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SUPPORTING DESIGN STATEMENT FOR PROPOSED ROOF TOP PLANT ENCLOSURE

Proposed development at 106-109 Saffron Hill, London EC1N 8QS



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INTRODUCTION

This Statement report has been written to accompany the current Planning submission for the above named site with the aim to provide an overview of the proposed new roof top plant enclosure desing. The design team for the project consists of an appointed Architect, Mechanical and Electrical Engineers, Structural Engineer plus an Energy Consultant. Throughout the development of the project, the team have worked closely together in order to detail a space efficient services strategy for the building that aims to maximise useable floor space (residential and commercial) and provide the high level of sustainability performance that our client is actively looking to achieve as end users of the building. With the building occupying a tight urban site, this was a real challenge for the design team, especially when considering the impact of the services strategy on the building plus any impacts upon the site's context.

CURRENT PLANNING SCHEME

The current approved planning scheme drawings were prepared early 2010, with the submission drawings being issued in summer (August) 2010. These drawings consisted of plant areas within the basement area plus a small plant room located at Fourth Floor level. When reviewed by the team during the planning application, these plant spaces were sensibly located and sized to service the building. However, subsequent to the planning submission and approval, the new 2010 Part L suite of Approved Documents were brought into force, with all new developments from the beginning of this year (2011) requiring to meet the new stringent standards necessary to comply with the Building Regulations. Upon review of the new Part L standards by the team, it became evident that the level of plant space would not allow the development to meet the new energy performance required of building regulations.

This above review by the design team resulted in further discussions as to how the building could not only be serviced and accommodate the required plant to meet the new Part L standards, but also how the designs could achieve our client's commendable aspirations for the sustainability performance / credentials of the building – i.e. meeting CFSH Level 4 (residential) and BREEAM Excellent (Officer). With the understanding, via a close inspection of the Part L regulations with the BREEAM requirements, the appointed Energy Consultant advised the team that the servicing strategy and the use of renewable on-site energy technologies were key to not only achieving BREEAM 'Excellent' rating, but also to achieve a Part L pass for Building Regulations. With the realisation that BREEAM Excellent rating was correlated to the new Part L standards, the design team set about reviewing the internal layout design of the building in order to propose a servicing strategy that achieved both the client's aspiration but also the statutory requirements. In doing this, the design team were fully aware - at all times - that the additional challenge was to achieve a successful sustainable development without compromising the key planning issues of 'visual impact' upon the neighbouring buildings and at street level along Saffron Hill.

BUILDING REGULATIONS – FIRE STRATEGY

With the design team working hard to meet the above requirements and aspirations for the services strategy, design consultation was also undertaken with Building Control to review the fire strategy of the proposed building. In order to maximise the useable space within the building, the development has been designed with two staircases, however the design team received the instruction from the Building Control Inspector that additional unforeseen plant equipment would be required to pressurize the second residential staircase. This was due to the basement accommodation using the staircase as a means of escape (this was important to retain to comply with Part B of the building regulations). This additional piece of equipment has been effectively incorporated within the new roof top enclosure above the lift shaft overrun, however this meant that valuable plant space had been filled prior to the design of the key ventilation and heating/cooling plant equipment.

DESIGN OF THE NEW ROOF TOP PLANT ENCLOSURE

In order to achieve the aspired Code For Sustainable Homes Level 4 rating plus BREEAM 'Excellent' Rating (equivalent to meeting the new Part L regulations), it became apparent that the design team could not locate all of the plant within the building. Decisions such as not to include a gas supply throughout the building and focus on an 'electrical' services strategy allowed the team to minimise the number of risers and plant equipment that would be required to heat, cool and power the building. It was therefore concluded that to accommodate the proposed good quality sustainable mechanical plant equipment a small rooftop plant enclosure on the roof of the building would be required. With various pieces of the kit that constituted the services design requiring ventilation, an issue that would be difficult to achieve if installed within the building, the idea of an acoustic ventilated enclosure was decided as the only solution in allowing the building to to achieve its statutory requirements and sustainability aspirations. The rooftop enclosure has therefore been carefully designed as an 'acoustic louvered' enclosure, a principle that has allowed the design team to minimise the size of the enclosure in comparison to a 'solid' enclosure. The appointed M&E Engineers worked closely with an appointed acoustic enclosure supplier to ensure that the internal spaces were kept to a minimum and to minimise the height of the enclosure.

