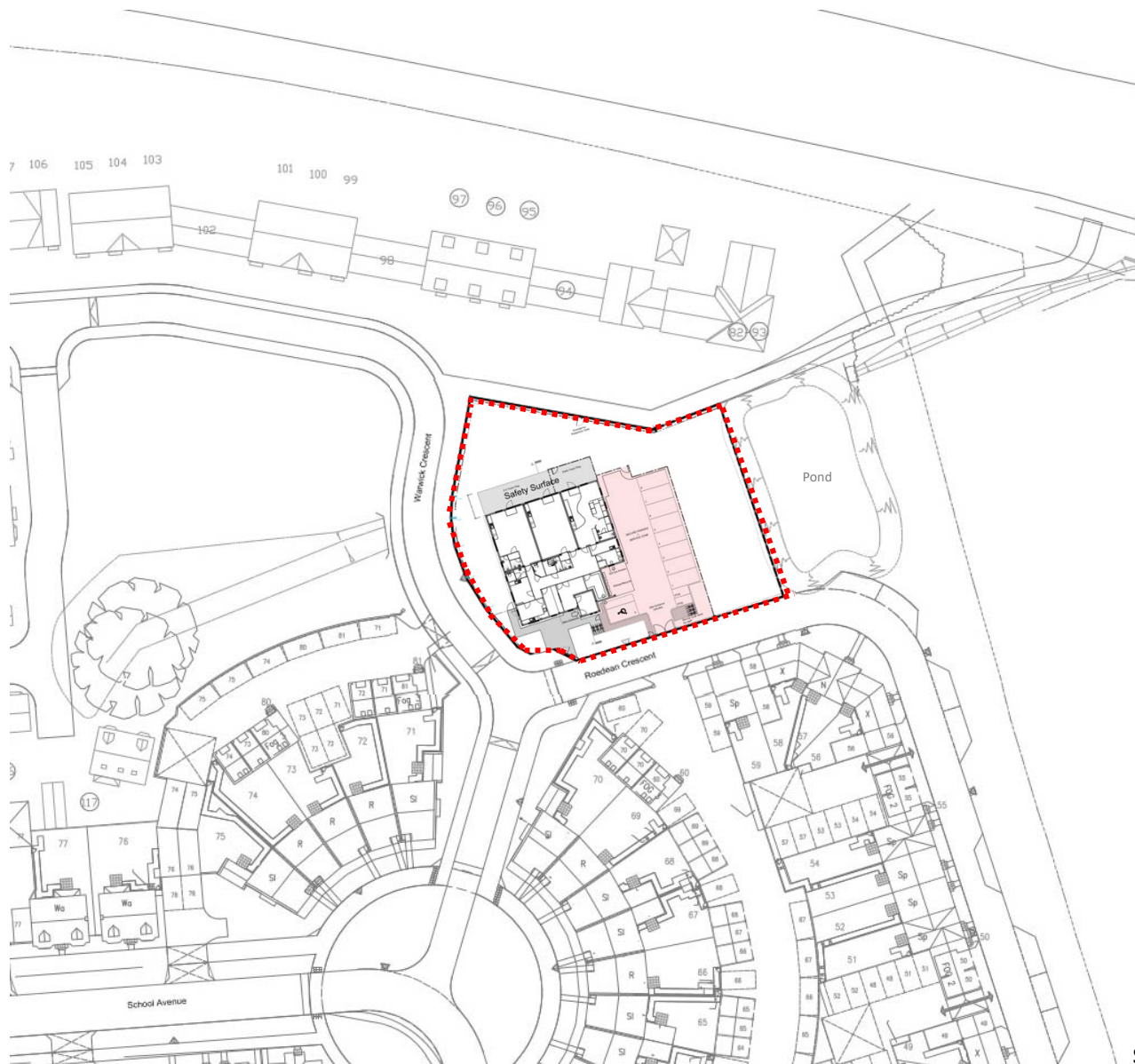


# DUNTON FIELDS NURSERY SCHOOL



Welcome to this public exhibition. Essex County Council and its team are pleased to present this proposal for the new nursery school with staff car park and associated development for Dunton Fields.

This exhibition is being held to inform local residents of the emerging proposals and to give the opportunity to comment and provide valuable input and feedback.

The site is an area of grassed open space bordered by Roedean Crescent to the south, Warwick Crescent to the west. It is conveniently located to serve the new community created at Dunton Fields.

Denning Male Polisano Chartered Architects are working with Wernick Buildings to design and deliver the new school facilities. The proposal has been developed in close collaboration with the Early Years and Infrastructure Delivery Teams at Essex County Council.

