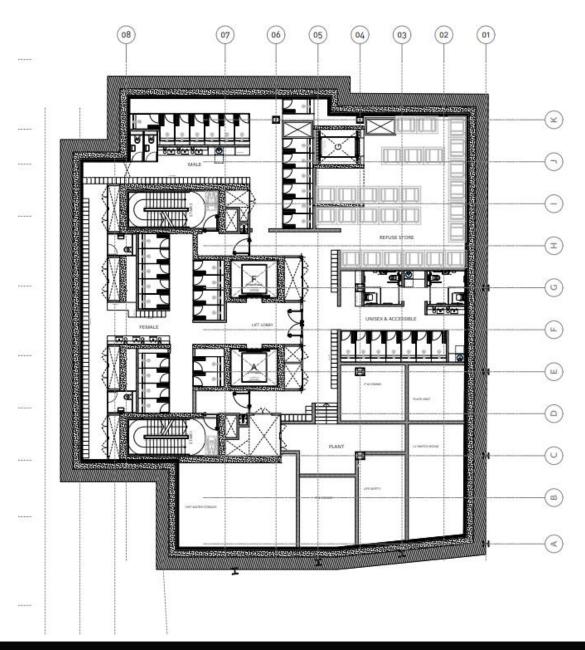
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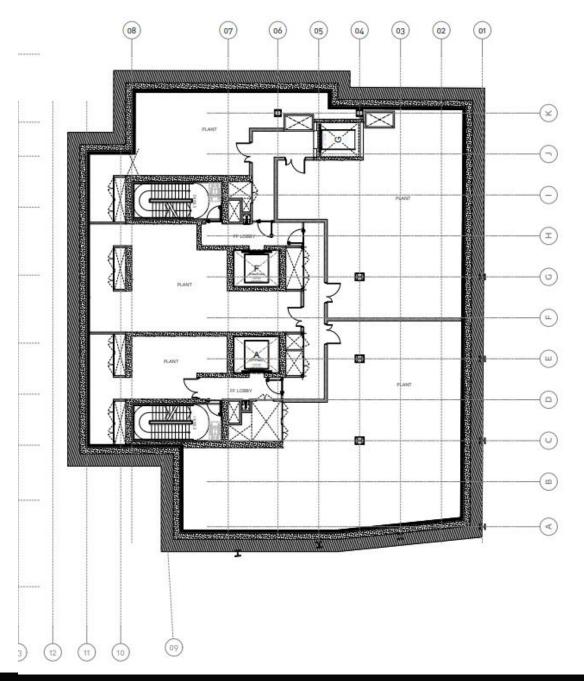


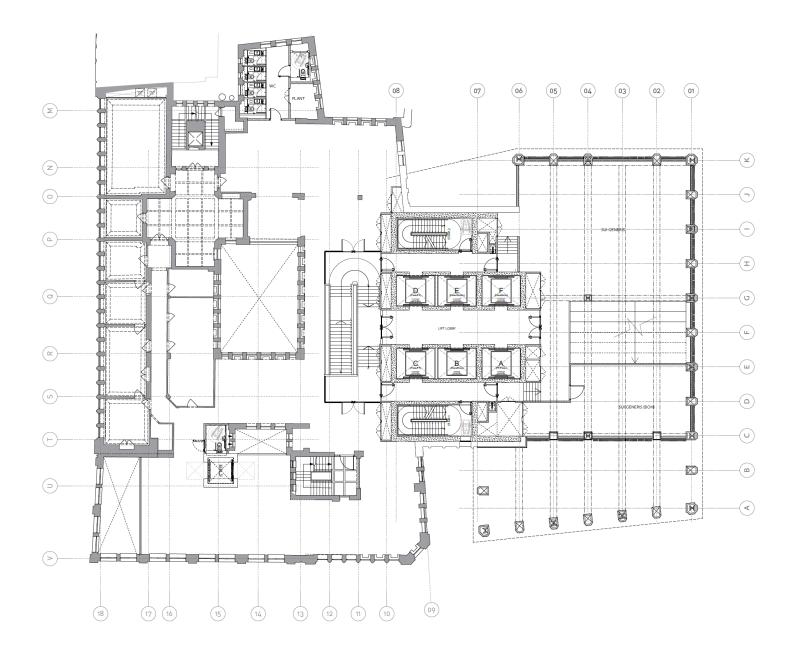


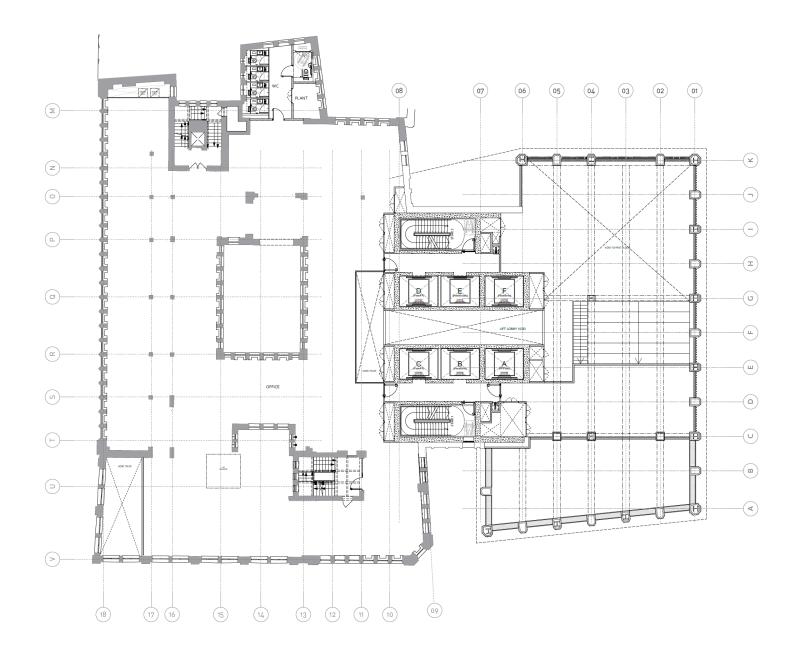


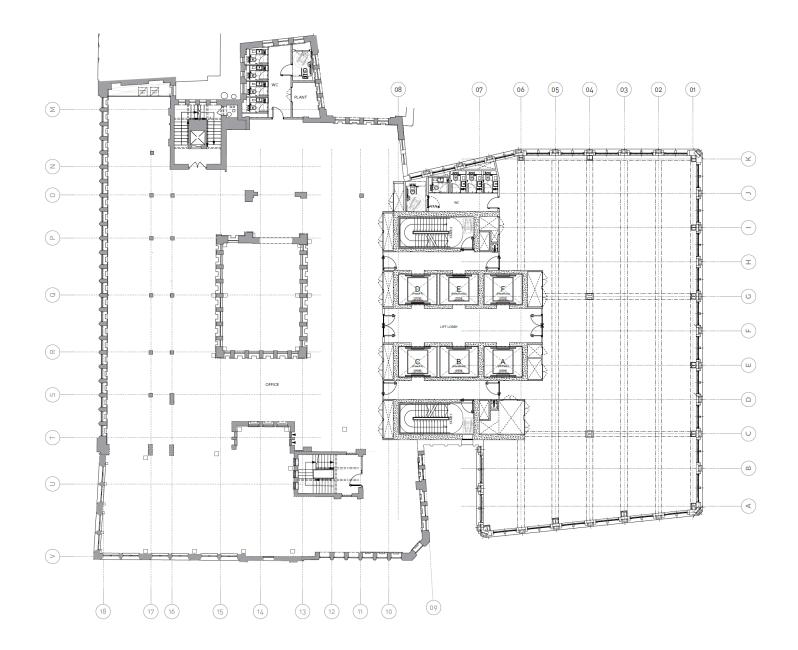


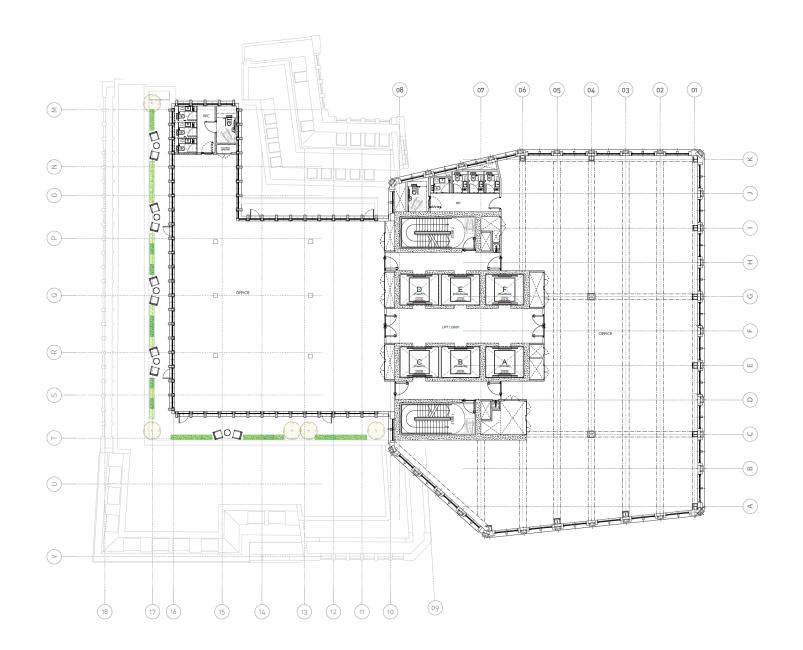


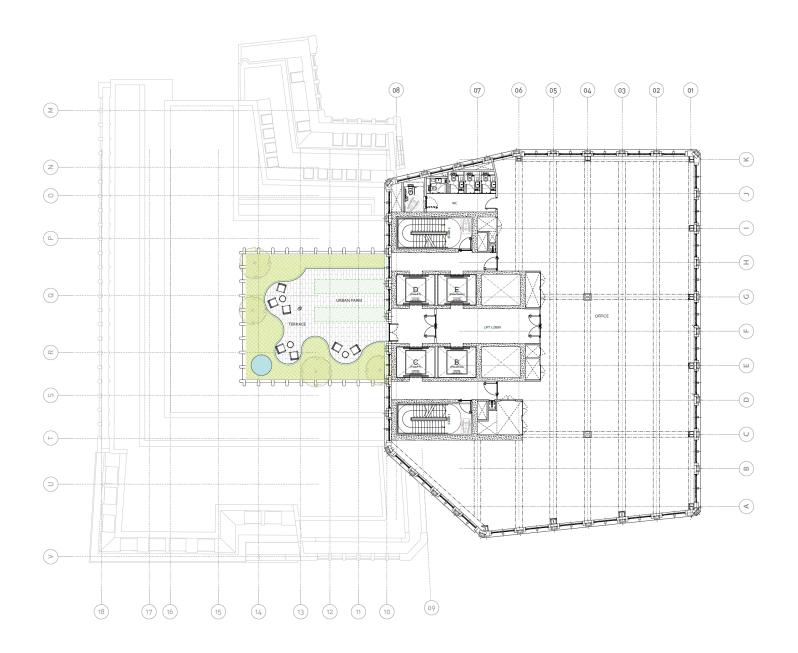


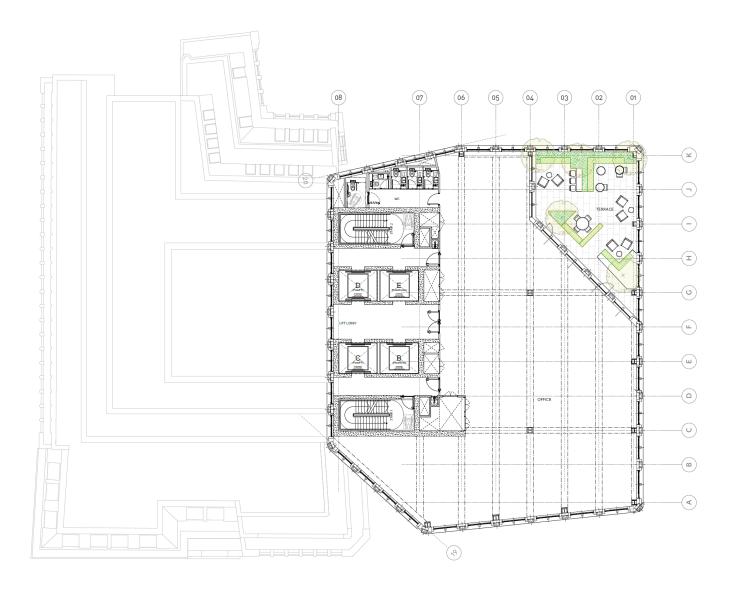


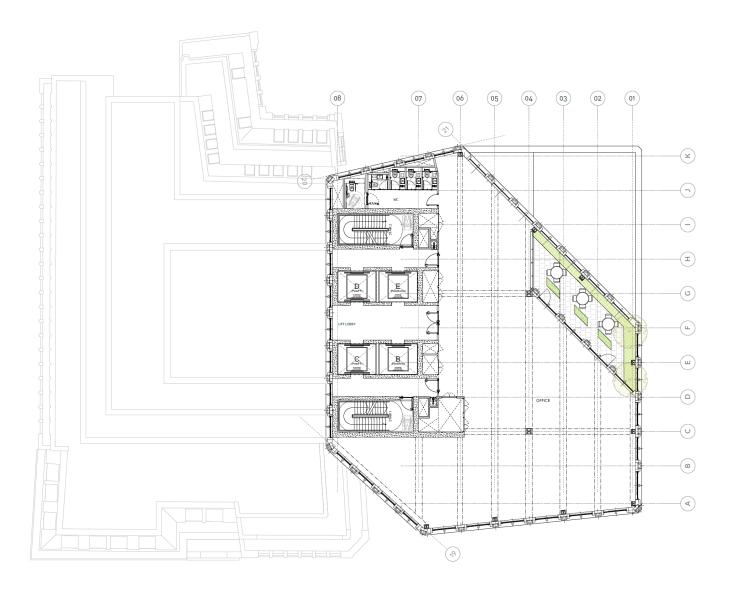


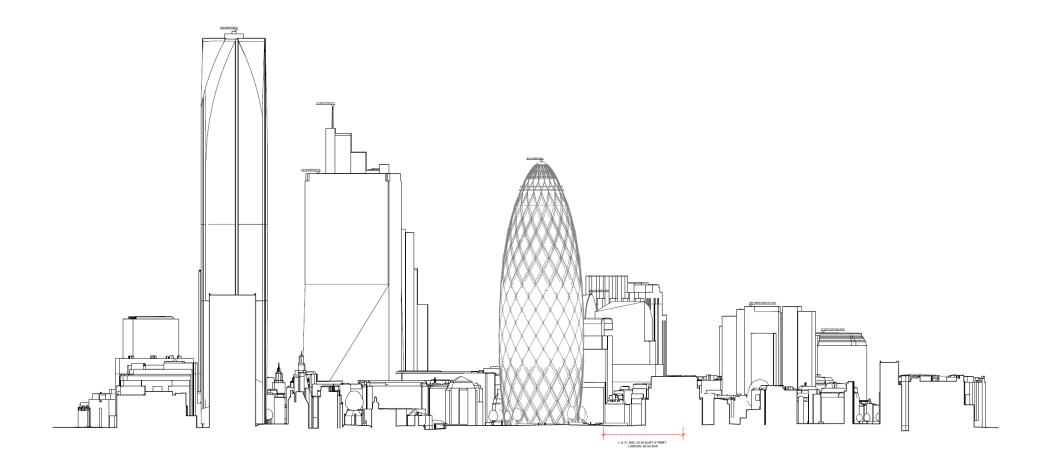




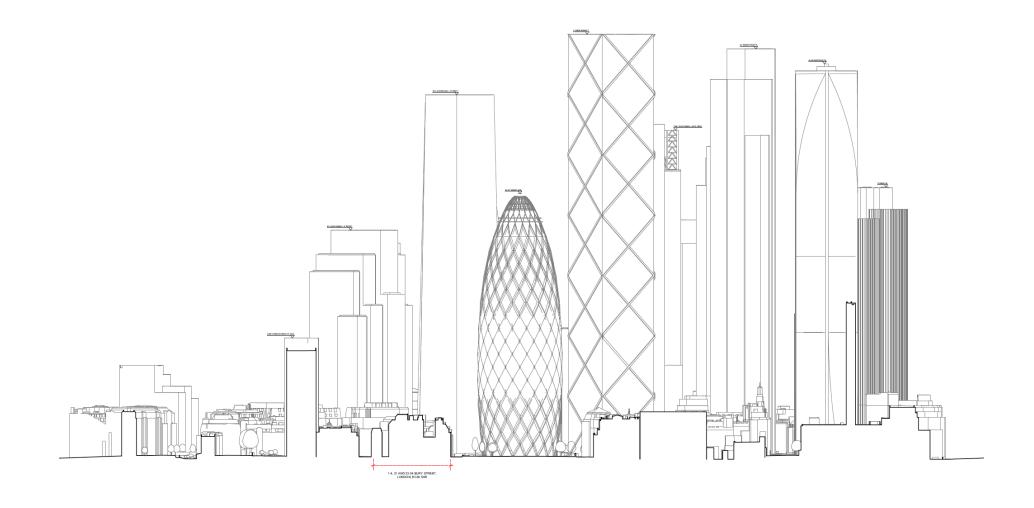


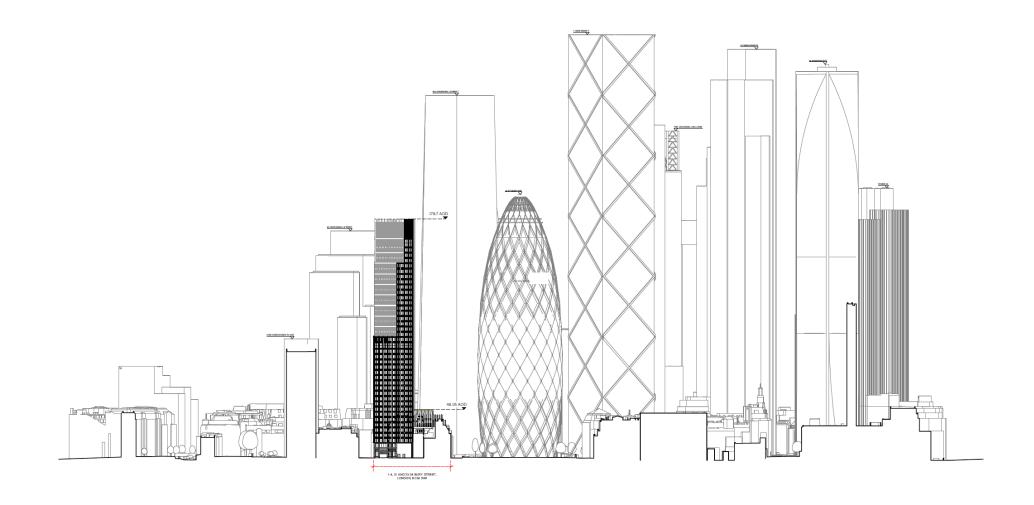


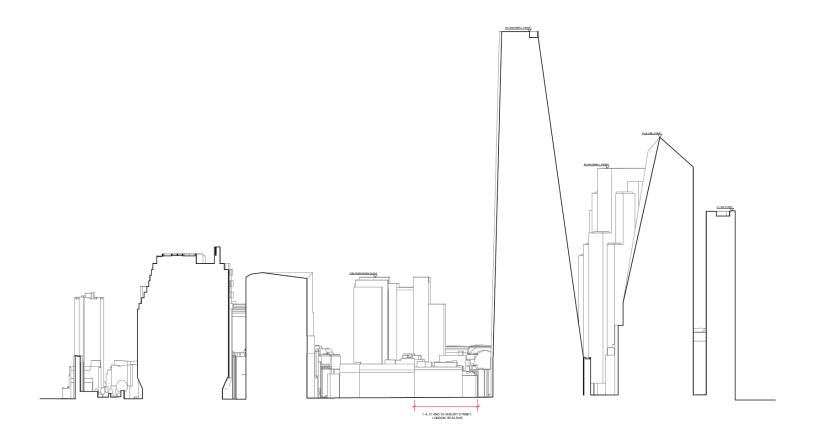


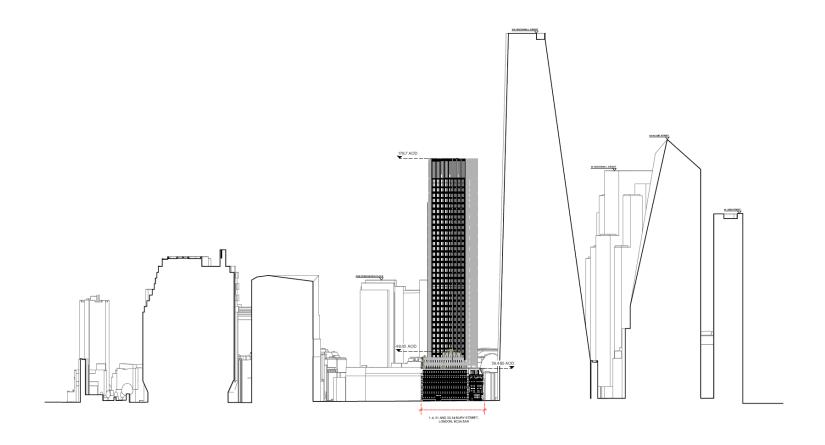


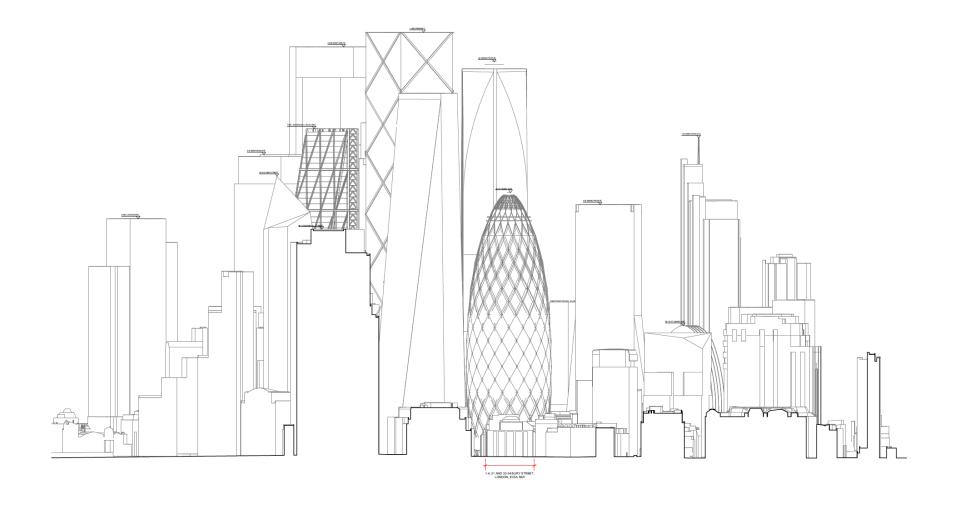


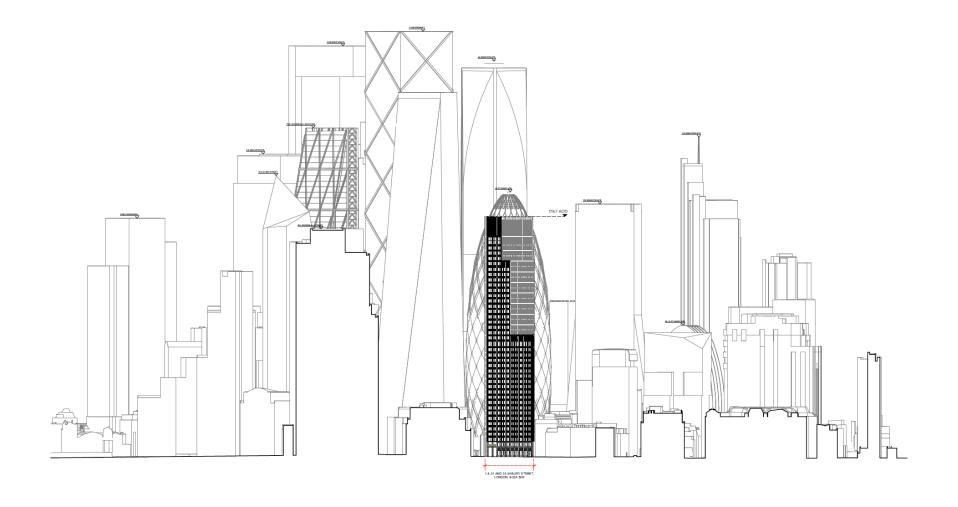


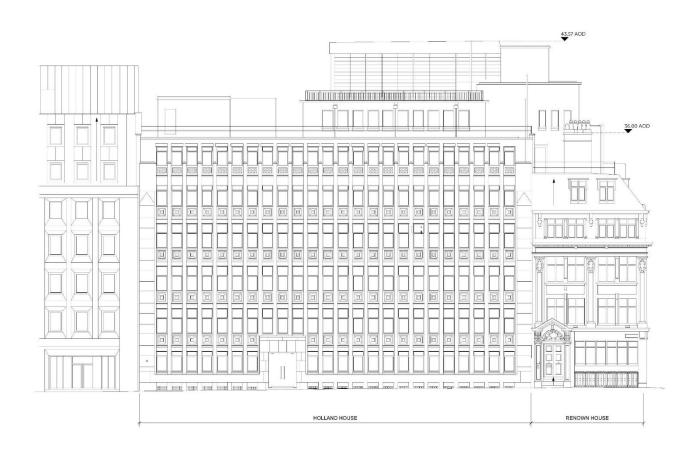


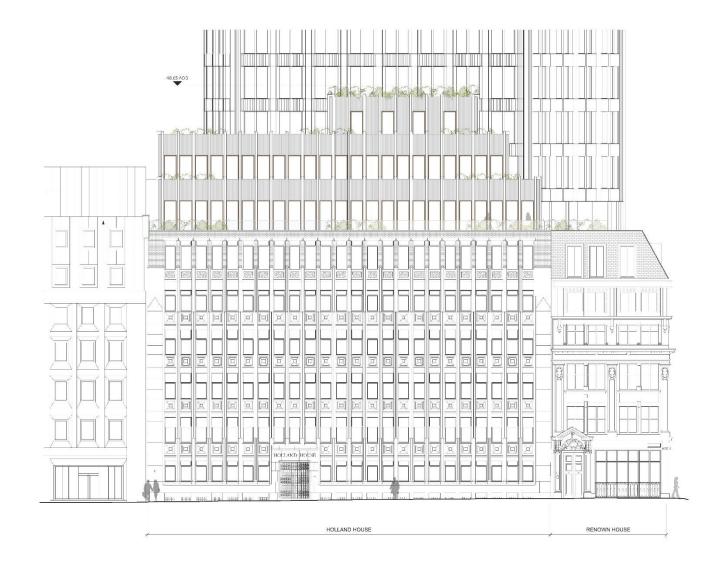


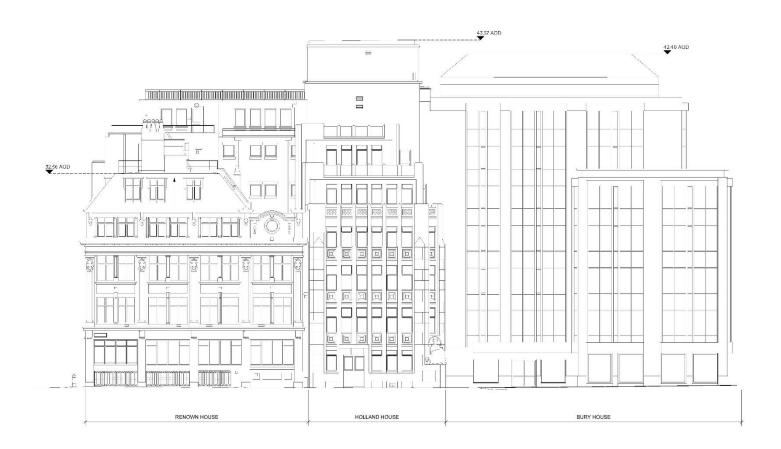




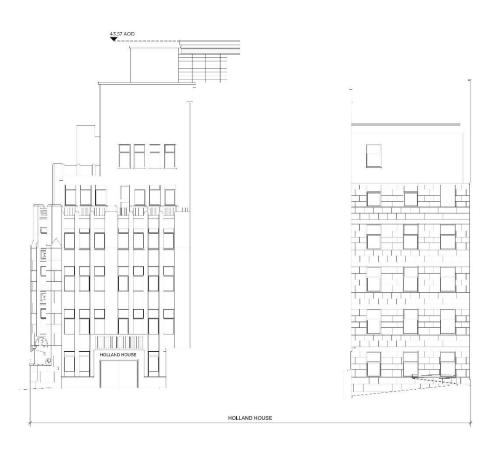








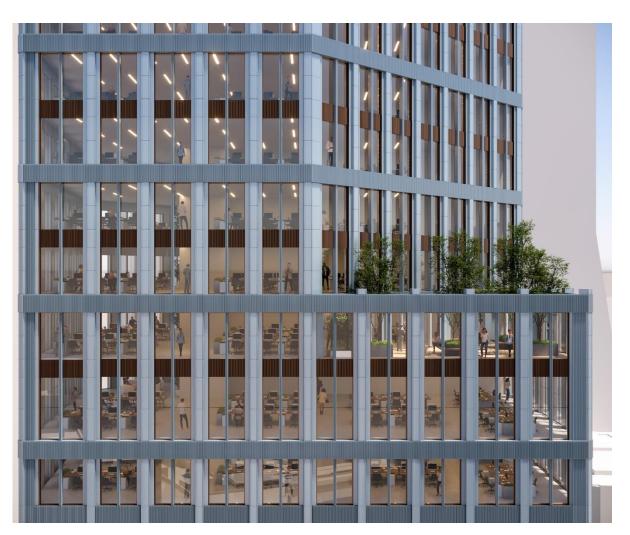








Illustrative view showing upper-level facade



Illustrative view showing mid-level facade

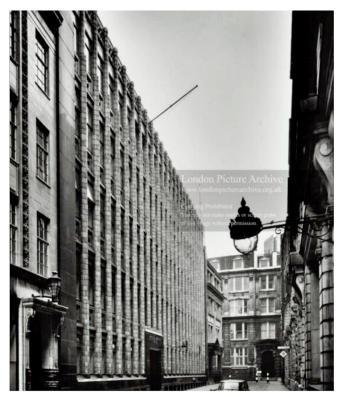




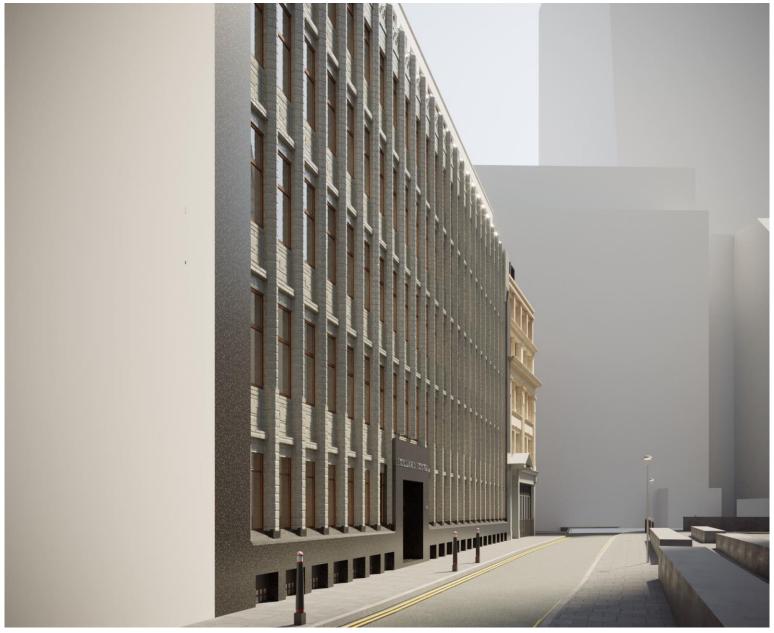


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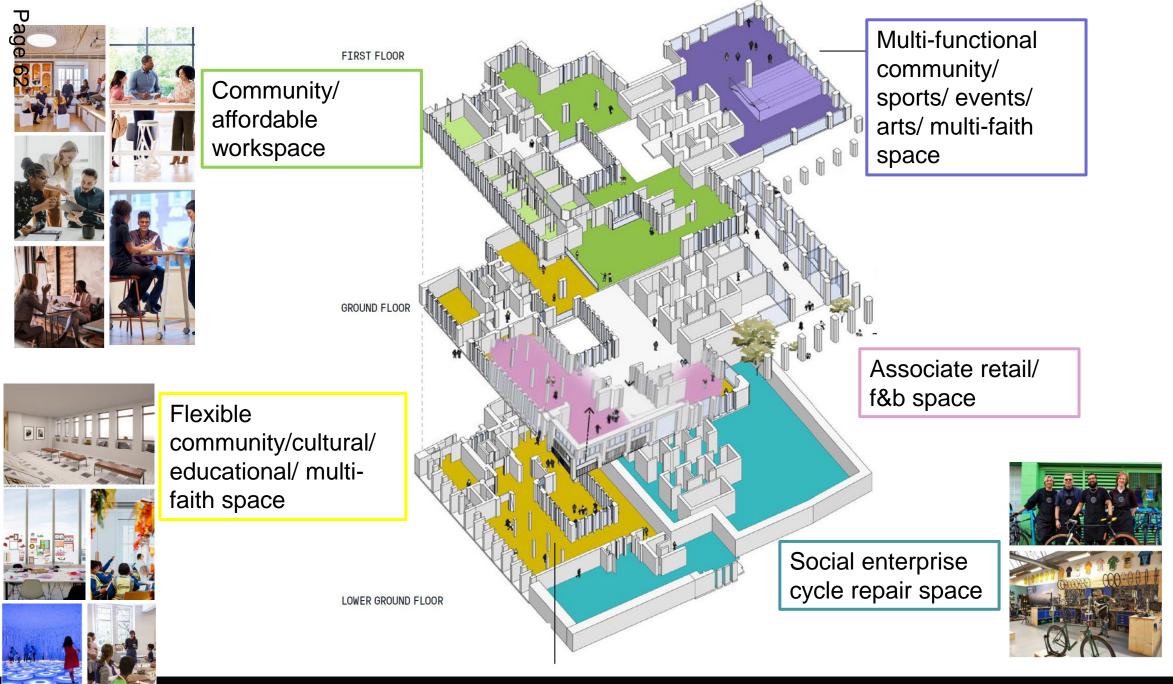
Illustrative view showing Holland House and Renown House