The design team were fully aware of the visual implications of having a rooftop enclosure and therefore worked closely to ensure, via the use of drawings (please refer to our revised Section drawing – 108 - that considers sightlines from street level and from adjacent windows) plus 3D modelling (please refer to our street perspective images – drawing 010); that the enclosure's impact on the building's context would be minimised.

M&E Designs and Supporting Statement

To support the above justification for the requirement of a new roof top enclosure, please find enclosed a series of drawings prepared by MK Consulting Engineers Ltd that reflects the level of detailed design and exploration the whole design team have undertaken to minimise the size of the plantroom. These drawings are as follows:

- MK/ 703/ AC 05 Roof Level. VRF System and Ventilation Layout.
- MK/ 703/ AC 06 Roof Level. VRF System and Ventilation Layout.
- MK/ 703/ AC 07 Roof Level. VRF System and Ventilation Layout.
- MK/ 703/ AC 08 Roof Level. Plantroom Section B-B and C-C
- MK/ 703/ AC 08 Roof Level. Plantroom Section D-D
- MK/ 703/ AC 08 Roof Level. Roof Plantroom Plan

Together with the enclosed drawings listed above, the M&E Engineer has also provided the following supporting statements, which we hope will assist you discussions and answer any queries or concerns you may have:

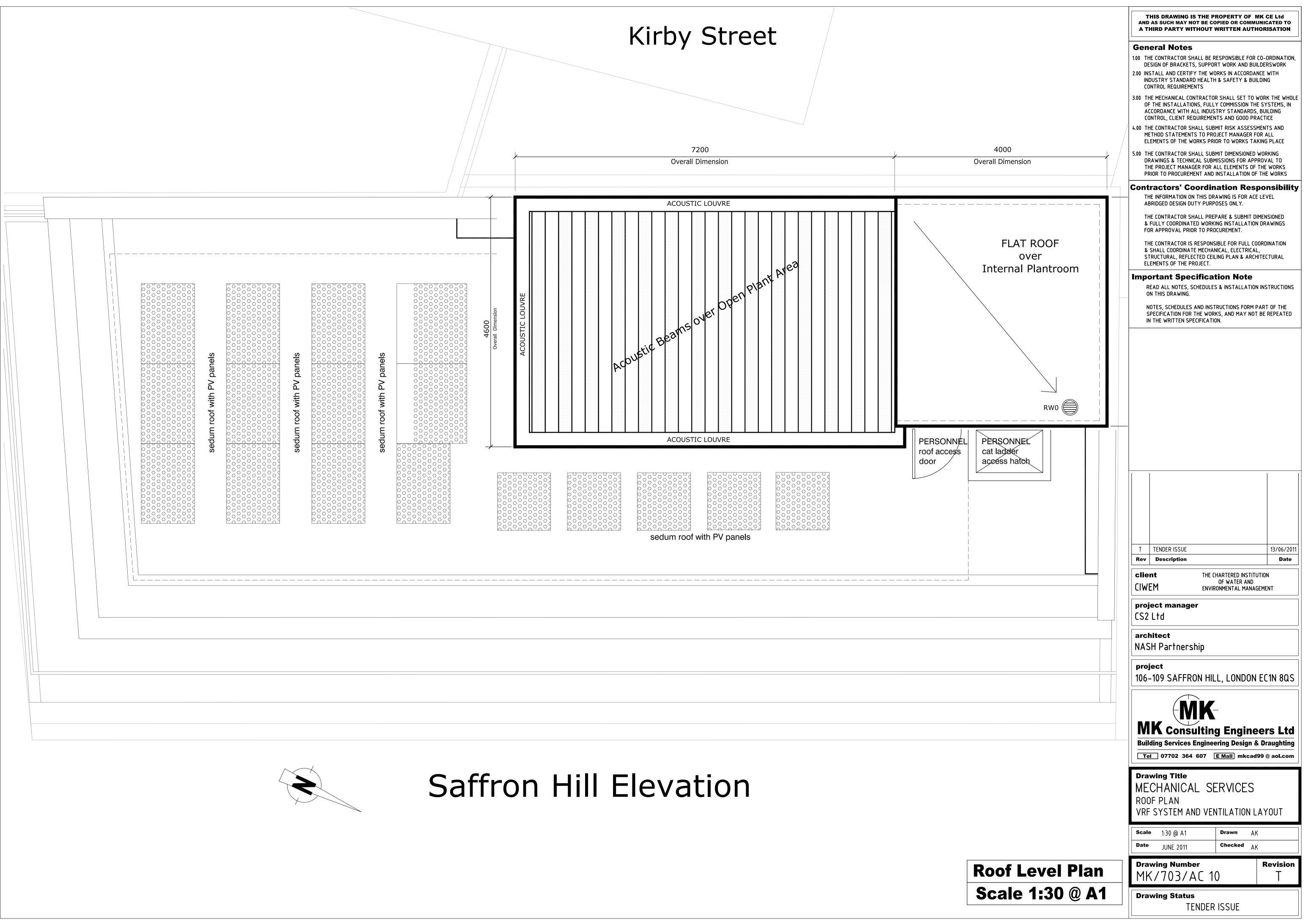
An extensive exercise took place to design the plant layout to successfully achieve usage of the minimum foot print area on plan. Minimum space around each plant item has been allowed for two reasons:

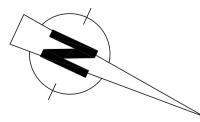
- 1. To accord with manufacturers required / recommended maintenance access requirements and CDM requirements
- 2. To allow adequate air flow around the plant for the plant to work efficiently to design and not hence achieve the minimum energy input.

The foot print area cannot be reduced further given the current systems required within the building. The minimum personnel access space required is clearly shown on the drawings as hatched areas.

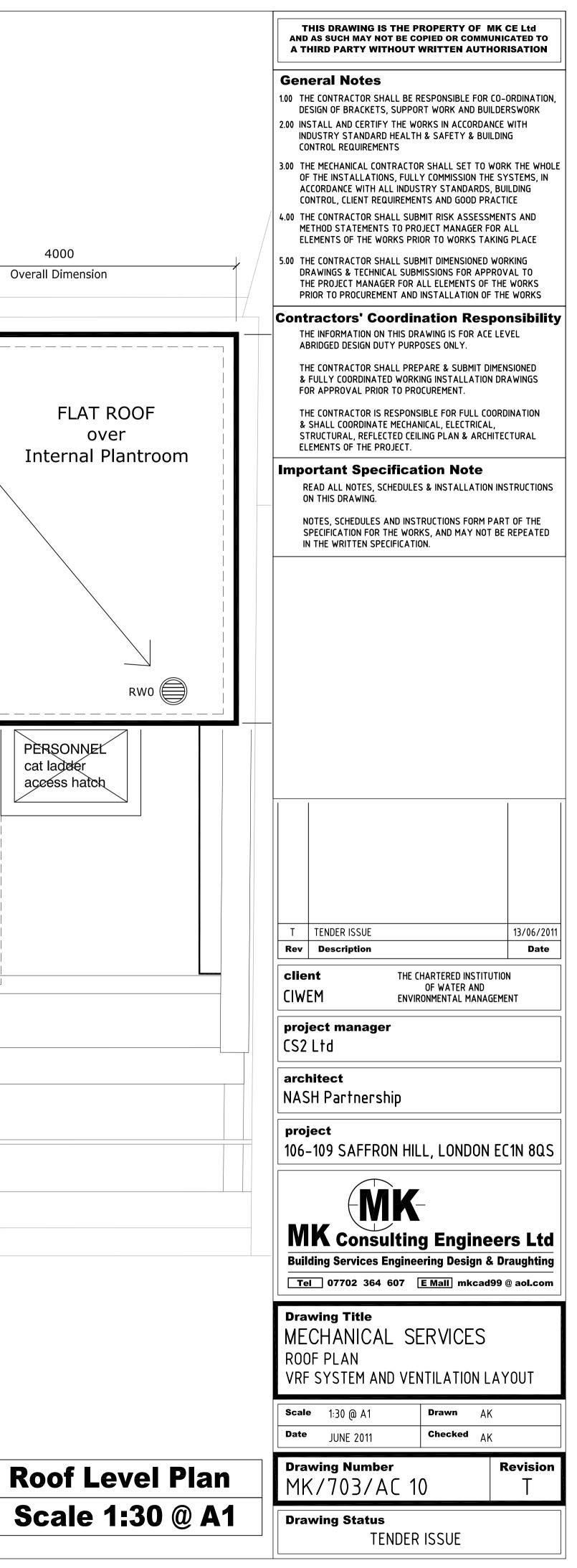
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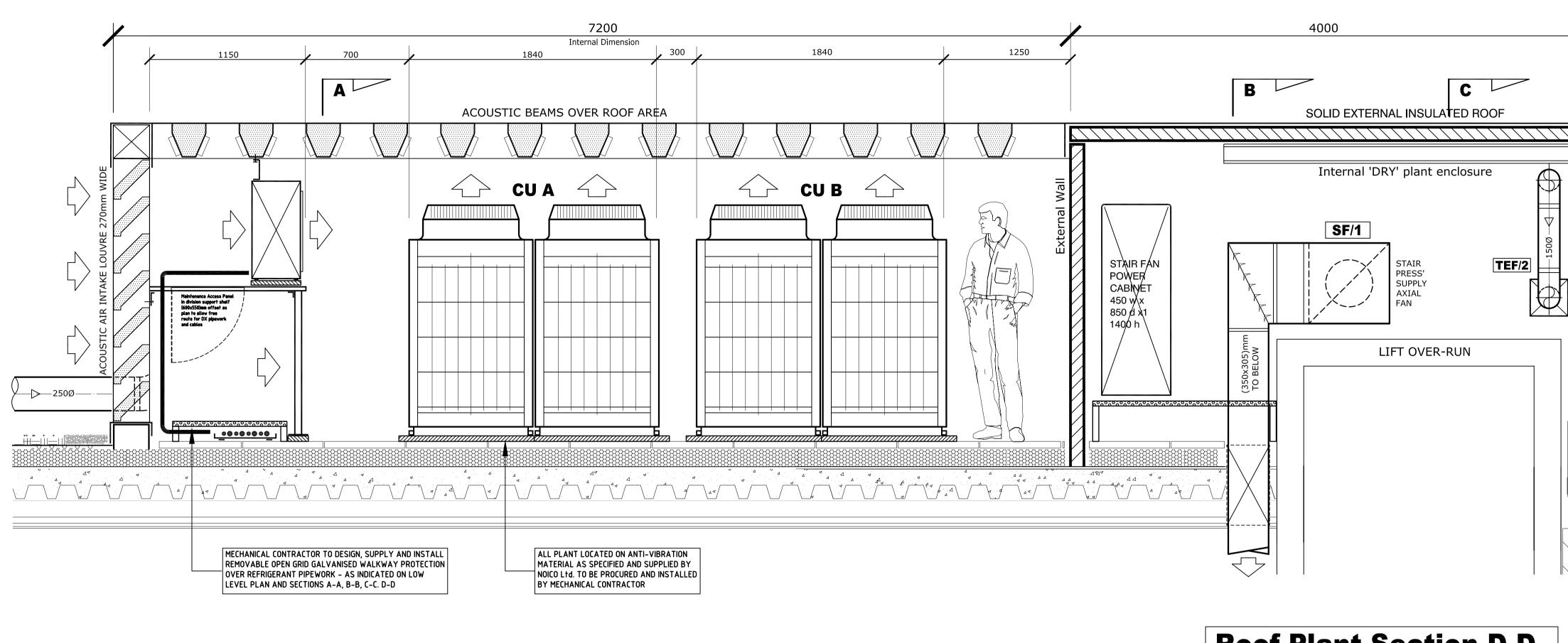
For further details of the submitted revisions of the current planning submission with supporting images and drawing references, please refer to Nash Partnership's 'Design and Access Statement' report.