Wernick Buildings have been appointed by Essex County Council to undertake the building of the Early Years Centre. The company is a leader in the field of the manufacture and installation of modular buildings and has been chosen for both its cost efficiency and its reputation for high quality, durable, comfortable buildings, which are particularly popular in the public sector.

Modular buildings are made up of factory built modules, delivered and combined on-site to form a complete building. The method benefits from reduced on-site construction and consequent disruption to nearby residents.

## SITE LOCATION

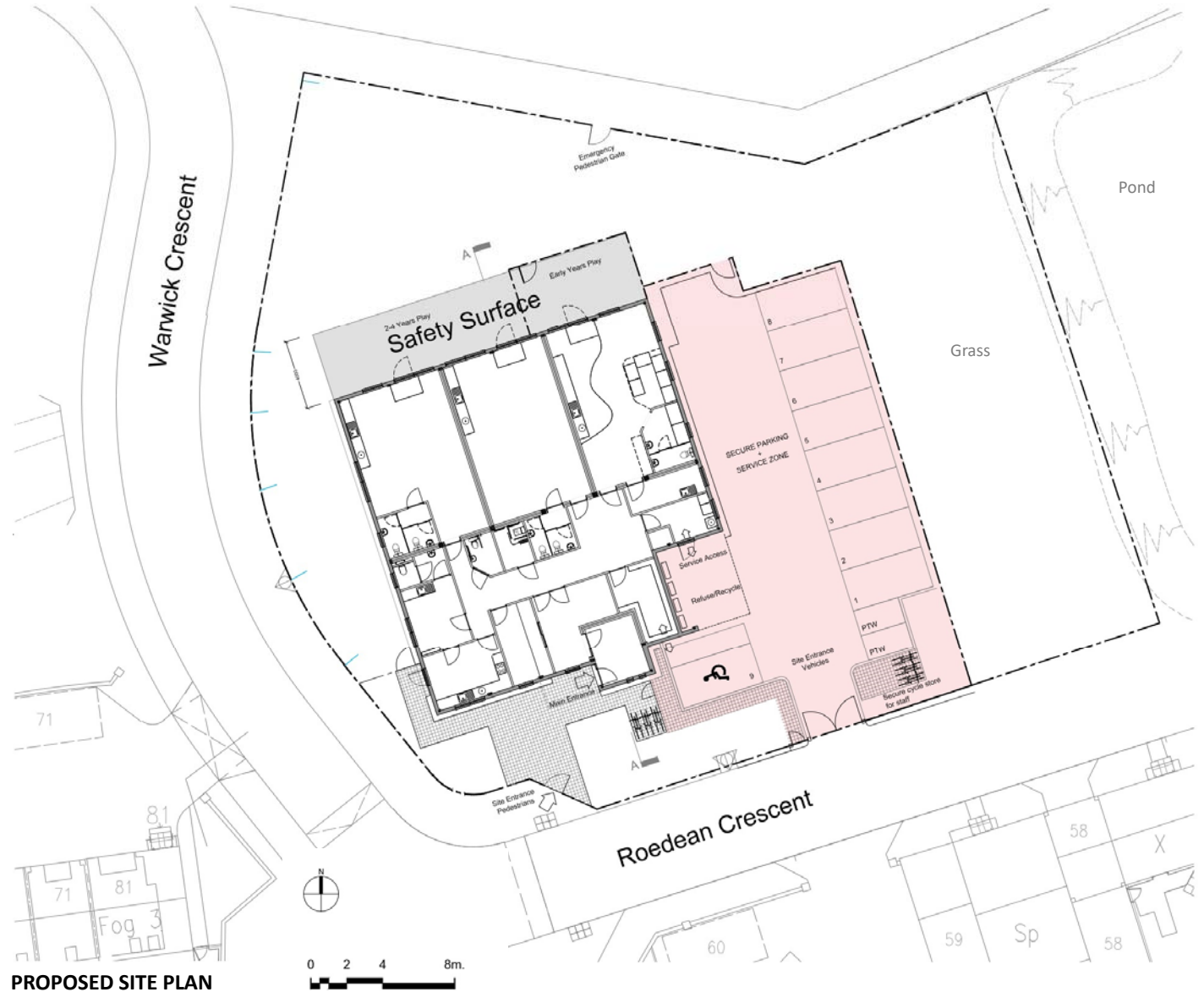
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The Dunton Fields estate has created a new community of 450 homes. As part of its planning permission, land was reserved for an 'Education Site'. This proposal is therefore for an Early Years Centre, currently known as the Dunton Fields Early Years and Children's Centre. It will serve the new community by providing a 56-place learning facility for local 0-4 year olds.

