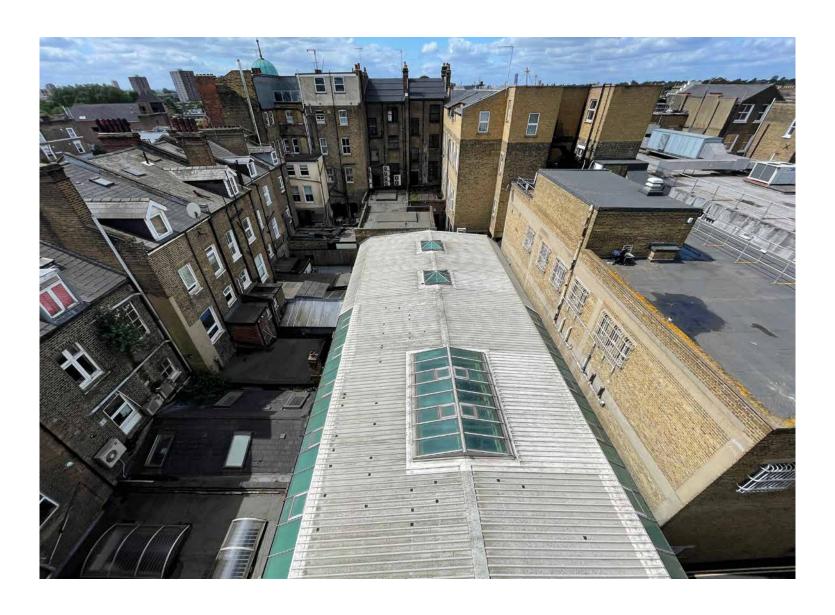
DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

264 Belsize Road, London NW6 4BT

PLANNING APPLICATION
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DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT:

Alterations and extensions to existing redundant non-residential institution building to C3 permanent residential use, to form 5 no. two-bedroom duplexes.

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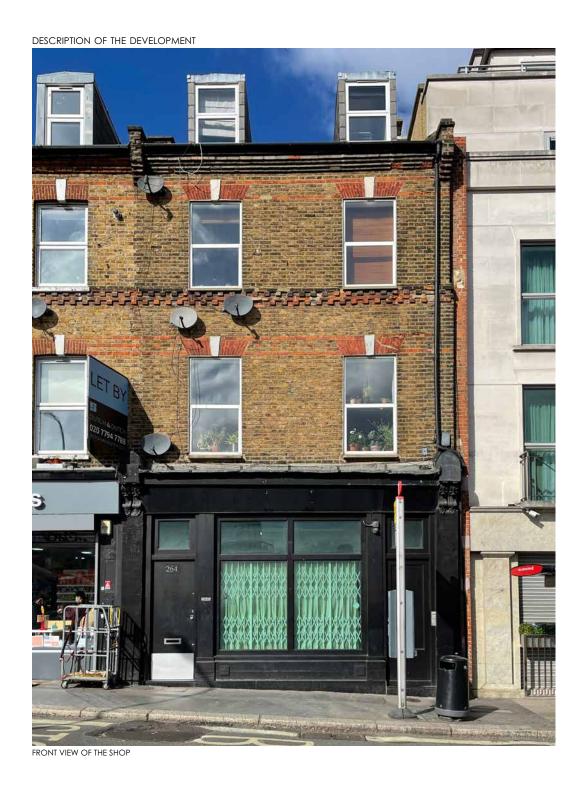
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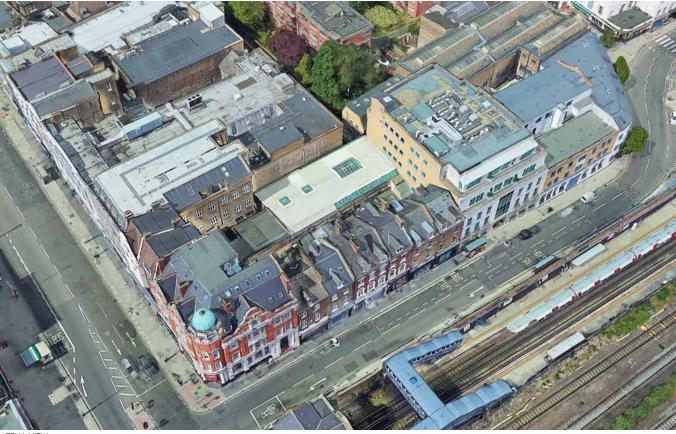
The property is currently vacant.

