

LANDSCAPE STATEMENT

BACKGROUND

Following the purchase of No.4 Oak Hill Park, our clients invited Stephen Woodhams Design Ltd to join BLDA architects and other members of the team designing the upgrading work to the house and garden. The drawings included in this application are the result of close consultation with our clients who are very keen to preserve and enhance the character of the site and to preserve and improve the positive contribution of the property to the local conservation area.

The property is located to the east of the Oak Hill Park Estate, within the Hampstead Conservation Area and the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan Area. The estate retains a woodland character with numerous mature native trees. There are no active TPOs affecting trees on the site but there is the general protection of trees afforded by the conservation area status.

DESIGN INTENT

The entrance to the property is constrained by a retaining wall and bank on the north side, with a number of Cupressus x leylandii along the ownership boundary behind, and on the south side an existing building. The existing drive surface is impermeable tarmac. This will be replaced with a new porous resin-bound aggregate drive from the road up to and including the areas abutting the property. This improvement work will be done in accordance with the Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS).

The west side of the existing garden is essentially woodland in character, dominated by a large oak (ref T03), with further trees and a woodland

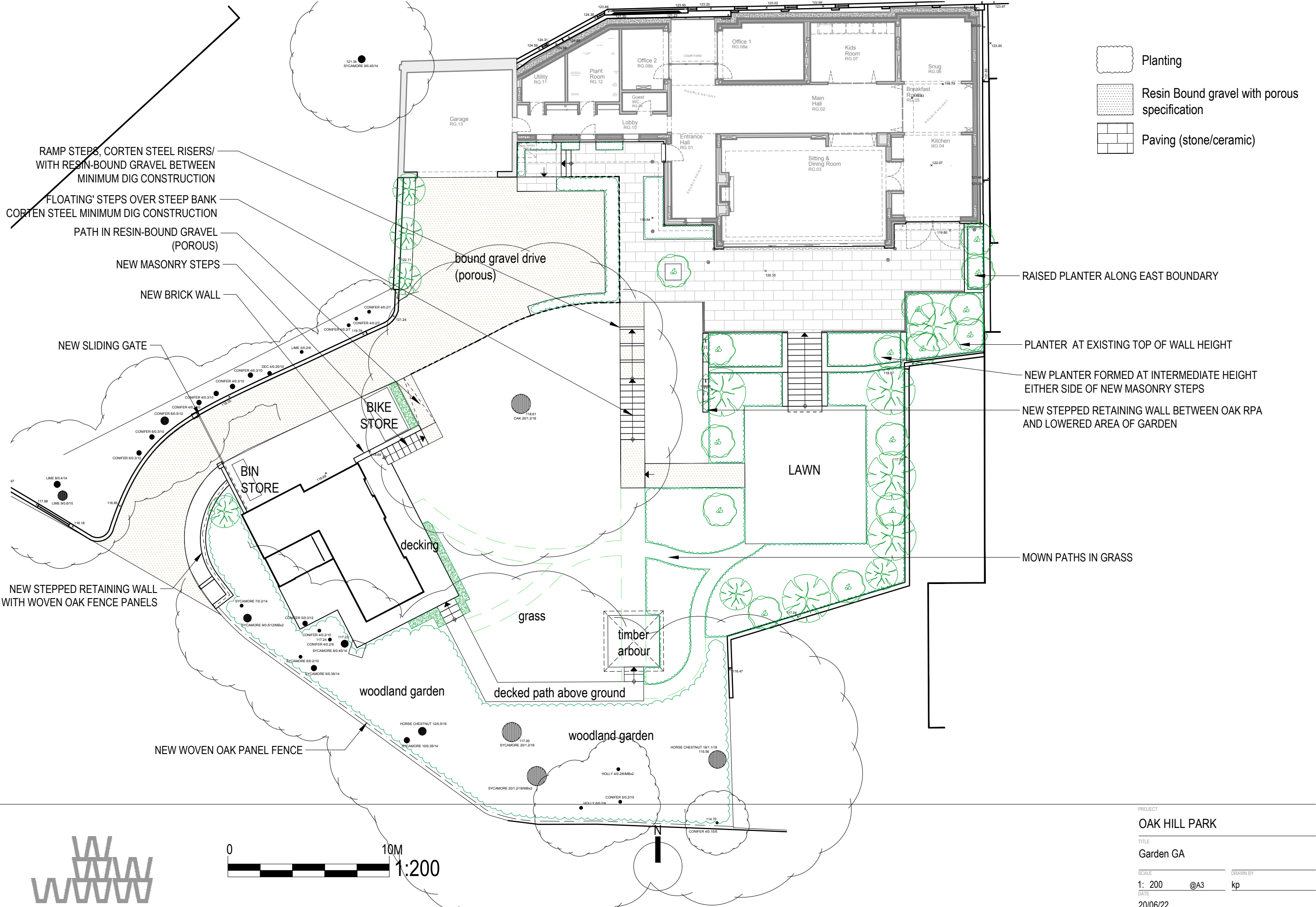
understorey around the boundary on the west and south sides. There is a significant change in levels with a steep bank running across the site close to the base of T03. Proposed alterations in this area are minimal, to respect the TPA's and retain the woodland character. There will be a new stepped path leading from the arrival area down the existing bank towards a timber arbour. The steps are to be installed with a no-dig method using mini-piles to minimise root disturbance. The arbour and raised decked path leading to it from the west side are to be installed similarly, all according to the AMS. The woodland areas are to be cleared in accordance with good woodland management practice, and the areas of open grass south of the oak T03 to be kept as rough grass.