Historical View



Proposed Illustrative view







Illustrative showing proposed Creechurch Hall entrance



Illustrative showing proposed Heneage Arcade entrance

Illustrative showing proposed James' Court



Illustrative showing proposed James' Court and Heneage Arcade below Creechurch Hall



Illustrative showing proposed sports facilities in Creechurch Hall

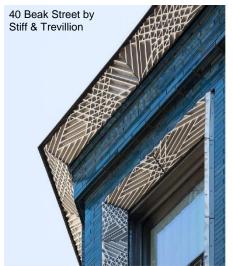


Illustrative showing proposed rehearsal space in Creechurch Hall



Illustrative showing proposed event space in Creechurch Hall

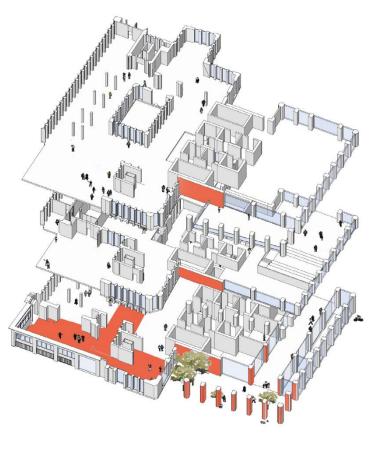
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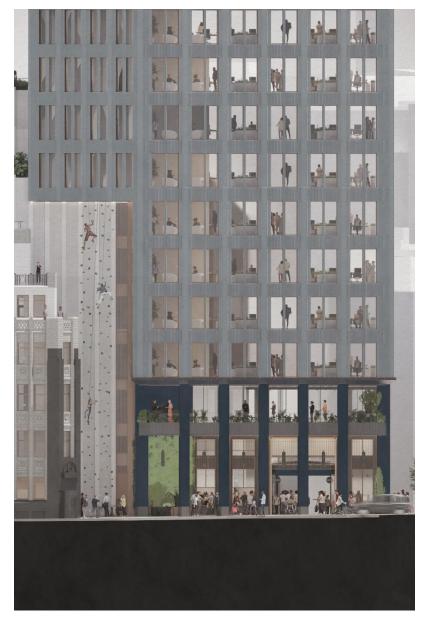






References of art integrated in buildings

Axonometric View showing potential areas to integrate art



Illustrative showing proposed climbing wall in James Court

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Proposed 8th floor terrace



- Outside enhancements available for all to experience.
- 2 Access to the terraces for all tenants including the affordable workspace.
- **3** Access to the Urban Farm for those using the educational space.
- UGF ahead of GLA



Reference: Urban Farm





Indicative Proposed 8th Floor terrace



Indicative Proposed James' court



Proposed Public Realm

Proposed 9th floor terrace

Landscaping - Level 9 terrace (Urban Farm)

Verified Views

View 8: Existing - Tower Bridge South



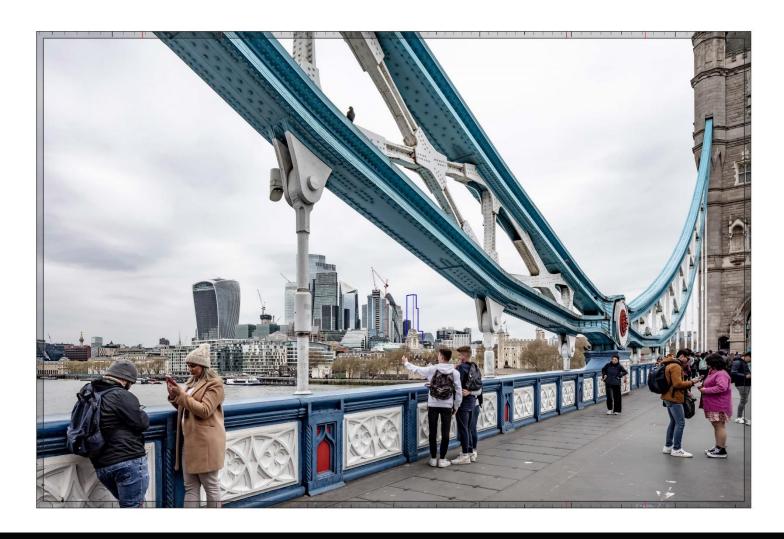
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Viewpoint map

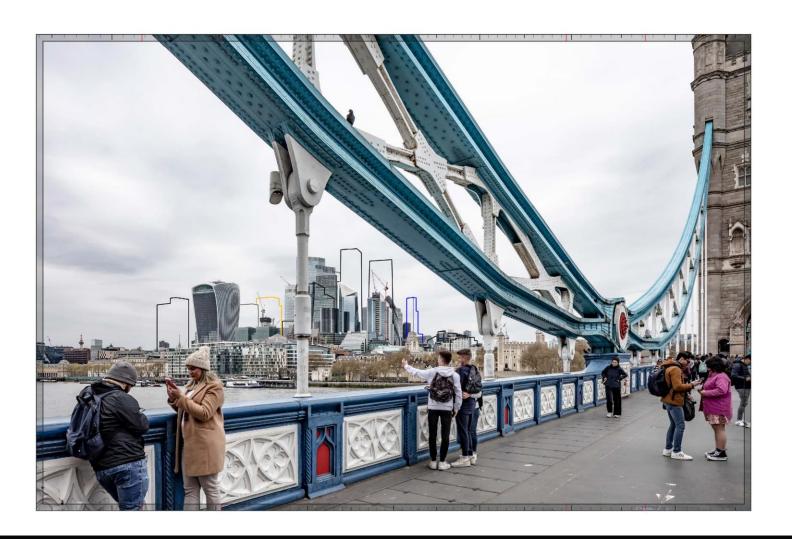
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Upper Pool

Count
Potters
Fields
Fields
Butler's
Wharf Pier
Beacons

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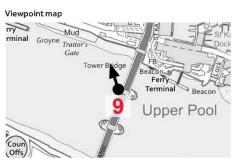
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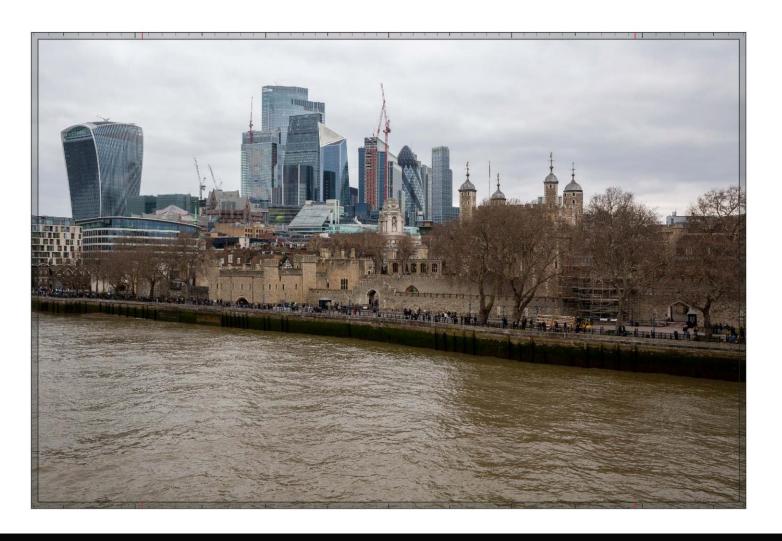
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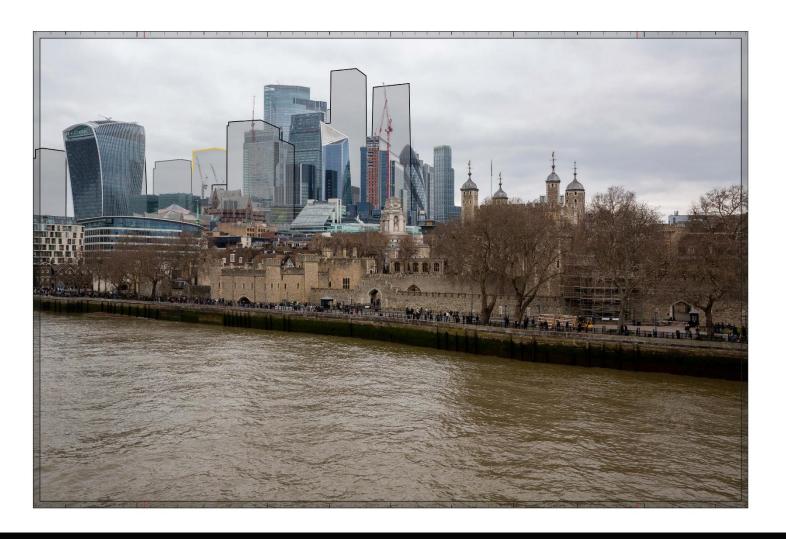
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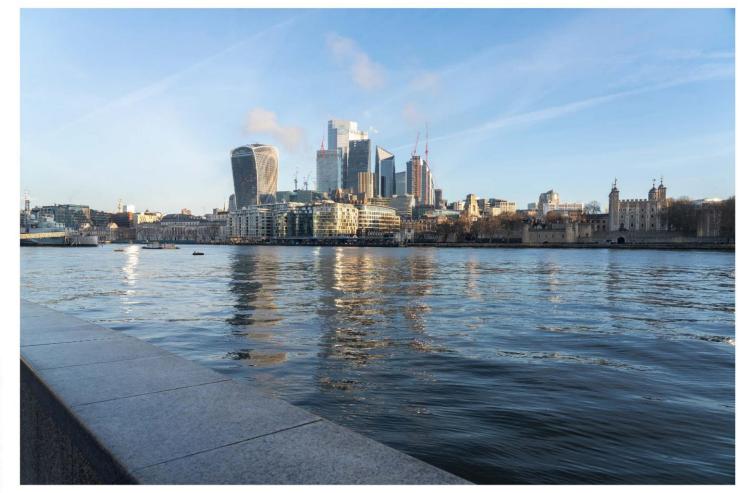
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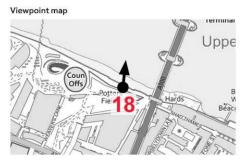


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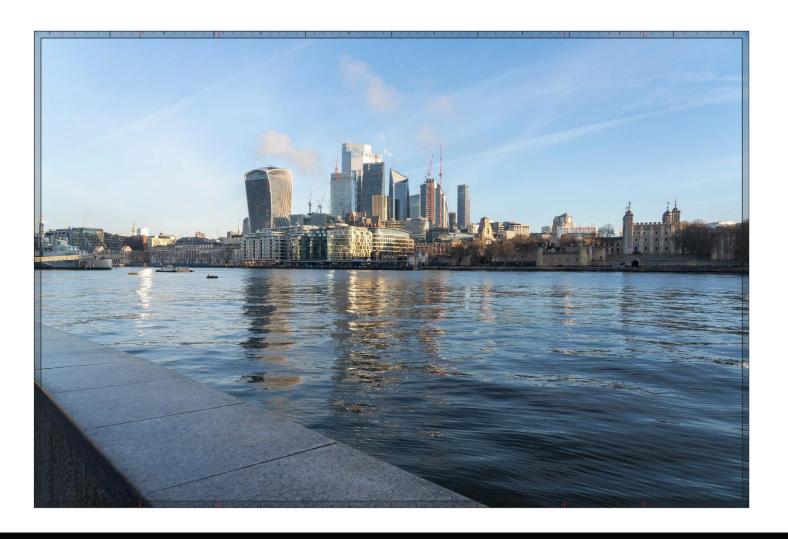


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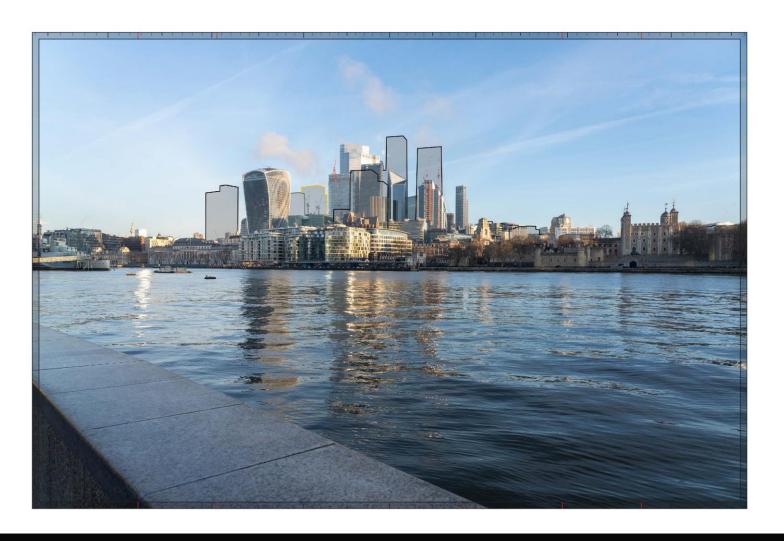




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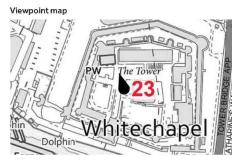


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View 23: Existing - Tower of London, the Inner Ward





View 23: Proposed - Tower of London, the Inner Ward



View 23: Cumulative - Tower of London, the Inner Ward



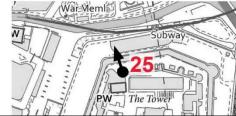
View 25: Existing - Tower of London, Inner wall, east of Devereux Tower



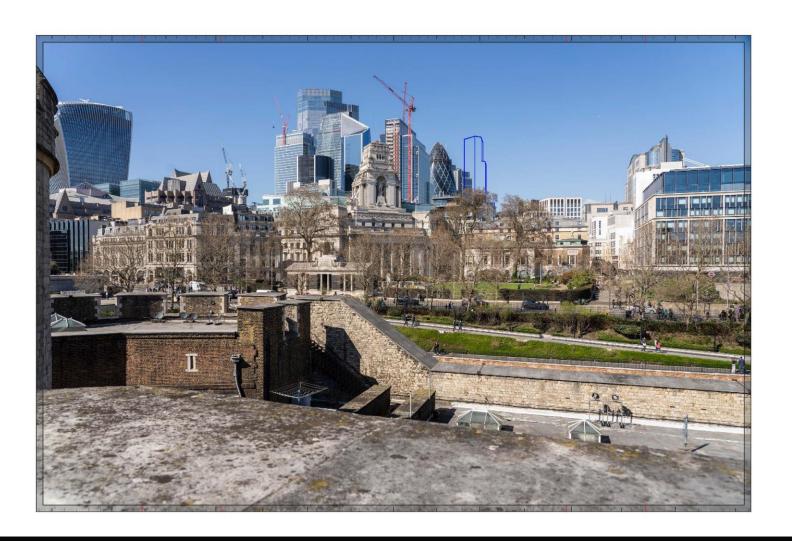
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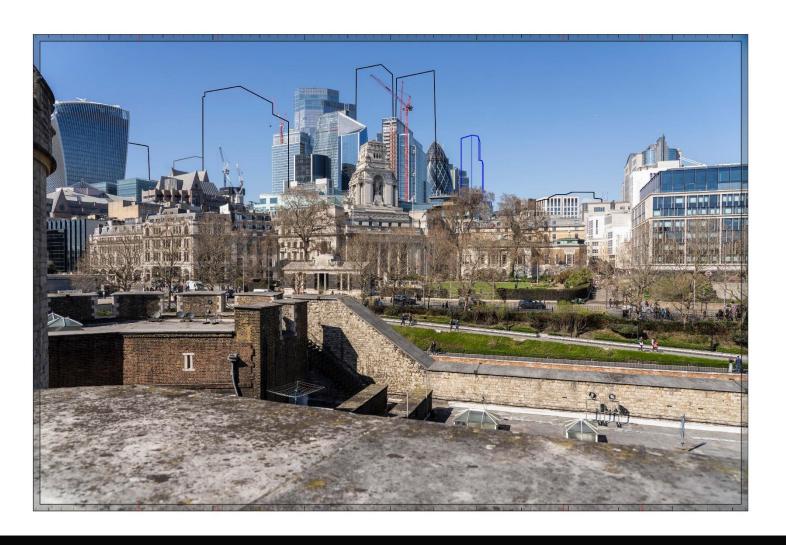
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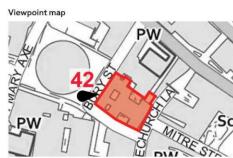


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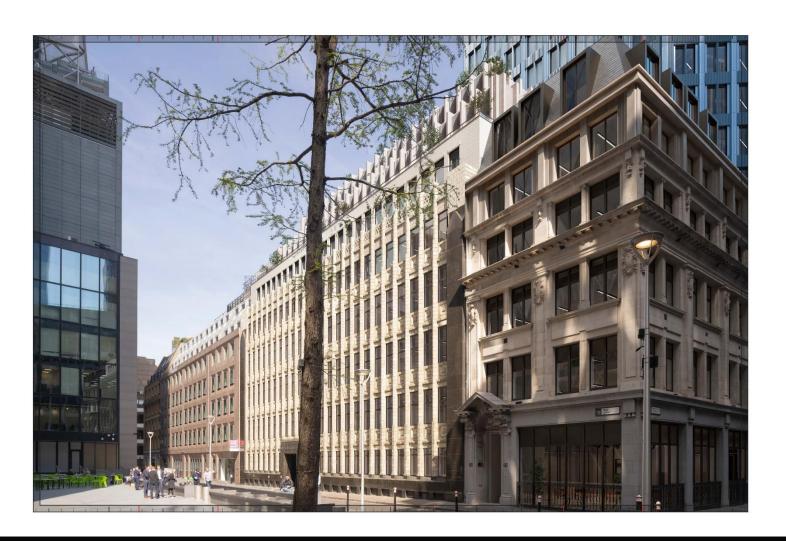


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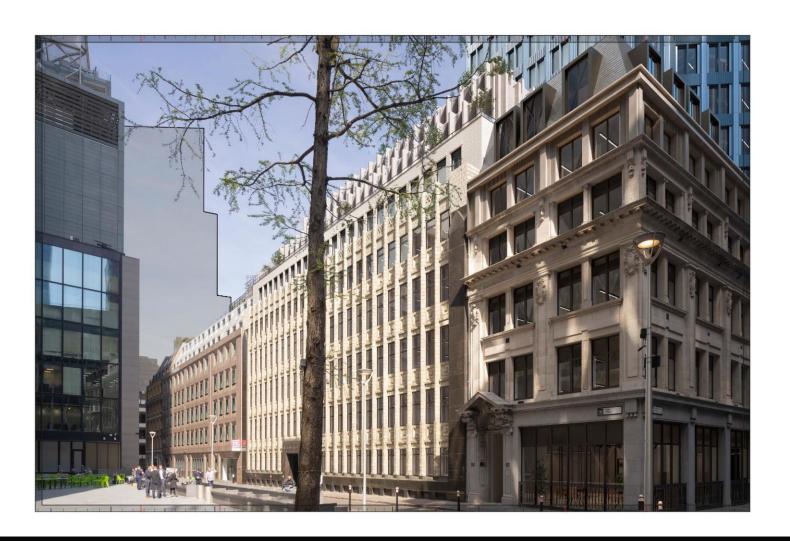




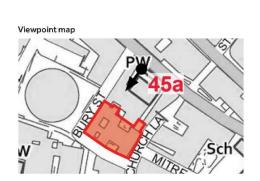
View 42: Proposed - Bury Street



View 42: Cumulative - Bury Street



View 45a: Existing - Bevis Marks Synagogue courtyard





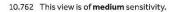
View 45a: Proposed -Bevis Marks Synagogue courtyard

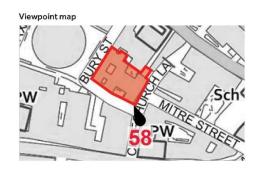


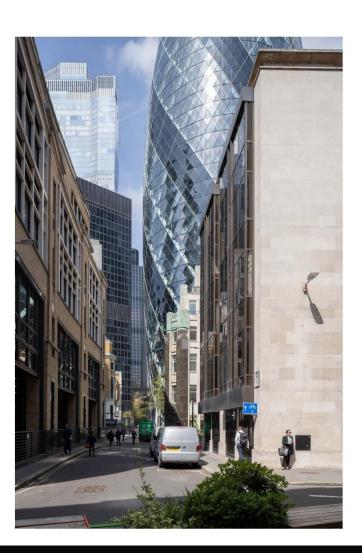
View 45a: Cumulative - Bevis Marks Synagogue courtyard



View 58: Existing - Creechurch, looking north-west







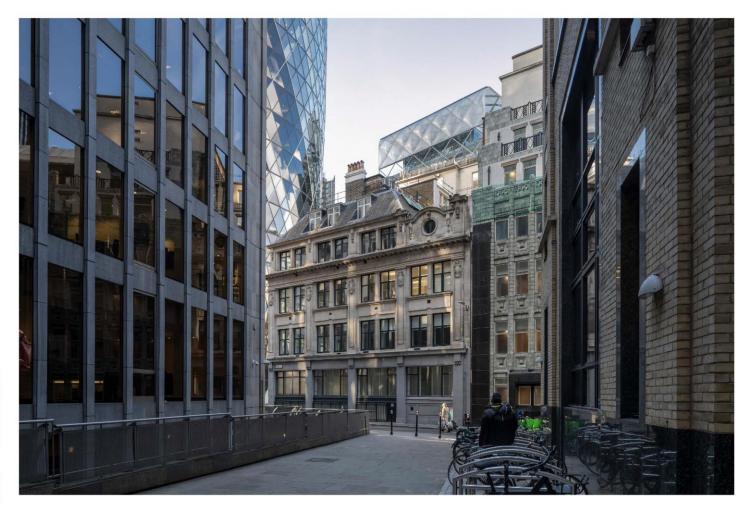
View 58: Proposed - Creechurch, looking north-west



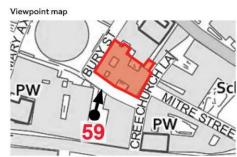
View 58: Cumulative - Creechurch, looking north-west



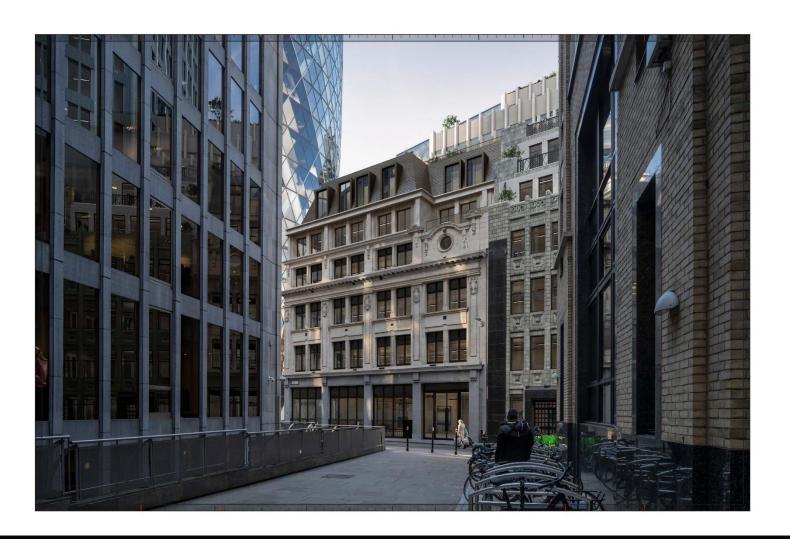
View 59: Existing - Cunard Place, looking north-east



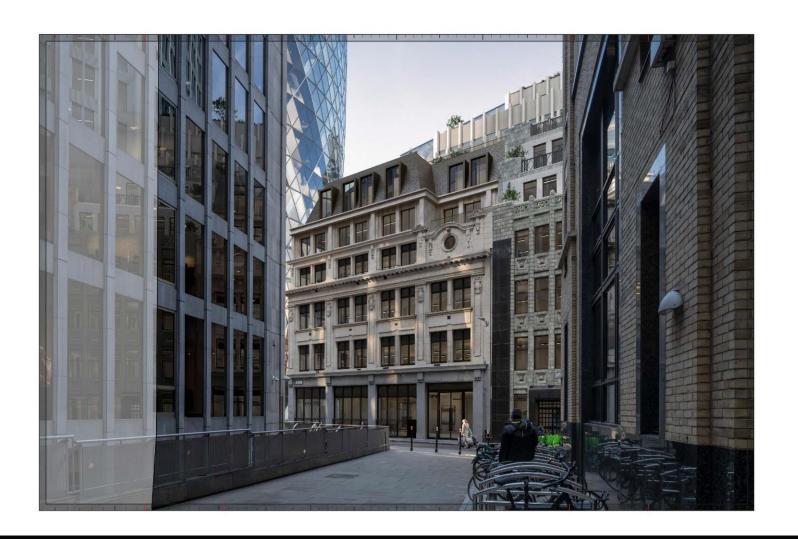
10.777 This view is of medium sensitivity.



View 59: Proposed - Cunard Place, looking north-east



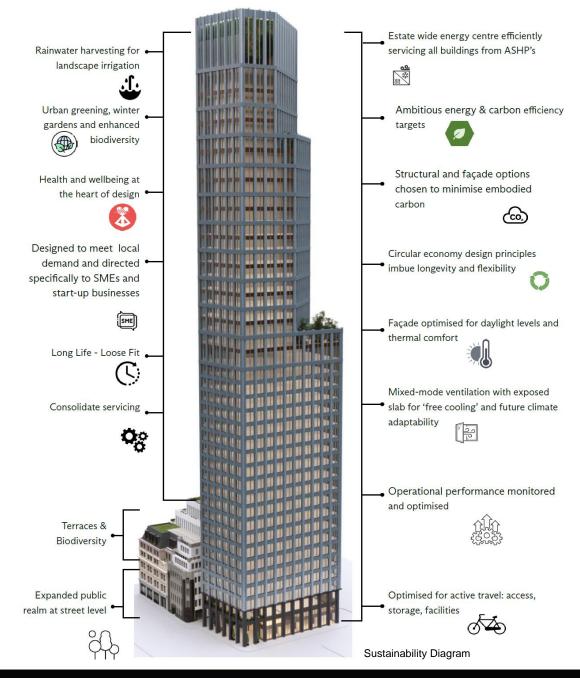
View 59: Cumulative - Cunard Place, looking north-east



Sustainability



Illustrative showing proposed upper part



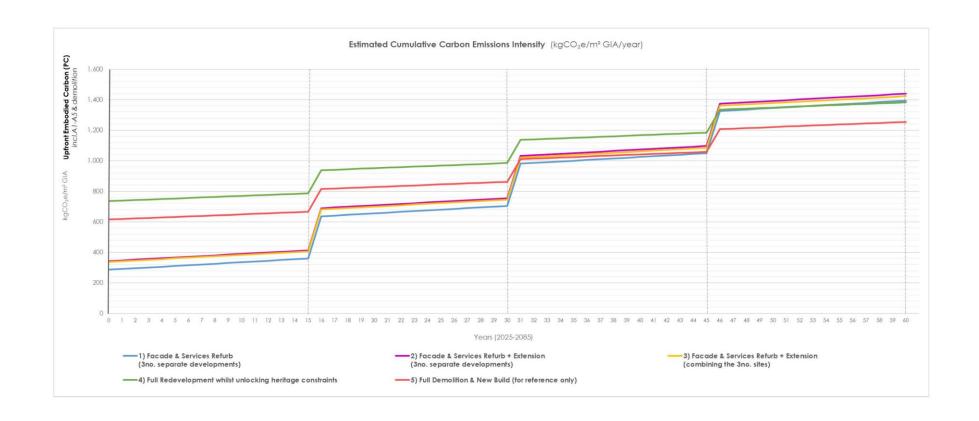








	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
	Facade & Services Refurb (3x separate developments)	Facade & Services Refurb + Extension (3x separate developments)	Facade & Services Refurb + Extension (combining the 3x sites)	Full Redevelopment whilst unlocking heritage constraints
Option Reference	1	2	3	4
Project reference period	60	60	60	60
Gross Internal area (GIA) m²	11,207	13,467	13,467	40,558
Net Internal area (NIA) m²	7,845	9,427	9,427	25,278
Change in NIA (compared to existing) m ²	0	1,594	1,594	17,445
Substructure % retained by mass	92%	92%	92%	64%
Superstructure % retained by mass	88%	75%	77%	39%
Total WLCA (incl. B6 & pre-demo) (kgCO ₂ e/m² GIA, B7 not included)	1,395	1,440	1,424	1,383
Upfront Embodied Carbon (A1-A5) (kgCO ₂ e/m² GIA)	278	332	329	726
In-Use Embodied Carbon (B-C) excl. B6 & B7 (kgCO ₂ e/m² GIA)	815	815	815	444
Operational Carbon for building lifetime (B6) $(kgCO_2e/m^2GIA)$	293	282	271	203
Total WLCA (incl. B6 and pre-demo) (tCO ₂ e, B7 not included)	15,629	19,387	19,177	56,095
Total existing building demolition (tCO₂e)	88	140	130	402
Upfront Embodied carbon (A1-A5) (tCO ₂ e)	3,120	4,474	4,426	29,450
In-use embodied carbon (B-C) (tCO ₂ e)	9,134	10,976	10,976	18,008
Operational Carbon for building life time (B6) (tCO ₂ e)	3,287	3,798	3,646	8,235



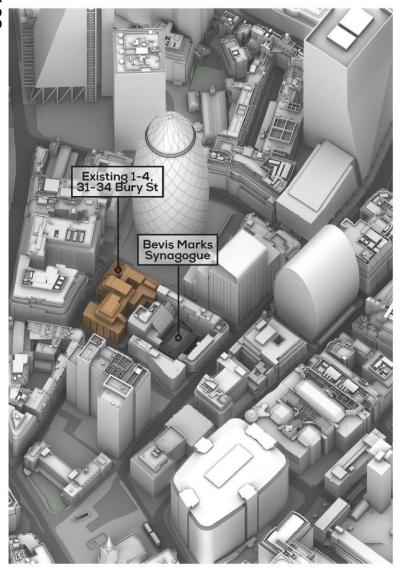
Daylight Sunlight Overshadowing

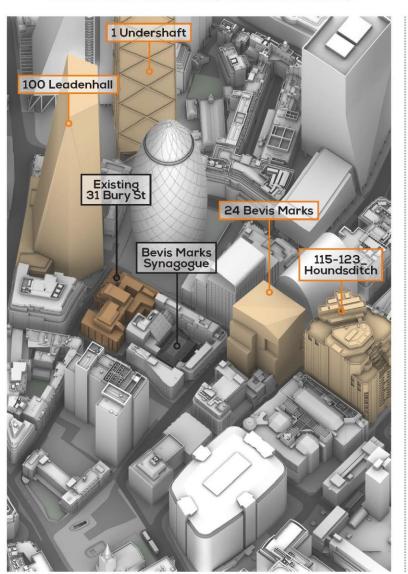
Address	Daylight	Sunlight	
St Andrew Undershaft Church	Negligible	Negligible	
2 Heneage Lane	Negligible	Negligible	
St Helens Church Bishopsgate	Negligible	Negligible	
Sir John Cass Primary School	Negligible	Negligible	
27-31 Mitre Street	Negligible	Negligible	
St Katharine Cree Church	Minor Adverse	Negligible	
Bevis Marks Synagogue	Minor Adverse	Negligible	
4-8 Creechurch Lane	Minor Adverse	Negligible	
2&10-16 Creechurch Lane	Moderate Adverse	Negligible	
18-20 Creechurch Lane	Moderate Adverse	Negligible	

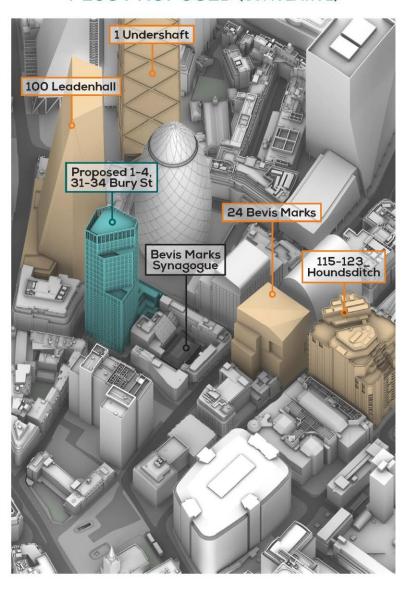
EXISTING (BASELINE)

WITH CONSENTS (FUTURE BASELINE)

PLUS PROPOSED (CUMULATIVE)







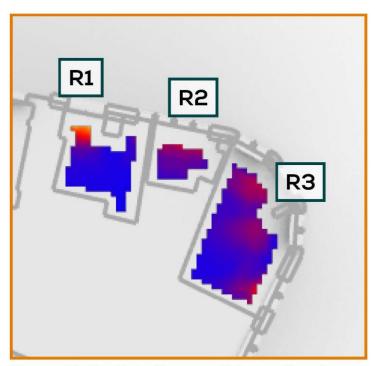


Figure 51: Daylight Factor - Existing Baseline

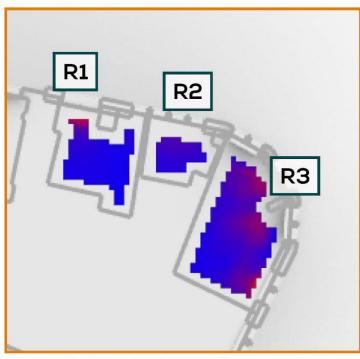


Figure 52: Daylight Factor - Consented Baseline

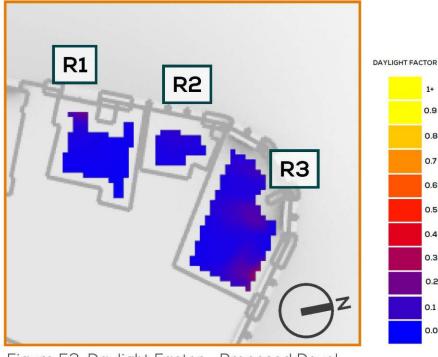


Figure 53: Daylight Factor - Proposed Development and Consents

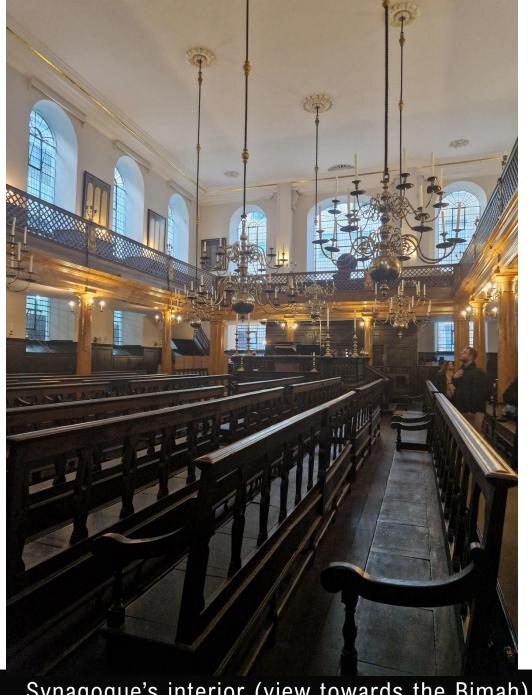


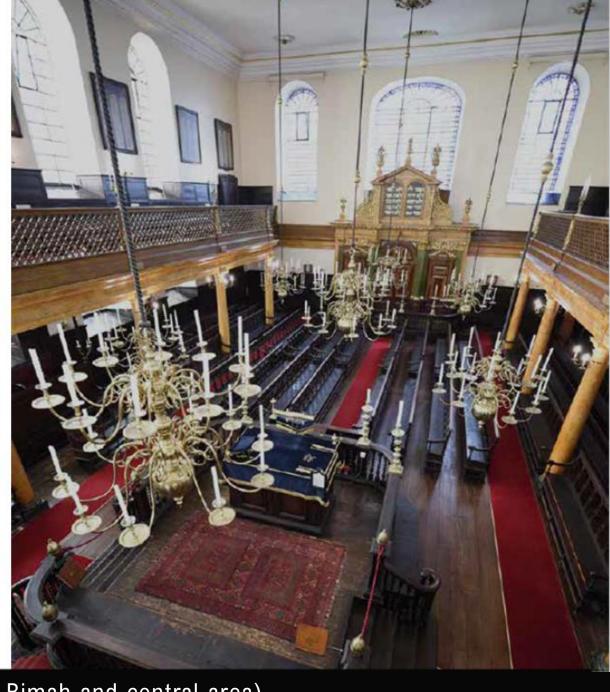
Photo taken by the case officer on Wednesday, 15 November 2023, at 9.34am

Synagogue's interior (view towards the Bimah)



Synagogue's interior (looking east of mezzanine)





Synagogue's interior (view of Bimah and central area)

SUMMARY CONCLUSIONS BRE: MINOR IMPACTS WITH PROPOSED ONLY.