The site is comprised of two parts: a ground floor front part accessed directly from Belsize Road, leading to a steel frame two-storey building at the rear. The first floor of the rear building is comprised of a steel portal frame, clad in insulated profiled metal panels.

The existing building has an existing means of escape to the west, via 50-52 Kilburn High Road, discharging onto Kilburn High Road. This alternative means of escape will be maintained in the new proposals.

The site is located in a close proximity to transport links: railway, London Underground and Bus routes. Kilburn High Road is a part of the A5 major road which provides large-scale transport links between areas. There are various public amenities and services available within walking distance; in effect the site is located in a busy and vibrant area and is eminently suitable as a location for residential use.





AERIAL VIEW



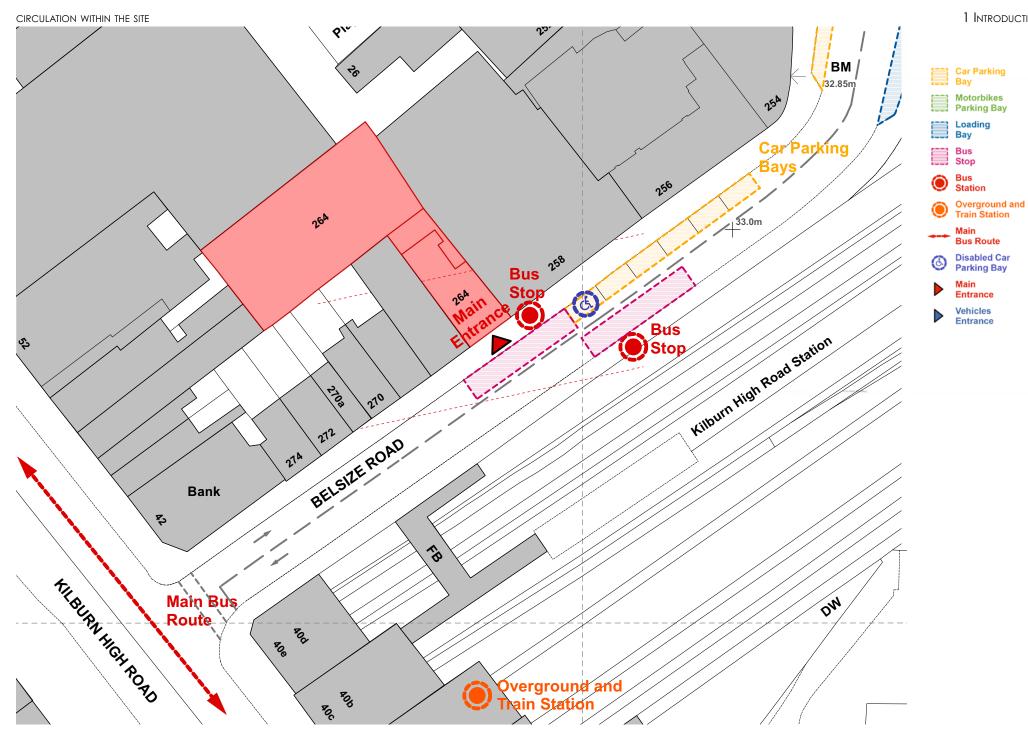
VIEW FROM KILBURN PLACE

SITE: LOCATION AND CONTEXT



Main

Vehicles

















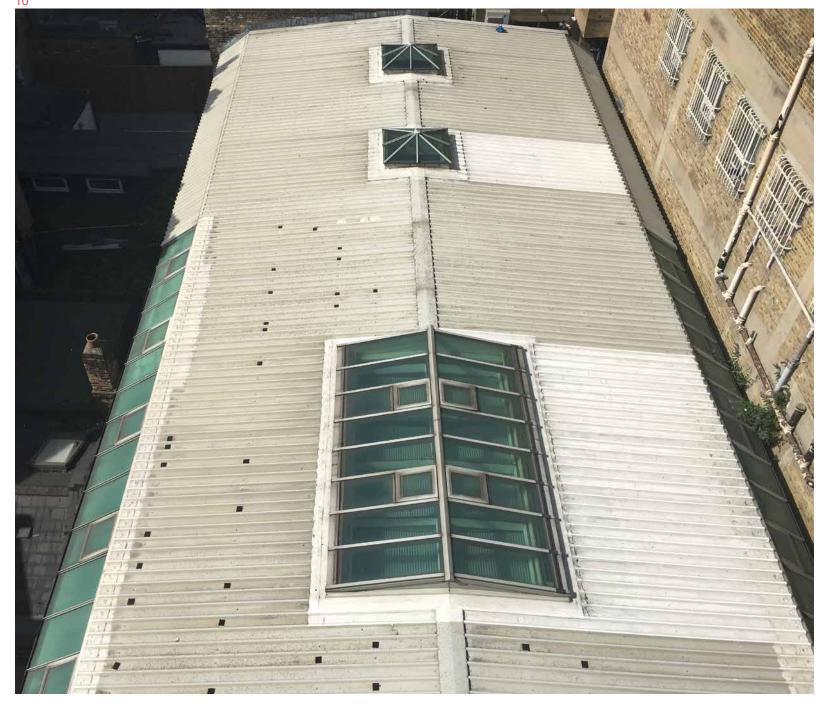






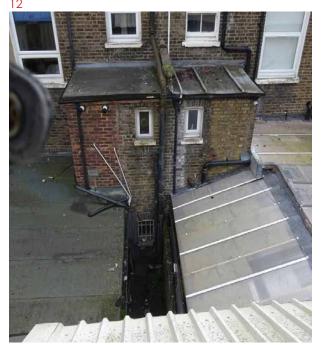


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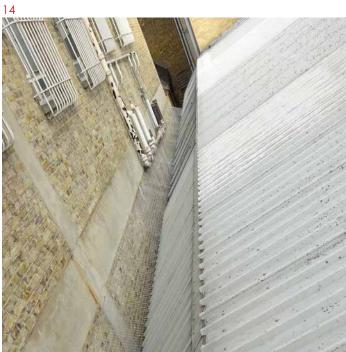


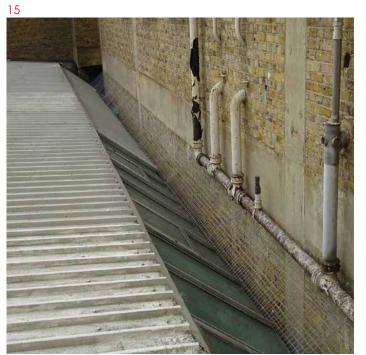
Close-up view boundary
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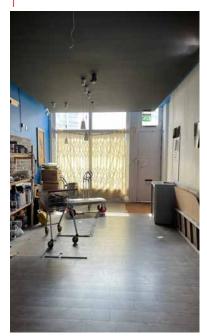


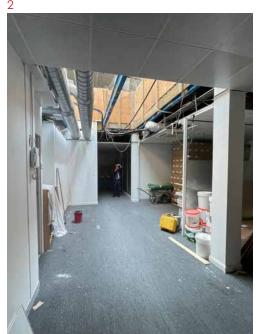




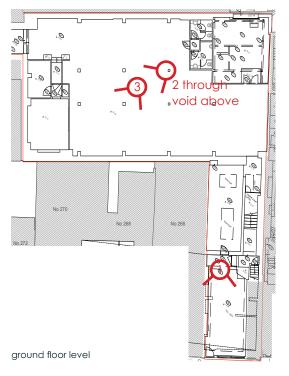


Internal views as existing





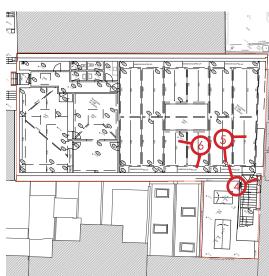












first floor level

RECENT PLANNING HISTORY

The building was used by the International Gospel Community Church between 11th November 2009 and vacated 30th October 2016.

