



## **FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT**

# Kay Court, 368-372 Finchley Road London NW3 7AJ

#### **CLIENT**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report has been prepared for Jewish Care in relation to the premises at Kay Court, 368-372 Finchley Road London NW3 7AJ and no responsibility is accepted to any third party for all or part of this study in connection with this or any other development.
- 1.2 The FRA has been developed to satisfy the requirements of Planning Policy Statement 25 (PPS25).

#### 2.0 REQUIREMENTS OF THE FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

- 2.1 Annexes E-G of PPS25 Development and Flood Risk set out the requirements of a Flood Risk Assessment. The Environment Agency has also published its Practice Guide outlining minimum requirements for FRA documents.
- 2.2 This Practice Guide requires that FRAs contain the following:
  - Location Plan.
  - Development proposals.
  - Existing information on extent and depth of flood events or on flood predictions.
  - Sources of flooding.
  - The impact of flooding on sites.
  - An assessment of the run-off likely to be generated.
  - The likely impact of displaced water on third parties.

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#### 3.0 EXISTING SITE & CURRENT FLOOD CONDITIONS

- 3.1 Kay Court lies within the London Borough of Camden. It lies 2.4km southeast of the River Brent, this being the nearest floodplain. Access is from Finchley Road to the west.
- 3.2 The site is a care home comprising 3 dwelling units with an annexe that has 57 bedrooms; there is also a single storey bungalow on the site. The total footprint area is approximately 953m<sup>2</sup>. Additional areas of hardstanding, ie positively drained, total 728m<sup>2</sup>, making the total impermeable area 1681m<sup>2</sup>.
- Existing site location maps and an aerial view of the site are shown in Appendix A. The site centres on national OS grid ref: E 525108m, N 186090m.
- A topographical survey of the existing site has been conducted, with levels to Ordnance Datum (Newlyn), and is contained within Appendix B of this report. The survey shows that the site has external levels ranging between 85.86m and 82.20m AOD. The ground floors' FFLs are not stated but appear to be approximately 84.6m AOD.
- 3.5 Foul and storm water from the building drains via gravity to the existing public storm and foul sewers located in the street, this being typical in urban buildings.
- 3.6 The site's solid geology, according to the BGS map is 'Claygate Member', which is 'interbedded fine-grained sand, silt and clay' and related to the more ubiquitous London Clay. There are no drift deposits in this vicinity.
- 3.7 The Environment Agency Flood Map in Appendix D shows that the site lies within the Flood Zone 1 (FZ1.) This means that the annual probability of flooding from the Brent is less than 0.1% or '1 in 1000 years'. This relates to solely the fluvial or river risk for inland sites: other sources such as groundwater, pluvial and sewer failure flooding have to be considered separately.
- 3.8 Table D3 in PPS25 states that all development uses are appropriate in FZ1.
- 3.9 There is one historical record of flooding on this site from a Thames Water sewer failure, according to the North London Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA.) See the SFRA maps and records in Appendix D. This is an excerpt from section '5.5.5.3 Floods in Camden Report of the Floods Scrutiny Panel' of the SFRA:
  - "The flood event on 7 August 2002 was caused by excessive rainfall causing the main sewer system to become completely inundated. The surcharge pressure forced the water to back onto the streets through manholes and gully gratings and into residents' homes at basement and ground floor level. It was stated that "any blocked or otherwise deficient Camden Council highway gullies could not have caused flooding on this scale" as the flood water could not drain to the trunk sewer.
  - This was supported by Thames Water's evidence confirming that the flooding was caused by its sewer system reaching maximum capacity very quickly so that surface water could not be drained at the rate as the rain fell."
- 3.10 Although there is every chance that Thames Water will improve the state of the sewers, which would help to keep such incidents recurring to a minimum, there is no guarantee that this will happen. Even if there are extensive works it is unclear as to how much this will improve the situation. The only fact that is certain is that Camden as a whole suffers from such inundations periodically and so until it is proven otherwise this has to be borne in mind and mitigated against in new developments.

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#### 4.0 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT & MITIGATING MEASURES

- 4.1 The proposal is to demolish the existing buildings on the site and construct a new residential block with 36 self contained flats, together with basement car parking. See the proposed layout drawings in Appendix C.
- 4.2 The proposed building's 'footprint' area is to increase by 219m<sup>2</sup> to 1172m<sup>2</sup>.
- 4.3 As the building footprint will be enlarged and so some external alterations are to take place, overland and groundwater flow routes may be affected. As this neighbourhood is not prone to pluvial (surface water) flooding this is not anticipated to be a significant factor.
- 4.4 The proposed basement's FFL shall be set at 80.28m AOD.
- 4.5 Vulnerability: both care homes and dwellings are classed in Table D2 of Annex D in PPS25 as 'More Vulnerable'.
- The basement shall be tanked with a lined cavity drain system. The threat of groundwater flooding is not anticipated to be great as the site is not low lying. It is understood that a Site Investigation report, incorporating a 20m deep borehole, is due to be commissioned. This will show the current water table level, if within 20m of the ground's surface, and so should make this source more predictable. If this is found to be high there should be a pump installed to discharge any water collecting in the cavity.
- 4.7 Policy 4A.14 of the London Plan states: "The use of sustainable urban drainage systems should be promoted for development unless there are practical reasons for not doing so..." The proposal is to replace the existing units with a larger building. The runoff rate from all newly formed impermeable surfaces should be attenuated to approximately 50% of the current offsite flow rate in a 1 year storm. This flow rate is broadly: 1681m² x 50mm rain falling in one hour / 3600 seconds in 1 hour = 23.35 l/s. It is therefore proposed to limit the flow rate to 11.5 l/s in the critical 1 in 100 year plus 30% climate change storm event. See the drainage drawing in Appendix E.
- 4.8 There will be an attenuation tank capable of holding 42.5m<sup>3</sup>, which is the 1 in 100 years plus 30% climate change event see the calculation and drawing in Appendix E.
- 4.9 The invert level of the combined sewer in Finchley Road is 79.62m and so, as the IL of the basement's drainage is 78.42m AOD a pump will be needed to discharge this.
- 4.10 As outlined in section 3 above there is a clear risk of flooding in the event of high intensity rainfall causing the sewerage network to surcharge and ultimately flood. The floor and wall surfaces of this space should be formed of materials that will be easily cleaned after a flood event. Pumping stations are fitted with non-return valves: no water in the surcharged sewerage network will enter the site via the drainage network.
- 4.11 No additional surface water runoff over existing will be discharged from the new development. There will be no displaced water on to 3<sup>rd</sup> parties due to this development.