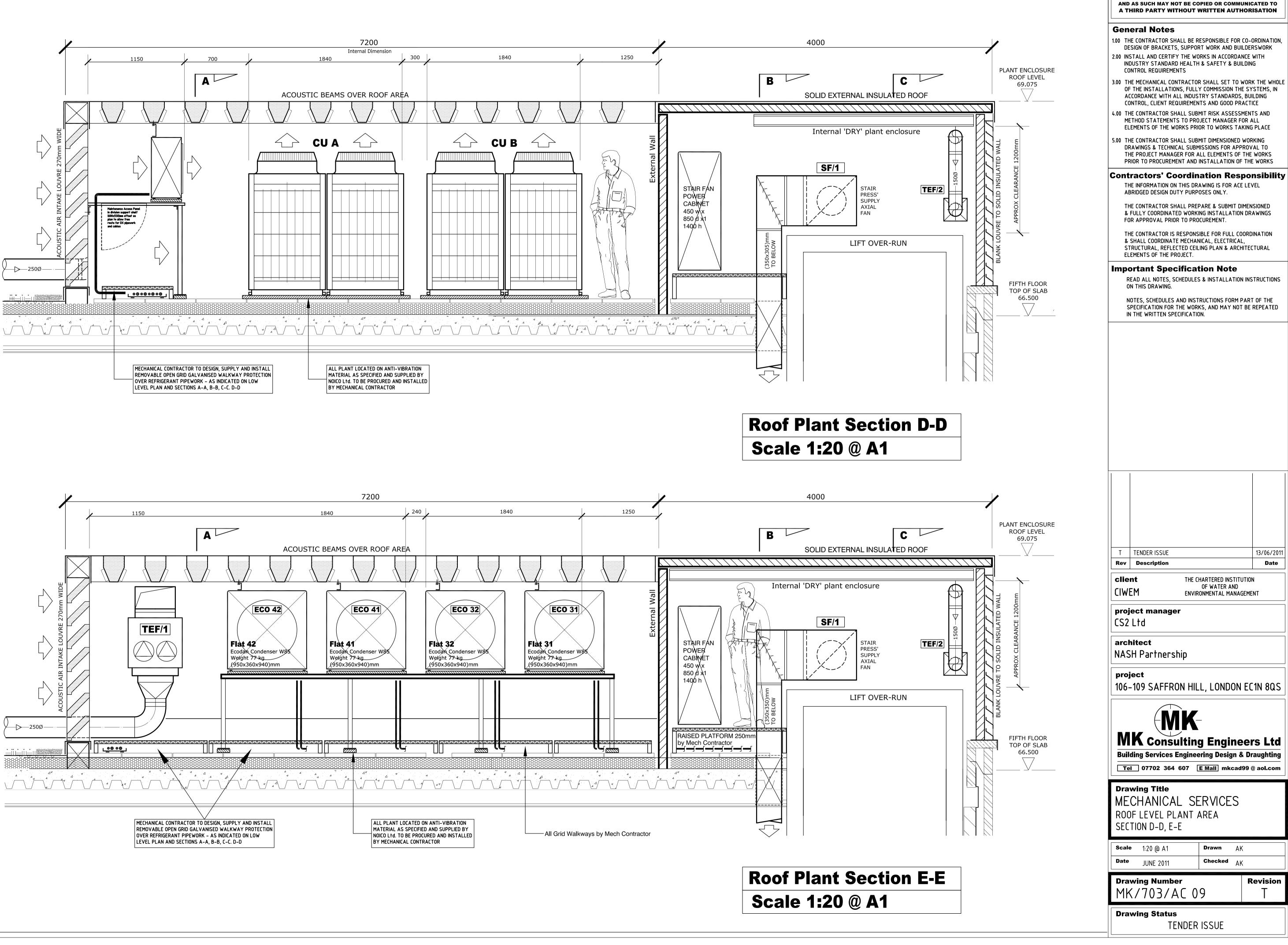




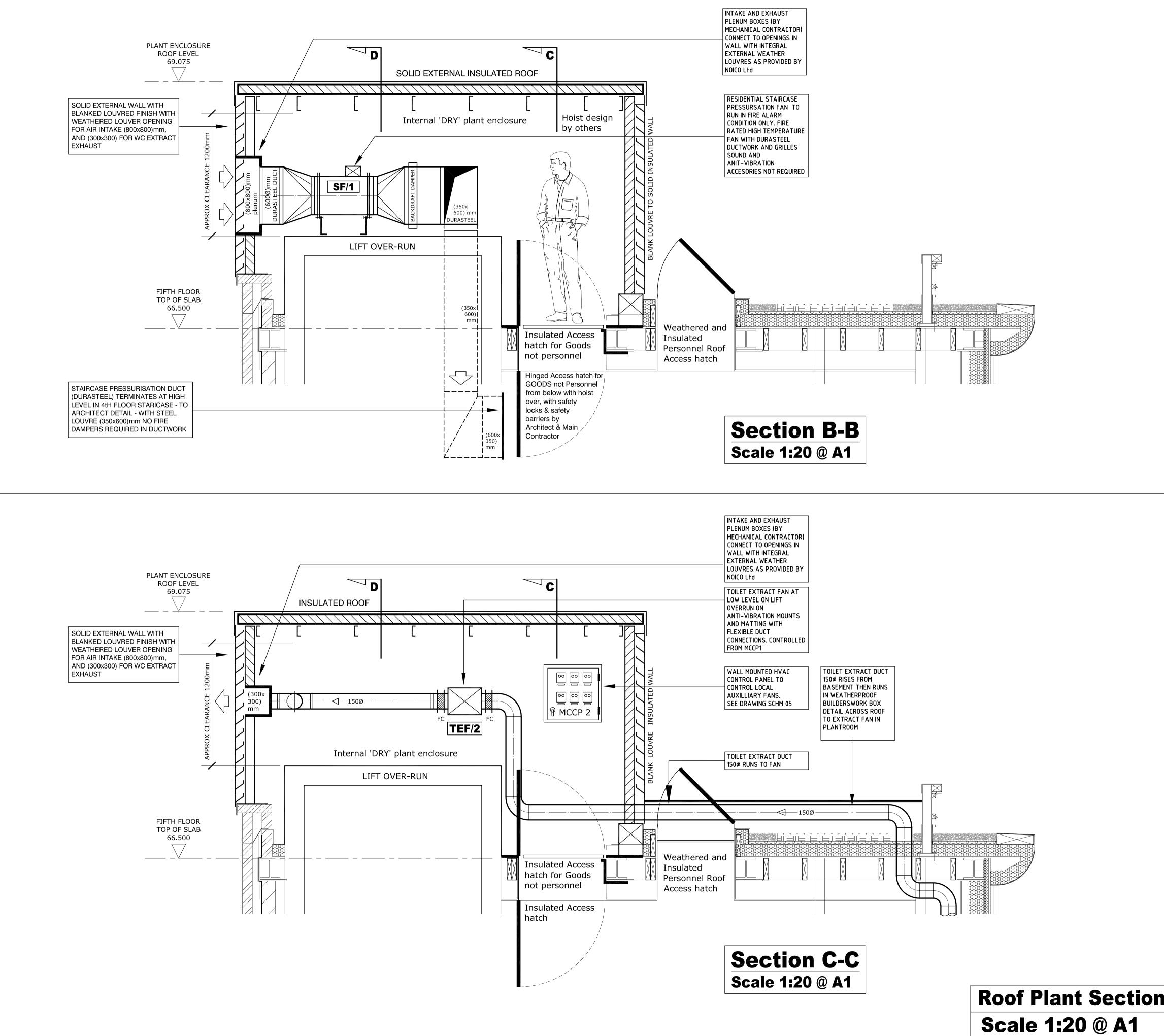