A planning application was application by the International Gospel Community Church was registered 29-06-2009 [CHECK], application reference no. 2009/2500/P. The description of development was given as:

'Retrospective permission for change of use of the premises from office use (Class B1) to non-residential institution'

Extract from delegated report for Application no. 2009/2500/P

"The main building has a substantial footprint; measuring 27.0m x 13.75m. The entire premises measures 624m2. The surrounding buildings vary in height from 3- to 5-storeys. These are generally in commercial use at ground floor level with residential and other uses in the upper floors. The neighbouring buildings within the urban block range in height from 2- to 4-storeys. Many of these buildings are attached to or serve the nearby commercial uses. The site is not located in a Conservation Area. The building on the site is not listed.

Relevant History May 2009 Application [ref. 2009/0538/P] for change of use from office use (Class B1) to non-residential institution (Class D1). Withdrawn by the applicant on officer advice, as no information was provided on the specific hours of the most noisegenerating activities, no form of noise attenuation was proposed to the building and no technical report was provided to demonstrate the extent of the noise generated and whether it would meet the Council's noise standards."

Planning permission was granted on 5 October 2009.

Under the revised Uses Classes Order, which revokes Class D uses, it is assumed that the current use is F1(f) - Public worship or religious instruction (or in connection with such use).

CURRENT USE

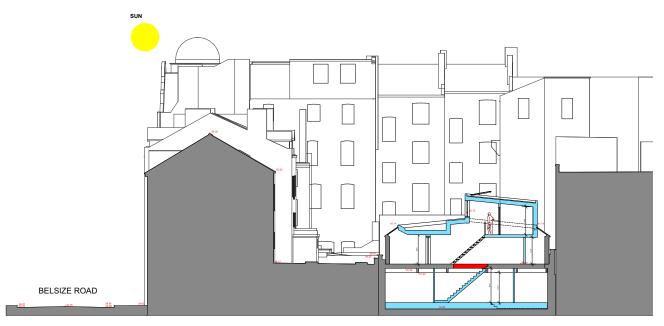
Since the International Gospel Community Church vacated the site in October 2016, it has not been possible to find an alternative class D1/F user to take the building. The use of the building prior to the occupation by the church – as offices – is also no longer commercially viable. Since it became vacant it has been used episodically by the applicant for storage.

POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT: THE DESIGN APPROACH



SECTION BB AS EXISTING

BELSIZE ROAD



SECTION BB AS PROPOSED

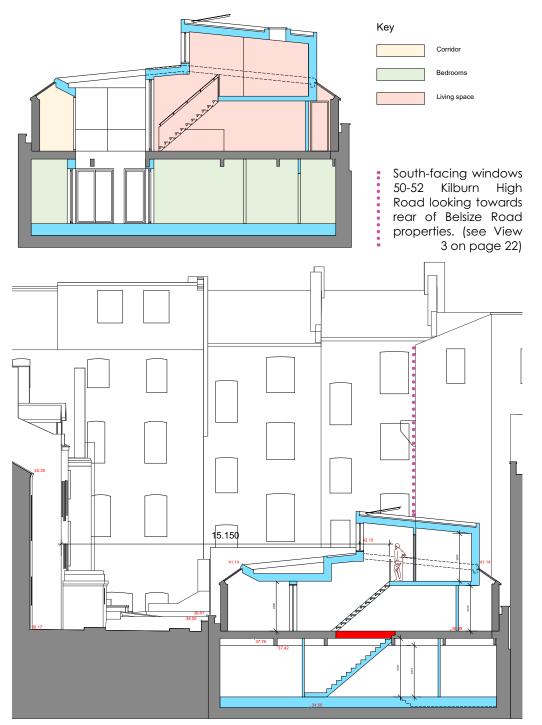


The applicant is seeking to bring the building back into productive use, and proposes residential accommodation for the whole of the site, using the existing access from Belsize Road. The proposals, therefore, constitute a retrofit of what is, in effect, a redundant building in its present form, to create 5 no. units of C3 permanent residential accommodation.

The two key considerations in developing the site for residential use were

- 1) The relationship to be established between the new accommodation and the existing buildings to the south and the west, that face on to Belsize Road and Kilburn High Road respectively (the existing lower rise building to the north is in commercial use, with limited windows facing onto the site)
- 2) The quality of the accommodation provided in the new scheme.