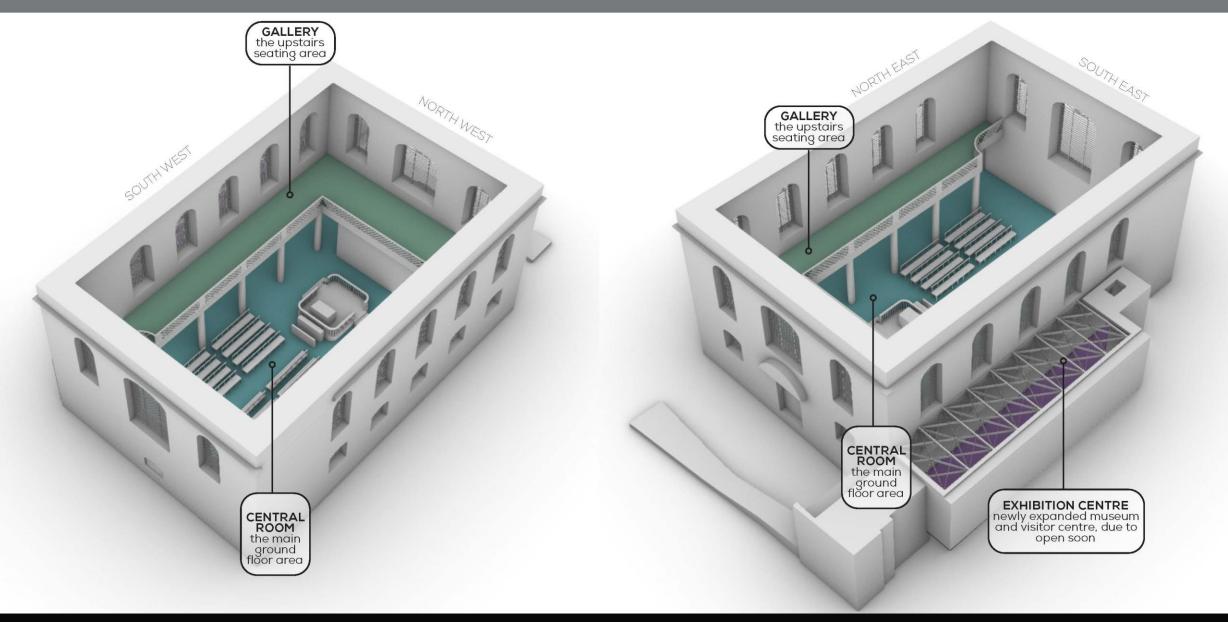
MINOR TENDING TO MODERATE IMPACTS IN CUMULATIVE SCENARIO.

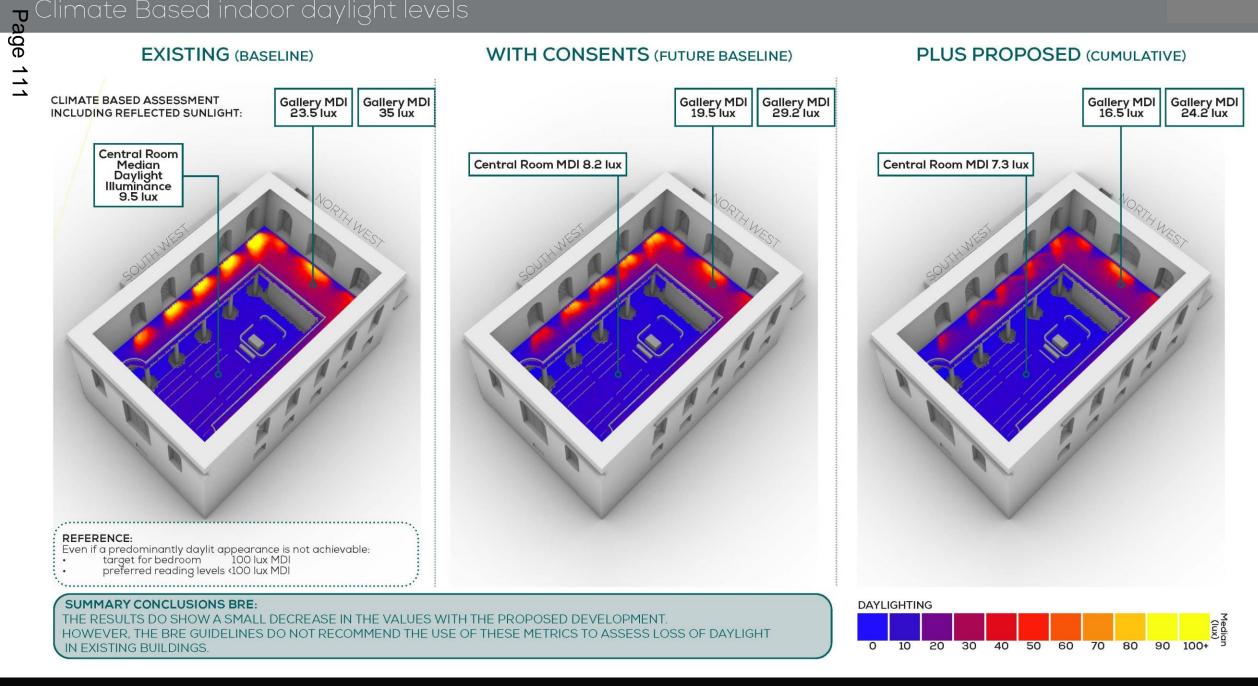
Sunlight changes at the windows BRE test

EXISTING (BASELINE)

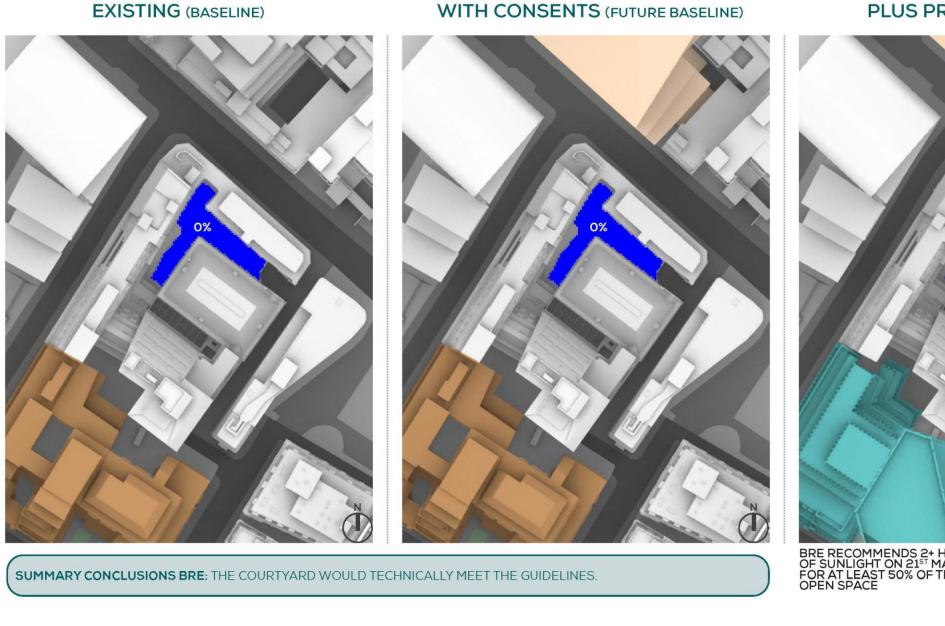
WITH C WITH CONSENTS (FUTURE BASELINE) PLUS PROPOSED (CUMULATIVE) Gallery 23% Average APSH Gallery 20% Average APSH Gallery 28% Average APSH South-western facades Exhibition Centre 4% Average APSH Exhibition Centre 4% Average APSH Exhibition Centre 4% Average APSH Central Room 20 Average APSH Central Room 23% Average APSH Central Room 30% Average APSH Gallery 23% Average APSH Gallery 20% Average APSH Gallery 28% Average APSH North-eastern facades Central Room 30% Average APSH Central Room 23% Average APSH

SUMMARY CONCLUSIONS BRE: MINOR IMPACTS OVERALL.

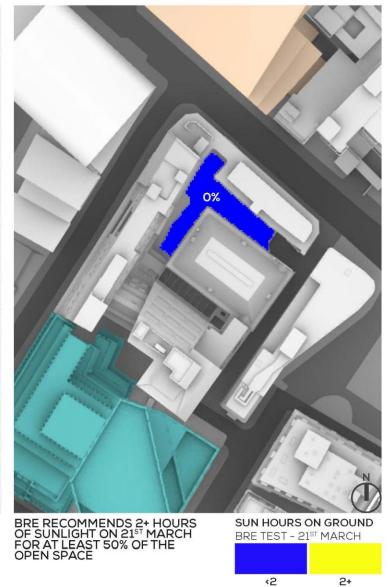




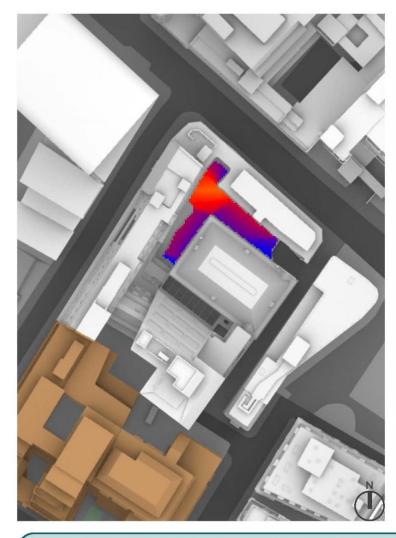
1925 2020: PREVIOUS PLANNING 2023: ON SITE CONSTRUCTION **APPLICATION** Ramp Annexe Building Security booth Ticketing booth Assessed area for overshadowing Museum

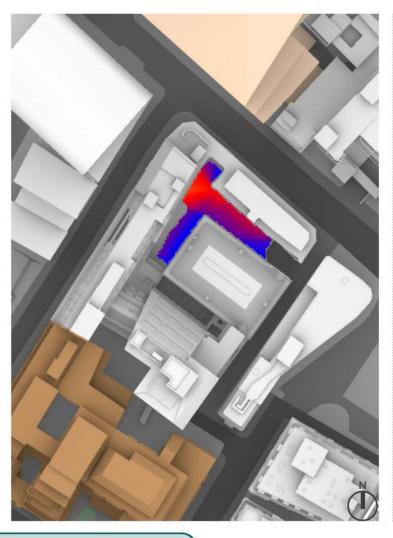


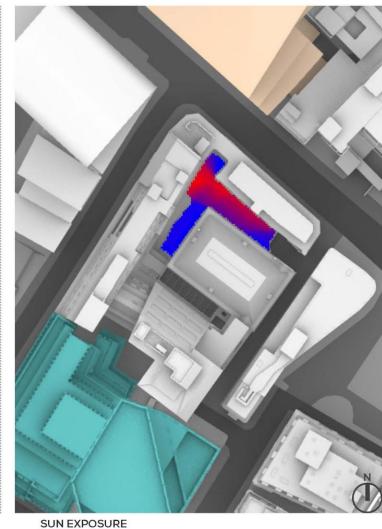
PLUS PROPOSED (CUMULATIVE)



BASELINE FUTURE BASELINE CUMULATIVE







TOTAL HOURS

SUMMARY CONCLUSIONS: THE CHANGES ILLUSTRATED FOR THE SUMMER SOLSTICE ARE LIMITED TO THE PORTION OF COURTYARD LEADING TO THE EXHIBITION CENTRE'S

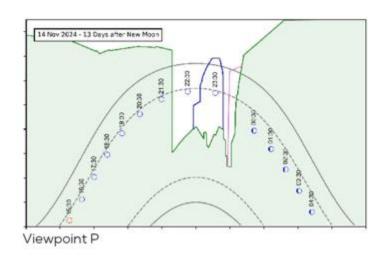
Daylight (VSC) – impacts on 5 southwest facing windows				
Previous applicati on	Absolute losses between 1.3 -1.8%	Resultant values between 2.8-5.2%		
Current proposal	Absolute losses between 1.3 -1.9%	Resultant values 2.3- 4.8%		

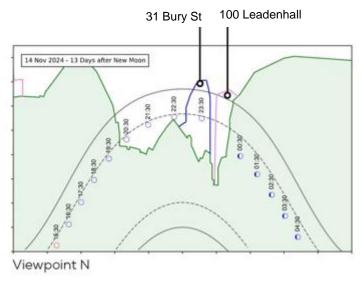
Sunlight				
Previous application	3 southwest facing windows below BRE guidelines (absolute losses between 7-12%)			
Current proposal	BRE guidelines compliant (losses 4% or less)			

There are minor differences in the calculated values, which are excepted due to the assessment being undertaken by different consultants at different times.

Lunar Transit Study







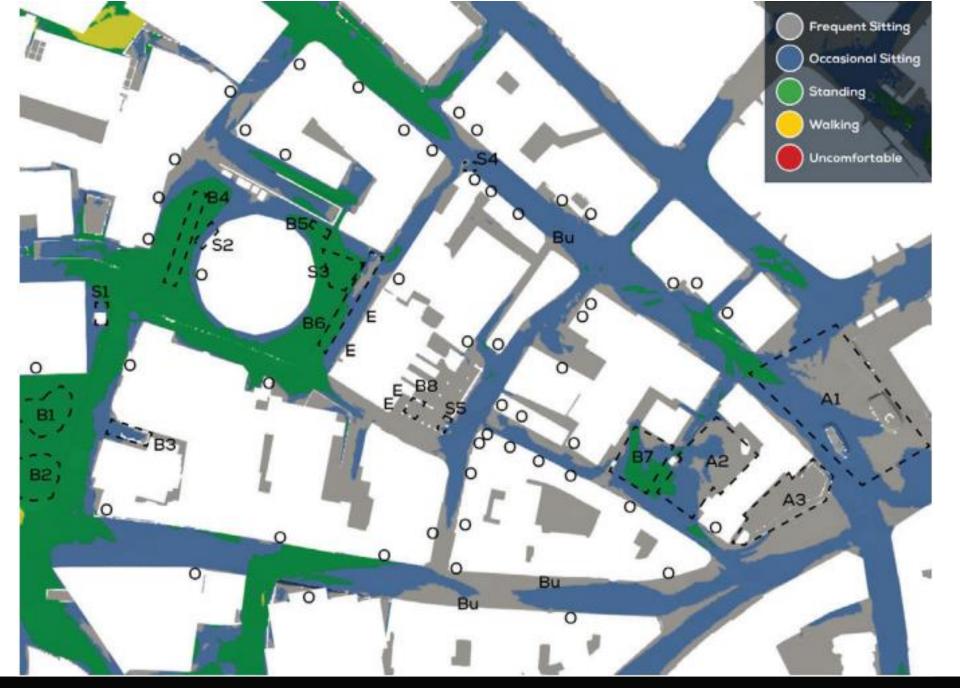
Observer location	Lunistice	cumulative	visibility vs existing eline	Loss of visibility cumulative vs future baseline		
		Absolute	Relative	Absolute	Relative	
	Major	2.1%	49%	1.5%	41%	
Р	Minor	2.5%	52%	1.8%	44%	
	Average	2.3%	51%	1.7%	42%	
N	Major	2.1%	41%	1.2%	29%	
	Minor	2.2%	51%	1.3%	38%	
	Average	2.2%	46%	1.3%	33%	

Lunistice year (observer point P)	Existing baseline		Future baseline		Cumulative				
	Months	Days	Hours	Months	Days	Hours	Months	Day s	Hours
Major	9	63	101	8	52	82h 30 mins	8	50	41h 45mins
Minor	9	61	103	8	51	86h 30mins	8	50	39h 45mins

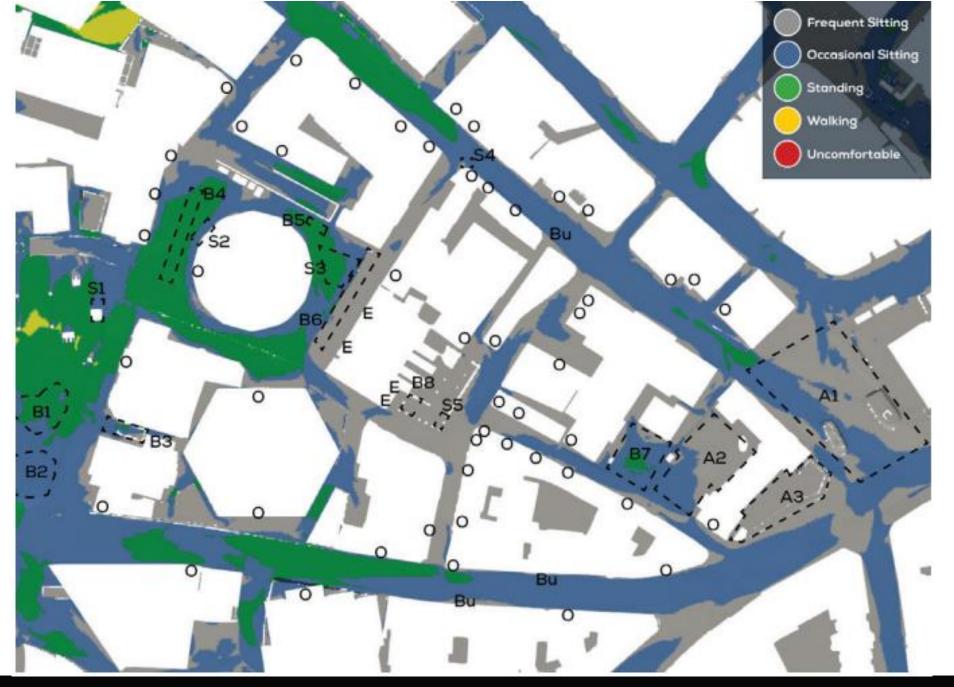
Wind Conditions



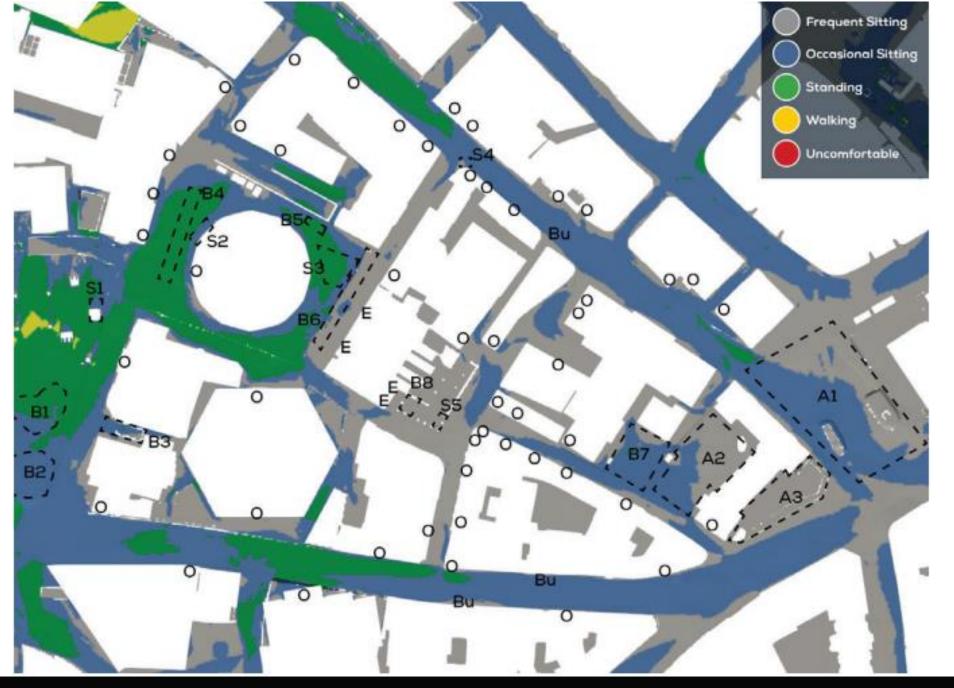
Windiest Season Conditions at Ground Level, Configuration 1 (Existing Building with Existing Surrounds)



Windiest Season Conditions at Ground Level, Configuration 2 (Proposed Development with Existing Surrounds)



Windiest Season Conditions at Ground Level, Configuration 4 (Proposed Development with Tier 1 Cumulative Surrounds)



Thermal comfort



Thermal Comfort at Ground Level, Configuration 1 (Existing Building with Existing Surrounds)



Thermal Comfort at Ground Level, Configuration 2 (Proposed Development with Existing Surrounds)

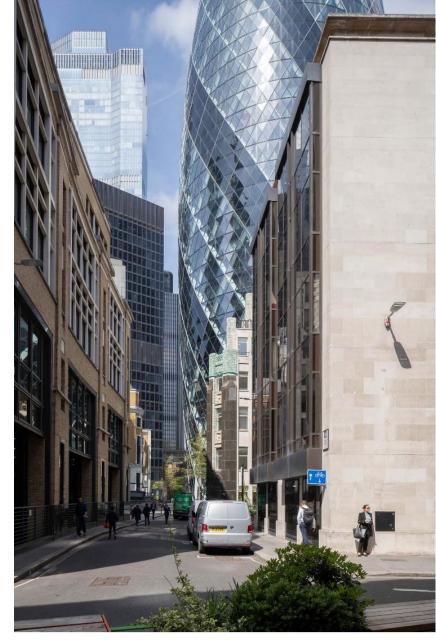


Thermal Comfort at Ground Level, Configuration 3 (Proposed Development with Tier 1 Cumulative Surrounds)



Thermal Comfort at Ground Level, Configuration 4 (Proposed Development with Tier 1 & Tier 2 Cumulative Surrounds)

Summary





Existing Cumulative







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70 Gracechurch | Key Targets

A Transformative Scheme Take an i

Take an industry-leading approach to sustainability, by retaining as much of the existing structure as possible

Invisible from Fleet Street

The proposed development is invisible in the kinetic sequence moving along the Fleet Street processional route

More Office Space

Deliver 550,000 sqft of Grade-A office space, to continue the growth and success of the Eastern Cluster

Engage with Leadenhall Market

Drive footfall through to Leadenhall Market by delivering the first new link into the Market from Fenchurch Street, complete with complementary exhibition and gallery spaces

A New Destination for the City

Create new, diverse public amenity with public viewing gallery at Level 32

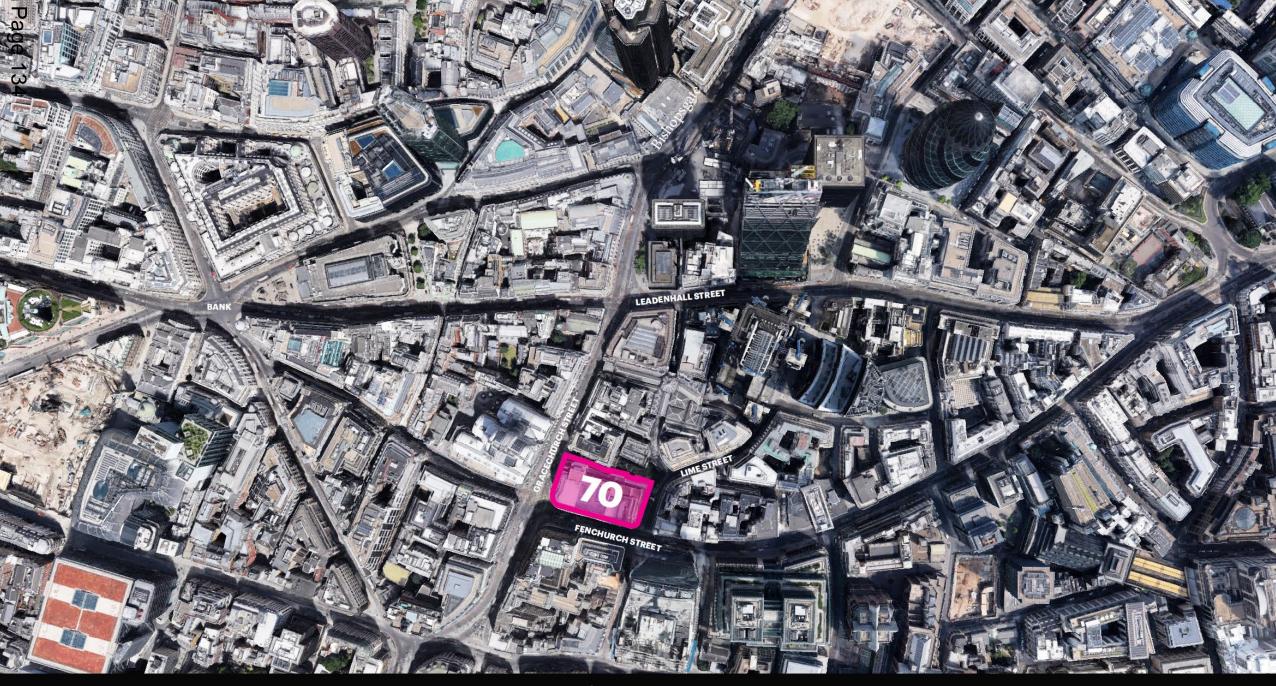




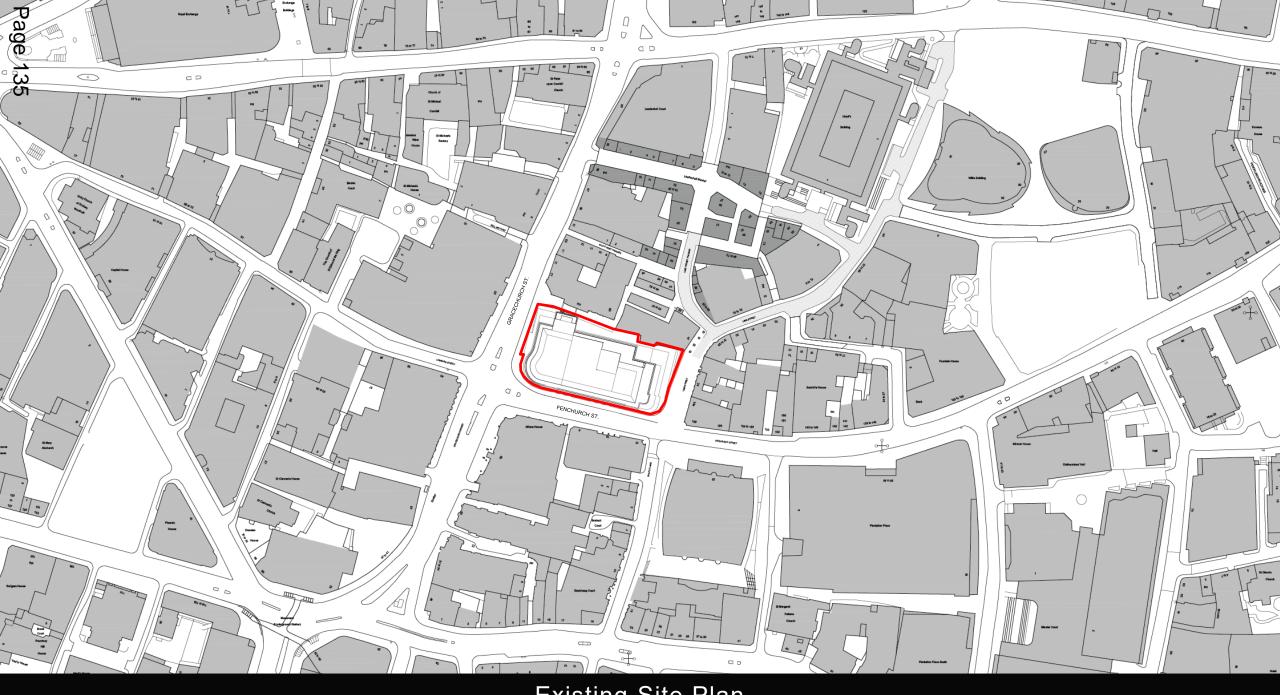


Intrinsic Social Value

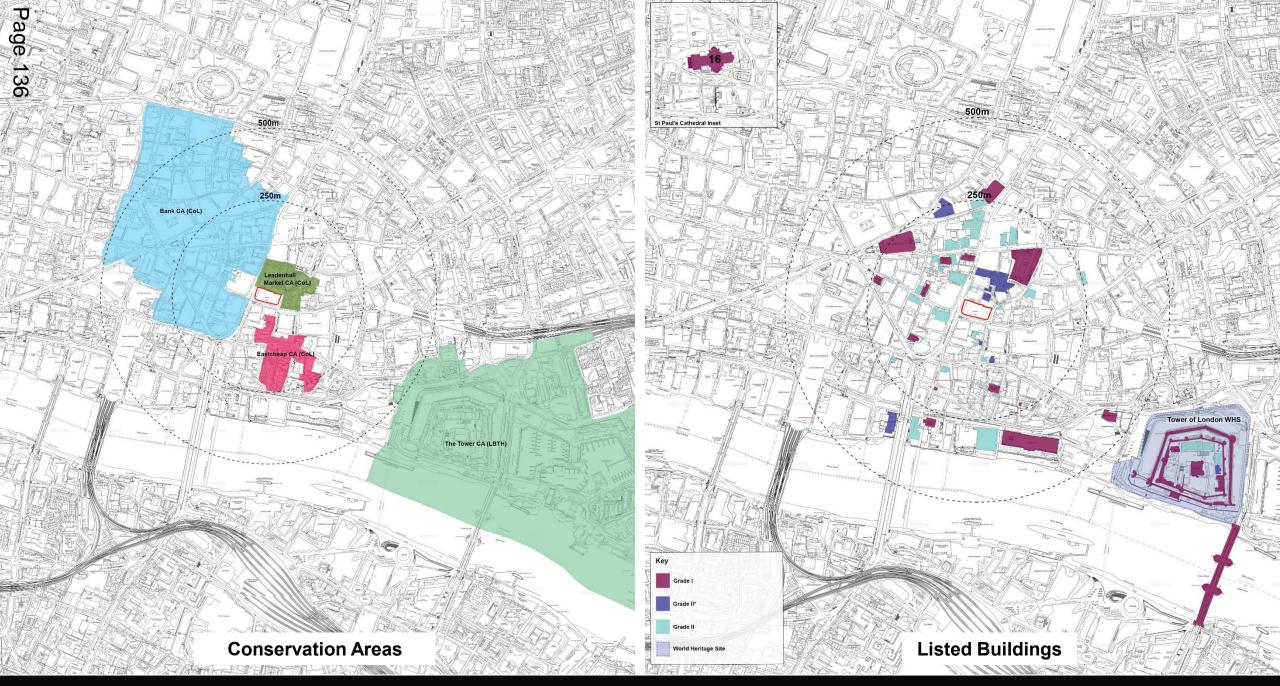
Metric	Previously consented scheme	Proposed development target
BREEAM	Excellent	Excellent
WELL	None	Gold
Embodied Carbon emissions A1-A5 (kgCO ₂ /m ² GIA)	918 (RICS v1) 1150 (RICS v2)	792 (RICS v1) 14% Lower 851 (RICS v2) 26% Lower
NABERS UK	None	5*