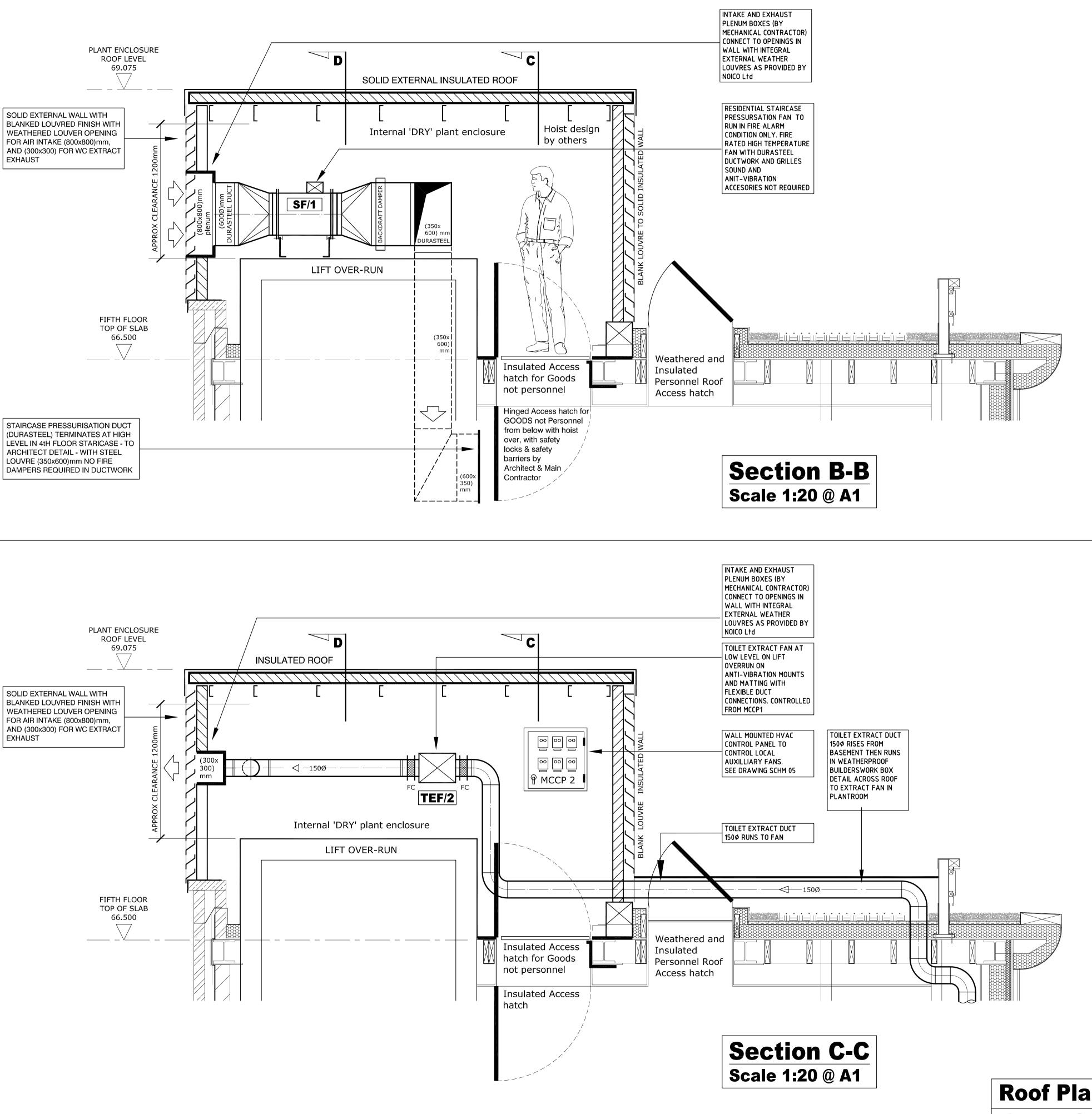




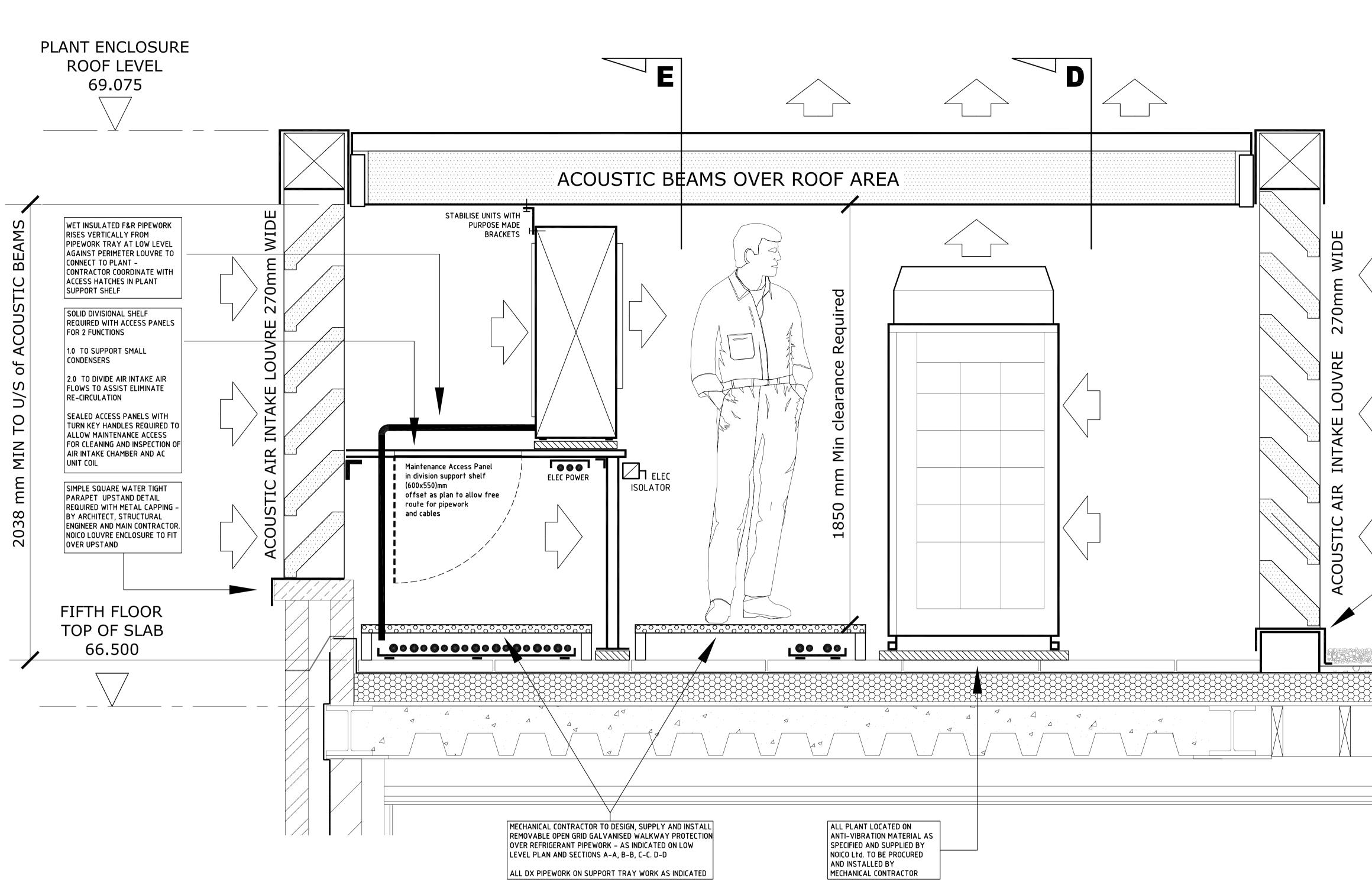


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Acoustic Roof Enclosure - Specification and division of responsibility