In retrofitting the building, as much of the existing fabric is retained as possible, but it is selectively opened up to exploit the opportunities suggested by the site. In particular, the existing southern boundary wall and rooflight form, and the west end gable, are both retained in their present forms. The profile of the north boundary wall, including the linear run of angled rooflights, is also retained.



The proposed residential accommodation comprises five two-bedroom duplexes on three levels. The southern side of the building is opened up at first floor, to create a sequence of individual landscaped courtyards on the south side, between the new accommodation and the access corridor running along the south boundary of the site. New lightwells at ground floor are created within this area, to provide natural light and ventilation to the existing ground floor, to be laid out for the bedrooms.

Sequentially up through the building, the existing ground floor is laid out for bedrooms, organised around the new lightwells; the existing first floor on the north side is the living areas, and new mezzanine levels are added over the rear (north) part of each duplex, open to the living spaces below. This mezzanine level is the study.

The existing portal frame is utilised and adapted. All the external cladding is removed and replaced with an enclosure with a significantly improved thermal performance, including new windows. The reconstituted roof will include new sedum coverings.

The existing high-level glazing along the southern boundary is replaced, to provide natural light into the new corridor. Additional obscure glazing is introduced between the corridor and the new residential patios.

The access corridor continues to the west end of the building, then runs north, connecting into an existing staircase that runs down to the external means of escape below 50-52 Kilburn High Road. This alternative means of escape provides access onto Kilburn High Road via an existing exit door.

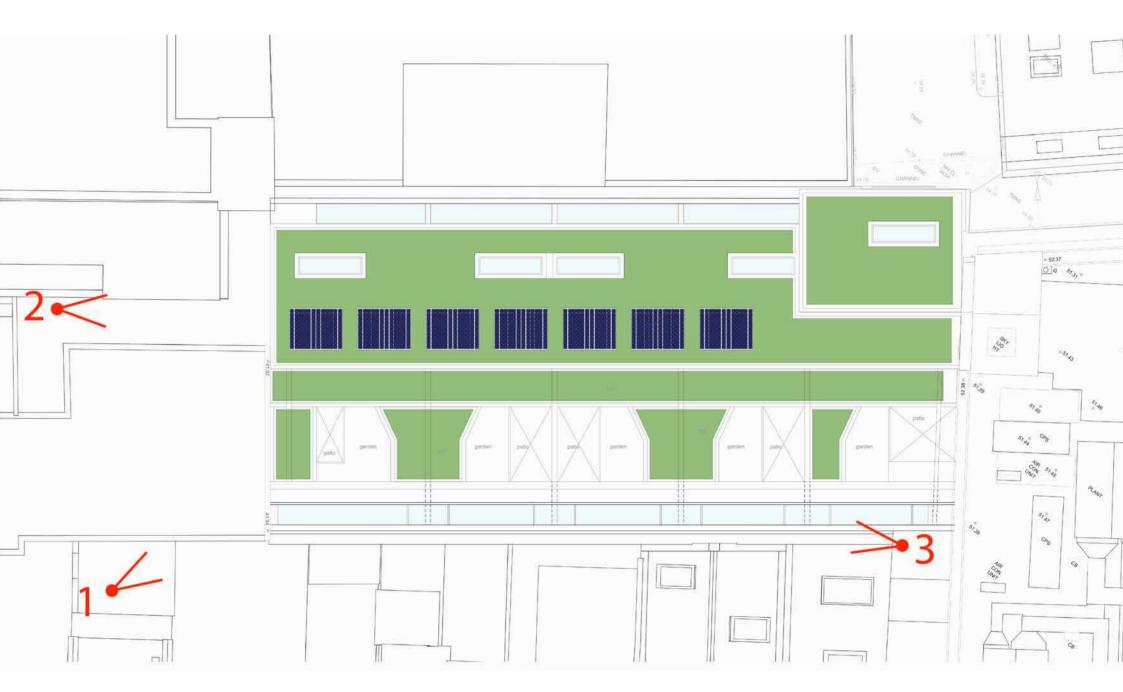
The spaces created within the units are generous in size: >>> External space is provide at both main levels of accommodation.