Site Plan

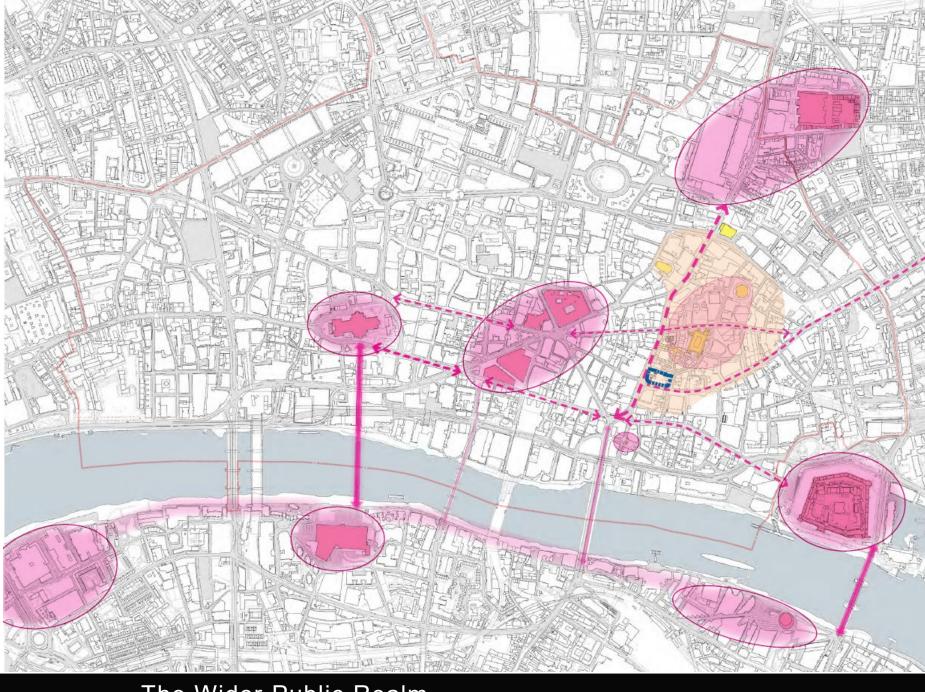


Existing Site Plan

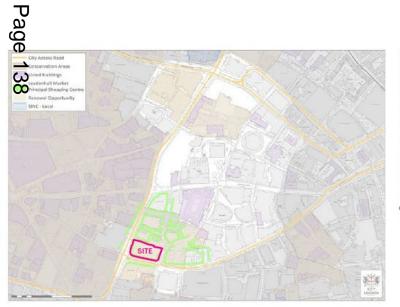


Planning Context

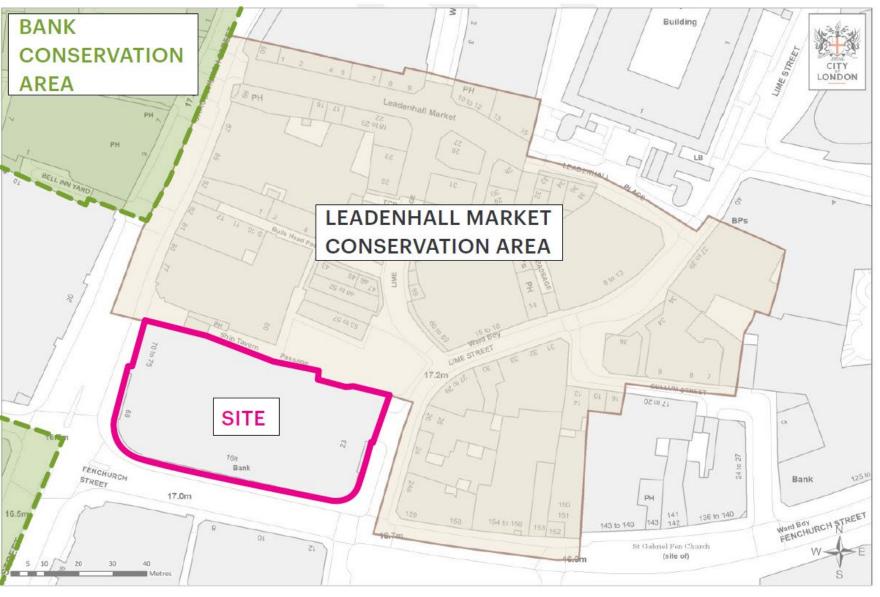


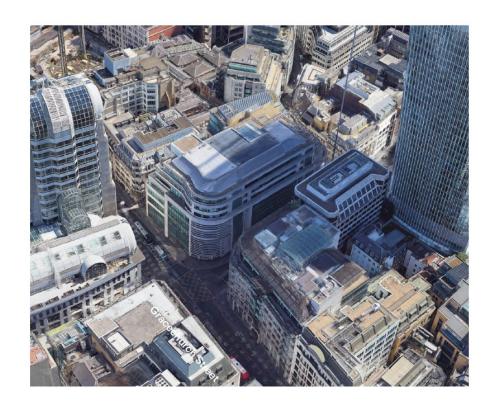


The Wider Public Realm



The entirety of the proposed building is outside of the Conservation Area, but the eastern footway of Lime Street, which is proposed for improvement works, lies within the Conservation Area. The Conservation Area also directly abuts the Site to the north (taking in Ship Tavern Passage and 21 Lime Street).













Existing Context from Gracechurch Street



Existing Loading Bay facing Lime Street

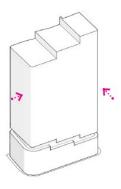


The Conservation Area and the Ship Tavern Passage

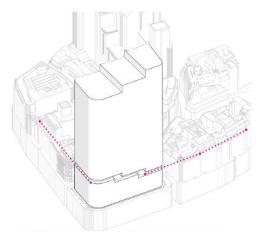
Previous Consent and Key Changes



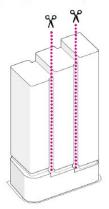
1. Vertical extrusion of site



3. Set back tower faces



2. Set up dialogue between podium and context



4. Break up tower volume





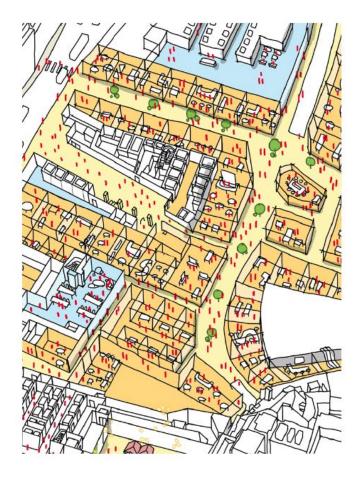
Carbon Saving

Retain and transform the existing structure



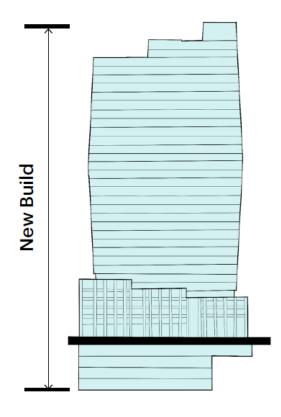
Evolving Context and Fleet Street Views

Respond to the changing City cluster from close and



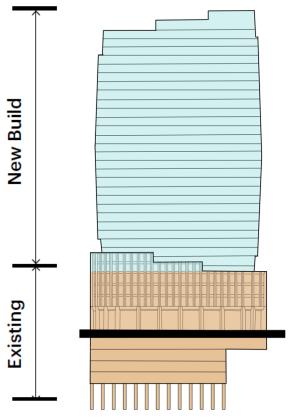
Leadenhall Market

Adapt the approach to the evolution of Leadenhall Market and the conservation area



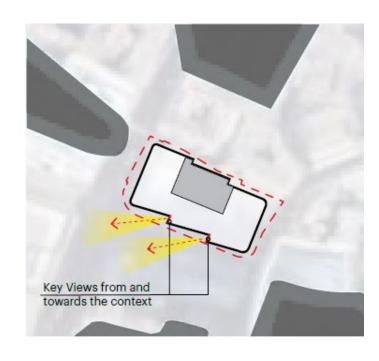
Previous Consent

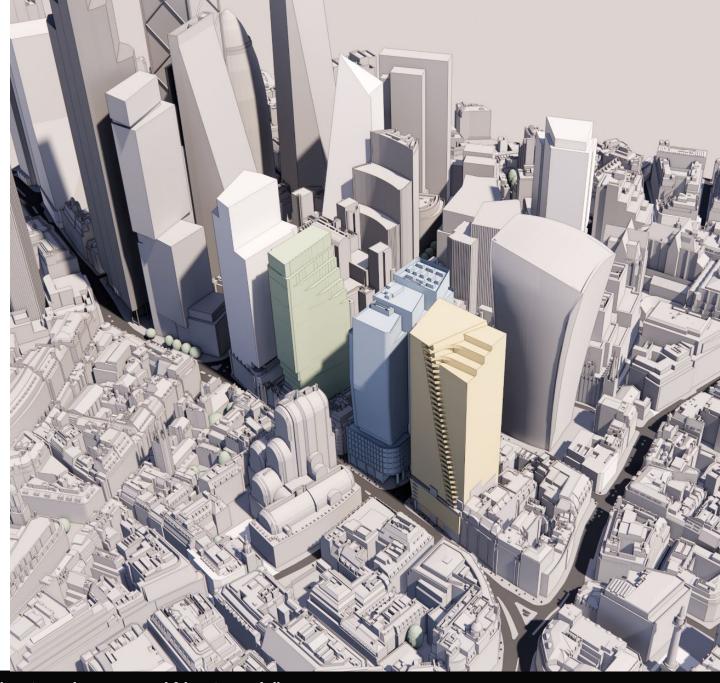
- Comprehensive demolition.
- 32 Levels above ground.
- 4 Levels below ground.
- Basement walls retained.
- New large diameter piles

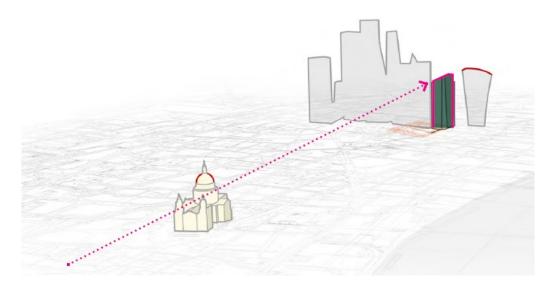


Proposed Scheme

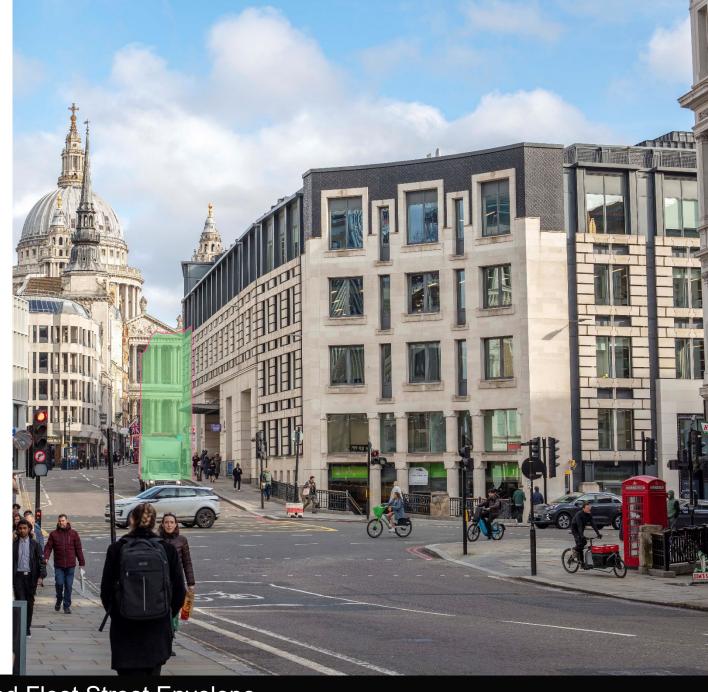
- Retain as much of existing structure as possible.
 Simplification of podium form for greater retention of existing structure.
- · No additional basement excavation.
- · Maximise re-use / recycle materials.
- · 32 Levels above ground.
- 3 Levels below ground.
- Martello Piling and new raft within existing basement box.

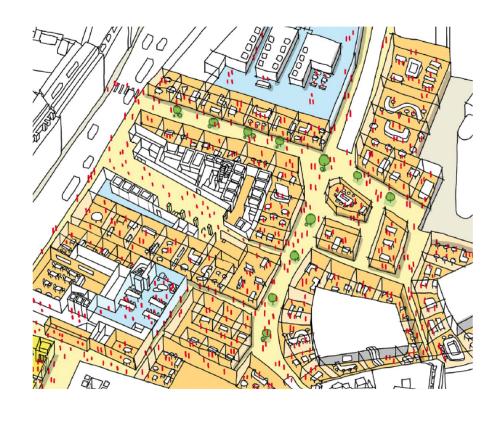


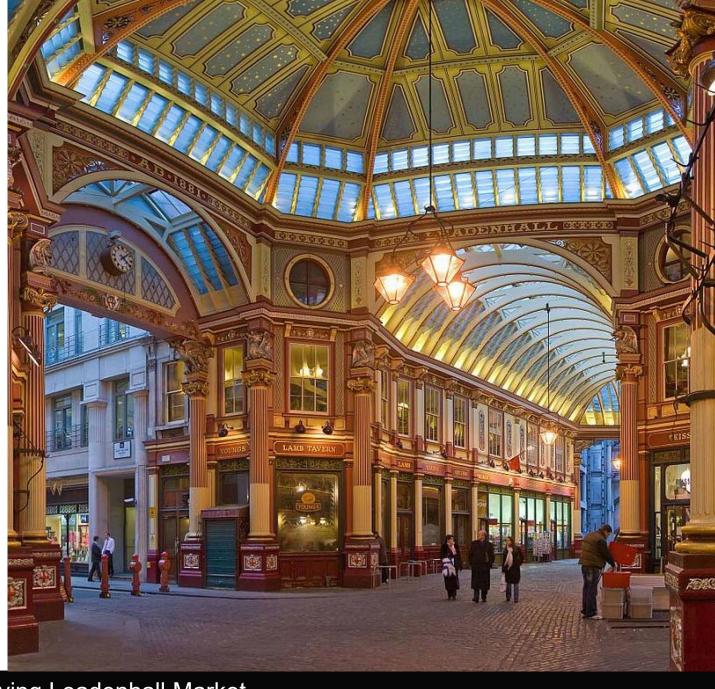




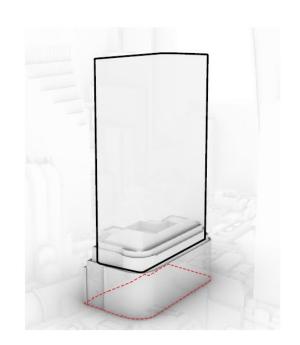
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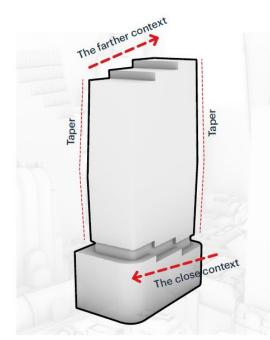


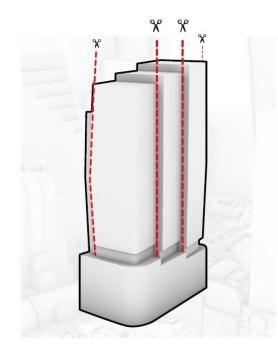




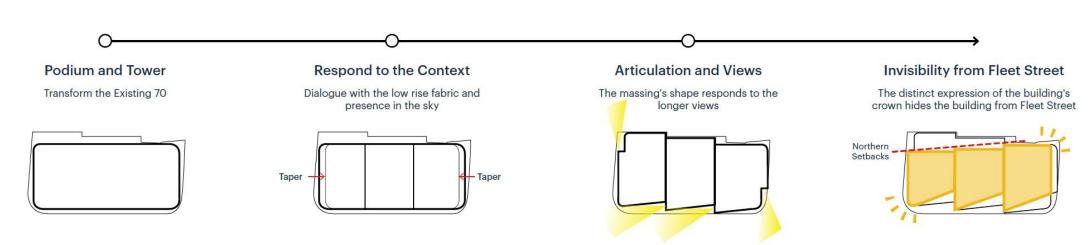
Current Proposal













The Proposed 70 Gracechurch

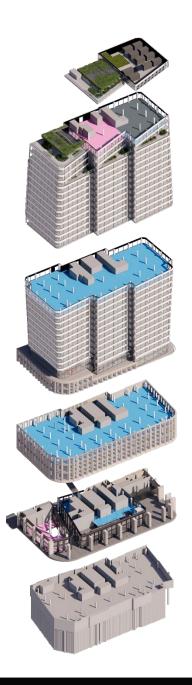
Level 32 Public Amenity with Roof Garden Access & Office

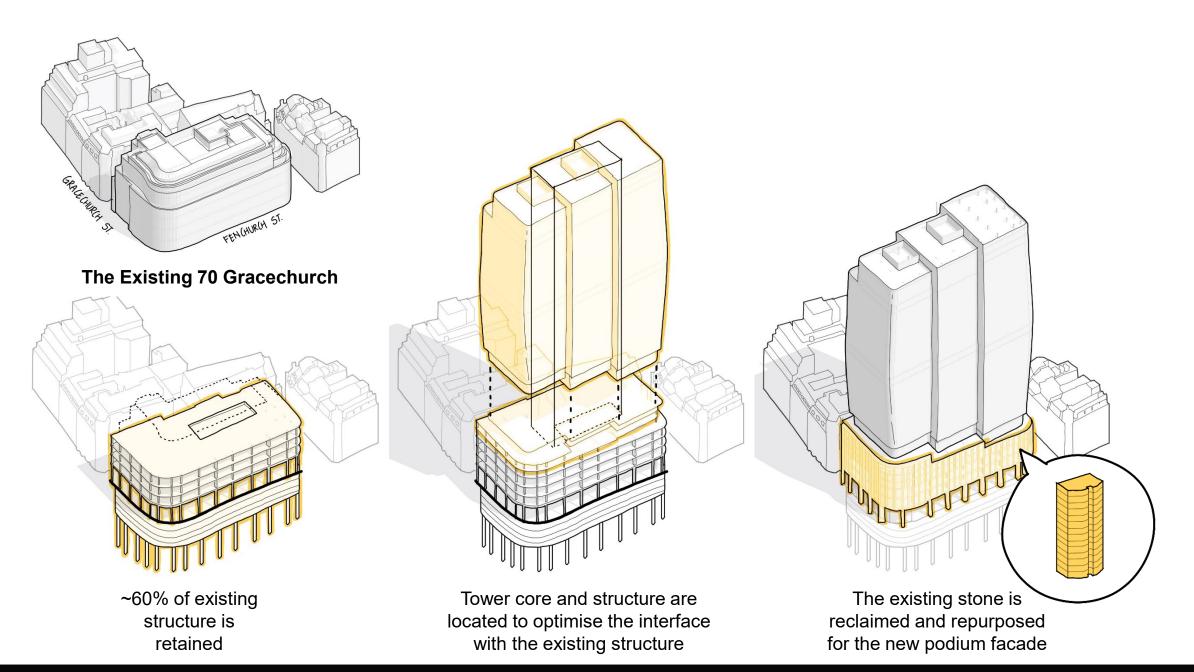
Level 05- 31 Office (New Levels)

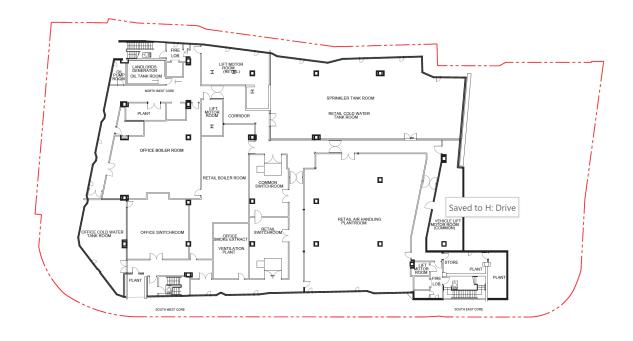
Level 02-04 Office (Existing Levels)

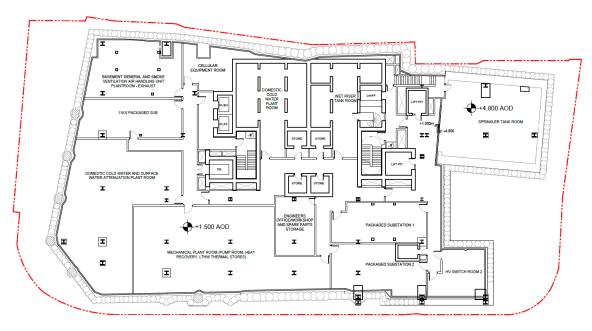
Ground Floor Retail, Amenity, Office Lobby, Route Through, Loading Bay

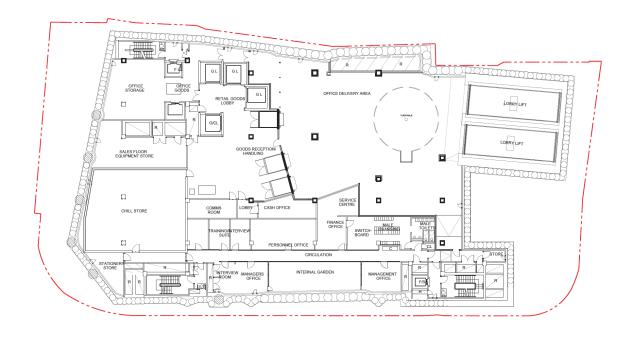
Basement 01-02 End of Trip Facilities
Basement 03 Plant

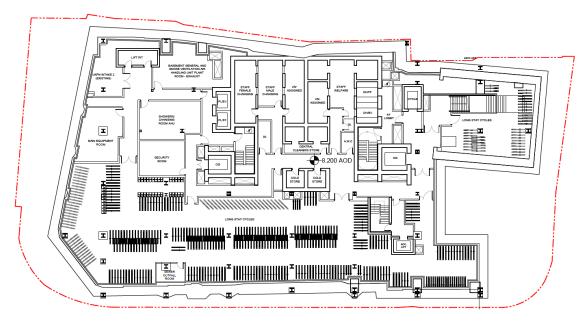


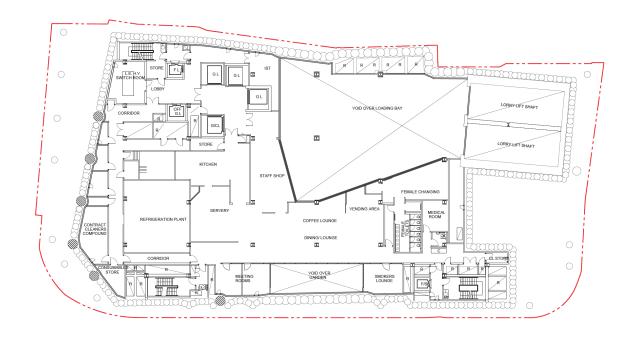


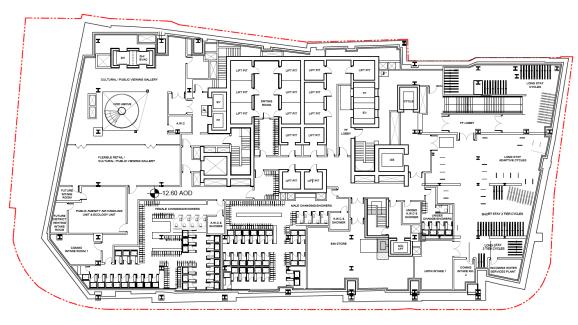


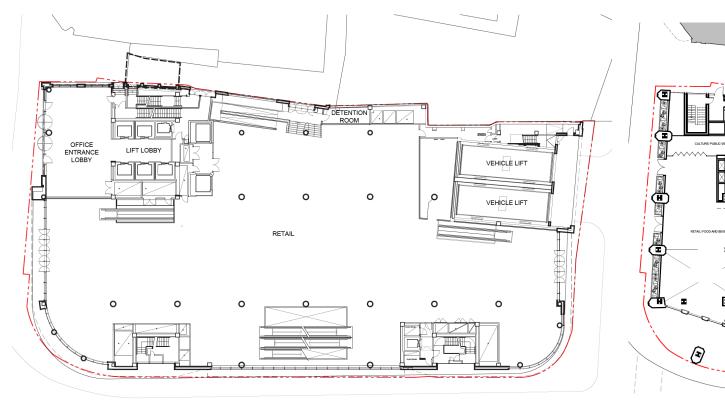


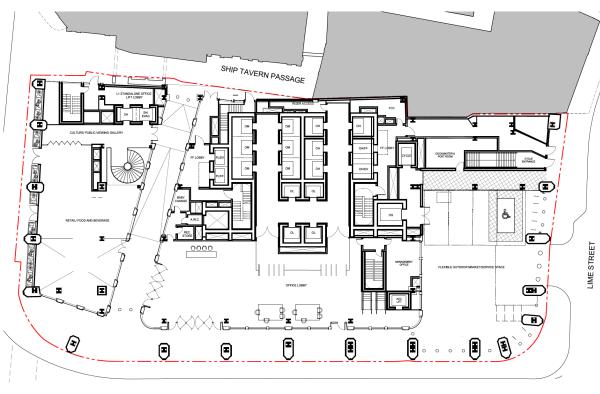






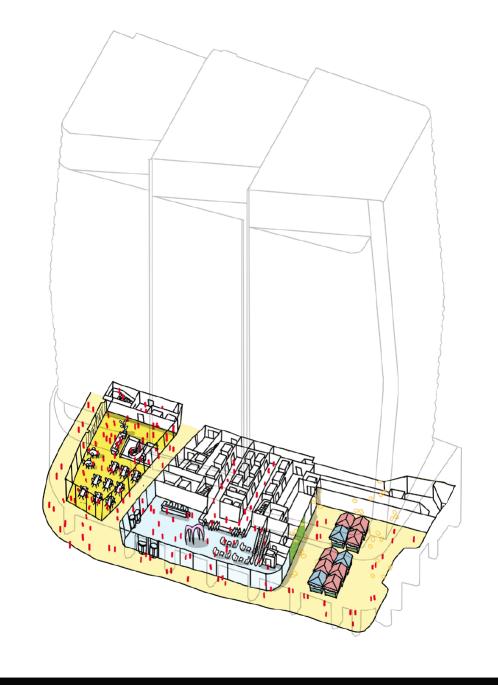




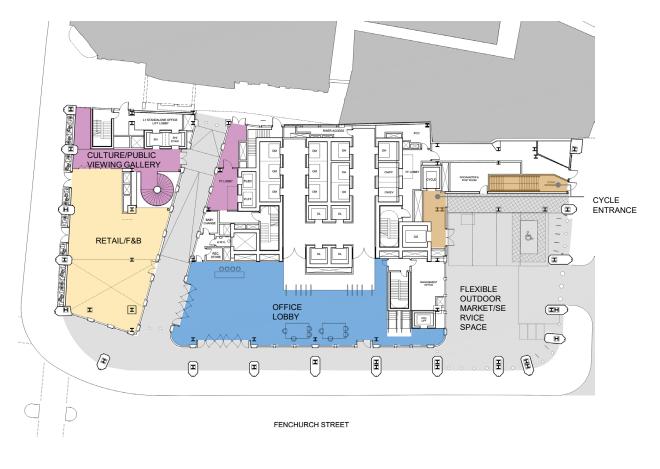




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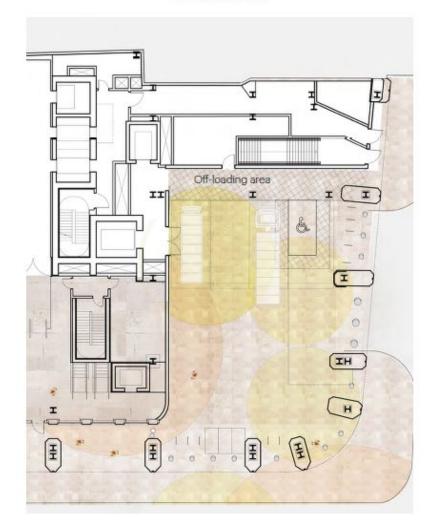




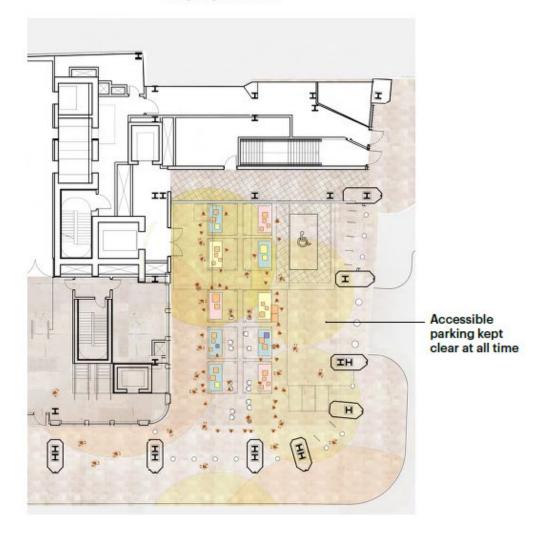




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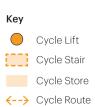


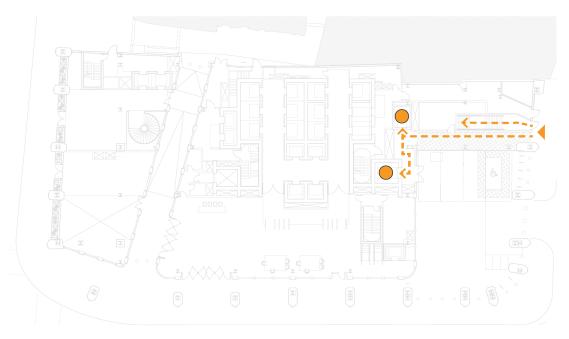
Pop-up Market



- The servicing is at grade and off-street, using 4 loading bays to the south-east corner of the site.
- It takes place at night, while the space is open as public realm during the day.
- This allows for the dual use of the space, whereby it acts as a 'pop-up market' during the day, but is used for servicing at night when the market is not in place.
- It is proposed to undertake the majority of the delivery and servicing activity from 22:00-06:00.

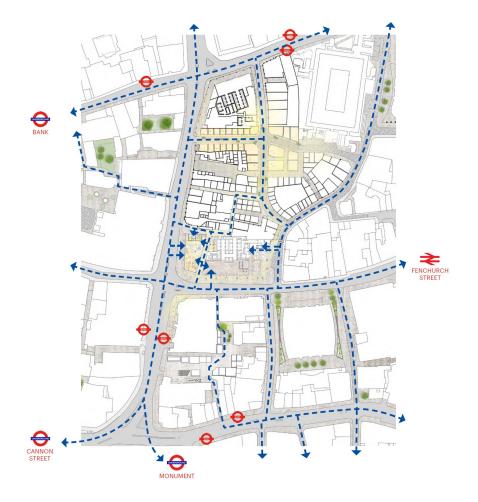


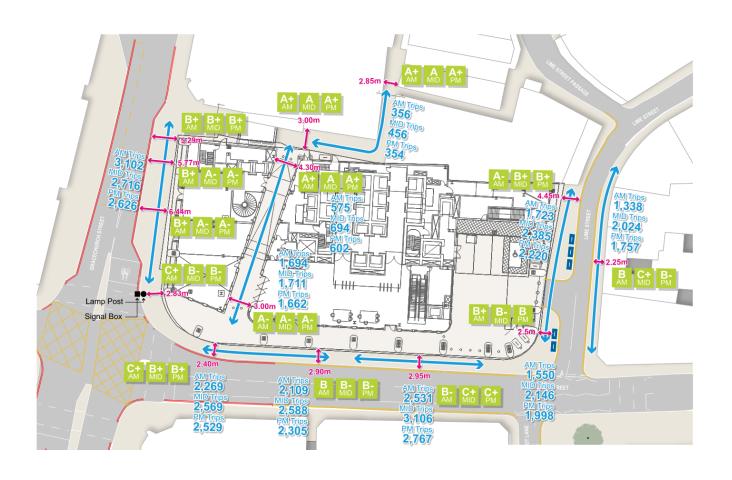


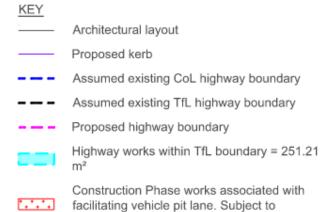


Ground Floor Plan

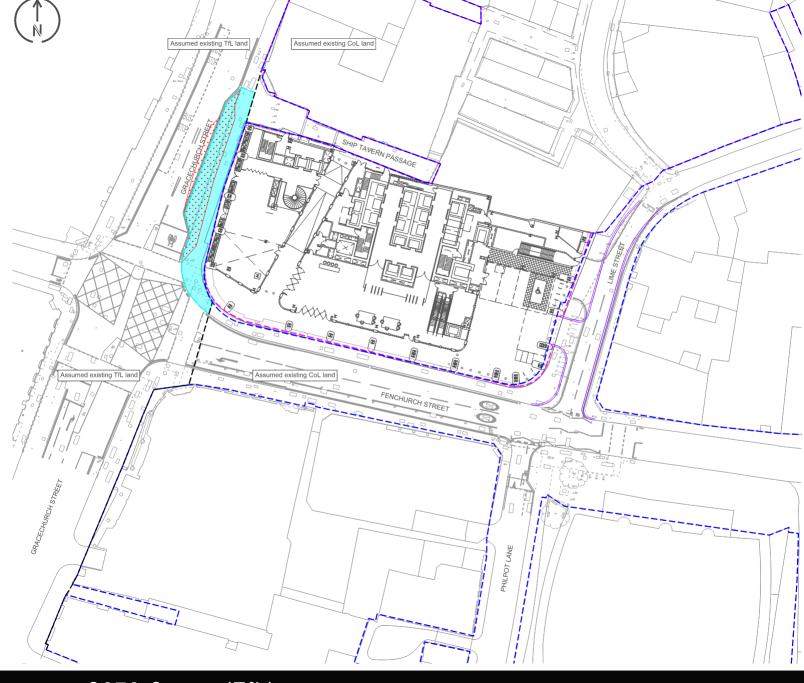


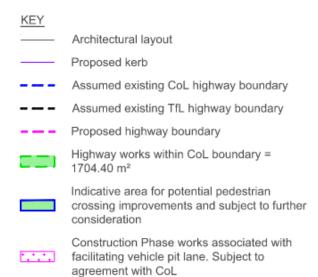


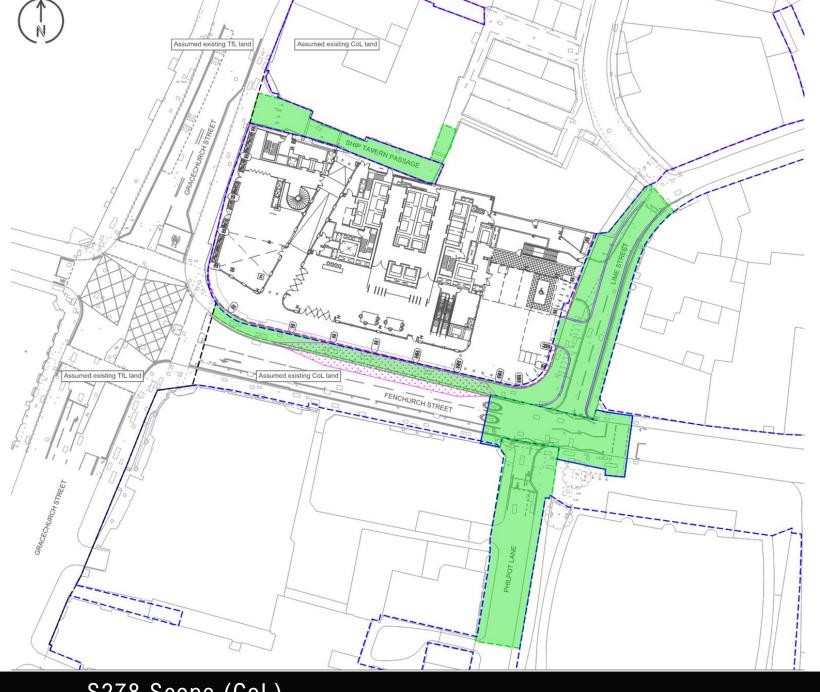




agreement with TfL









Previous Consent

The consented scheme required off-site mitigation through new trees on Philpot Land and Rood Lane.