Outside play space is proposed on the north-west side of the building to give the children the best environment for play and socialisation. The remainder of the site would be landscaped to include soft areas for external learning.

Eight parking spaces and one disabled parking bay are proposed for staff and visitors, along with two secure cycle stores. For enhanced safety, all parking and servicing areas will be separated from teaching and play areas by secure fencing and access controls measures will be installed to provide a secure learning environment.

As the nursery would serve the local population it is anticipated that the majority of parents will walk to and from the nursery with their children.



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The new nursery is designed to be fully accessible throughout. Approaches will be gently sloped and level thresholds will facilitate easy access. Accessible and assisted facilities will be provided internally for staff and children.

The following pupil numbers will be accommodated:

- 0-2 year olds – 12
- 2-3 year olds – 20
- 3-4 year olds – 24

There will be three classrooms, one for each age group, a staff room, office, reception, boys and girls toilets and washrooms, kitchen and laundry.

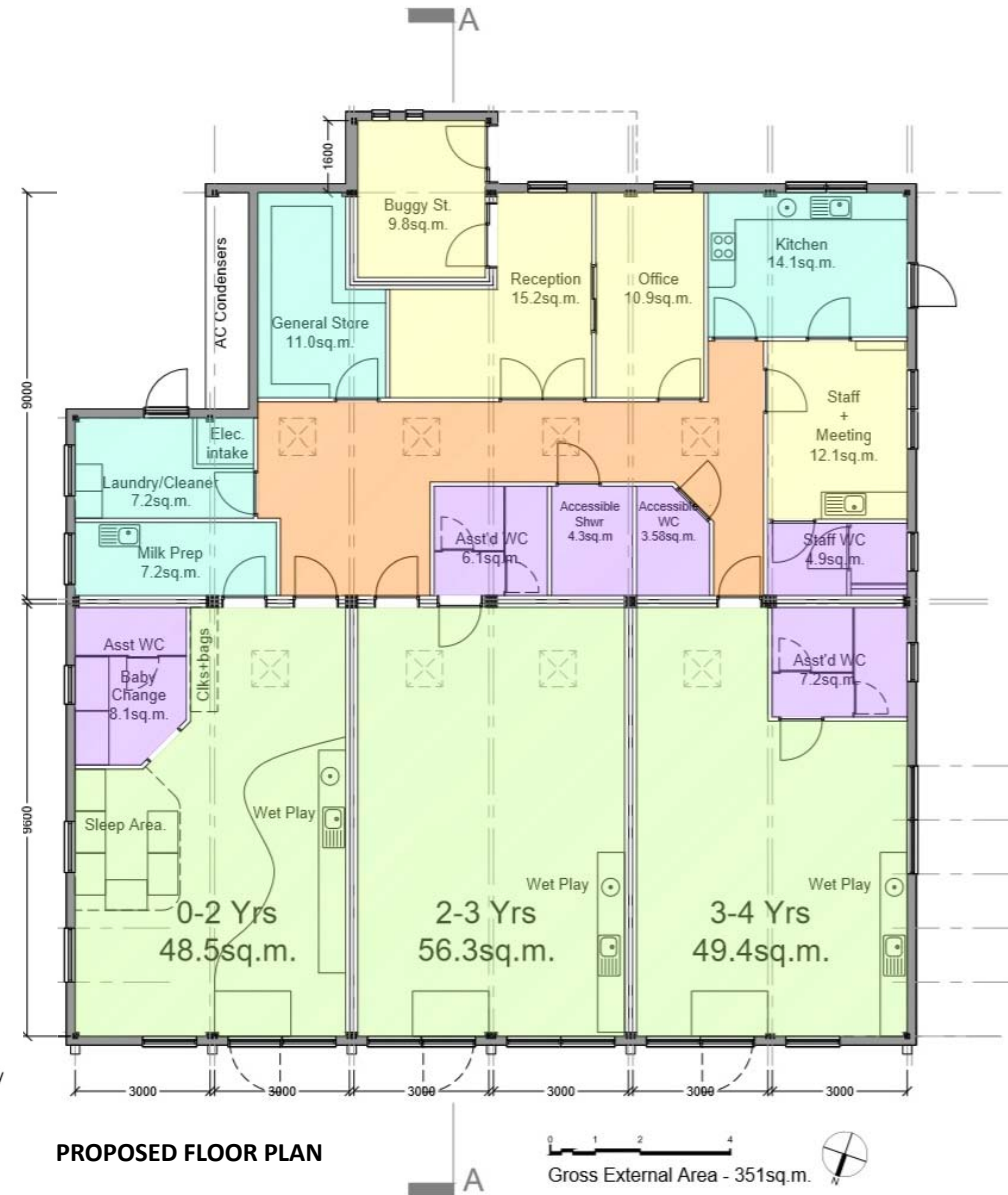
The proposed building will be compact, suitably scaled and designed in relation to the site and the scale of the surrounding residential development.