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#### 5.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

- 5.1 The proposal is to replace the existing buildings that comprise the care home at Kay Court with a single block of 36 residential flats.
- 5.2 There will be a small net decrease in impermeable area from 1681m<sup>2</sup> to 1596m<sup>2</sup>.
- 5.3 The EA's Flood Map in Appendix D indicates that the site lies in fluvial Flood Zone 1 (Low Probability), but the SFRA indicates that this part of the borough is susceptible to sewer failure flooding. It suffered from such an event in 2002.
- There is no change to the vulnerability as both the existing and proposed uses (Care Homes and Residential) are classed as 'More Vulnerable' in Table D2 of PPS25.
- 5.5 The offsite surface water flow rate will be reduced from 23.35l/s in a 1 in 1 year storm to 11.5l/s in the critical 1 in 100 year plus climate change event. The attenuation tank, sized at 42.5m<sup>3</sup>, will be positioned immediately upstream of the pump chamber.
- The pumped systems that discharge the foul and surface water into the public sewer in Finchley Road are fitted with non-return valves. Any surcharging of the public sewer will be stopped, meaning that only overland flow will cause the basement to flood.
- 5.7 The floor and wall surfaces of the basement should be of flood resilient, easily cleanable materials.
- 5.8 Only when the SI report is available will the actual threat of groundwater flooding be assessable. The water table level, if low, would indicate this risk is minimal. If it is high the basement's cavity lining should be fitted with a pump.

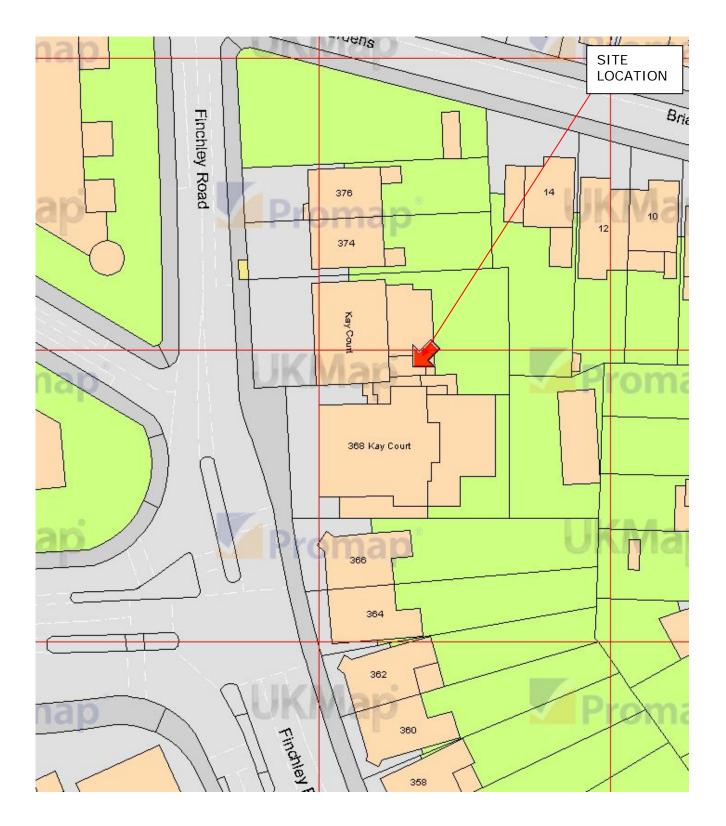
It is therefore considered that this development is PPS25 compliant.

