

13 Prince Albert Road NW1

# **Structural Methodology Report**

#### **Brief**

This document is the structural methodology report carried out for the purposes of the planning application for the proposals at 13 Prince Albert Road. It should be noted that this report outlines and suggests the assumed construction at this stage. It should also be noted that, as is standard for works of this type, the main contractor will be fully responsible for the design and erection of all temporary works.

The purpose of the report, with the Basement Impact Assessment prepared by GEA, is to demonstrate that a subterranean development can be constructed on the particular site having regard to the sites existing structural conditions and geology.

The Basement Impact Assessment prepared by GEA references to the stages set out in the CPG4 Basement & Lightwells planning document.

#### **Richard Tant Associates**

Richard Tant Associates are consulting Civil and Structural Engineers comprising a number of chartered engineers. We have experience in post basement construction and have successfully carried out a number of basements in the Borough Camden from the Basement Impact Assessment stage through to construction on site.

### **Description of Proposed Basement and Internal Works**

13 Prince Albert Road is a semi detached stucco villa dating from the mid 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The property consists of five storeys including a lower ground floor and is in sound structural condition with no signs of significant differential movement. The proposal is to extend the existing lower ground floor and to create a new basement level, approximately 3.6m below current lower ground floor level and locally deepened by another 2m to accommodate the proposed swimming pool. Please refer to the following drawings produced by Hugh Cullum Architects Ltd: P500 to P517 and the existing survey drawings. The proposal is to construct a contiguous piled wall around the site and to underpin the existing structure in a two staged concrete underpin. Temporary props will be used to prop the contiguous piled walls during construction until the permanent reinforced concrete lining retaining wall is cast. This will be described in more detail throughout this report and shown on the drawings 3561-SG01C and SG02C enclosed.

#### **Basement Works**

A geotechnical report including a flood risk assessment has been carried out by GEA; the bore holes confirm up to 1.8m of made ground overlying London Clay with groundwater seepage recorded at a depth of 4m. Standpipe monitoring recorded a water level of 2m below ground level. We note the GEA report highlights that groundwater inflow is likely to be very slow. Based on this geotechnical information the new basement construction is to comprise a piled wall with a liner wall or reinforced concrete underpinned retaining walls with an internal cavity drain system. This will be described in more detail throughout this report. Please refer to our drawings 3561-SG01C and SG02C.



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### Supporting the Proposed Loads

The vertical and horizontal loads will be supported via reinforced concrete retaining walls or reinforced concrete underpinning with the vertical loads from the internal floors and ground floor walls being supported via the new steel frames in turn supported via new internal pad foundations and proposed basement walls. Refer to calculation sheets for justification: 3561-P1 et seq.

### Structural Integrity of Surrounding Structures and Utilities

A sewer 18m deep is located passing under a corner of the site. Advanced geotechnical analysis has been carried out to confirm the proposed basement does not have a significant adverse structural effect on the sewer approved by Thames Water.

### Slope Instability

The proposal is to construct the walls in stages that will be temporarily propped until the final base is constructed and cured. No battering back is proposed. We therefore confirm slope instability will not be initiated due to these works. Please refer to the proposed drawings, 3561-SG01 and SG02.

### Impact on Drainage and Surface Water

An existing shallow sewer is being maintained to the approval of Thames Water. With regards to surface water the basement is mainly below existing hard standing. Refer to the surface flow assessment in the Soils Ltd. basement impact assessment.

# **Geological & Hydrological Concerns**

The application is informed and supplemented by the hydrological section of the geotechnical report and flood risk assessment carried out by GEA and identified in their basement impact assessment.

# Structural Stability of the Existing Buildings

The proposed basement is to be constructed between reinforced underpinning generally under the existing building's external walls except at the front and back where pilling is proposed with a lining wall. Refer to calculation sheets for justification. These works are not expected to create any significant differential settlement or have a detrimental effect on the structural stability of the existing building or neighbouring buildings.

# **Impact on Trees**

There are no significant trees in the zone of influence of the proposed basement.



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## **Temporary Works**

Please refer to the proposed drawings, 3561-SG01C and SG02C for details of the temporary works. When the contractor is appointed he will be fully responsible for the temporary works including the design and erection.