Proposed

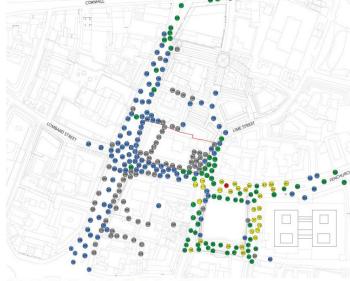
The proposed scheme does not require any off-site mitigation and the revised design improves wind conditions on-site and in its surroundings.

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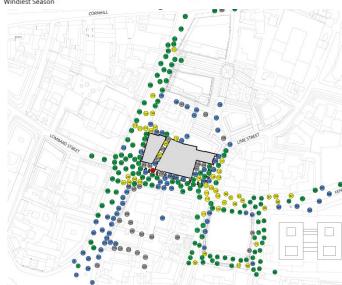
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Frequent Sitting -Occasional Sitting -

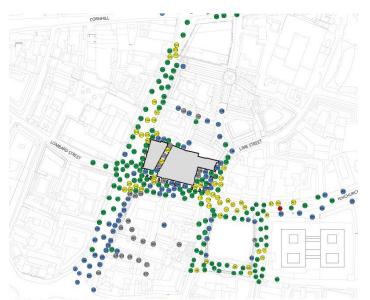
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Pedestrian Wind Comfort Conditions - Ground Floor Configuration 1: Existing Site with Existing Surrounding Buildings

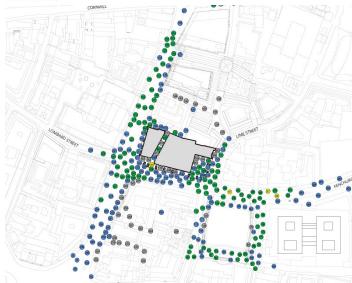


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Pedestrian Wind Comfort Conditions - Ground Floor

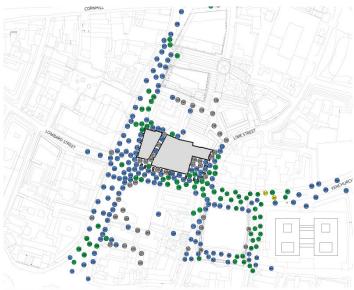
Configuration 3: Proposed Development with Existing Surrounding Buildings



Pedestrian Wind Comfort Conditions - Ground Floor Configuration 7: Proposed Development with Consented Cumulative Schemes, Proposed Landscaping and Wind Mitigation Measures Summer Season



Pedestrian Wind Comfort Conditions - Ground Floor Configuration 6: Proposed Development with Existing Surrounding Buildings, Proposed Landscaping and Wind Mitigation Measures Windiest Season



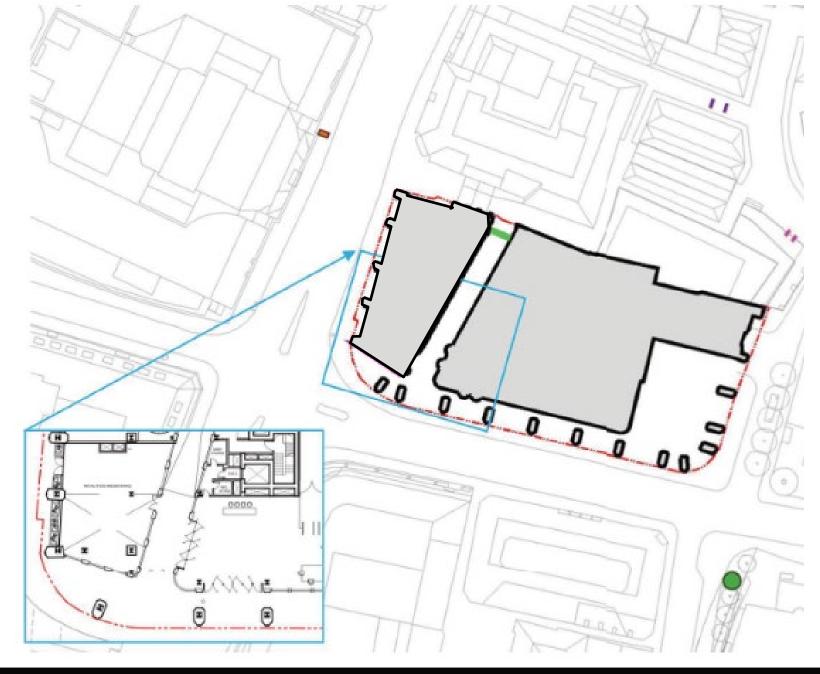
Pedestrian Wind Comfort Conditions - Ground Floor Configuration 8: Proposed Development with Consented and Non-consented Cumulative Schemes, Proposed Landscaping and Wind Mitigation Measures

Possible Mitigation

- 1m wide 2m tall solid temporary screen at bus stop
- 3m tall baffle across northern entrance roof
- Tree included off-site (previously planted but recently removed)

Permanent Mitigation

- Existing movable screens (1m tall and solid)
- Added movable screens (1m tall and solid)







Wind baffle spanning between the facade piers, doubling up as the amenity signage.

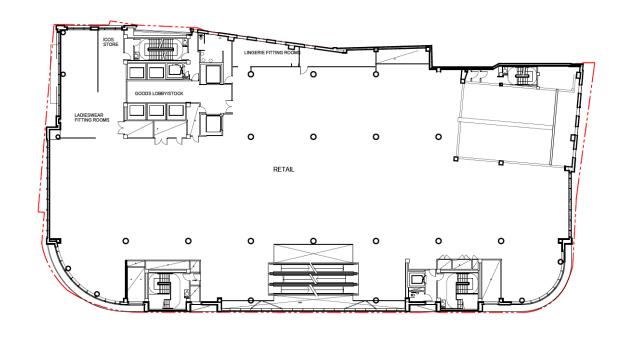


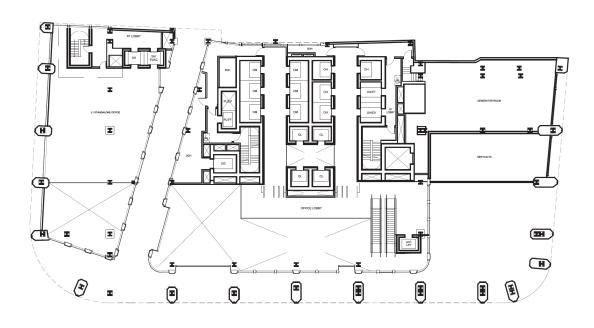
Potential mitigation strategies focus on diffusing the wind, as space constraints to the south limit other options. A proposed solution includes a 3m tall wind baffle at the northern end of the walkway soffit, inspired by 22 Bishopsgate. This baffle not only mitigates wind but also serves as a potential platform for artwork and public signage.

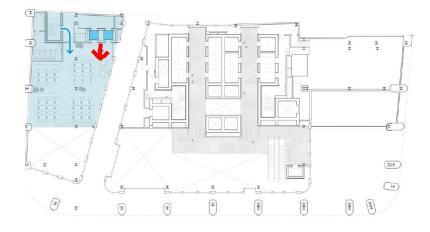




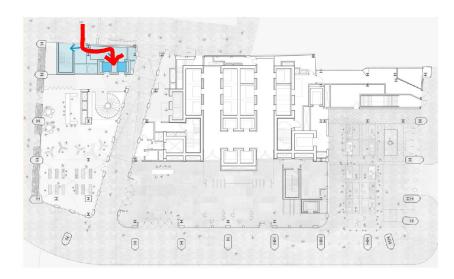
The Proposed Podium in Context



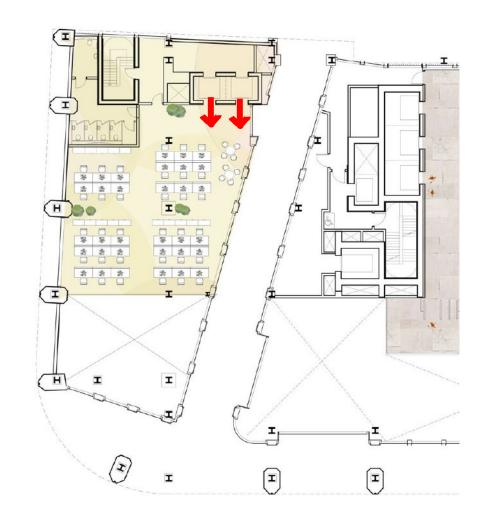


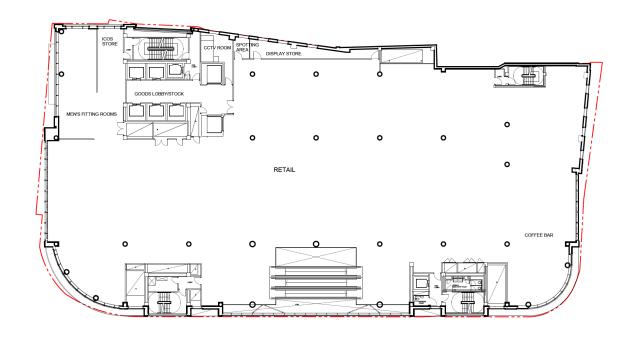


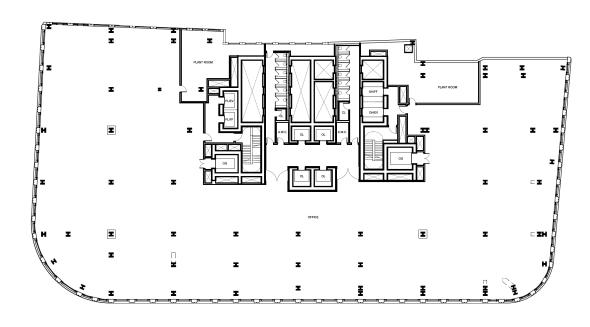
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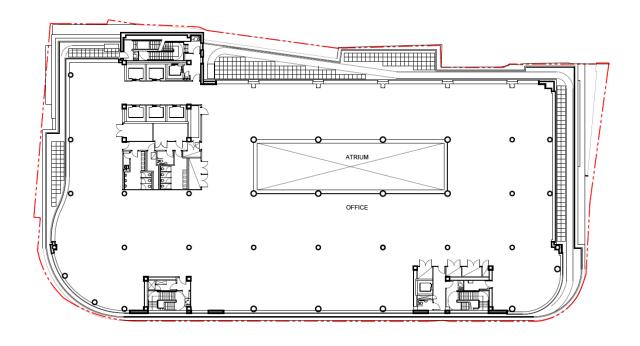


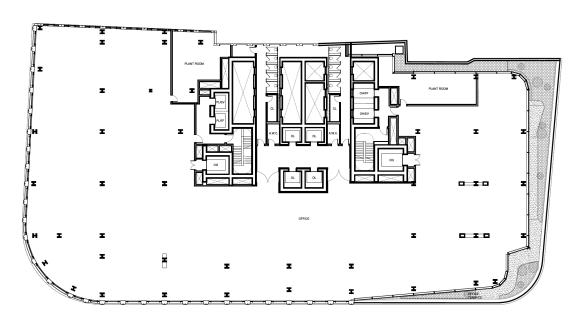
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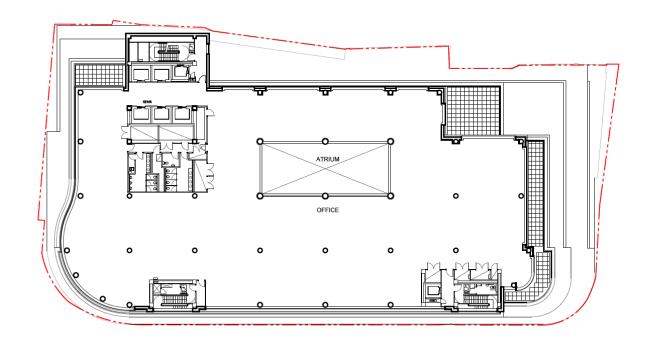


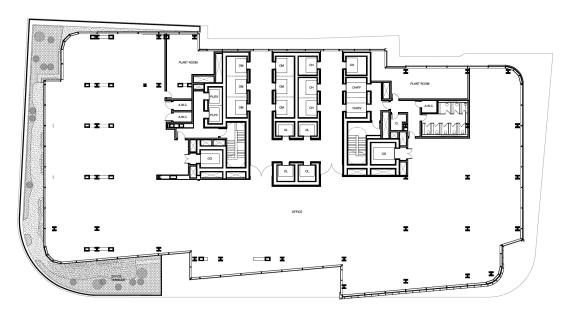


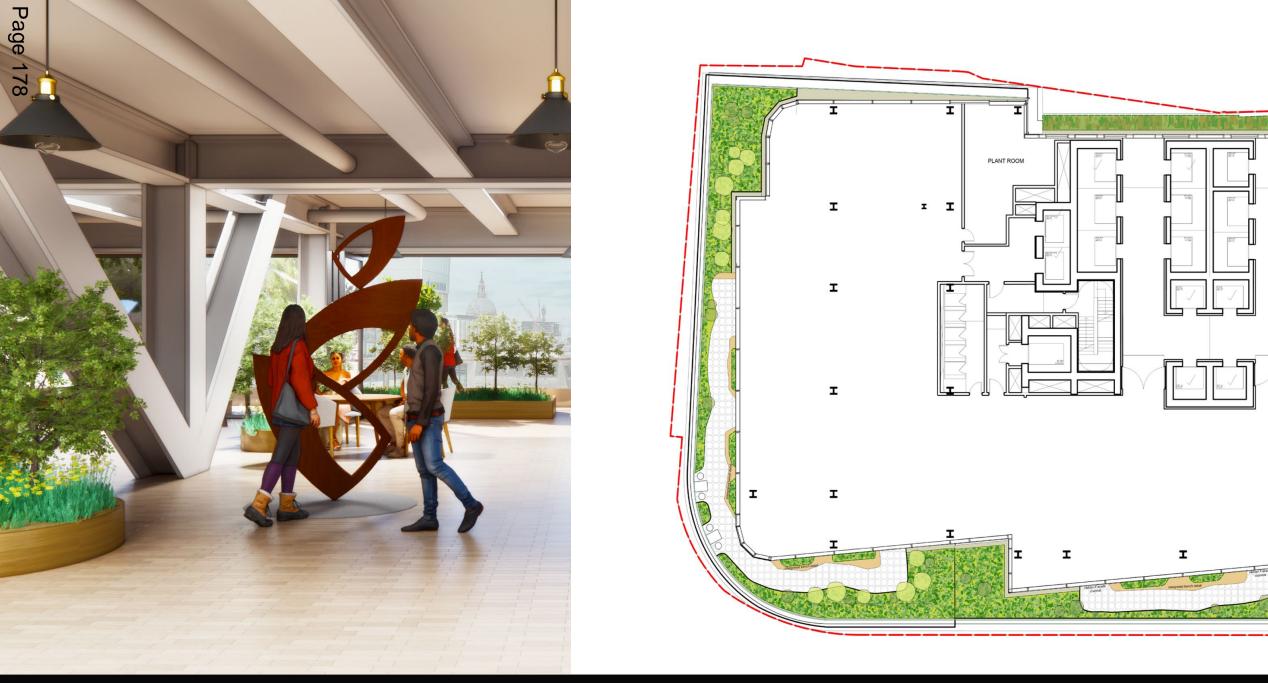








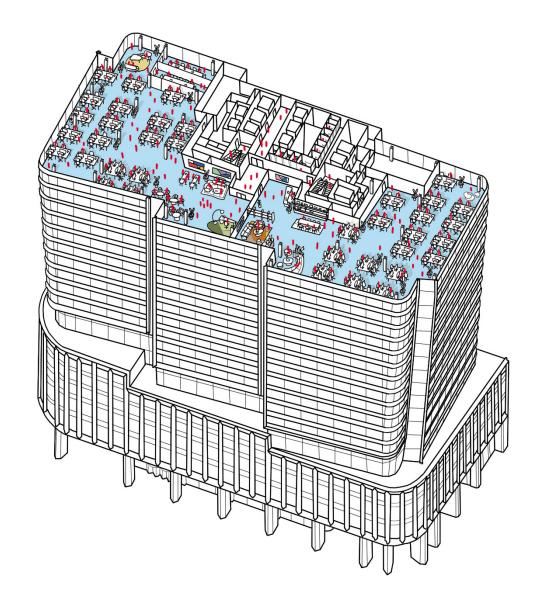




Level 07 – Workplace and Office Amenity Terrace

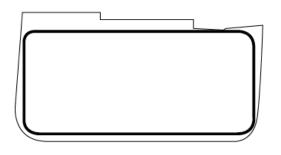


The Tower Office Floors



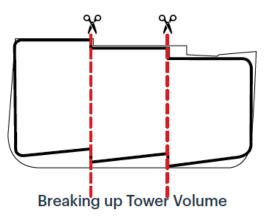
Existing Building (Office GIA): 28,071 sqm Proposed Scheme (Office GIA): 74,753 sqm

NET Change: +46,682 sqm

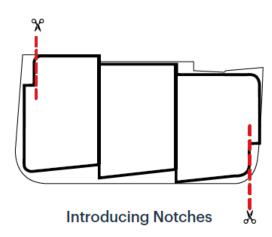


Podium and Tower

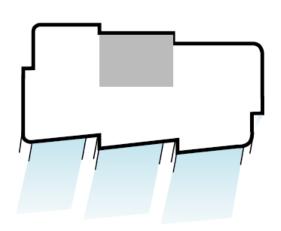
Transform the Existing 70



South and North articulation created by separation between the volumes

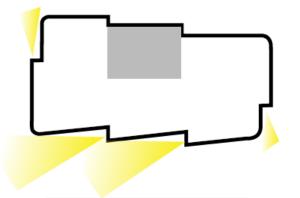


Introducing Increased views on the North and South



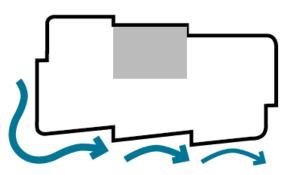
Articulation

Increased reveals articulate the massing in local and wider townscape views to visually break the building into three slender vertical forms



Views

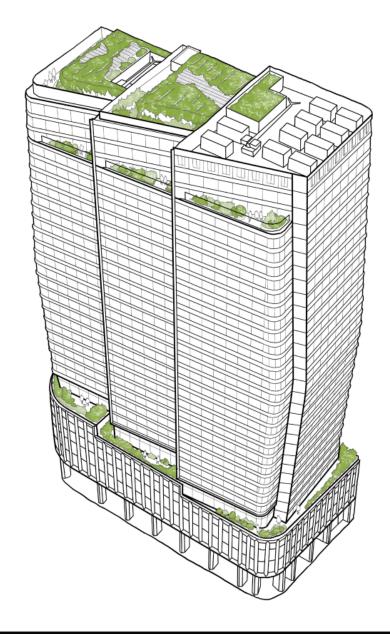
Articulations are oriented towards key open views



Wind

Soft corners and angled articulation reduce the level of wind pressure on the facade and improves ground floor safety

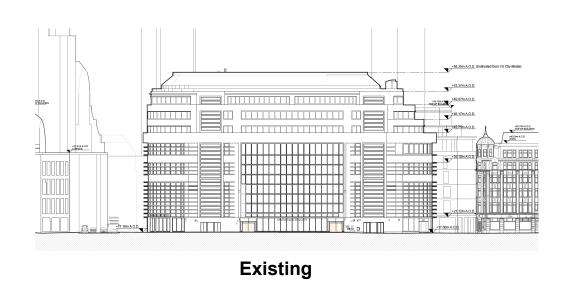


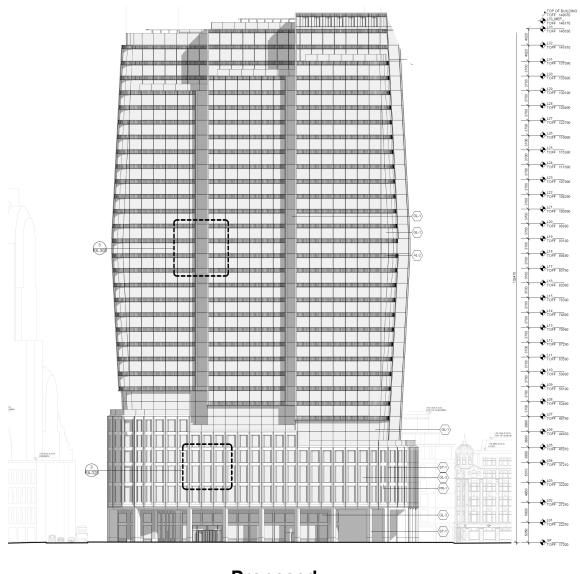


The proposed development reaches a UGF of 0,33 (including the top pergolas), which exceeds the minimum value of 0,3 as identified by the CoL's Draft City Plan 2040.

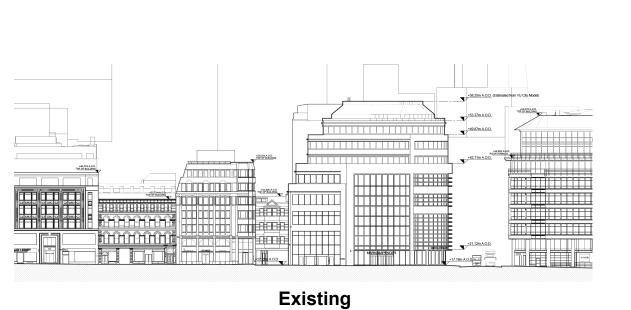
Surface Cover Type		Area (m²)	Contribution	Notes	
Semi-natural vegetation (e.g. trees, woodland, species-rich grassland) maintained or established on site.	1		0		
Wetland or open water (semi-natural; not chlorinated) maintained or established on site.	1		0		
Intensive green roof or vegetation over structure. Substrate minimum settled depth of 150mm.	0,8	913,59	730,872		
Standard trees planted in connected tree pits with a minimum soil volume equivalent to at least two thirds of the projected canopy area of the mature tree	0,8		0		
Extensive green roof with substrate of minimum settled depth of 80mm (or 60mm beneath vegetation blanket) – meets the requirements of GRO Code 2014.	0,7	44,48	31,136		
Flower-rich perennial planting	0,7	19,24	13,468		
Rain gardens and other vegetated sustainable drainage elements	0,7		0		
Hedges (line of mature shrubs one or two shrubs wide)	0,6		0		
Standard trees planted in pits with soil volumes less than two thirds of the projected canopy area of the mature tree.	0,6		0		
Green wall –modular system or climbers rooted in soil	0,6	373,6	224,16		
Groundcover planting	0,5		0		
Amenity grassland (species-poor, regularly mown lawn)	0,4		0		
Extensive green roof of sedum mat or other lightweight systems that do not meet GRO Code 2014.	0,3	0	0		
Water features (chlorinated) or unplanted detention basins.	0,2		0	total site area is 2933,51m² +	
Permeable paving.	0,1	1213,5	121,35	L32 pergola (154,26m²) + L33	
Sealed surfaces (e.g. concrete, asphalt, waterproofing, stone).	0	812,29	0	pergola (288,92) = 3376,7m ²	
Total contribution	1120,986	po.go.a (200,02) 0070,7111			
Total site area (m²)				3376,7	
Urban Greening Factor				0,331976782	

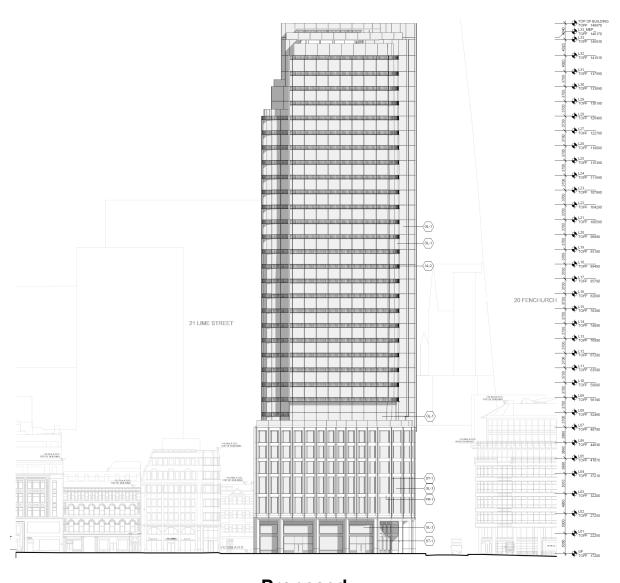




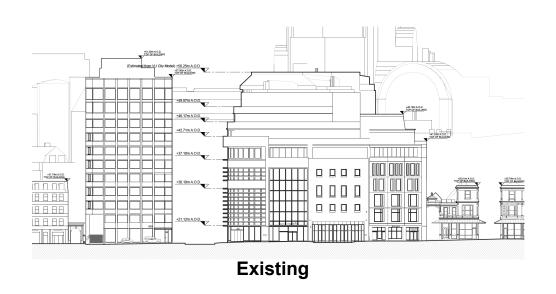


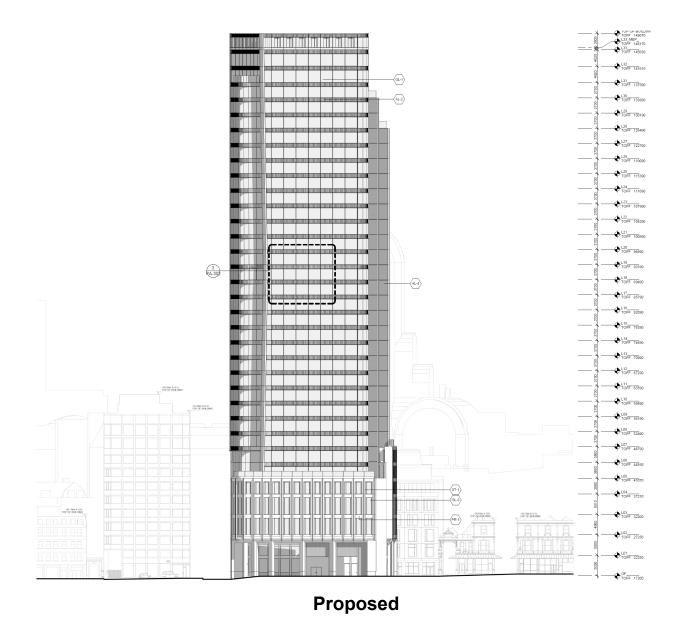
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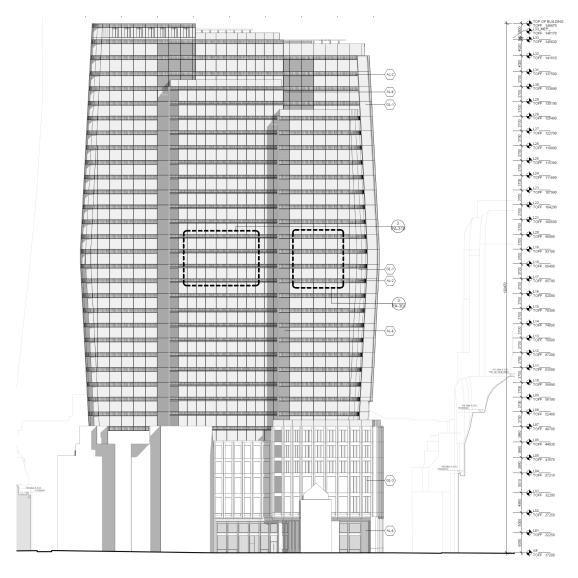




East Elevation



Existing Proposed





Proposed South Elevation Along Fenchurch Street

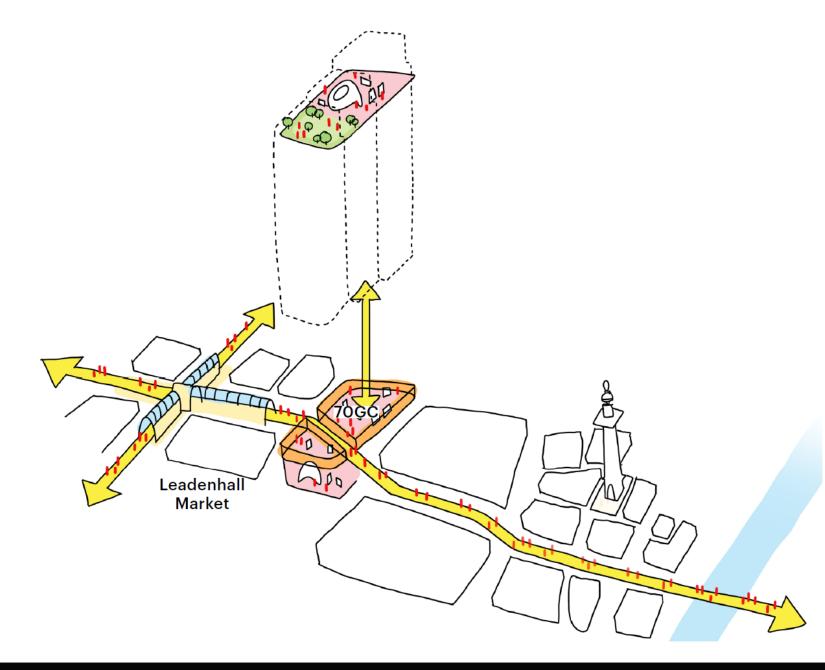
The Public Destination

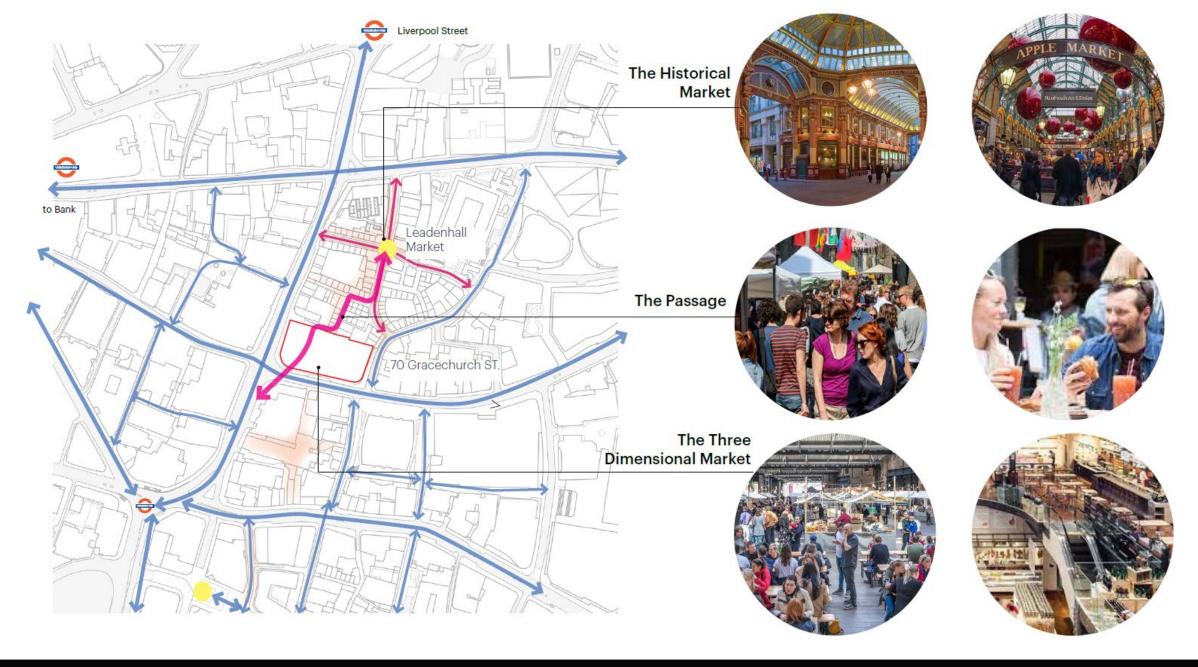
70 Gracechurch is strategically positioned to connect the pedestrian flows of Gracechurch Street to the Leadenhall Market through an open and inviting ground floor. A significant new gateway to the Grade II* listed Leadenhall Market to enhance its presence, footfall and connections to its surroundings with a new route through the site.