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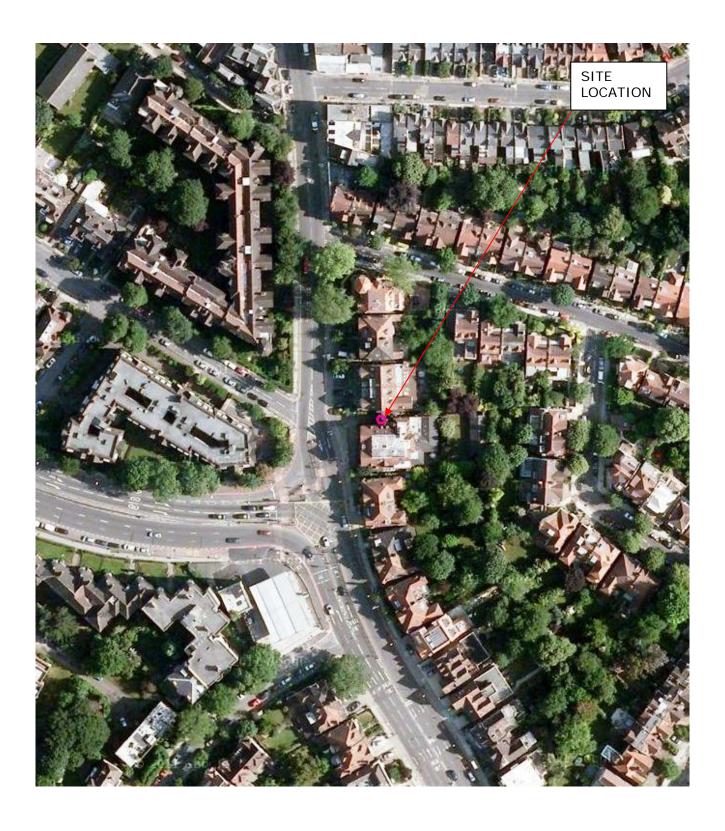
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## **APPENDIX A**

## Site Location Map & Aerial Photo



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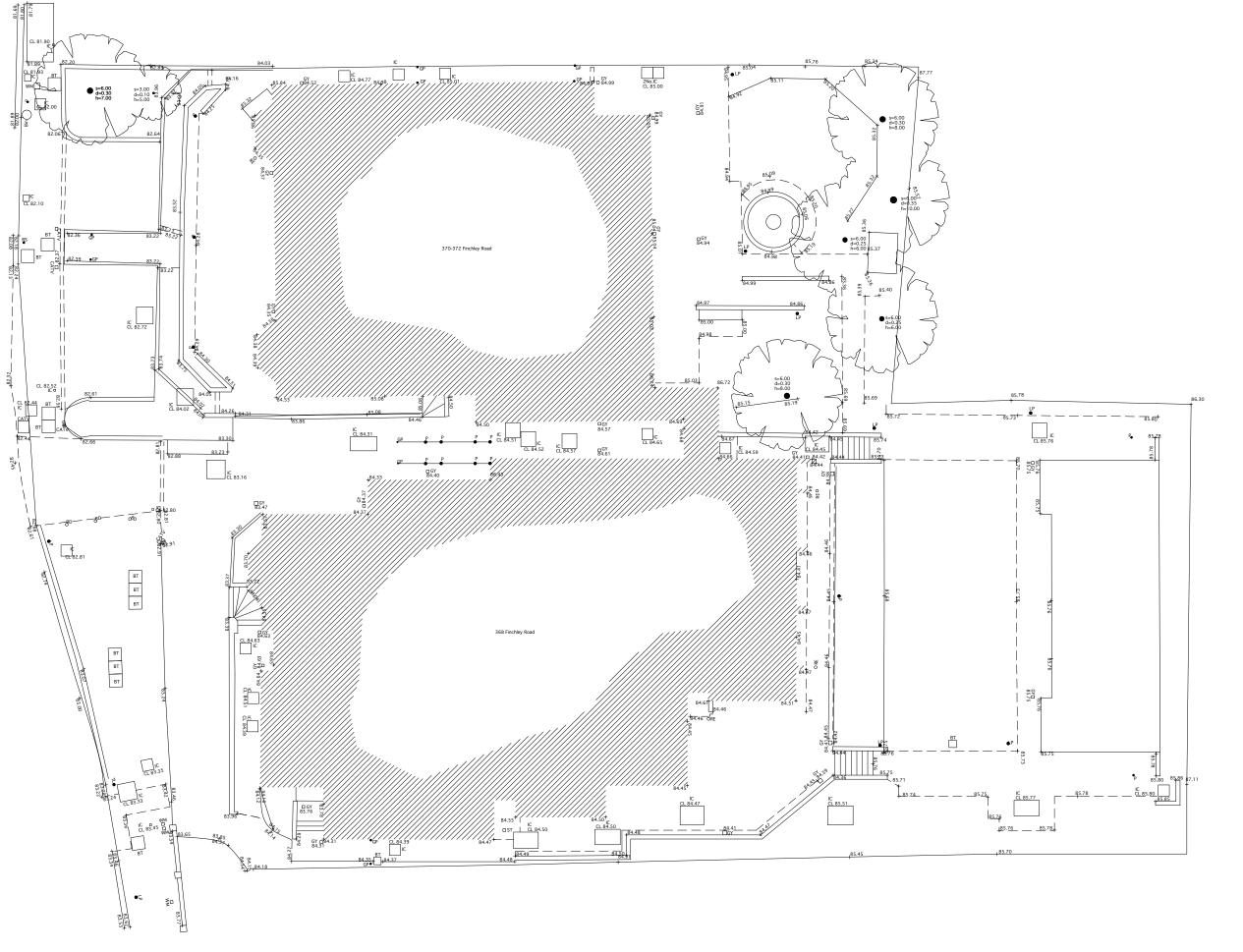