On the east side of the site, the alterations to the garden are intended to provide sufficient useable outdoor amenity space for the size of property, with a terrace on the south side of the house for outdoor relaxation and dining. Below the only reasonably level area of garden has been utilised for a lawn surrounded by mixed borders. The design allows for the inclusion of large shrubs and small trees along the east boundary with the mews, and to the south-east of the terrace area to provide enclosure and screening between the properties.

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Stephen Woodhams is a well-established garden designer with considerable experience of designing high quality gardens for private clients. He is also a Royal Horticultural Society Show judge. Stephen Woodhams Design Ltd is a small client-focussed practice based in London which has a broad portfolio of residential and commercial projects in the UK and abroad.





- Planting
- Resin Bound gravel with porous specification
- Paving (stone/ceramic)

RAMP STEPS, CORTEN STEEL RISERS/
WITH RESIN-BOUND GRAVEL BETWEEN
MINIMUM DIG CONSTRUCTION

'FLOATING' STEPS OVER STEEP BANK
CORTEN STEEL MINIMUM DIG CONSTRUCTION

PATH IN RESIN-BOUND GRAVEL
(POROUS)

NEW MASONRY STEPS

NEW BRICK WALL

NEW SLIDING GATE

NEW STEPPED RETAINING WALL
WITH WOVEN OAK FENCE PANELS

NEW WOVEN OAK PANEL FENCE

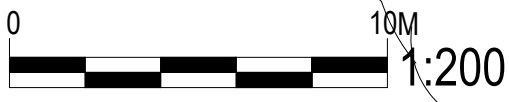
RAISED PLANTER ALONG EAST BOUNDARY

PLANTER AT EXISTING TOP OF WALL HEIGHT

NEW PLANTER FORMED AT INTERMEDIATE HEIGHT
EITHER SIDE OF NEW MASONRY STEPS

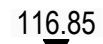
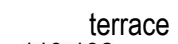
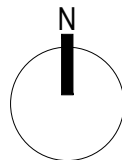
NEW STEPPED RETAINING WALL BETWEEN OAK RPA
AND LOWERED AREA OF GARDEN