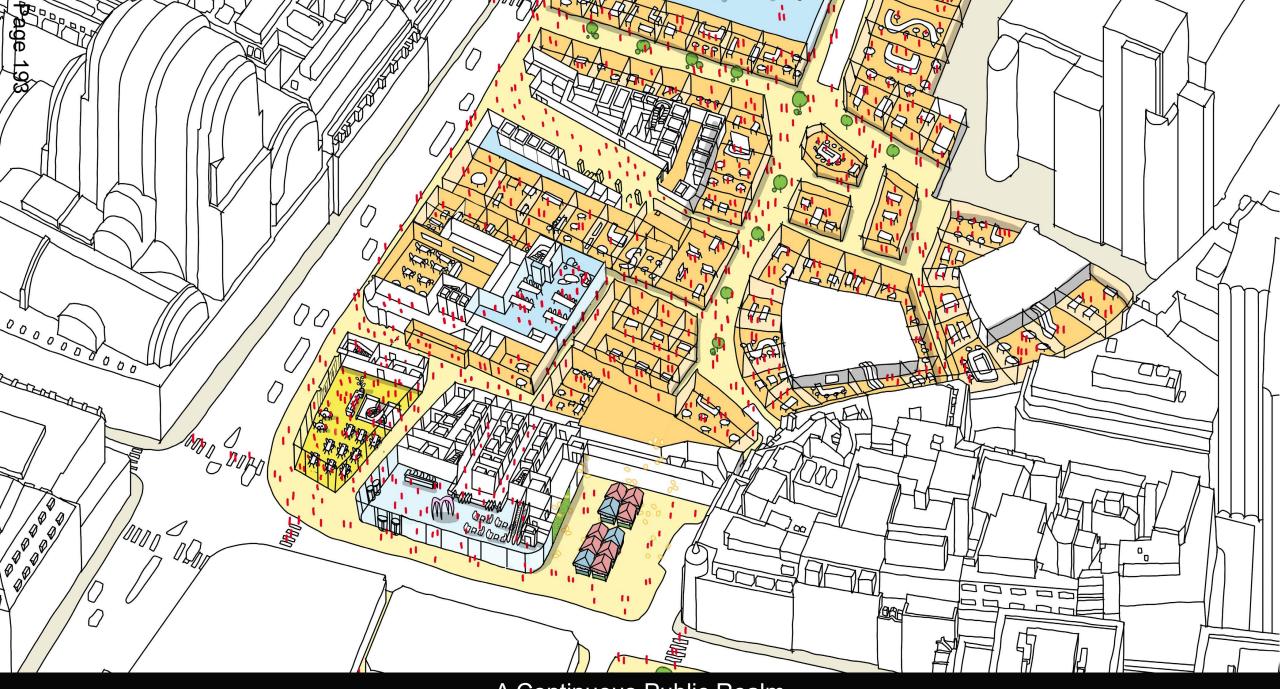
The spaces of the public offer are accessed at ground level via an entrance on Gracechurch Street and a second entrance in the route through within the plot.

The openness of the ground floor facade at the western end of the building signals the public uses and this legibility extends into the basement through a void containing a grand stair.

Upon arrival, visitors travel down to basement level using the grand stair or pair of lifts in the northern part of the entrance where they are able to queue if necessary to take lifts to the viewing gallery at level 32.







A Continuous Public Realm



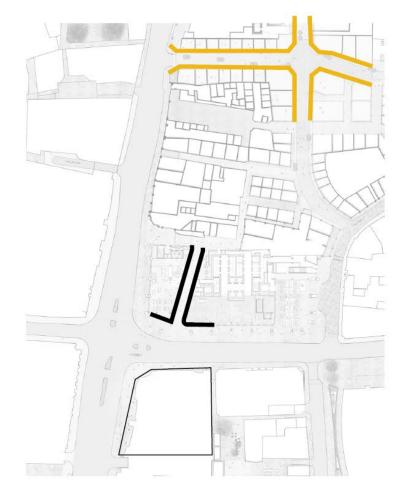
A Cross of Corner Accesses

The southwest corner of 70 Gracechurch is adapted to receive pedestrian flows from the direction of the river. The public access through the corner of 70 Gracechurch Street complements the strategy currently proposed for 60 Gracechurch Street.



The Morphology of the Conservation Area

The inner alleyways of the area have organically developed and changed over the years. The corner access route continues the dynamic morphology of the conservation area.



The Formality of Leadenhall Market

Leadenhall Market has a formal configuration which is unique within the conservation area. The access route of 70 Gracechurch Street does not compete with this formality, but complements it with its own character.

Cultural Principles

The following cultural principles were defined by the project team in order to guide the development of a public cultural offering for the scheme which responds to evidence of need and the unique design characteristics of the building.

Bring Culture to the Street

Focus energy and activity at street level to support the local retailing environment and maximise visitor engagement

Strengthen Leadenhall Market

Provide a cultural offer that complements rather than competes in unit size and visitor offering

Incubate City Culture

Support the scaling of the City's cultural and hospitality ecosystem with space to experiment and grow

Fit for a Refit

Work within the constraints of retained basement structure while embodying project sustainability ambitions.

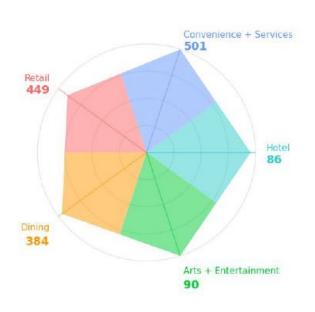
Attainable and Inclusive

Provide a destination for London's young and international workforce and minoritised groups

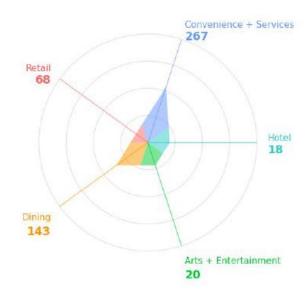
Deliver Social Impact

Prioritise operators and activities that provide economic opportunity and address resident and workforce inequities Compared to the West End, the City of London has fewer amenities. This has influenced the proposed mix of uses on the site to support both workers and visitors.

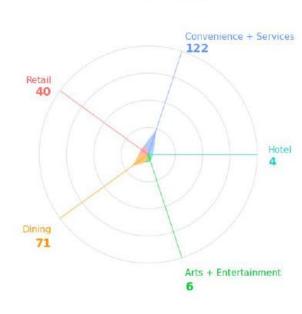
West End



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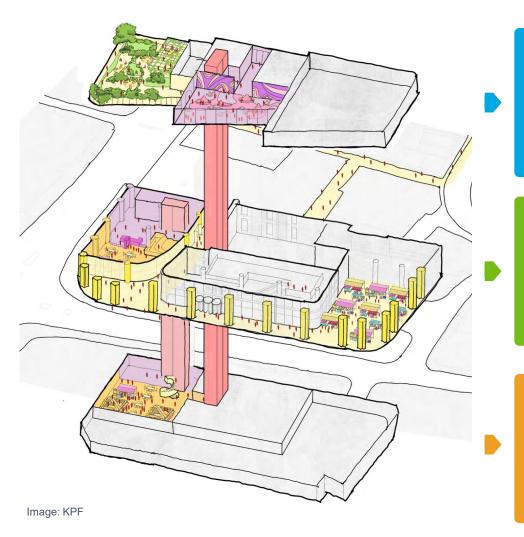


Amenities per 1 sq km GFA



Three Interconnected Spaces

The Seventy
Gracechurch cultural and public offer will invite visitors to Descend,
Dwell, and Elevate,
taking them on a journey from immersive underground art to breathtaking city views.



Flevate

Level 32

High above the City, a rooftop viewing area with an indoor gallery and outdoor garden terrace will offer flexible space for art, hospitality, and community events.

Dwell

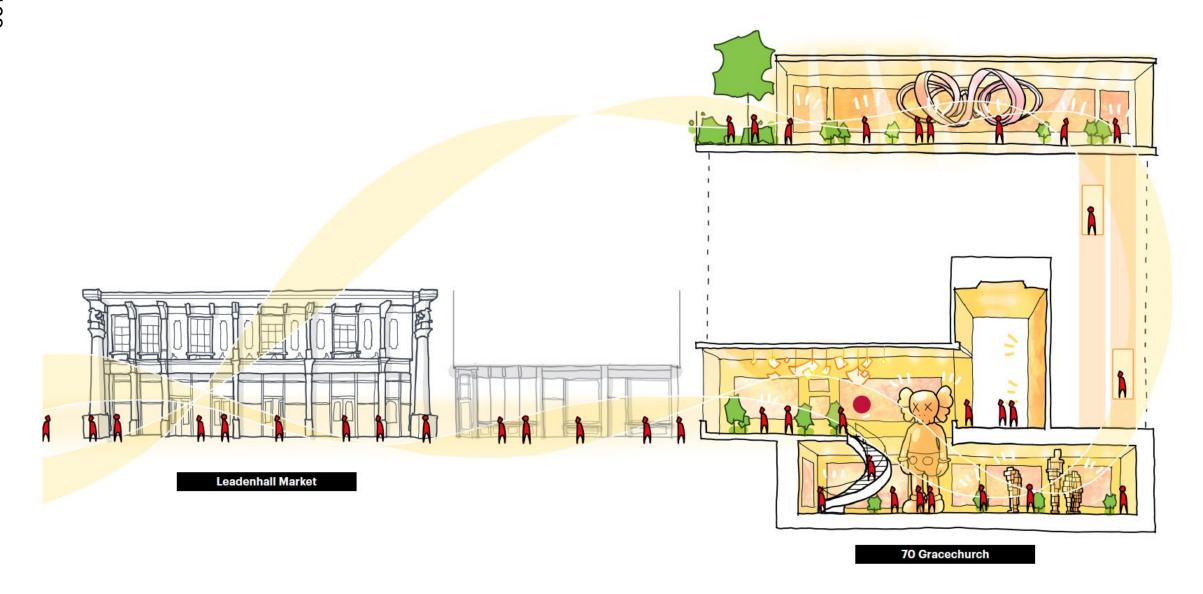
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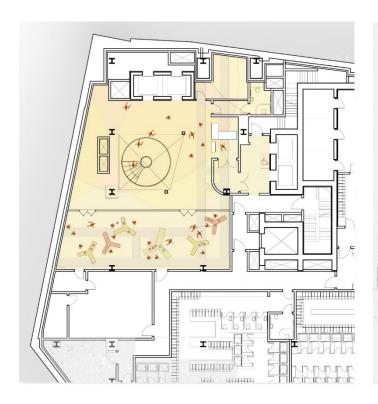
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Descend

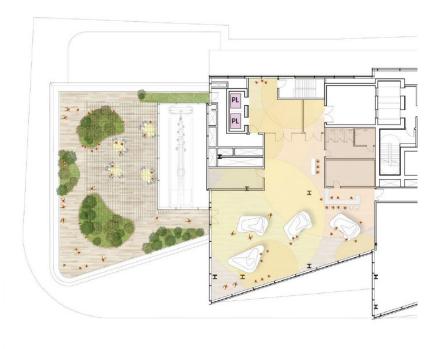
Lower Ground

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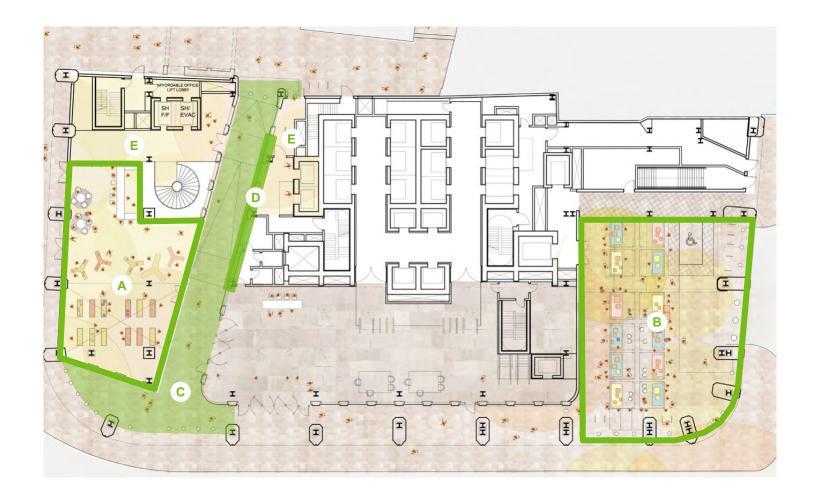
Seventy Gracechurch will transform the street level experience of the City Cluster's southern gateway, inviting visitors and workers to explore Leadenhall's hidden passages and layered history.



Ground Floor

Cultural Assets

	Deliverable	Commitment
A	Retail/F&B Tenancy	Tenancy to be let at commercial rate for complementary activity potentially including a social enterprise hospitality operator
В	Covered Market	Flexible undercroft loading dock to function as a public market outside of loading times
c	Public Passage	Privately managed pedestrian passageway between Gracechurch St and Ship Tavern Passage
D	Digital Art Wall	Integrated digital video wall and lighting to display historic interpretation and locally commissioned artwork
E	Lower Ground Entry	Public entry and exit to Level 32 viewing gallery and security screening



Ground Floor

Cultural Programme



Ground Floor Commercial Tenancy

The ground floor space will address a cultural gap in the City Cluster by offering a welcoming "third place" for the City's young and international workforce. Leasing strategy will seek to ensure the space fulfills its potential as a unique asset that is complementary to the scheme's wider cultural offer.

Flexible and reprogrammable, the space has the potential to host small events and gatherings, with potential for small-scale retail activities like an independent bookstore or artisanal craft sales, all aligned with a strong social impact ethos.



Passageway and Media Wall

A digital video wall embedded in the public passageway will serve as a unique and dynamic canvas, displaying a range of visual content. This will include interpretation of local heritage, such as images of the site's early history and its ancient links to the Roman Forum, as well as contemporary digital art curated from local artists.

Engaging a new generation of creatives utilising the latest 3D animation and generative techniques, the video wall will showcase innovative works, animating the space and attracting visitors through the passageway towards Leadenhall Market.



Covered Market

The covered loading dock on Lime Street will be regularly activated with weekday and weekend markets focused on food and hand-crafted goods. Leveraging its proximity to the Sky Garden and Leadenhall Market, it will attract both international tourists and local workers.

Partnership with local market operators and Leadenhall Market management will ensure regular activation while avoiding conflicts with the building loading dock. The space will also be able to host functions, events and other pop-up activations, with its sheltered nature enabling year-round activities.

Lower Ground

Descend

The cultural journey at Seventy Gracechurch will draw visitors beneath the City's historic streets, immersing them in a unique and sensory-rich underground environment.

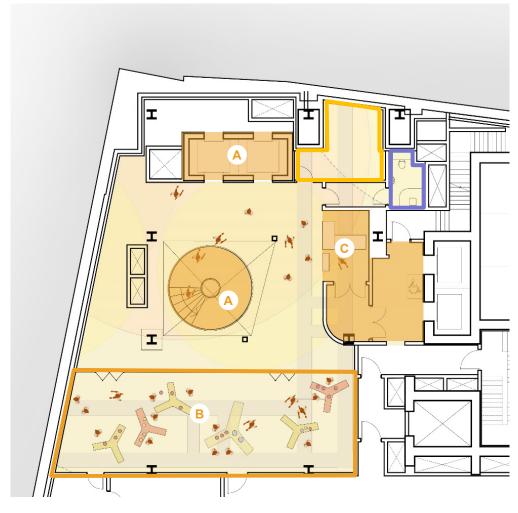


Lower Ground

Cultural Assets

	Deliverable	Commitment
A	Public Access	Elevator and Stair access to Level 32 Security and Queue area.
В	Retail/F&B Tenancy	Tenancy to be let at commercial rate for complementary activity potentially including a social enterprise hospitality operator.
C	Queuing, security screening and c Security Point elevator access to Level 32 cultural space.	

- Changing Places
- Publicly Accessible Toilet







Lower Ground

Cultural Programme



Curated artwork will enrich key locations throughout the Level 32 arrival experience. Both the street level entrance and lower ground pre-security lobby could accommodate digital projection and physical artwork, along with historical information and interpretative elements about the area's history.

There is potential to create a connected gallery experience that extends from the entrance through the lower ground and culminates at the Level 32 gallery. This will enable multi-level exhibitions that respond to the differing light conditions and ceiling heights of each space.



Programmable Exhibition Space

The flexible lower ground space presents a unique opportunity for a robust programme of rotating art and artifact exhibitions.

In collaboration with major cultural institutions, the space could feature significant items loaned from collections, with glass doors providing necessary security for the exhibits.

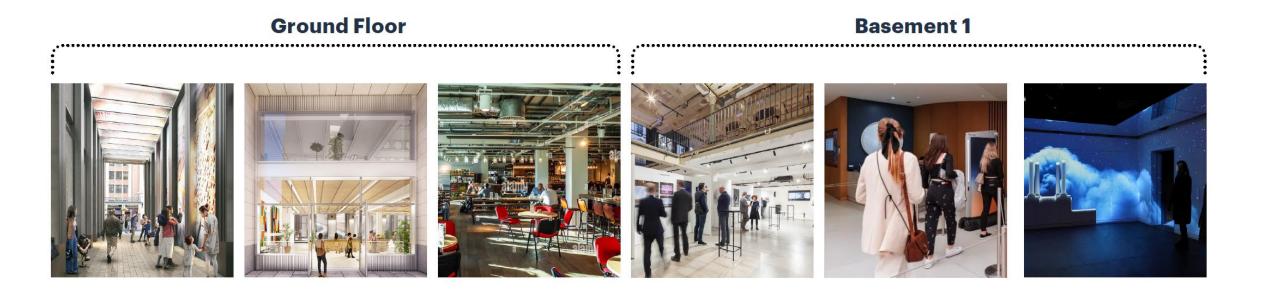
The space could also be used to showcase works by emerging London artists, incorporating a sales function to provide both exposure and financial opportunity. This arrangement may permit visitors to access the space and engage freely with the artworks, supported by on-site gallery staff.

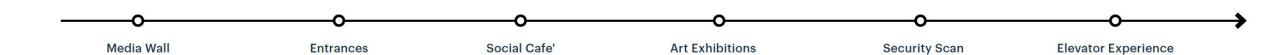


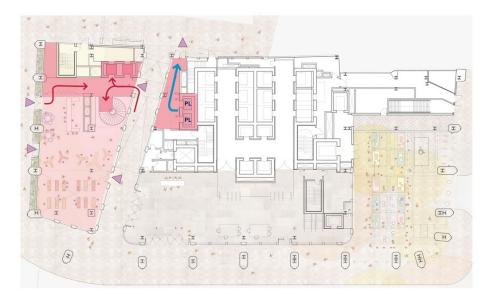
Functions and Community Events

When not accommodating an installation, the flexible lower ground space could be used as a space for community events, functions and other public activity including seminars and panel discussion, skills training and community workshops. The installed doors will separate this area from the wider queuing and security functions, allowing occupancy while maintaining continuous access to Level 32.

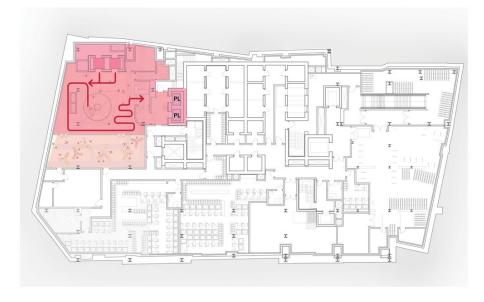
Alternatively, the space can be integrated into a larger event activation that spans both the lower ground and Level 32, accommodating catering services, a temporary bar and additional breakout space.



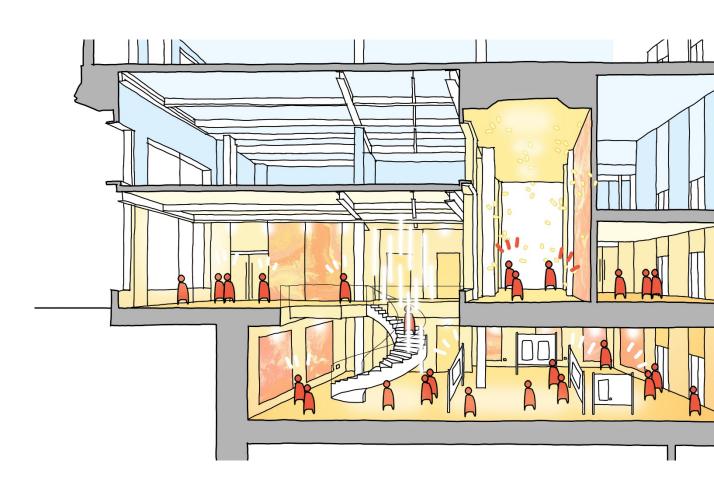




Ground Floor



Basement 1















The Route-through

The Public Entrance

The Underground Experience

Level 32

Elevate

Seventy Gracechurch will make a unique contribution to the City's growing offer of high-level viewing areas, focusing on hospitality and art as differentiators and opportunities for social impact.



Level 32

Cultural Assets

	Deliverable	Commitment	
A F	Public Lobby	Open lobby area accessed via Lower Ground, able to accommodate high visitor volumes	
В	/iewing Gallery	Flexible indoor gallery space able to accommodate periodic largescale art installation, community events and private functions.	
C	Outdoor errace	Open-air outdoor terrace partially enclosed by a gazebo with landscaping, lighting and flexible seating.	



Level 32

Cultural Programme



Outdoor Terrace Garden Activities

The unique outdoor terrace at Level 32 will provide one of London's highest outdoor spaces, with meditative and tranquil landscaping providing space for relaxation, contemplation, and regularly scheduled wellness activities. Additionally, the terrace can be programmed for specific outdoor group activities such as Tai Chi or group meditation, held during the mornings and evenings, alongside private events.

Opportunities for community interaction with the space include management of planted garden beds and landscaping, which could focus on flora with health or sensory benefit, edible fruit and vegetables, or local biodiverse species.



Indoor Gallery

Framed by floor-to-ceiling windows with sweeping city views, the Level 32 indoor gallery will provide a unique space for the exhibition of large-scale sculptures and other works. Curated cohesively alongside similarly programmable spaces within the Ground Floor and Lower Ground, the Level 32 gallery will be the culmination of unique gallery experience for visitors.

When not activated by art installations, the space will be subtly separated for use by community groups and activities such as yoga, as well as private functions and events.



Hospitality Opportunity

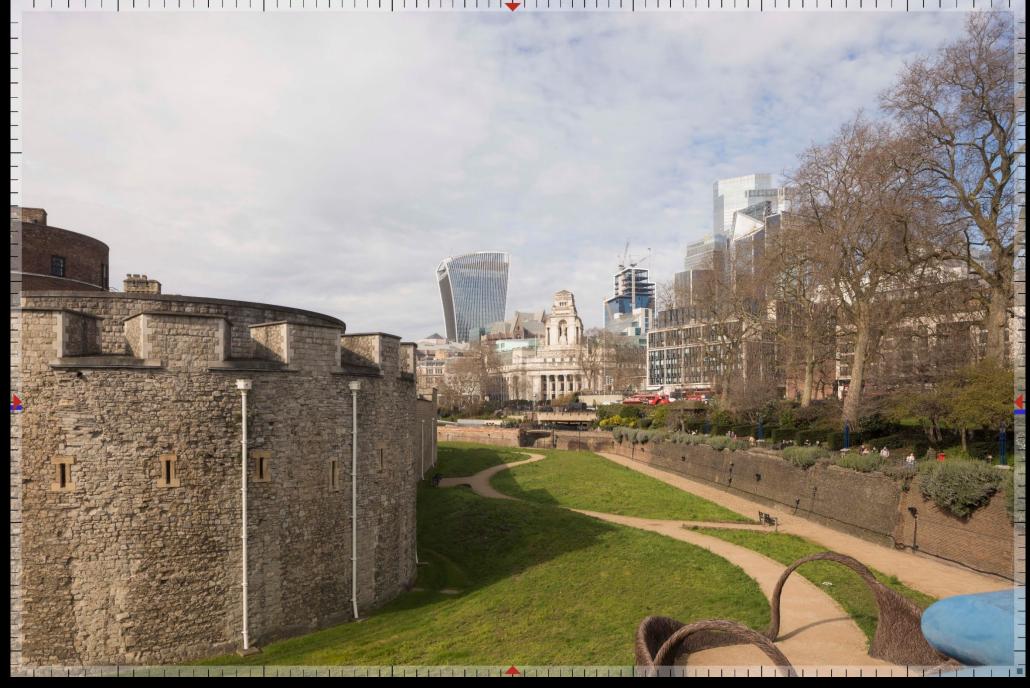
Potential for a small beverage servery within Level 32 will provide a unique hospitality experience for visitors and support the operations of a small business or social enterprise.

This function will encourage use of the space not merely as a viewing gallery for tourists but as a repeat destination for workers and residents. It is envisaged that this will encourage longer visits and a more tranquil environment for contemplation and social interaction. This will provide a point of difference to more highly activated and short-stay viewing terraces elsewhere in the city, making it a consistent part of daily routines and a valued community asset.

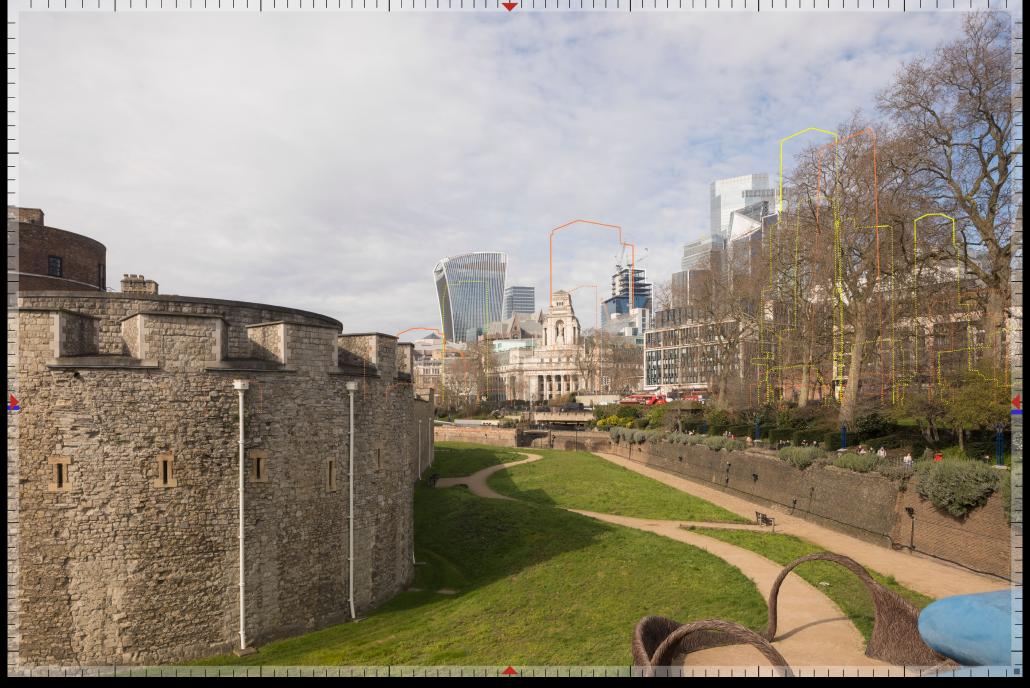


The Level 32 Public Terrace

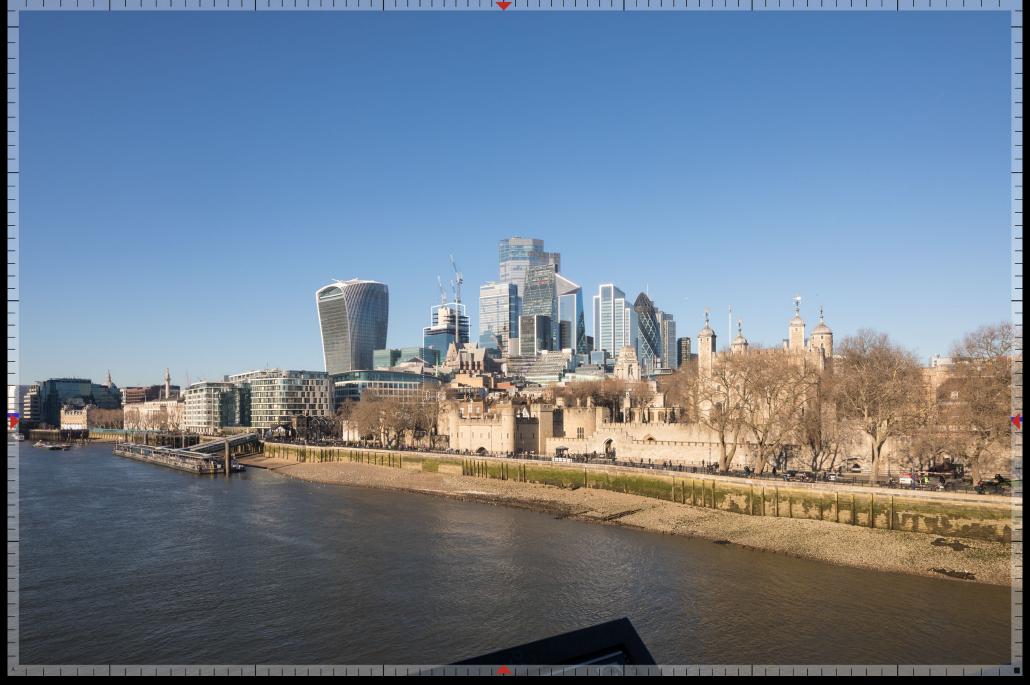
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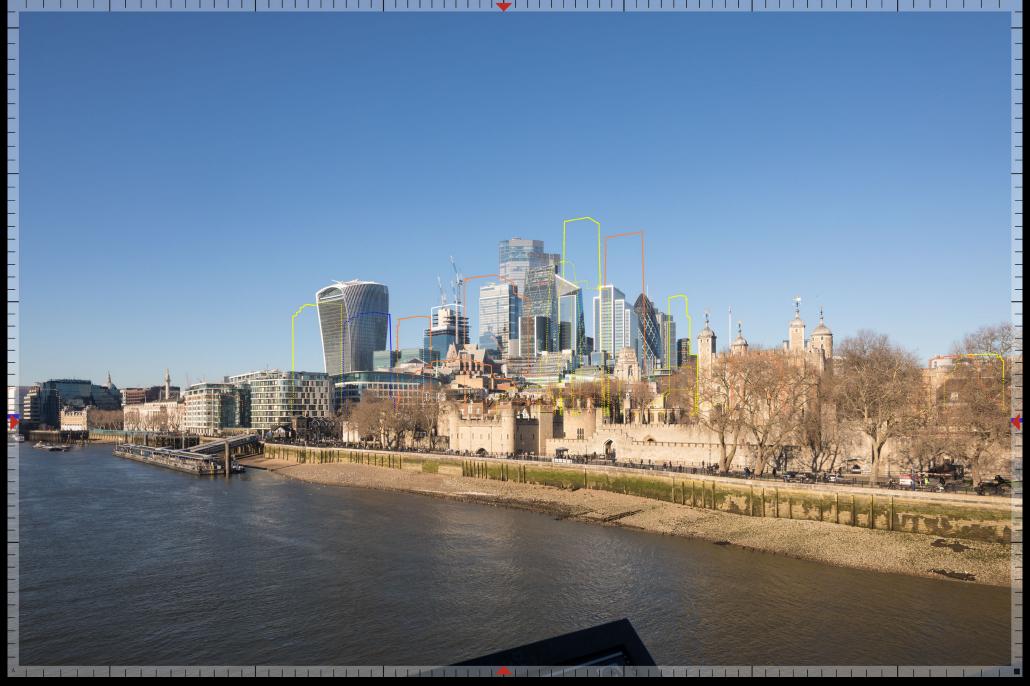
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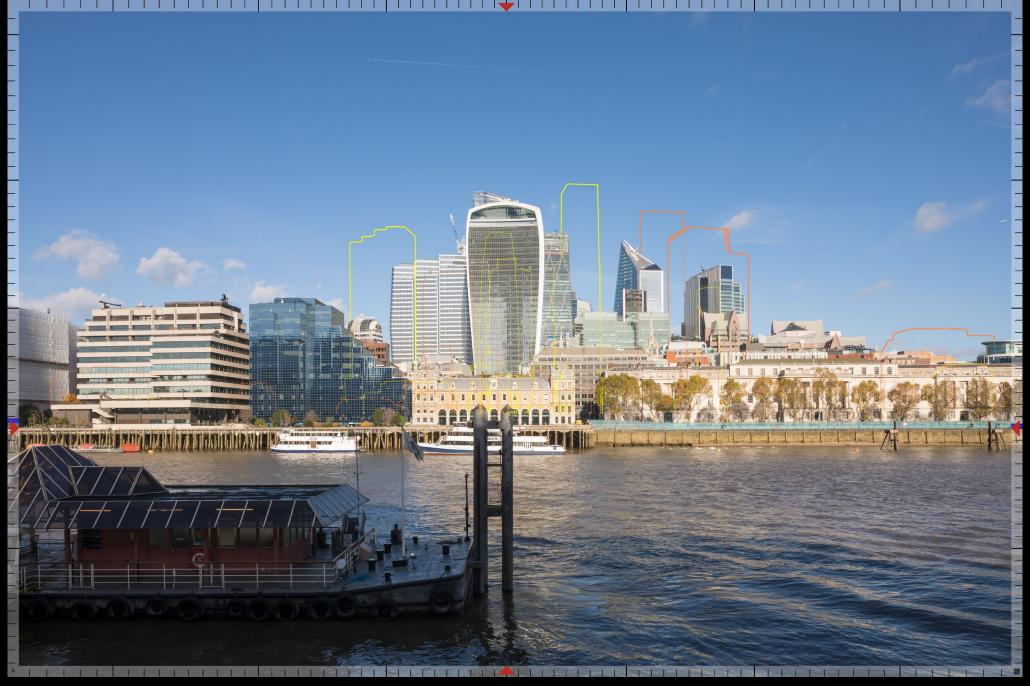
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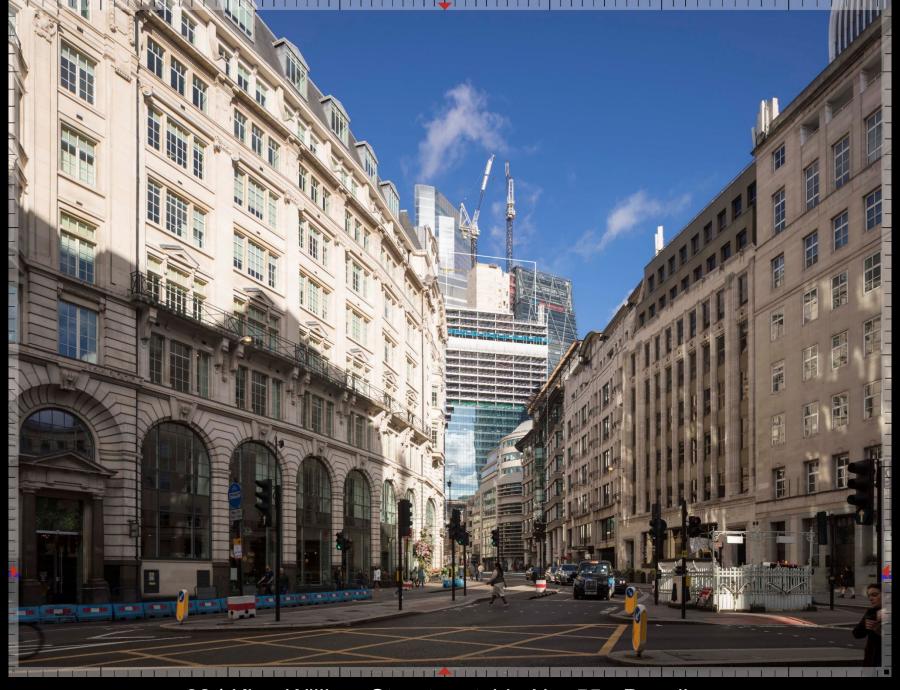
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16 | South Bank - London Bridge City Pier - Baseline