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Topographical Survey

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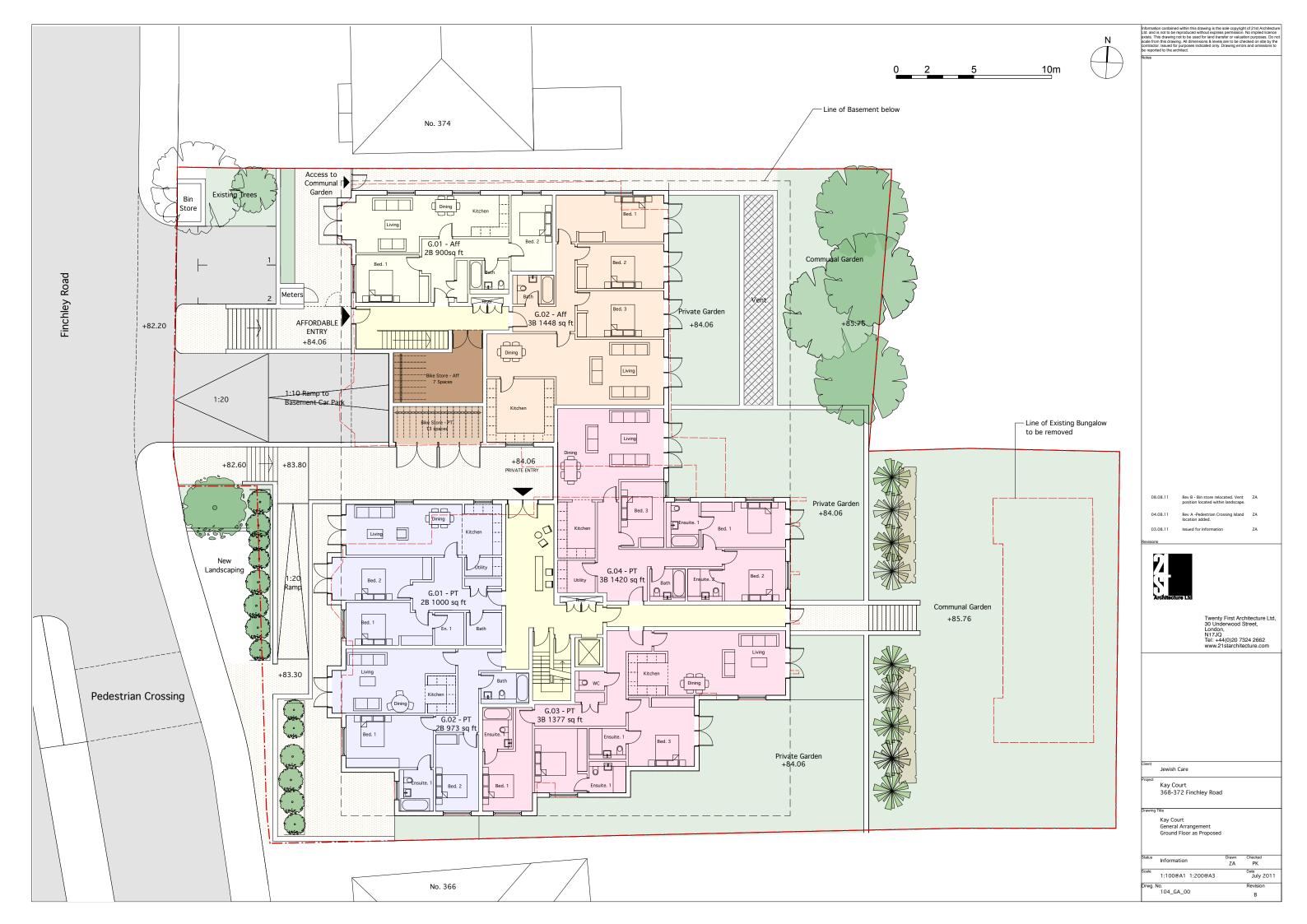
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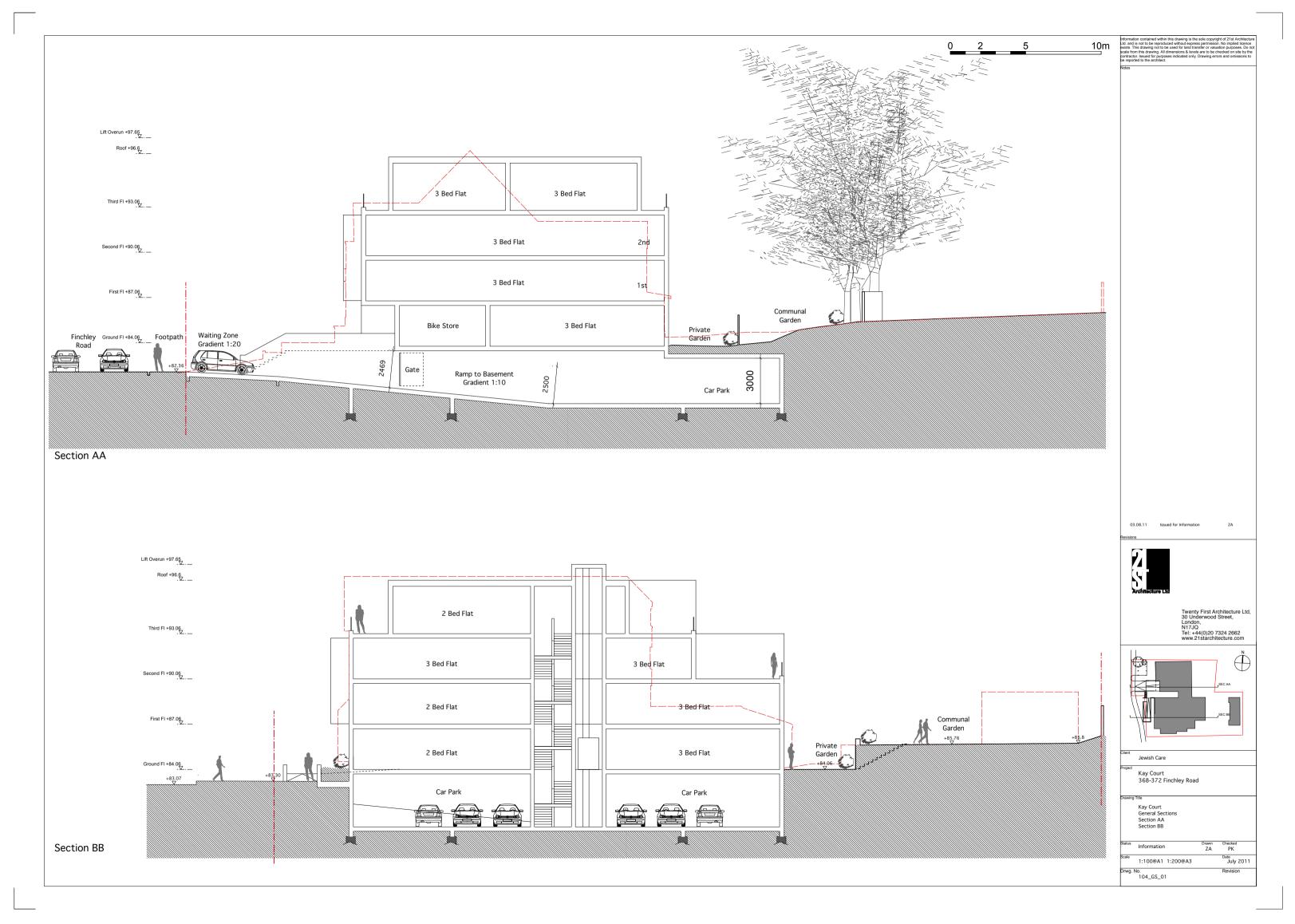
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Architect's Proposed Plans