RELATIONSHIP WITH NEIGHBOURING BUILDINGS ALONG BELSIZE ROAD

The form of the new adapted improves the outlook from the rear of the properties along Belsize Road by reducing the overall mass of the building on the south side of the site.

Because the profile of the south boundary wall is left intact, the new courtyards inserted at first floor level do not create any visual link with the adjacent properties.

It should be noted that the edges of the mezzanines are set back from the high-level external windows adjacent. Consequently, the distance between the new mezzanines on the north side of the site and the rear elevations to 268-270 Belsize Road is similar to the current relationship between the south elevation of 50-52 Kilburn High Road and these properties. approximately 15.150 m (see section).





View 1



View 2







View 4



View 5

New proposal for rear of 264 Belsize Road, NW6

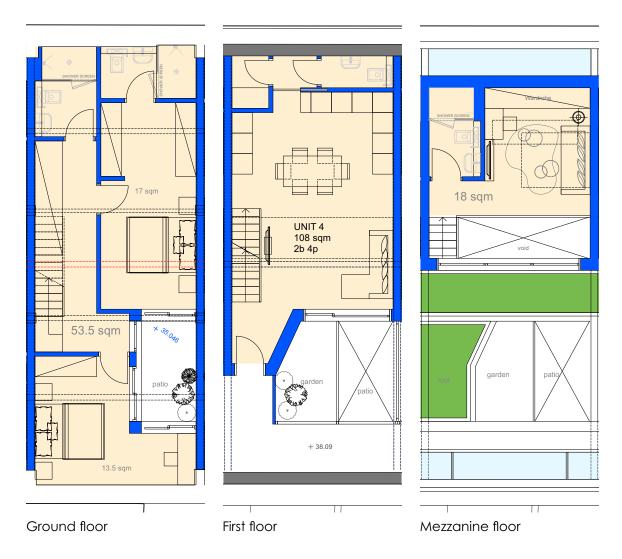


View 6

New proposal for rear of 264 Belsize Road, NW6



Section perspective across the site



| Number of bedrooms(b) | Number of bed spaces (persons) | 1 storey dwellings | 2 storey dwellings | 3 storey dwellings | Built-in storage |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | 1p | 39 (37) ² | | | 1.0 |
| 1b | 2p | 50 | 58 | | 1.5 |
| | 3р | 61 | 70 | | |
| 2b | 4p | 70 | 79 | | 2.0 |
| | 4p | 74 | 84 | 90 | |
| 3b | 5p | 86 | 93 | 99 | 2.5 |
| | 6p | 95 | 102 | 108 | |
| | 5p | 90 | 97 | 103 | |
| | 6р | 99 | 106 | 112 | 1 |
| 4b | 7p | 108 | 115 | 121 | 3.0 |
| | 8p | 117 | 124 | 130 | |
| | 6р | 103 | 110 | 116 | |
| 5b | 7p | 112 | 119 | 125 | 3.5 |
| | 8p | 121 | 128 | 134 | |
| | 7p | 116 | 123 | 129 | |
| 6b | 8p | 125 | 132 | 138 | 4.0 |

London Plan Table 3.3

The space standards in the proposed development complies with Camden's Local Plan, and in particular Policy D1 Design. In addition, room sizes are in accordance with the London Plan Table 3.3 (see above). In fact, the areas achieved in the proposals are considerably in excess of the minimum space standards for two-bedroom/four person dwellings.

The overall layouts are carefully designed to maximise the space for the bedrooms at ground floor level, and all bedrooms include generous storage and wardrobe provisions.

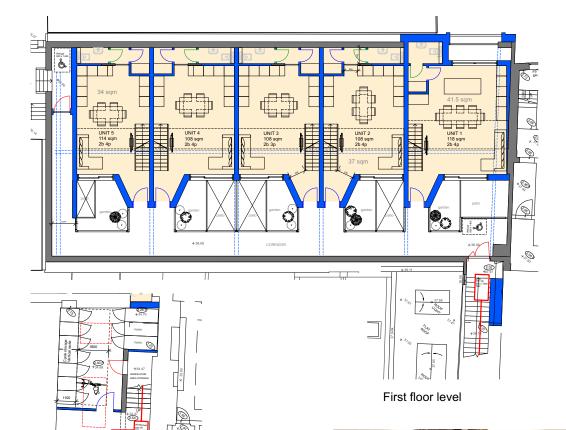
In addition, the design also incorporates external spaces at both ground floor and first floor levels.