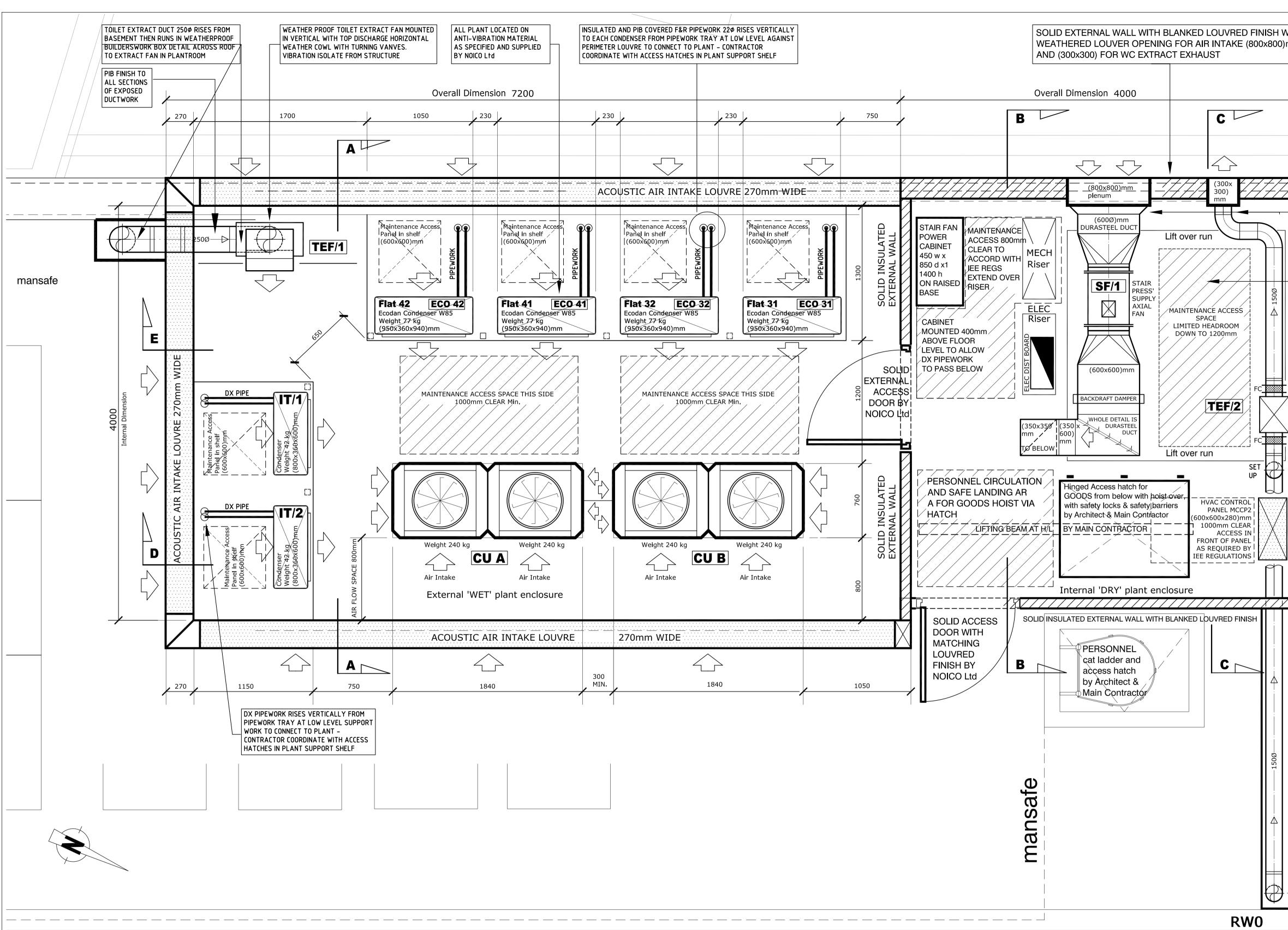
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