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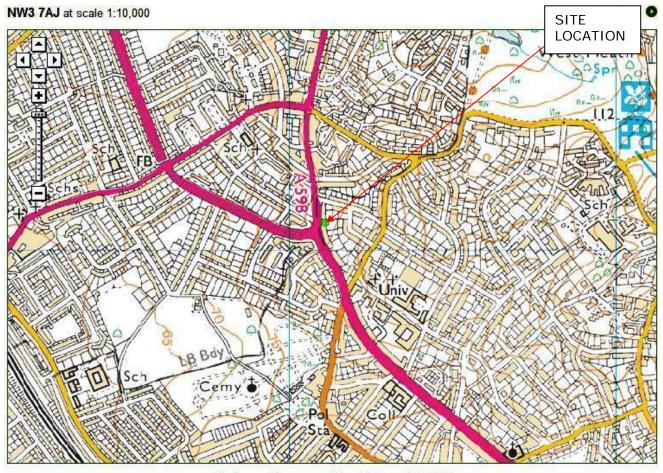






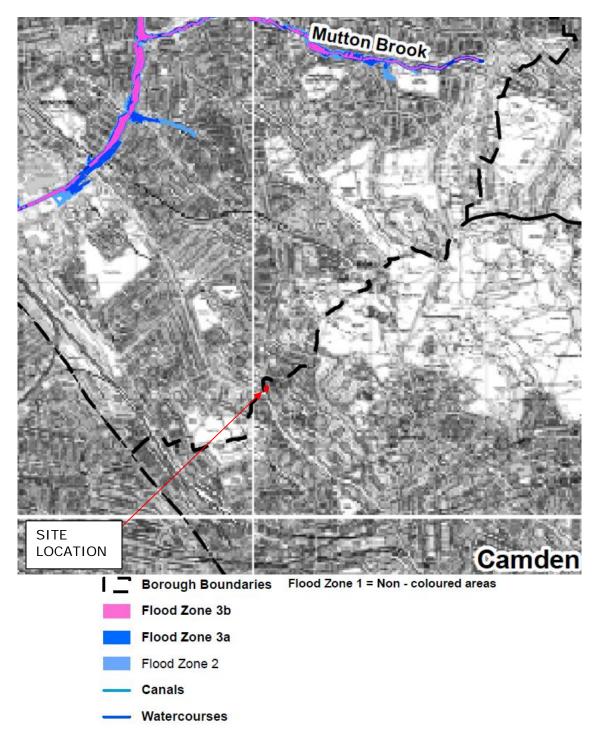
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## Environment Agency Flood Map & SFRA Flood Maps