MOWN PATHS IN GRASS

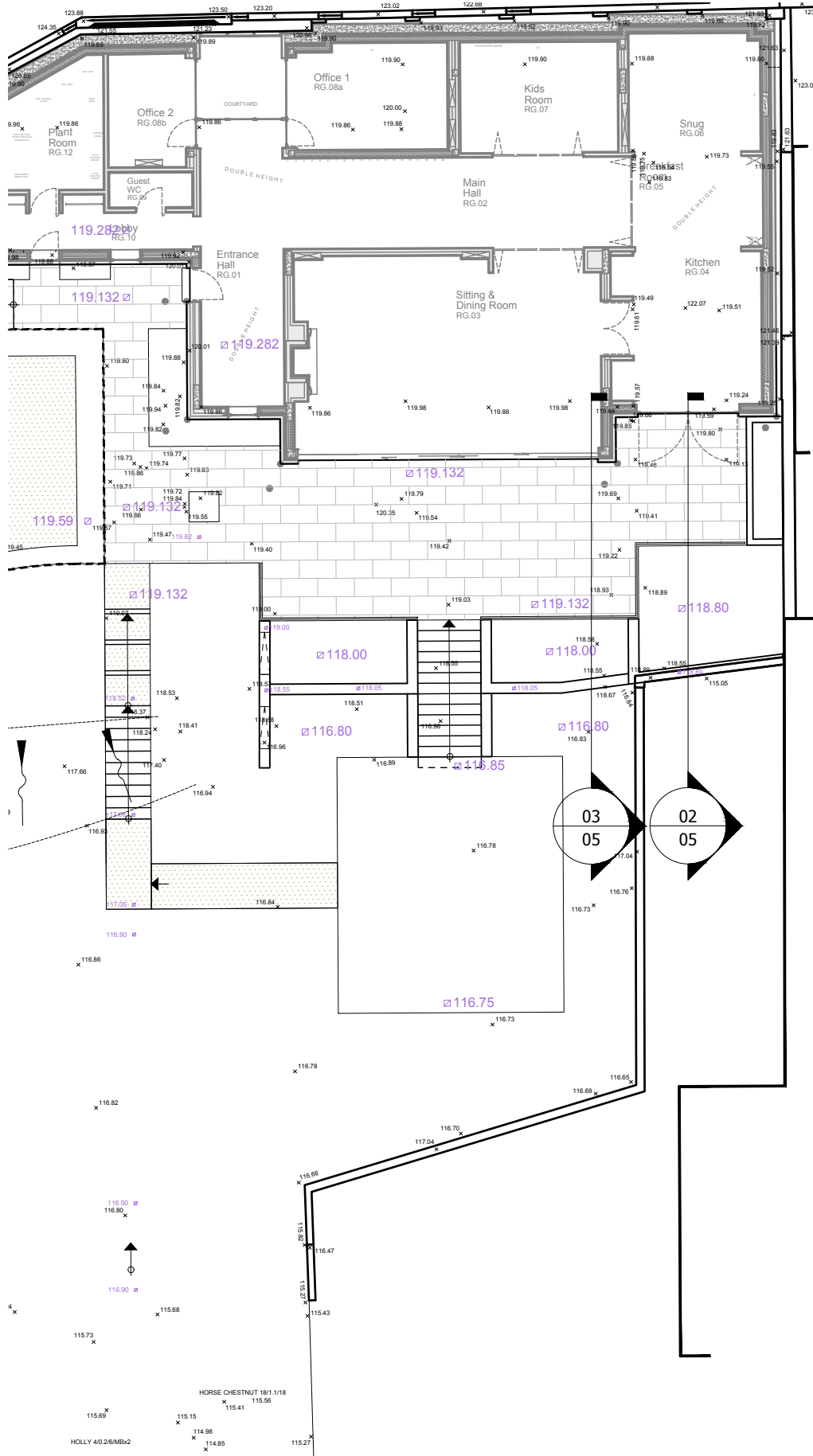


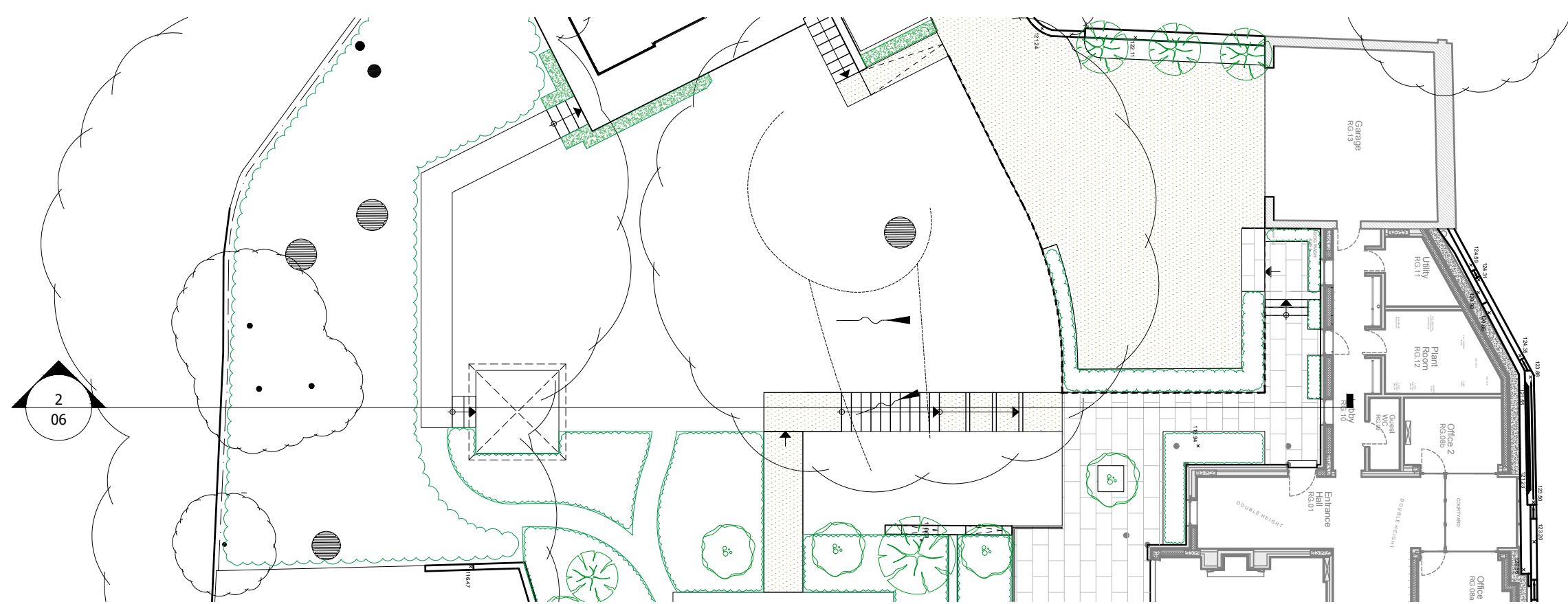
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