Accessibility

The building will up-graded to improve accessibility for wheelchair users, in accordance with the guidance set out in the Camden Local Plan. A new platform lift is incorporated into the existing staircase, as indicated here. This will provide access to the entrance level at first floor, via the ground floor entrance lobby off Belsize Road.

The existing stepped access off Belsize Road will be adjusted to provide a ramp access.

A refuge area for wheelchairs is located within the access corridor at first floor.



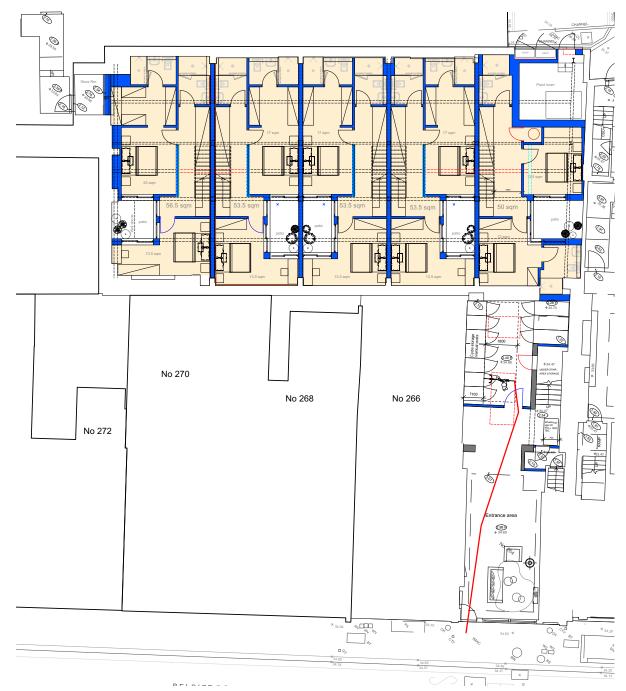
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entrance (ground floor)



Existing staircase

Wheelchair lift to provide access to first floor



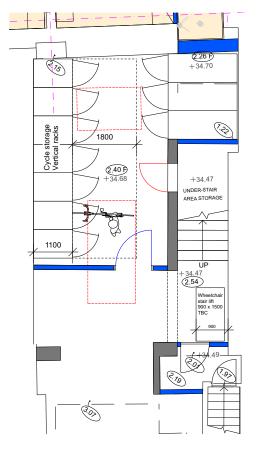
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Cycle Provision:

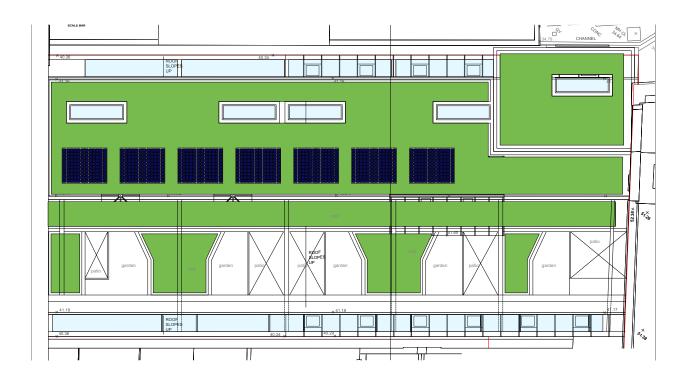
In accordance with the Mayor of London minimum requirements of the London Plan (i.e. 1 space per Studio and 1 bedroom apartment & 2 spaces for all other apartments) this equates to the following:

x5 2 bedroom flats = 2 bicycle = 10 bicycle spaces

Total = 5 units = 10 bicylce spaces



Ground floor Cycle storage



Biodiversity

Relationship between the new accommodation and the neighbours

Green roofs to promote bio-diversity within the site are included at all levels: the roof over the rear (north) mezzanine, the roof over the central part of the living accommodation and the new roofs providing the link between the access corridor and entrance to each duplex. These replace the present monumental grey metal roofing with a sequence of green roofs, to provide a much improved outlook for the occupants of the surrounding buildings.