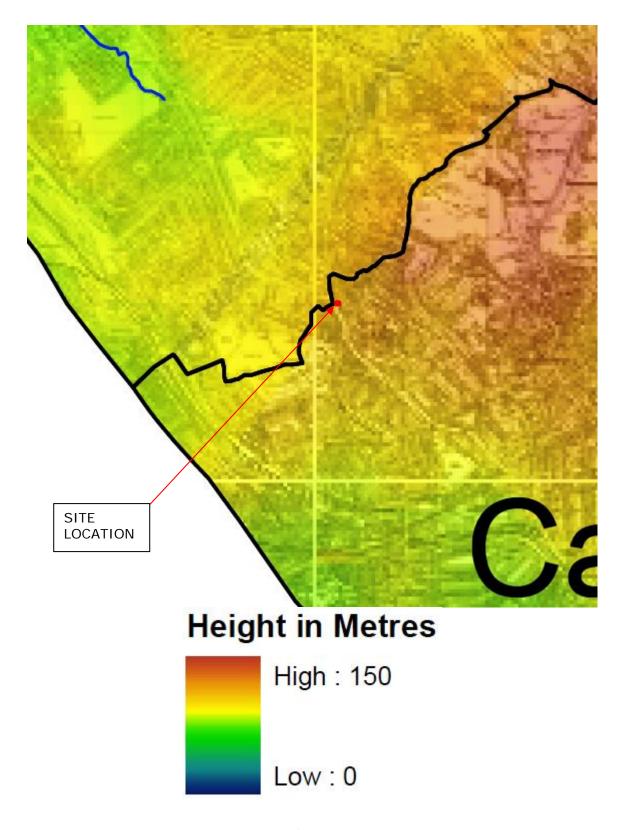
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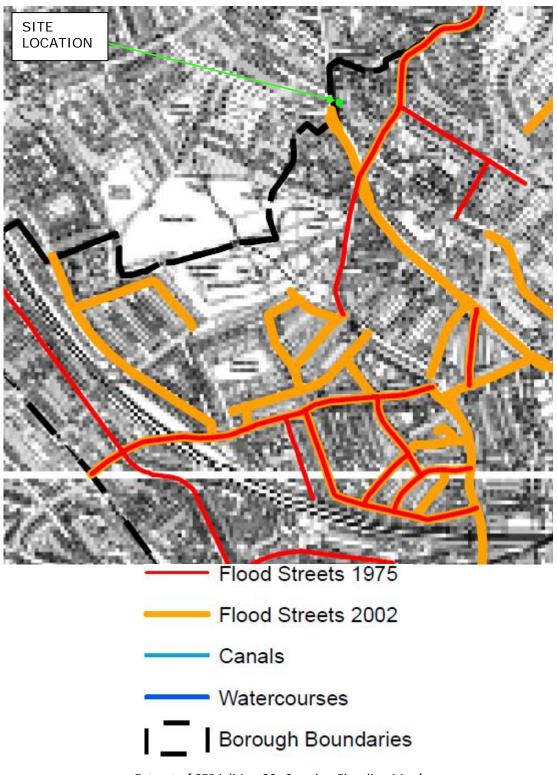
Enlarged Extract of SFRA Flood Zones Map

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Extract of SFRA 'Map 22: Camden Flooding Map'

(Although this shows the flood pattern stopping short of the site this is due to the borough boundary)

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Drainage Drawings and Calculation

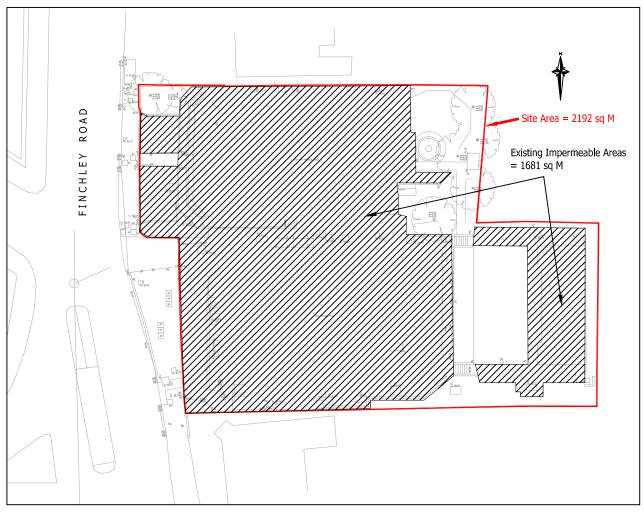
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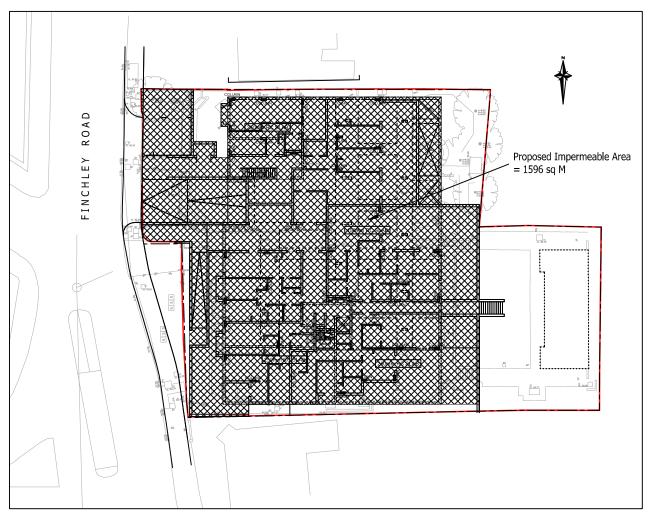
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**EXISTING SITE** 