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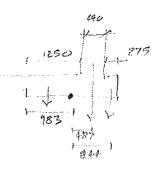
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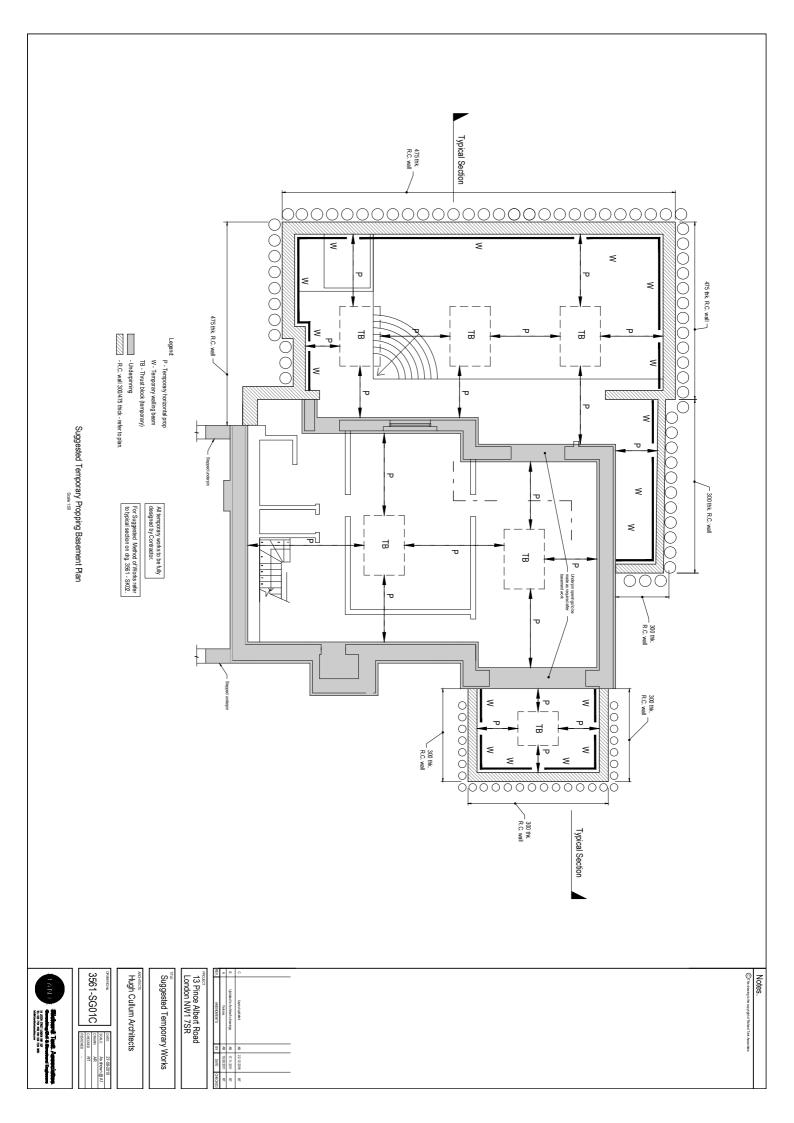
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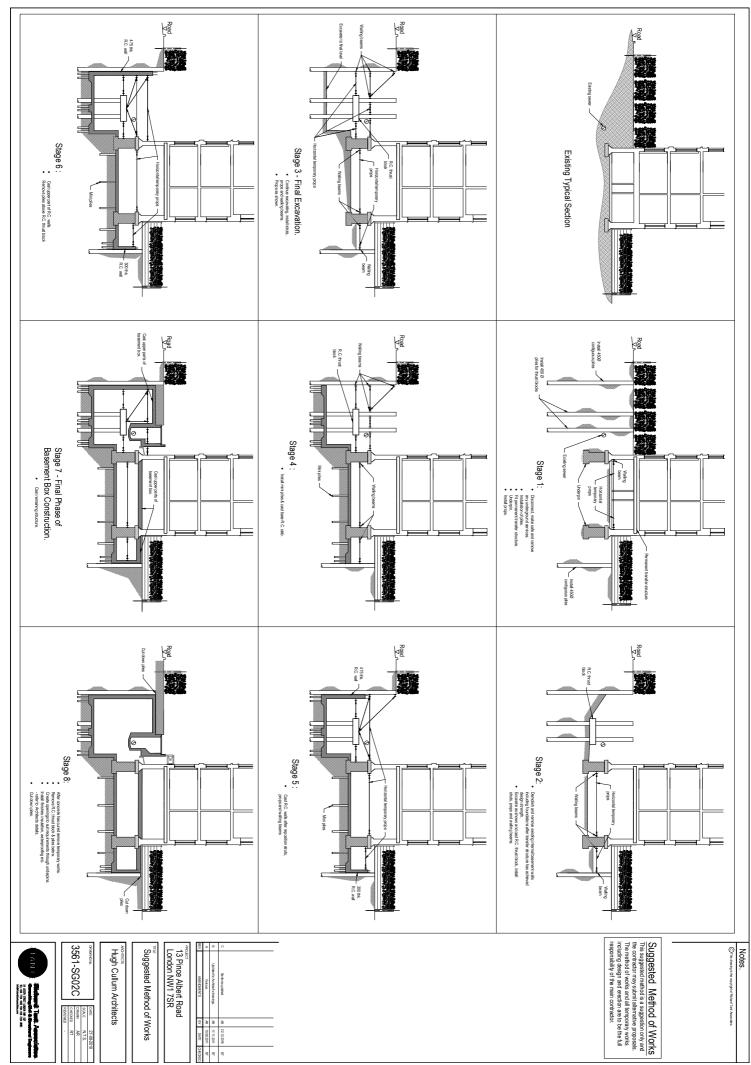


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