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26 | Lime Street - Baseline



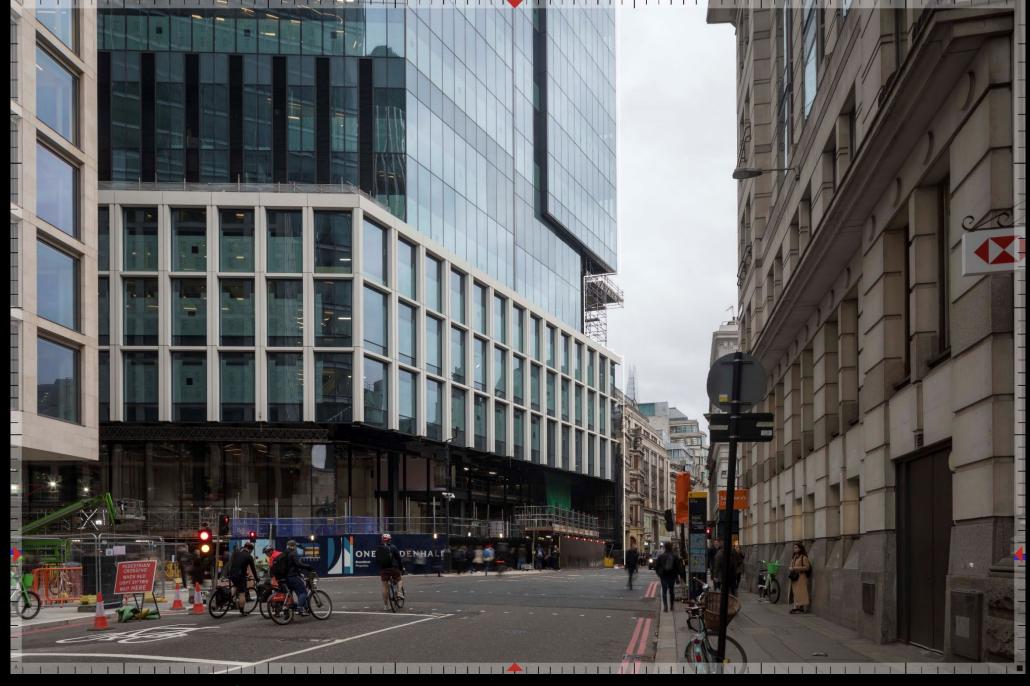
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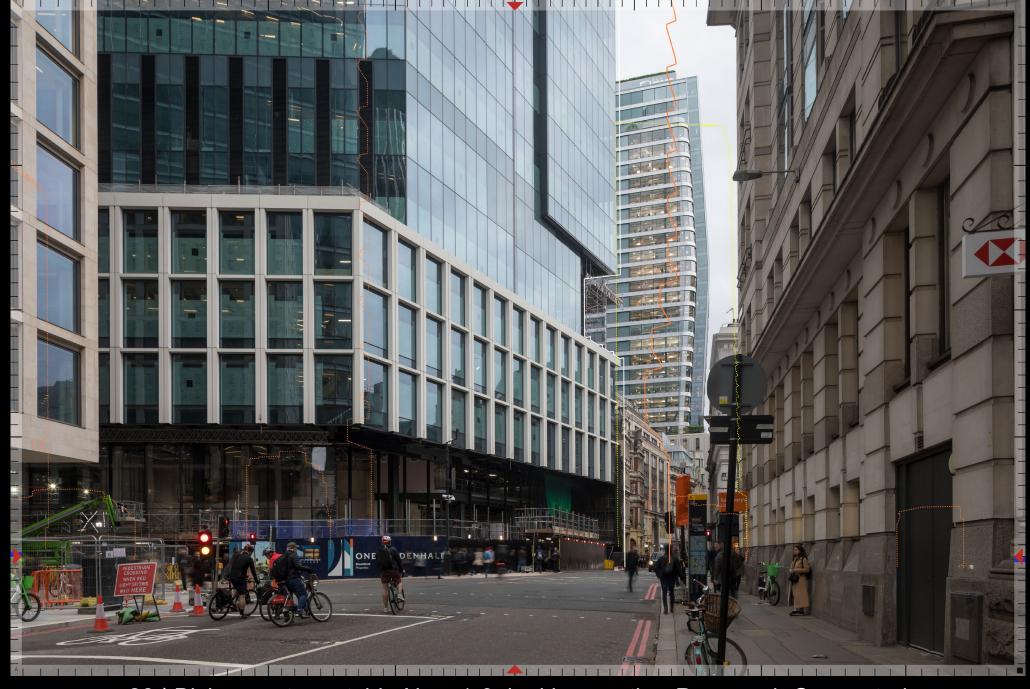
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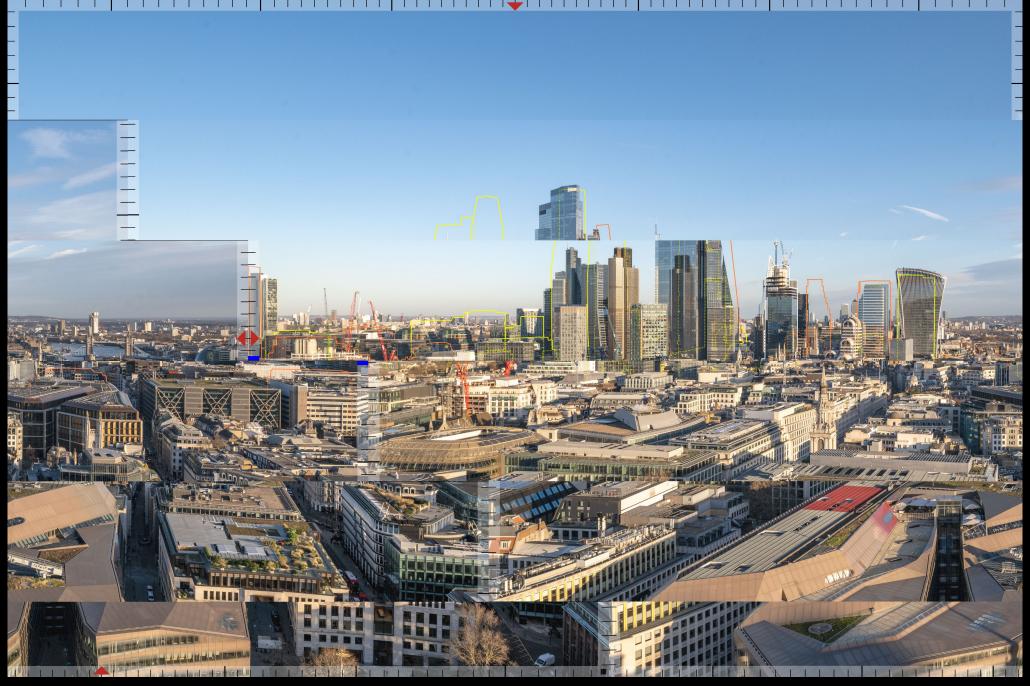
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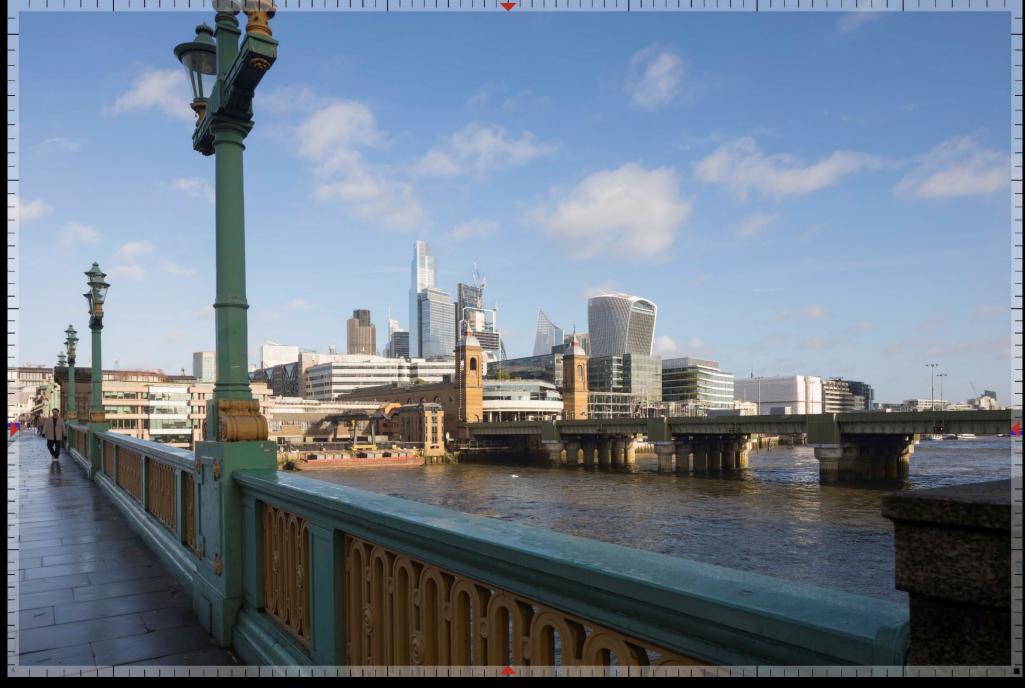
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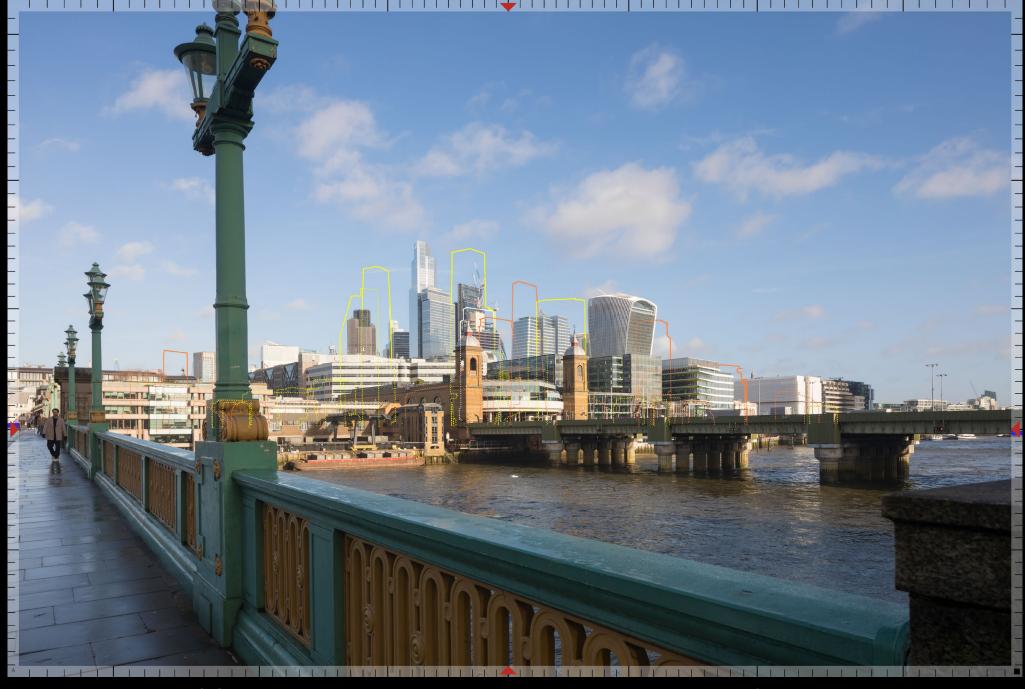
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36 | Southwark Bridge, looking north-east - Baseline



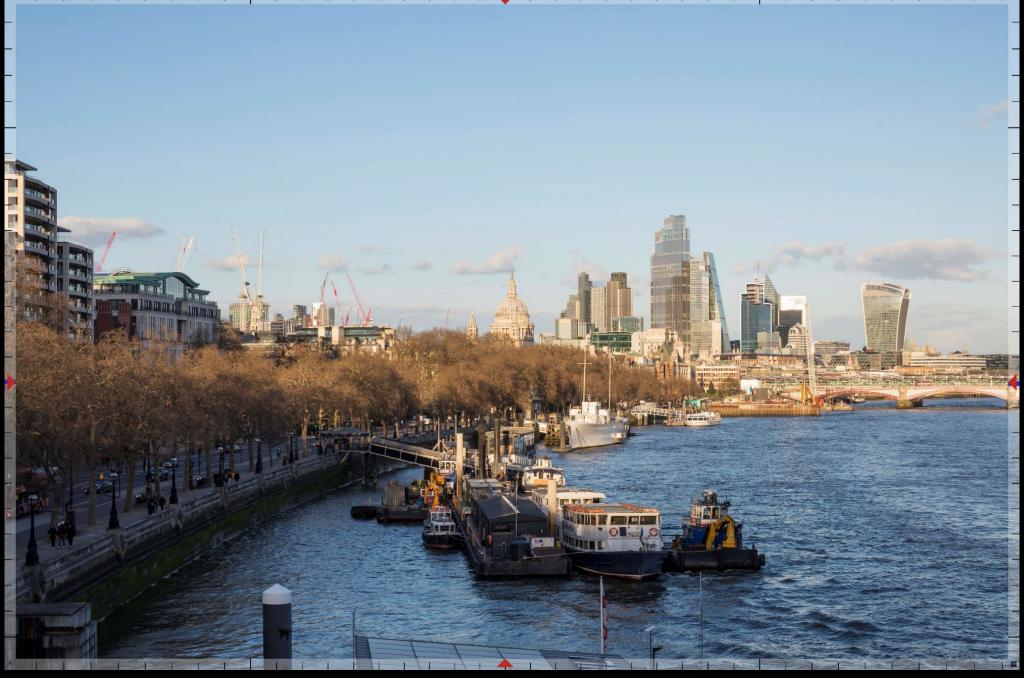
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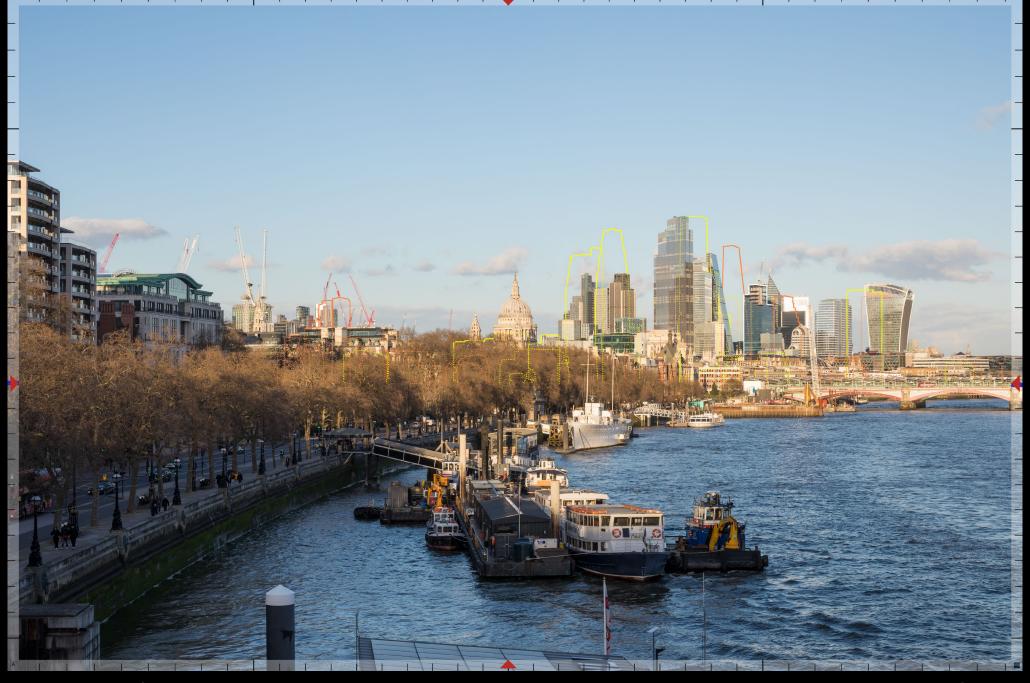
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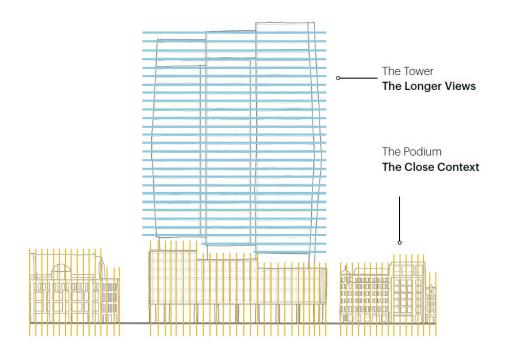


42 | LVMF 15B.2 | Waterloo Bridge: downstream - close to the Westminster bank - Baseline



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Architectural Character





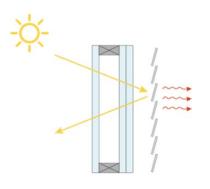


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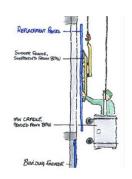


Podium Facade











Whole Life Carbon

Deliver on the ambitious embodied carbon targets by selecting lean and low carbon façade and materials and assessing holistically the impact of facades on the carbon calculation

Performance

Minimize solar gains and operational energy through assessment of efficient façade strategies to respond to the solar gain at each elevation

Buildability

Adopt prefabricated and off-site manufactured system for ease of installation and to reduce the reliance on site workmanship and material storage

Design for Disassembly

Longevity has been set as a sustainability key driver from the onset of the project and most of the cladding base elements will have a minimum design life of 60 years.

Circular Economy

The existing stone cladding, Jura limestone, will be reused as part of the new precast cladding.



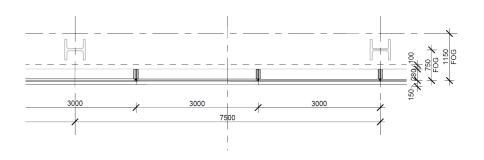


Bright Silver Metal

Clear Glass



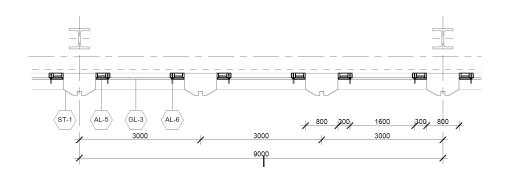
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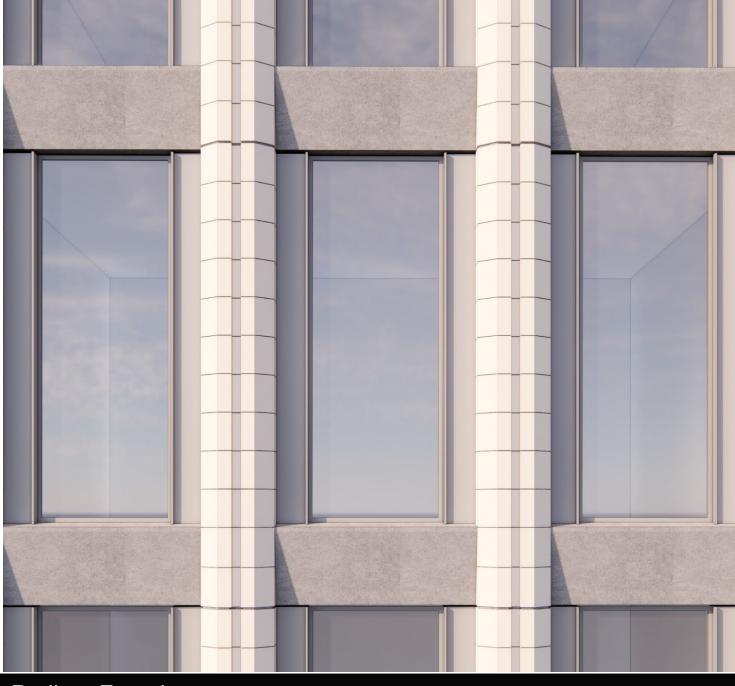




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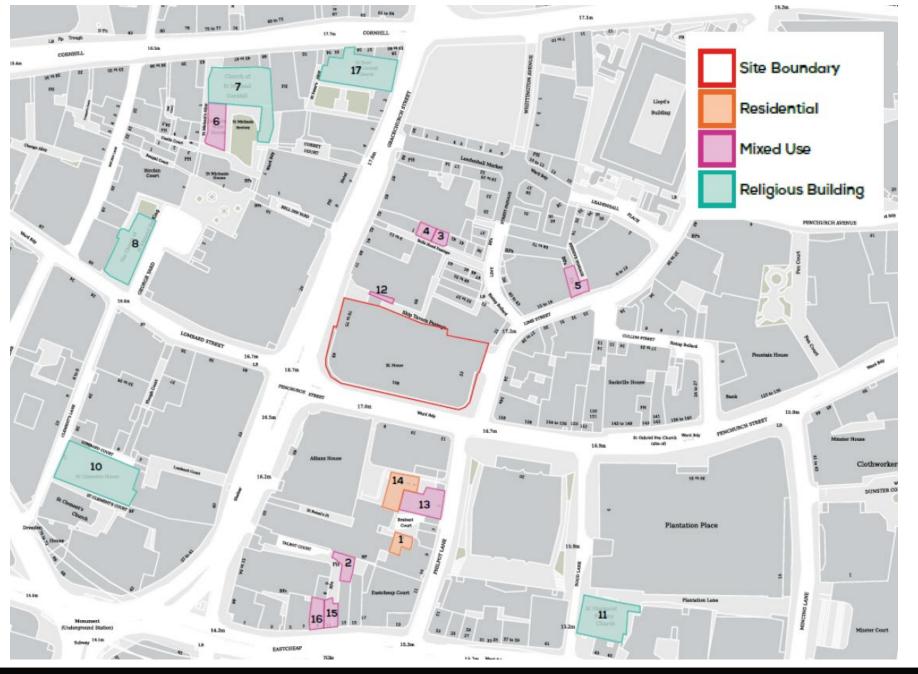


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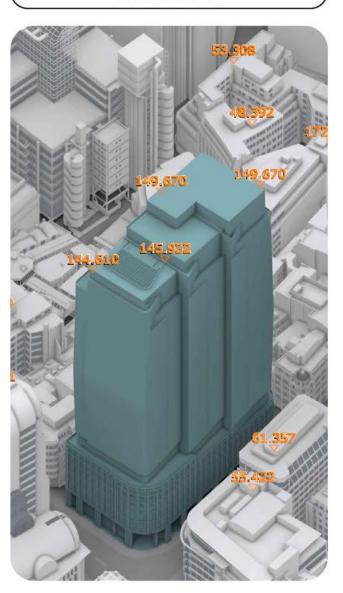
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Jamaica Buildings The Bunch of Grapes - 14 Lime Street 2-3 Bulls Head Passage St Michael Cornhill Church St Edmund the King Church St Peter Upon Cornhill Church	Negligible to Minor Adverse
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The Swan Tavern 4 Bulls Head Passage	Minor to Moderate Adverse



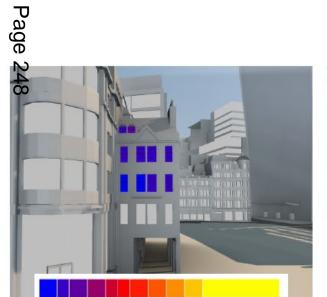
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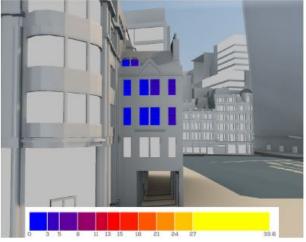
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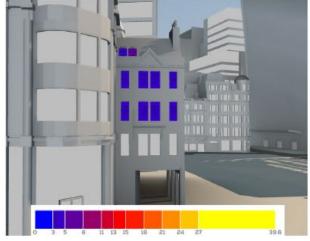


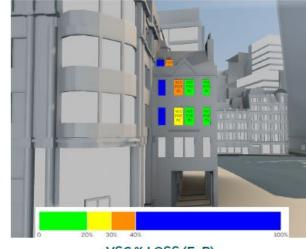
COMPARISON WITH THE CONSENTED SCHEME

- Due to change in surrounding baseline context the consented application, a like for like comparison with the Consented Scheme conclusions is not possible.
- GIA have therefore assessed the impact of the Proposed against the Consented Scheme in the current 2023 baseline.
- In the Consent vs Proposed anlaysis, the overall conclusions on impacts are the same.
- Overall, the Proposed Development would not materially alter daylight and sunlight conditions at neighbouring buildings beyond the Consented Scheme.







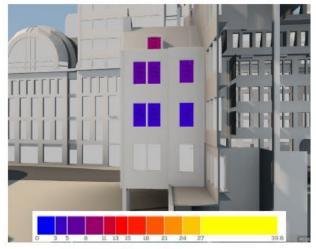


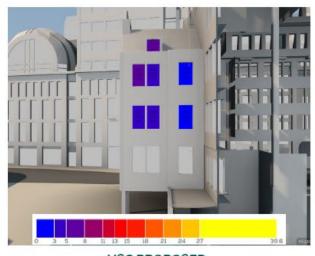
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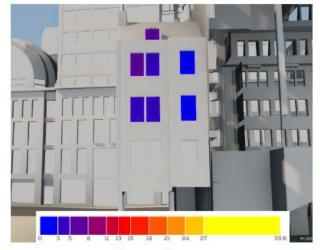
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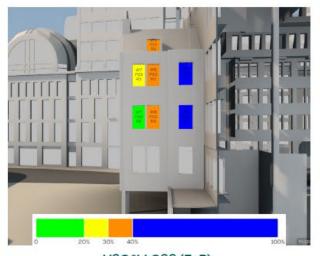
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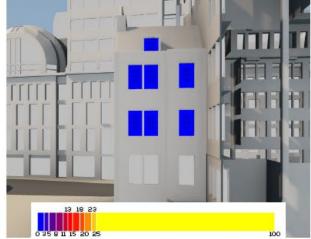
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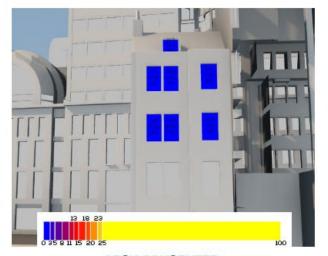
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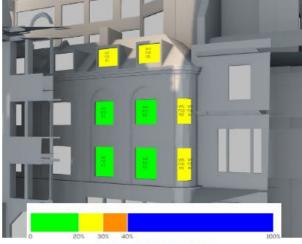
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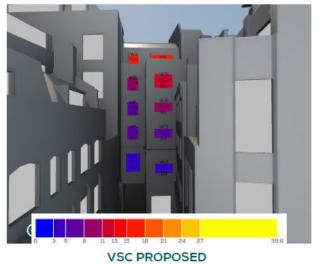
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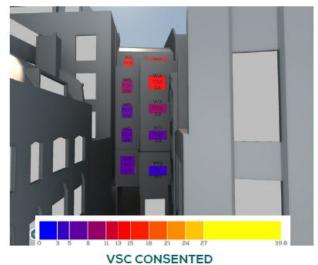
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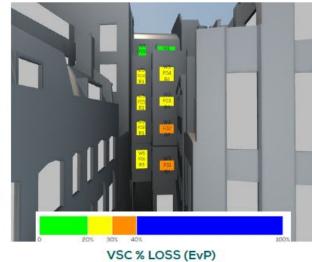
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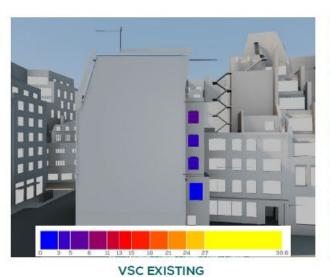
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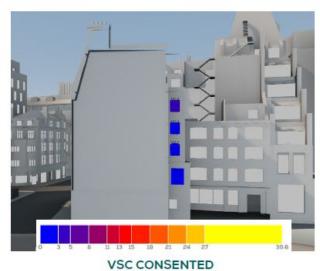


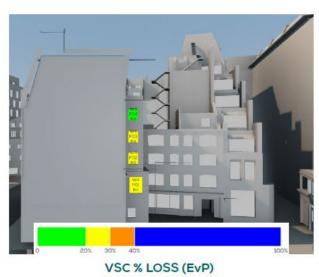


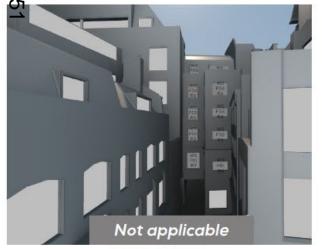


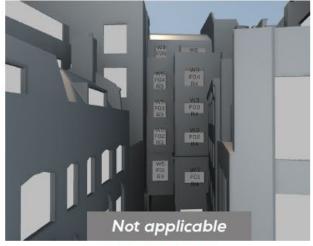


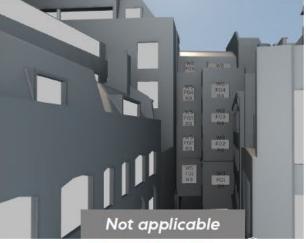


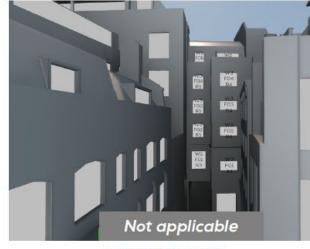










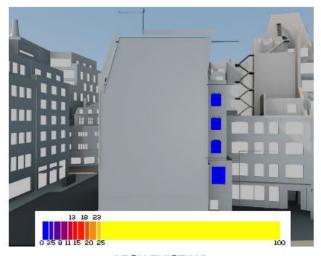


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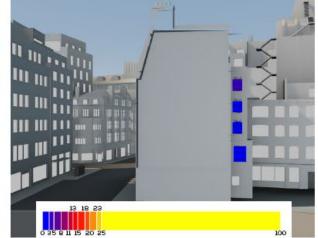
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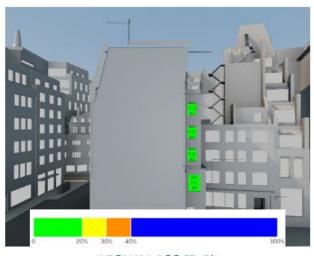
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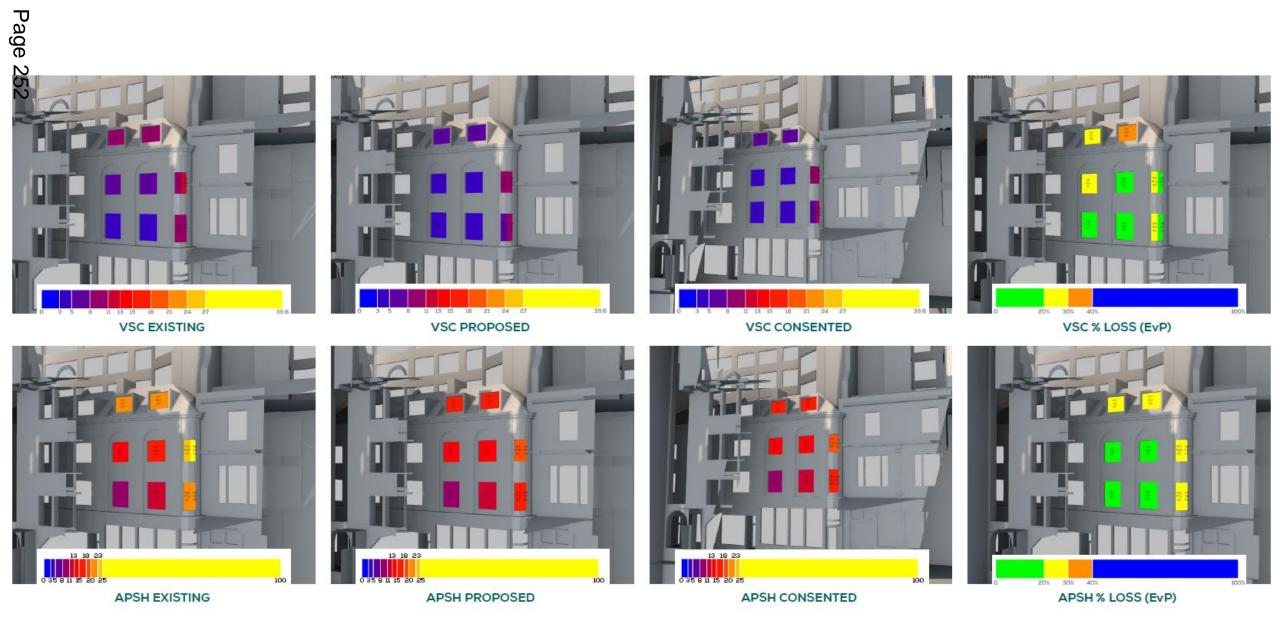


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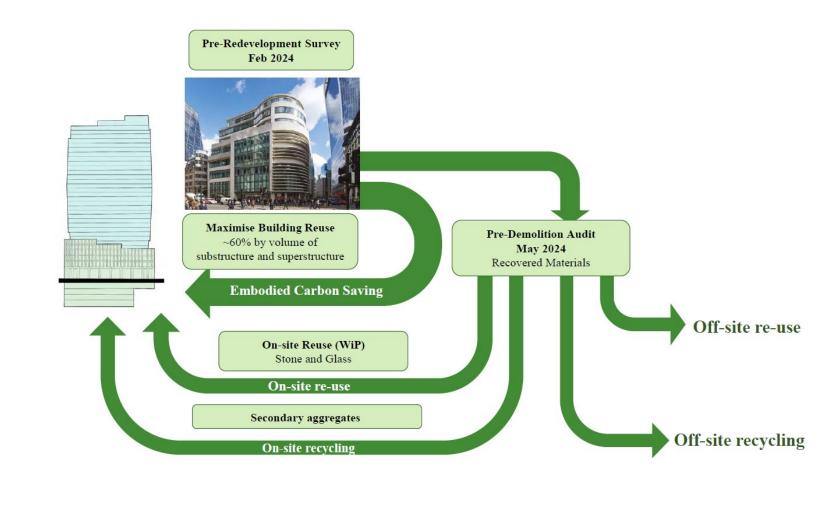
Sustainability

Circular economy has been key on the 70 Gracechurch Street development since concept stage, starting with the existing building. The project aims to incorporate circular economy principles throughout the building's whole life cycle covering the future operation and maintenance until its end of life.