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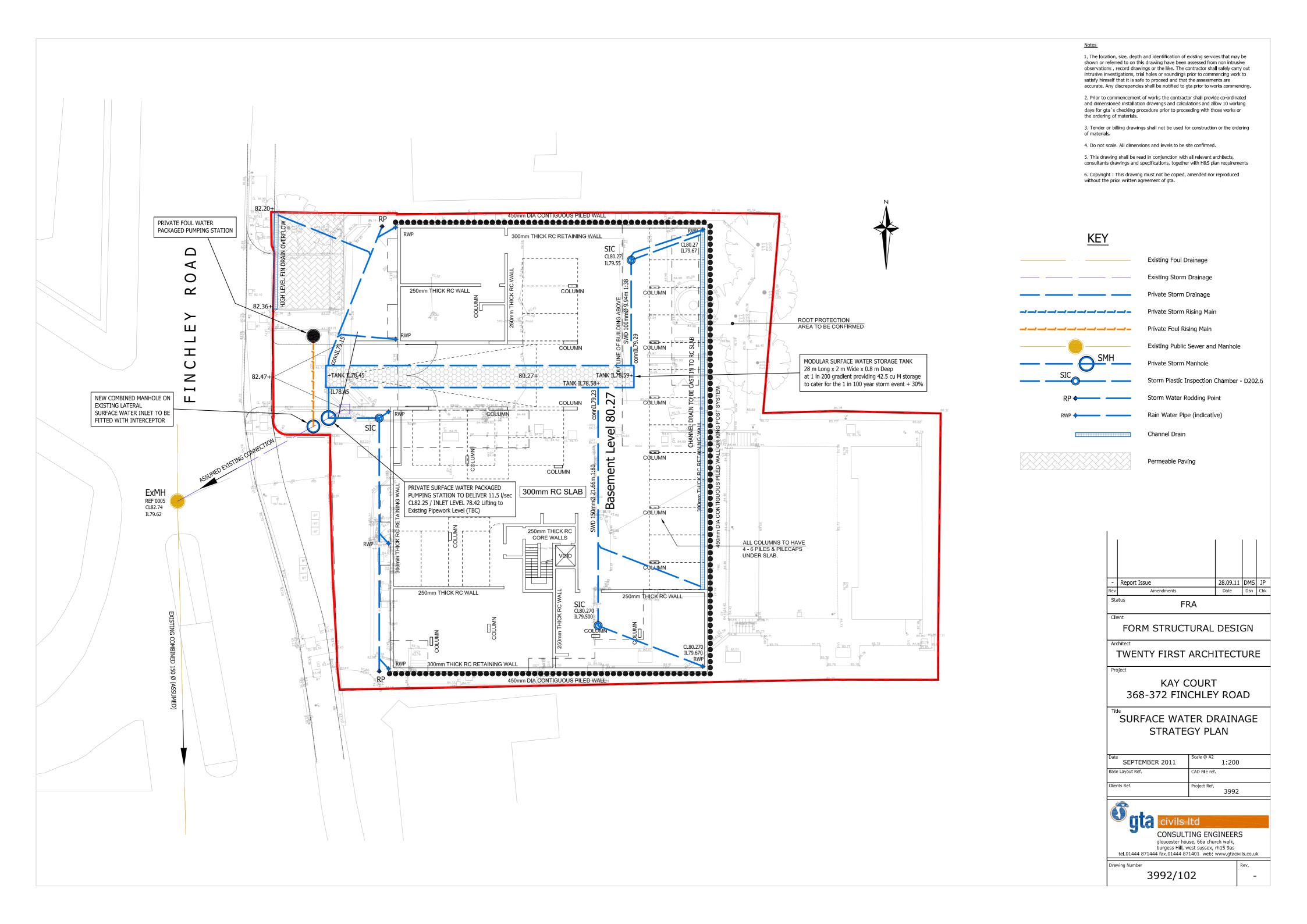
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IMPERMEABLE AREAS COMPARISON PLAN



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Summary of Results for 100 year Return Period (+30%)

Half Drain Time : 35 minutes

Storm		Maximum	Maximum	Maximum	Maximum	Maximum	Maximum	
Dura	ation	Control	Filtration	Outflow	Water Level	Depth	Volume	Status
(mi	$(\min s) \qquad (1/s) \qquad (1/s)$		(1/s)	1/s) (1/s) (m OI		(m)	(m³)	
15	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.2153	0.6003	31.9	O K
30	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.2923	0.6773	36.0	O K
60	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.2833	0.6683	35.5	O K
120	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.1873	0.5722	30.5	O K
180	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.0813	0.4662	24.8	O K
240	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	78.9807	0.3657	19.5	O K
360	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	78.8277	0.2127	11.3	O K
480	Summer	11.5	0.0	11.5	78.7323	0.1173	6.2	O K
600	Summer	11.4	0.0	11.4	78.6893	0.0743	4.0	O K
	Summer	10.0	0.0	10.0	78.6768	0.0618	3.3	O K
960	Summer	8.0	0.0	8.0	78.6597	0.0447	2.4	O K
	Summer	5.8	0.0	5.8	78.6408	0.0257	1.4	O K
2160	Summer	4.2	0.0	4.2	78.6263	0.0113	0.6	O K
	Summer	3.3	0.0	3.3	78.6188	0.0038	0.2	O K
	Summer	2.4	0.0	2.4	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	O K
	Summer	1.9	0.0	1.9	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	O K
	Summer	1.5	0.0	1.5	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	O K
8640	Summer	1.3	0.0	1.3	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	O K
	Summer	1.2	0.0	1.2	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	O K
15	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.3058	0.6908	36.8	O K
	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.4098	0.7948	42.3	O K
	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.3933	0.7783	41.4	O K
	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.2453	0.6303	33.5	O K
	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	79.0797	0.4647	24.7	O K
240	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	78.9298	0.3147	16.7	O K
360	Winter	11.5	0.0	11.5	78.7258	0.1108	5.9	O K
480	Winter	10.1	0.0	10.1	78.6783	0.0633	3.4	O K
	Winter	8.5	0.0	8.5	78.6643	0.0492	2.6	O K
	Winter	7.4	0.0	7.4	78.6543	0.0392	2.1	O K
	Winter	5.8	0.0	5.8	78.6408	0.0257	1.4	O K
1440	Winter	4.2	0.0	4.2	78.6268	0.0118	0.6	ОК