The proposed external palette of materials comprises white render, vertical 'Thermowood' cladding and a red brick plinth.

The roof will have a shallow fall to allow for water run-off, and roof lights that provide natural light to the circulation area and classrooms.

At the school entrance, it has been proposed to provide a sheltered buggy area.

Thank you for attending this exhibition, we welcome any comments that you may wish to make and would be grateful if you could take a few moments to complete the feedback forms provided online or at the public event.



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South elevation from the school entrance



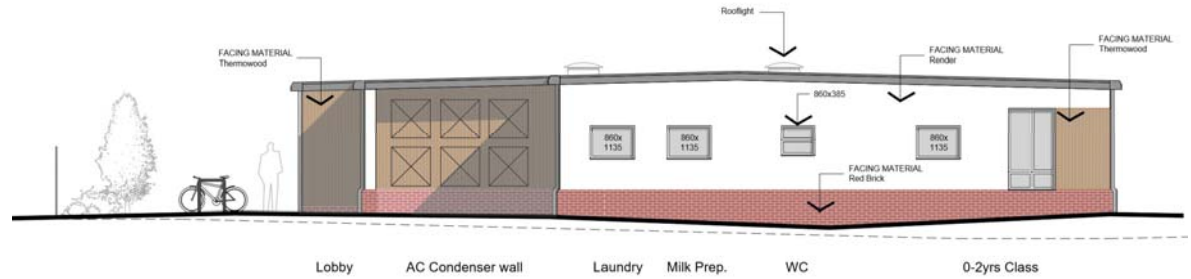
The car park entrance from Roedean Crescent



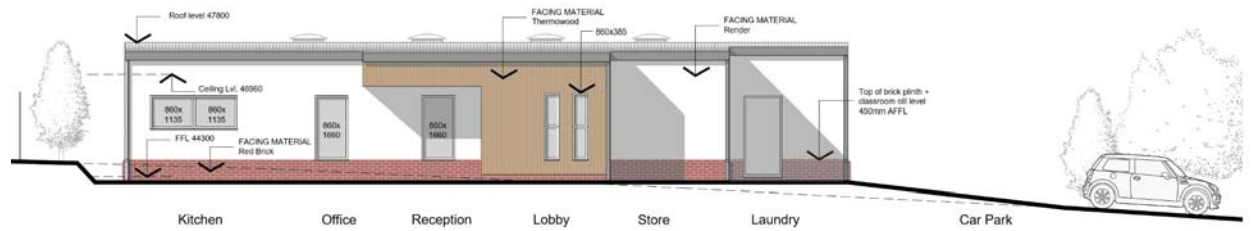
North and West elevations from Warwick Crescent

## ELEVATIONS

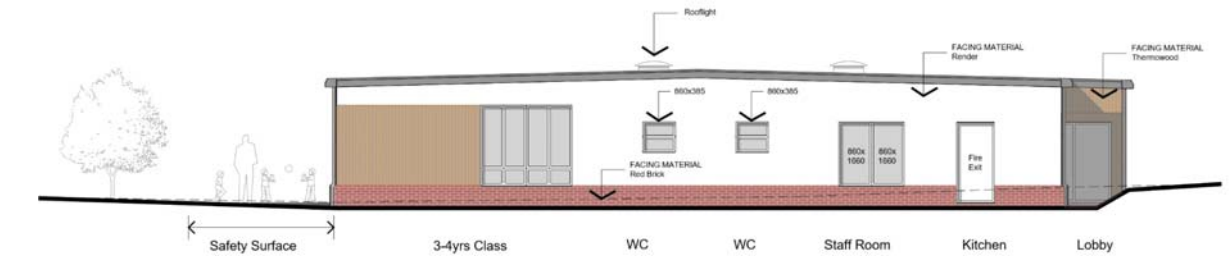
EAST ELEVATION (A)



SOUTH ELEVATION (B)



WEST ELEVATION (C)



NORTH ELEVATION (D)