A Pre-redevelopment audit has been completed to establish whether buildings and components can be retained or refurbished. The "Partial retention and refurbishment" option was confirmed as the preferred option largely due to the opportunities available to enhance public realm, increase commercial office space and support biodiversity gain.

A Pre-demolition audit has been undertaken to establish an inventory of existing materials and determine routes to reuse/recycling/recovery. A set of recommendations on waste management targets were identified for the key demolition products.

As determined using the GLA decision tree during the CE workshop, the project will prioritise design for adaptability, longevity and disassembly as the core circular economy principles.

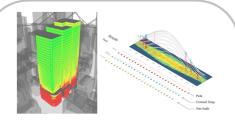




MATERIAL RE-USE

Reusing the existing Jura limestone cladding, as part of the new precast cladding.

Re-using other elements where possible such as steel frame and below ground drainage.



BALANCED SOLAR GAIN APPROACH

Dynamic solar gain approach to balance solar gain, daylighting, cost, operational energy and embodied carbon.



RE-USING BASEMENT WITHOUT EXTENSION

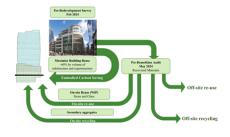
Efficient allocation of MEP plant to avoid basement extension.

Substructure carbon reduction of 63% against GLA current benchmark



RE-USING EXISTING ELECTRICAL SUPPLY

Existing incoming electrical connection intended to be retained as back-up, reducing disruption, excavation and associated carbon.



EXISTING PODIUM RE-USE

Reducing embodied carbon of the scheme by 14% compared to the previously consented scheme using RICS v1 and 26% using RICS v2.



ROOF FOR PUBLIC AND GREENING

Minimising roof plant space take, releasing area for urban greening and public terrace.



NO ON-SITE COMBUSTION

Zero on-site NOx and PM emissions for heating and domestic hot water, through an all-electric strategy.

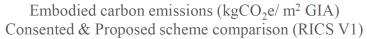


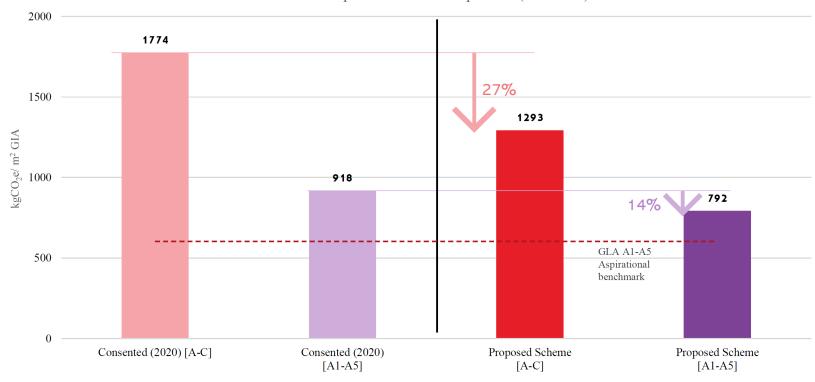




Metric	Previously consented scheme	Proposed development target
BREEAM	Excellent	Excellent
WELL	None	Gold
Embodied Carbon emissions A1-A5 (kgCO ₂ /m ² GIA)	918 (RICS v1) 1150 (RICS v2)	792 (RICS v1) 14% Lower 851 (RICS v2) 26% Lower
NABERS UK	None	5*

RICS V1

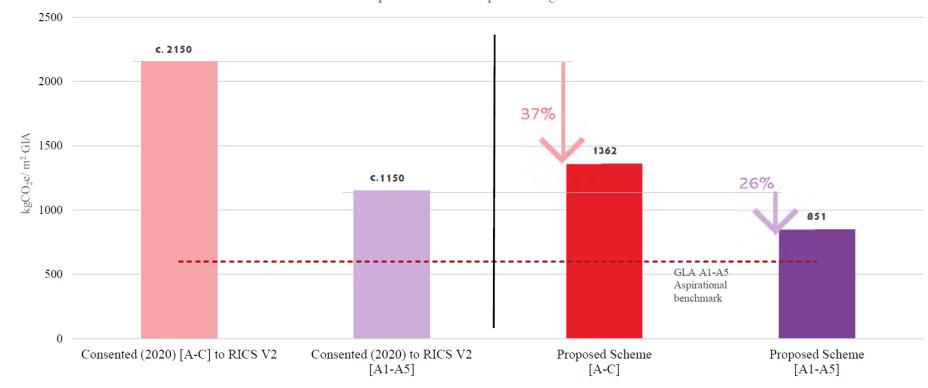


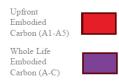


Upfront Embodied Carbon (A1-A5) Whole Life Embodied Carbon (A-C)

RICS V2







The Proposed 70 in Images



From Gracechurch Street South



From Fenchurch Street down Lime Street



Corner of Gracechurch Street and Fenchurch Street



The Route Through

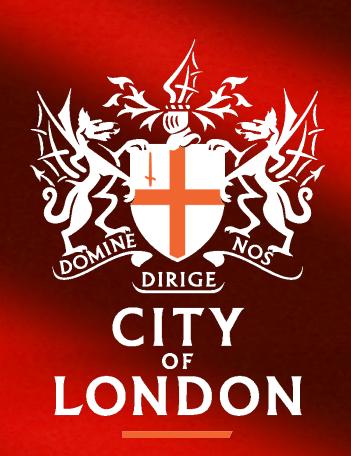


The Public Terrace at Level 32



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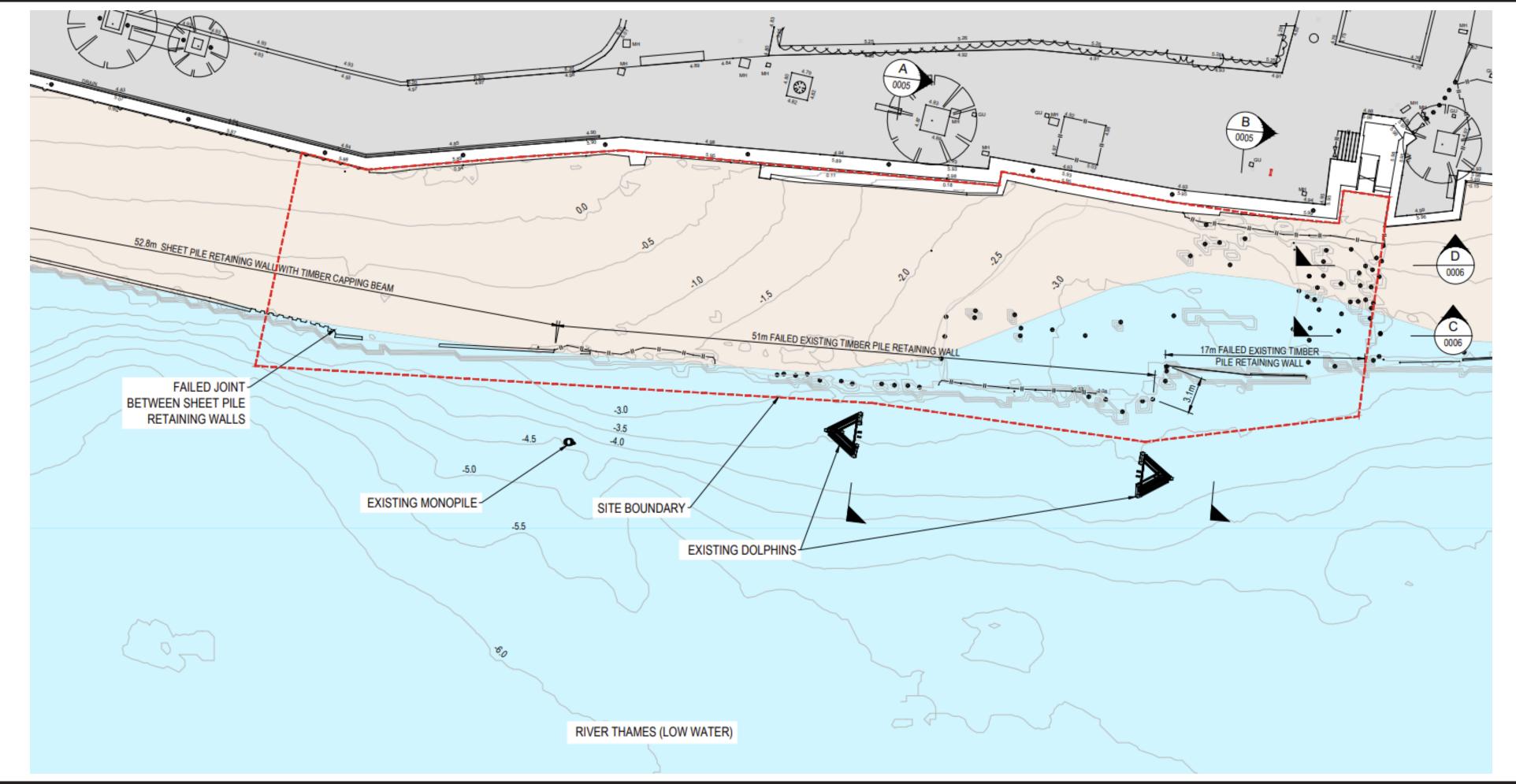


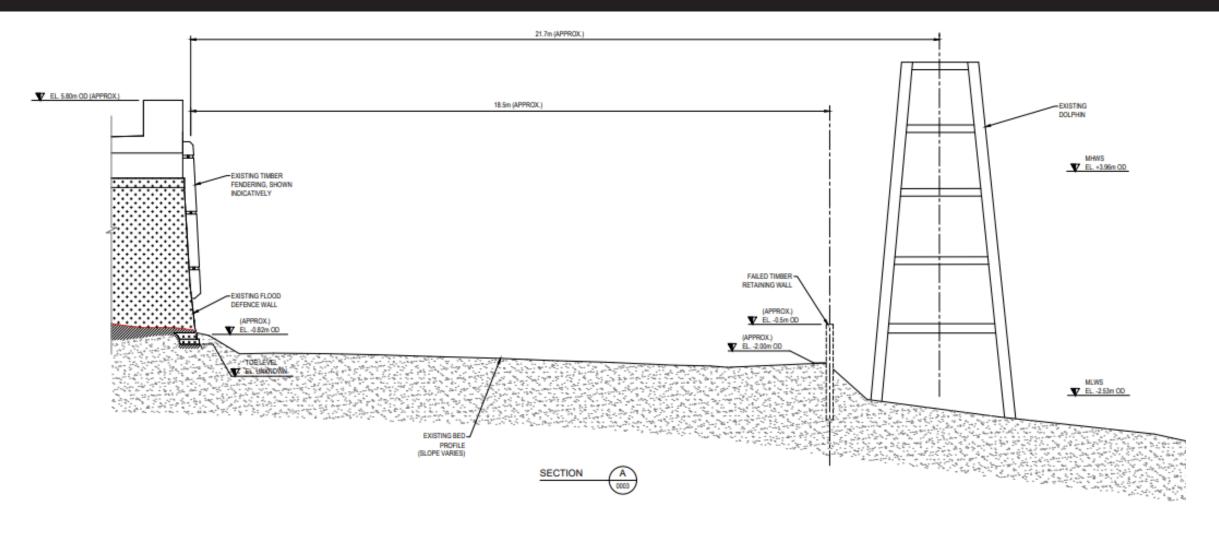


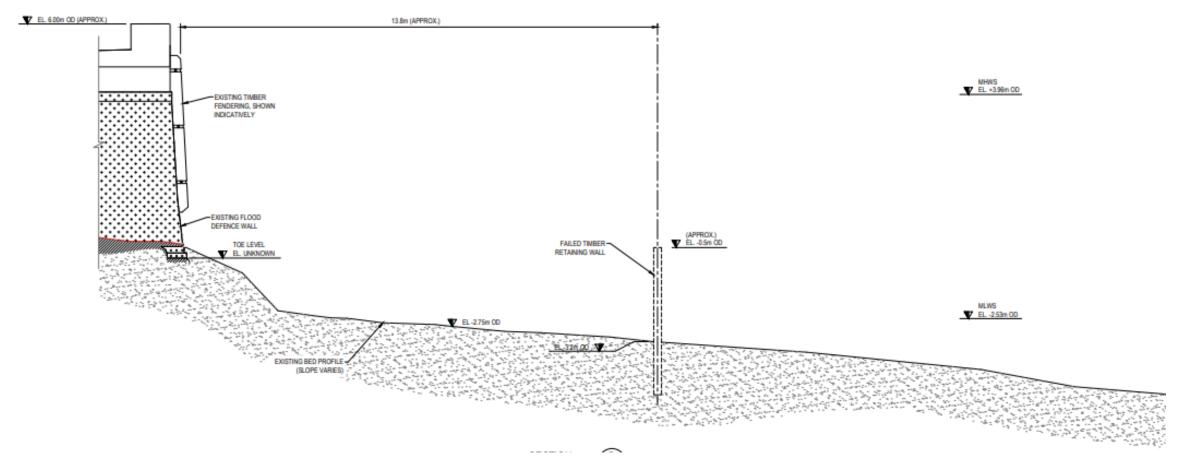
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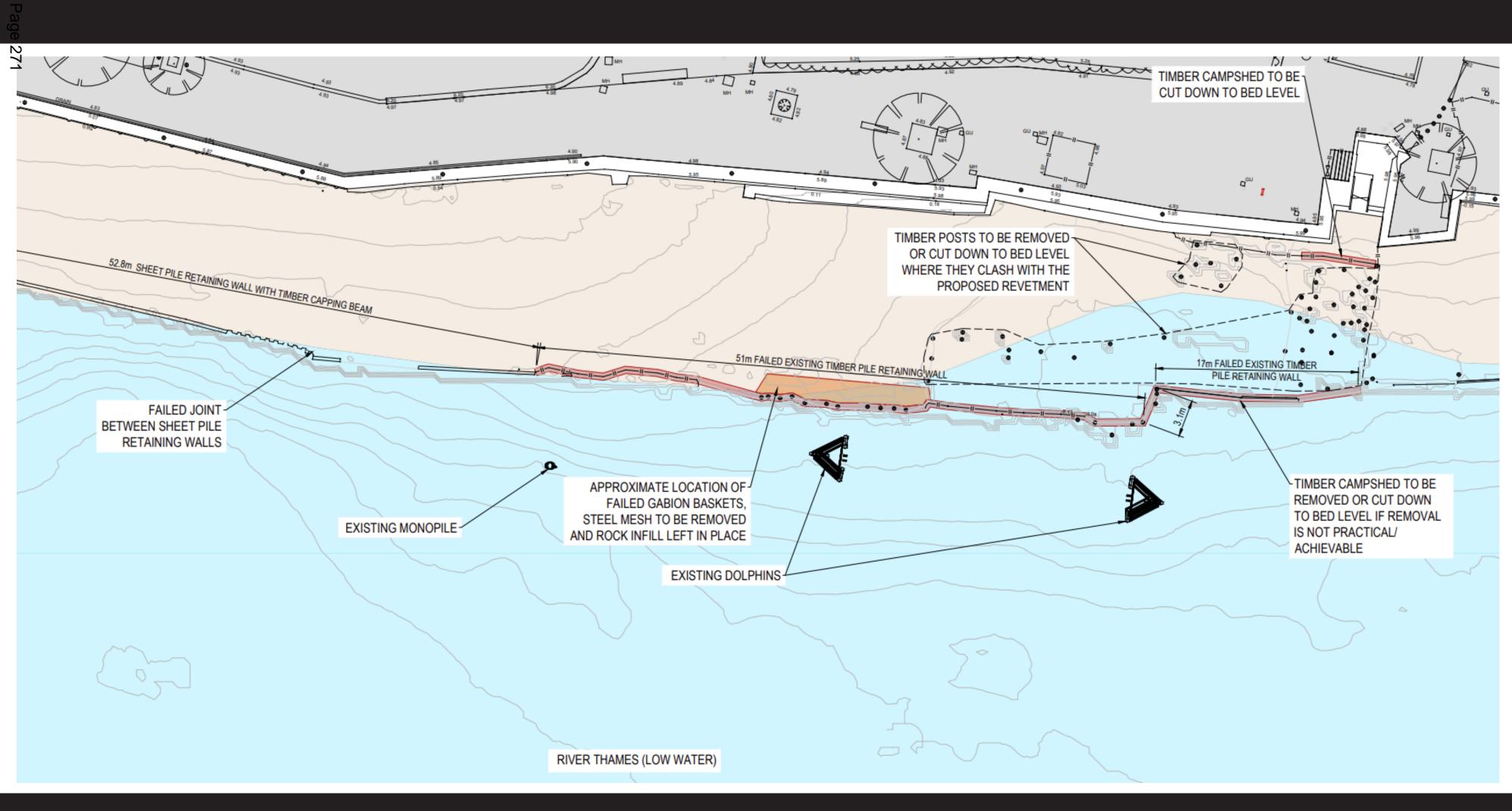
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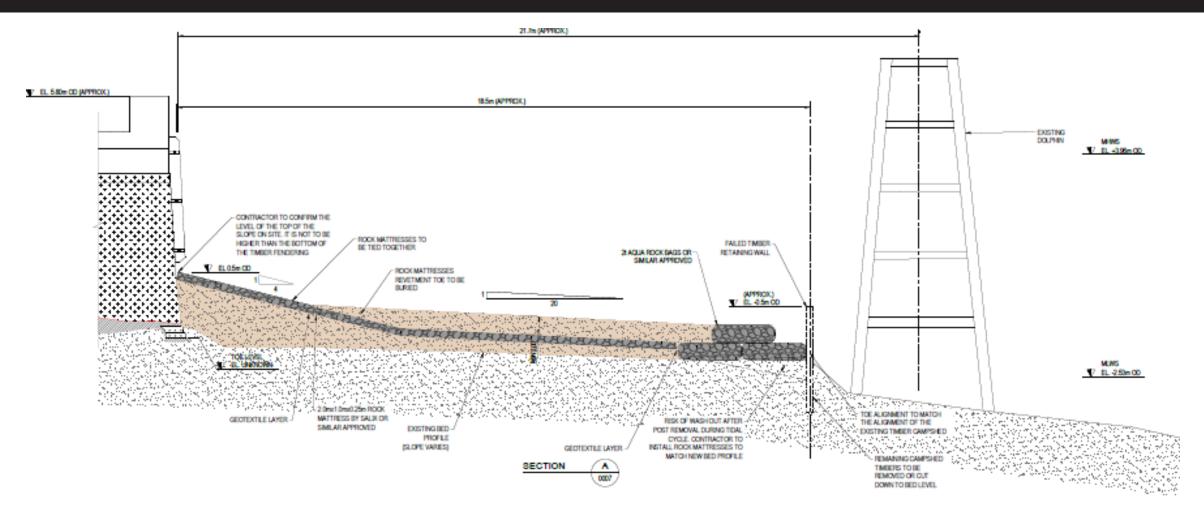


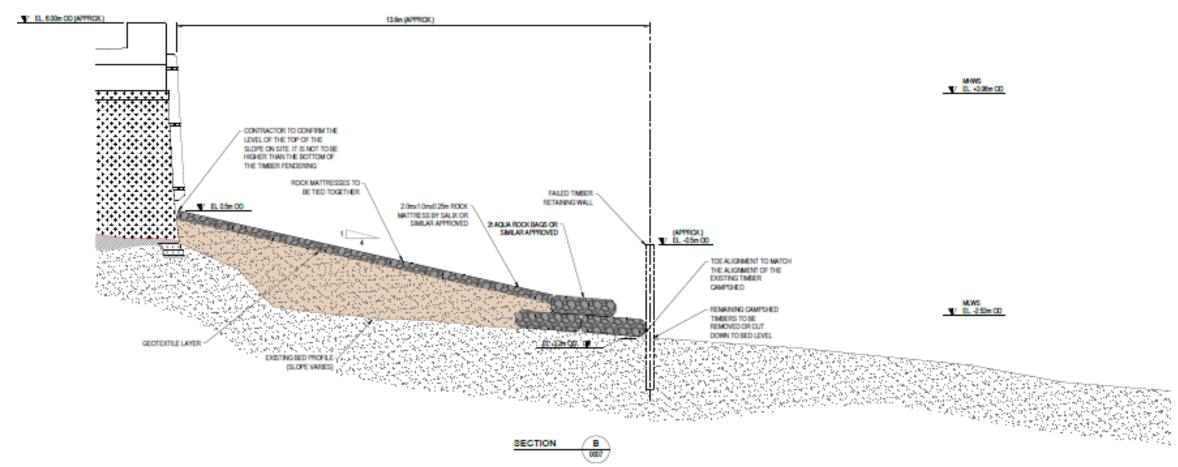


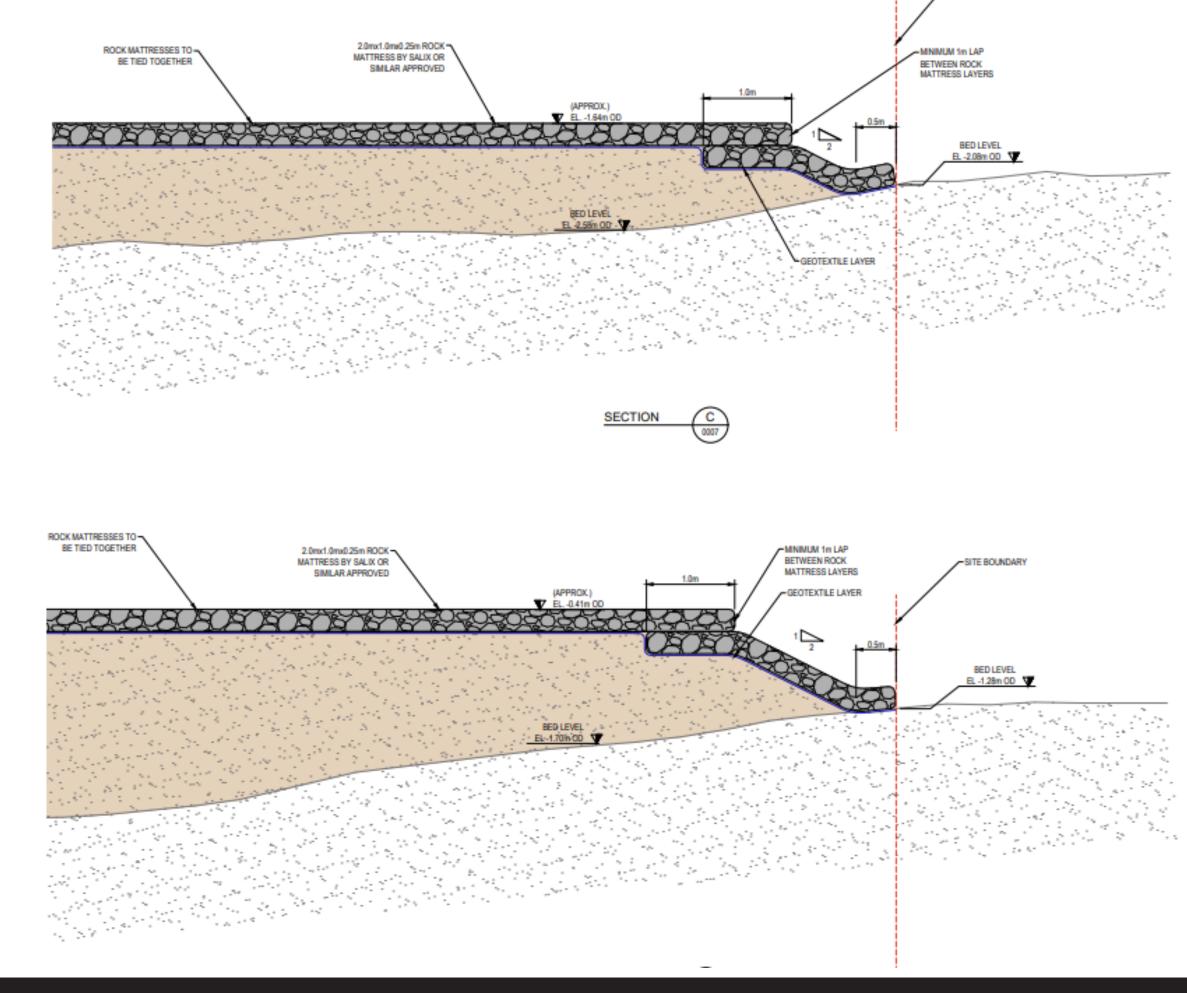




Proposed Site Plan







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DESK-BASED ASSESSMENT

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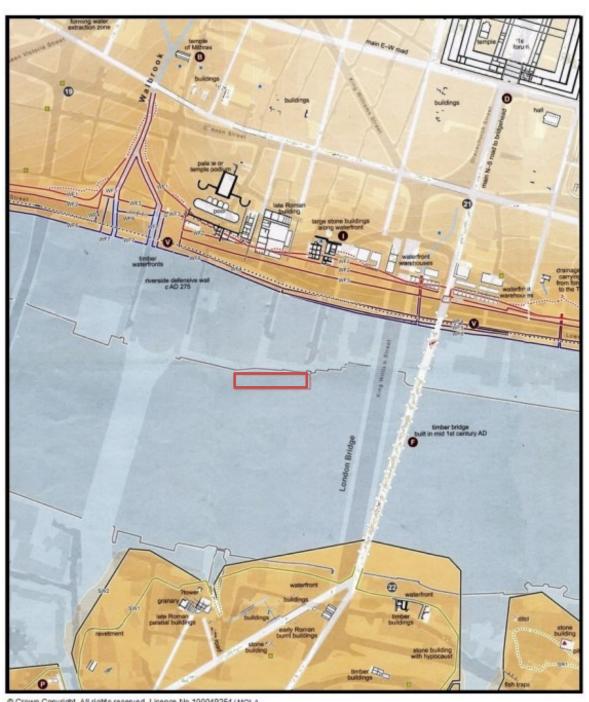
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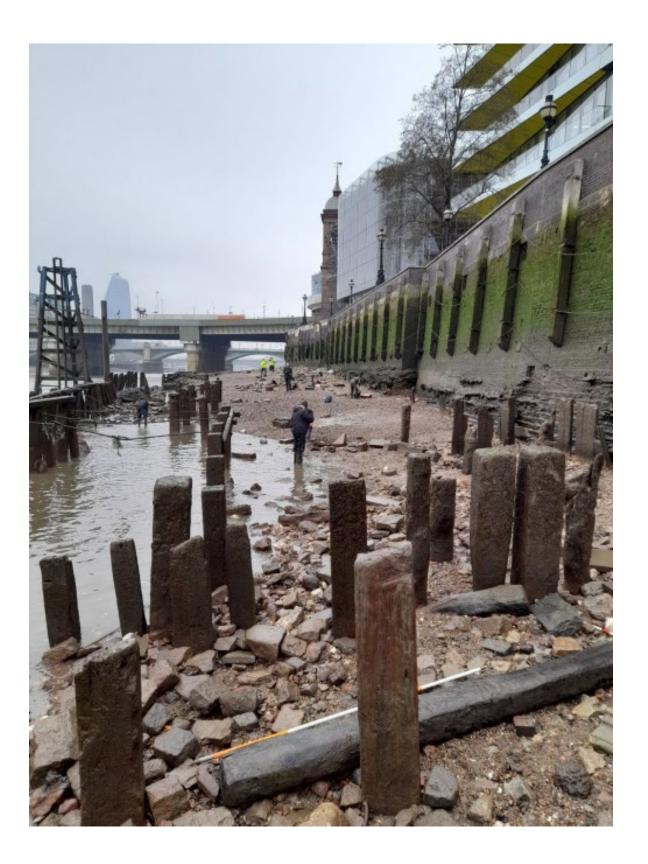
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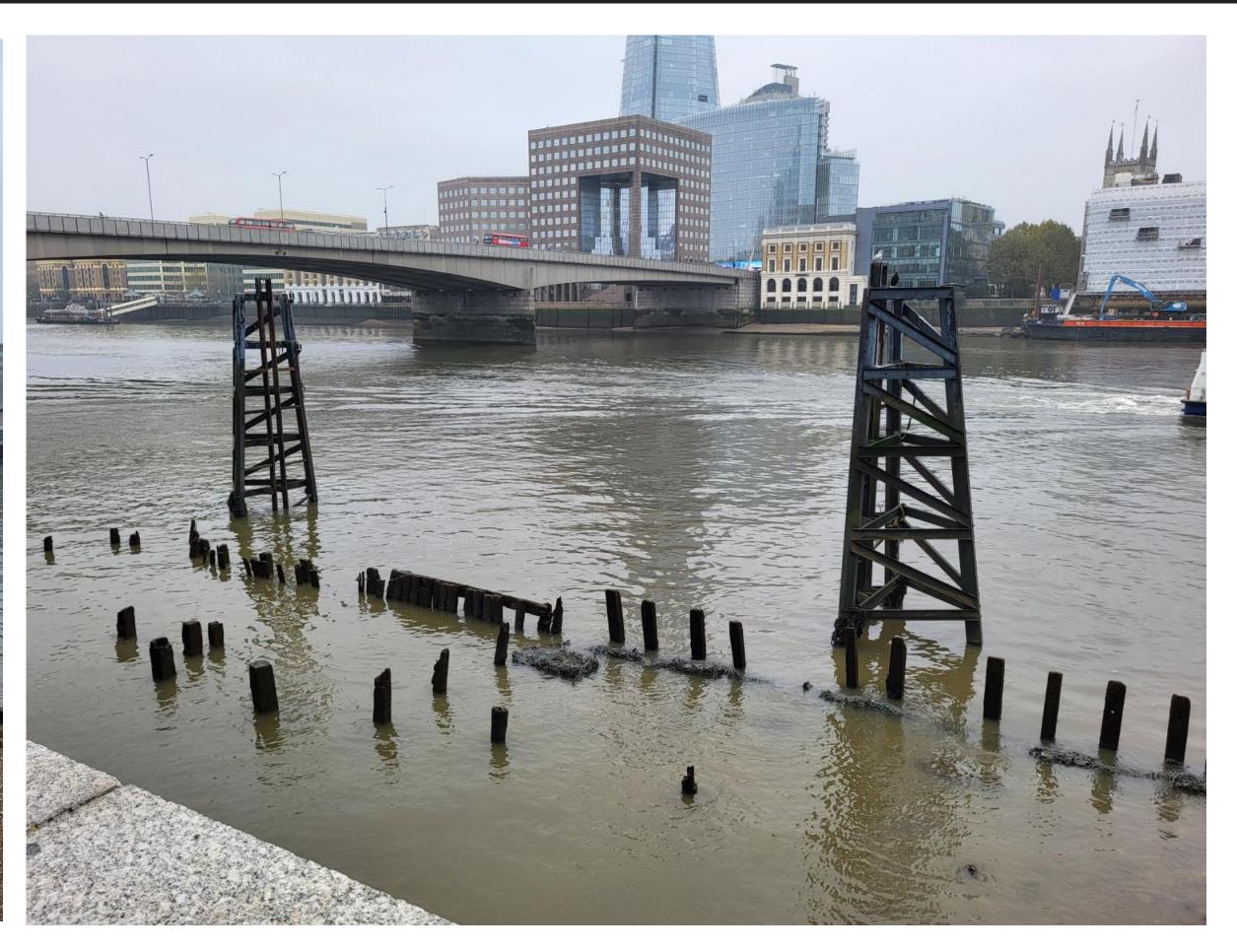
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