Dura	orm tion .ns)	Rain (mm/hr)	Time-Peak (mins)
	Summer	138.78	16
30		89.89	29
60		55.35	44
120		32.90	78
180		23.95	112
240		19.00	144
360		13.73	202
480 600		10.89	256
720		9.09 7.84	308 368
960	Summer	6.20	490
1440	Summer	4.46	734
2160		3.19	1100
2880		2.52	1464
4320		1.80	0
5760	Summer	1.42	0
7200	Summer	1.18	0
8640	Summer	1.01	0
10080	Summer	0.89	0
15	Winter	138.78	17
30		89.89	30
60		55.35	48
120		32.90	86
180		23.95	120
240		19.00	150
360		13.73	202
480	Winter Winter	10.89	248 308
	Winter	7.84	368
960		6.20	490
1440		4.46	728

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## Summary of Results for 100 year Return Period (+30%)

Storm Duration (mins)	Maximum Control (1/s)	Maximum Filtration (1/s)	Maximum Outflow (1/s)	Maximum Water Level (m OD)	Maximum Depth (m)	Maximum Volume (m³)	Status
2160 Winter	3.0	0.0	3.0	78.6163	0.0013	0.1	ОК
2880 Winter	2.4	0.0	2.4	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	ОК
4320 Winter	1.7	0.0	1.7	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	ОК
5760 Winter	1.3	0.0	1.3	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	ОК
7200 Winter	1.1	0.0	1.1	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	ОК
8640 Winter	1.0	0.0	1.0	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	ОК
10080 Winter	0.8	0.0	0.8	78.6150	0.0000	0.0	O K

Storm Duration (mins)	Rain (mm/hr)	Time-Peak (mins)
2160 Winte 2880 Winte 4320 Winte 5760 Winte 7200 Winte	2.52 er 1.80 er 1.42	1084 0 0 0
8640 Winte 10080 Winte		0

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#### Rainfall Details

Region ENG+WAL Cv (Summer) 0.750 Summer Storms Yes Return Period (years) 100 Cv (Winter) 0.840 Winter Storms Yes M5-60 (mm) 21.000 Shortest Storm (mins) 15 Climate Change % +30 Ratio-R 0.430 Longest Storm (mins) 10080

Time / Area Diagram

Total Area (ha) = 0.160

Time (mins) Area from: to: (ha)

0 4 0.160

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#### Cellular Storage Details

Infil Coef - Base (m/hr) 0.000000 Porosity 0.95
Infil Coef - Sides (m/hr) 0.000000 Invert Level (m) 78.615
Safety Factor 2.0 Ground Level (m) 82.200

Depth (m)	Area (m²)	Infil. Area (m²)									
0.00	56.0	56.0	2.80	0.0	104.0	5.60	0.0	104.0	8.40	0.0	104.0
0.40	56.0	80.0	3.20	0.0	104.0	6.00	0.0	104.0	8.80	0.0	104.0
0.80	56.0	104.0	3.60	0.0	104.0	6.40	0.0	104.0	9.20	0.0	104.0
1.20	0.0	104.0	4.00	0.0	104.0	6.80	0.0	104.0	9.60	0.0	104.0
1.60	0.0	104.0	4.40	0.0	104.0	7.20	0.0	104.0	10.00	0.0	104.0
2.00	0.0	104.0	4.80	0.0	104.0	7.60	0.0	104.0			
2.40	0.0	104.0	5.20	0.0	104.0	8.00	0.0	104.0			

#### Pump Outflow Control

## Invert Level of Control 78.590

Depth (m)	Flow (1/s)	_	Flow (1/s)	Depth (m)	Flow (1/s)	-	Flow (1/s)	_	Flow (1/s)	_	Flow (1/s)
0.10	11.5	0.60	11.5	1.60	11.5	2.60	11.5	5.00	11.5	7.50	11.5
0.20	11.5	0.80	11.5	1.80	11.5	3.00	11.5	5.50	11.5	8.00	11.5
0.30	11.5	1.00	11.5	2.00	11.5	3.50	11.5	6.00	11.5	8.50	11.5
0.40	11.5	1.20	11.5	2.20	11.5	4.00	11.5	6.50	11.5	9.00	11.5
0.50	11.5	1.40	11.5	2.40	11.5	4.50	11.5	7.00	11.5	9.50	11.5

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