A sedum green roof is laid over the retained section. Biodiversity introduced into the rear back-land site.





Example. Configuration of a lightwight sedum system (Bauder)

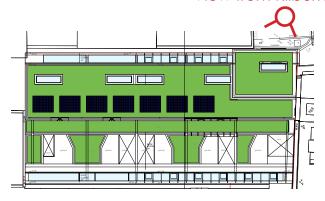


Section across unit 1

View from Kilburn Place as existing

Indicative elevation

View from Kilburn Place



KILBURN PLACE

Unit 1 has an external wall which terminates the end of the street and allows the opportunity to remodel this elevation, thus enhancing and improving the character of the area.

It is proposed to increase the overall height of the building with recessed balconies on the 1st and 2nd floor to provide views from the living areas into Kilburn Place, improving the passive security to the end of this street.

At ground floor a recess is formed to house the proposed air source heat pumps outlined in the energy strategy, these will be integrated with an access door to a plant room serving the development.



SUSTAINABILITY

Peter Deer Associates Ltd have been appointed to develop the Sustainability, Energy Strategies and carbon reduction targets for the development in accordance with current Building Regulations.

The fabric of the building will be adapted and/or renewed to achieve high levels of insulation and air tightness. This is the primary means of reducing energy loads. Photo-voltaics are included at the main roof level, to provide 23.3 sq m of PV's

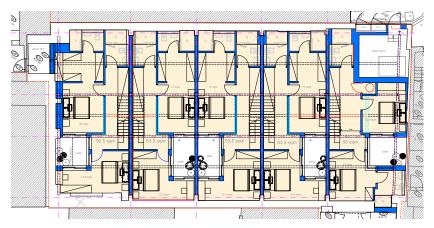
The proposals will also need to comply with the Council's policy CC2 – Adapting to climate change. To this end, the proposals will be compliant with sub-sections b), c) and d) of policy CC2 (sub-section a) – the protection of existing green spaces – is not applicable in this instance).



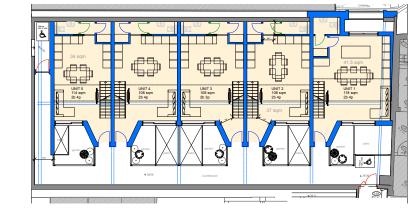
Example of solar PV mounting system for biodiverse green roof (Bauder)



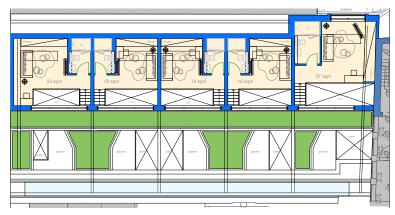
6 Schedule of Accommodation



GROUND FLOOR LEVEL



FIRST FLOOR LEVEL



MEZZANINE FLOOR LEVEL

Key Accomodation

2 Bedroom apartment

| Area Schedule GEA (sqm) | Tot |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Ground floor level | 483 |
| First floor level | 329 |
| Mezzanine | 164 |
| Total | 976 |

| Area Schedule GIA (sqm) | | Tot |
|-------------------------|--------------|-----|
| Unit 1 | 2 bedroom 4p | 118 |
| Unit 2 | 2 bedroom 4p | 108 |
| Unit 3 | 2 bedroom 4p | 108 |
| Unit 4 | 2 bedroom 4p | 108 |
| Unit 5 | 2 bedroom 4p | 114 |
| Total | | 556 |

| Area S | ichedule NIA (sqm) | Tot |
|--------|--------------------|-----|
| Unit 1 | 2 bedroom 4p | 114 |
| Unit 2 | 2 bedroom 4p | 103 |
| Unit 3 | 2 bedroom 4p | 103 |
| Unit 4 | 2 bedroom 4p | 103 |
| Unit 5 | 2 bedroom 4p | 109 |
| Total | | 532 |

| Area at entrance level GIA (sqm) | Tot |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Basement floor level | 49.5 |
| Ground floor level | 89.5 |
| Total | 139 |

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