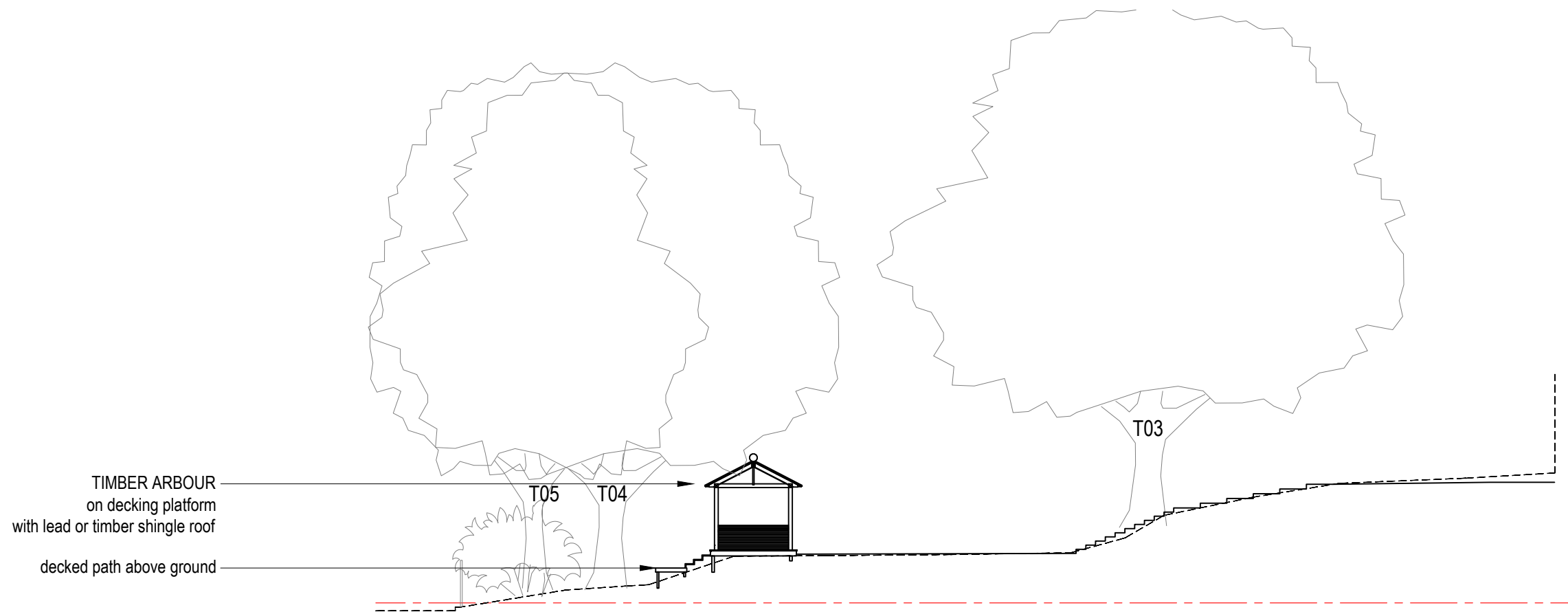


03 - SECTION THROUGH STEPPED PLANTER





01 - KEY PLAN



02 - SECTION THROUGH ARBOUR

