

# CRESSING PRIMARY SCHOOL

## 0.5 FORM OF ENTRY EXPANSION

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

### The Brief



### Site Location Context



### Proposed Site Plan

Ingleton Wood LLP on behalf of Beardwell Construction and Essex County Council (ECC) are excited to reveal our development proposals to neighbouring households, elected Members, teaching staff, students and parents/guardians.

#### Why is an expansion at Cressing PS needed?

As demonstrated in Essex County Council's latest '10 Year Plan – Meeting the demand for mainstream school places in Essex 2023-2032', there is predicted to be a continuing and increasing need for additional primary school places in Cressing Primary School's local planning group. The projected deficit in reception places across the planning group commences in 2025 and continues until the end of the 10 year plan period. The proposed expansion of Cressing Primary by 0.5FE (315 to 420 places) will cover this need.

The growth in pupil numbers is due to a rising number of pre-school children in the area and new housing in the Cressing area. If additional school places are not provided, there would not be sufficient places for local children.

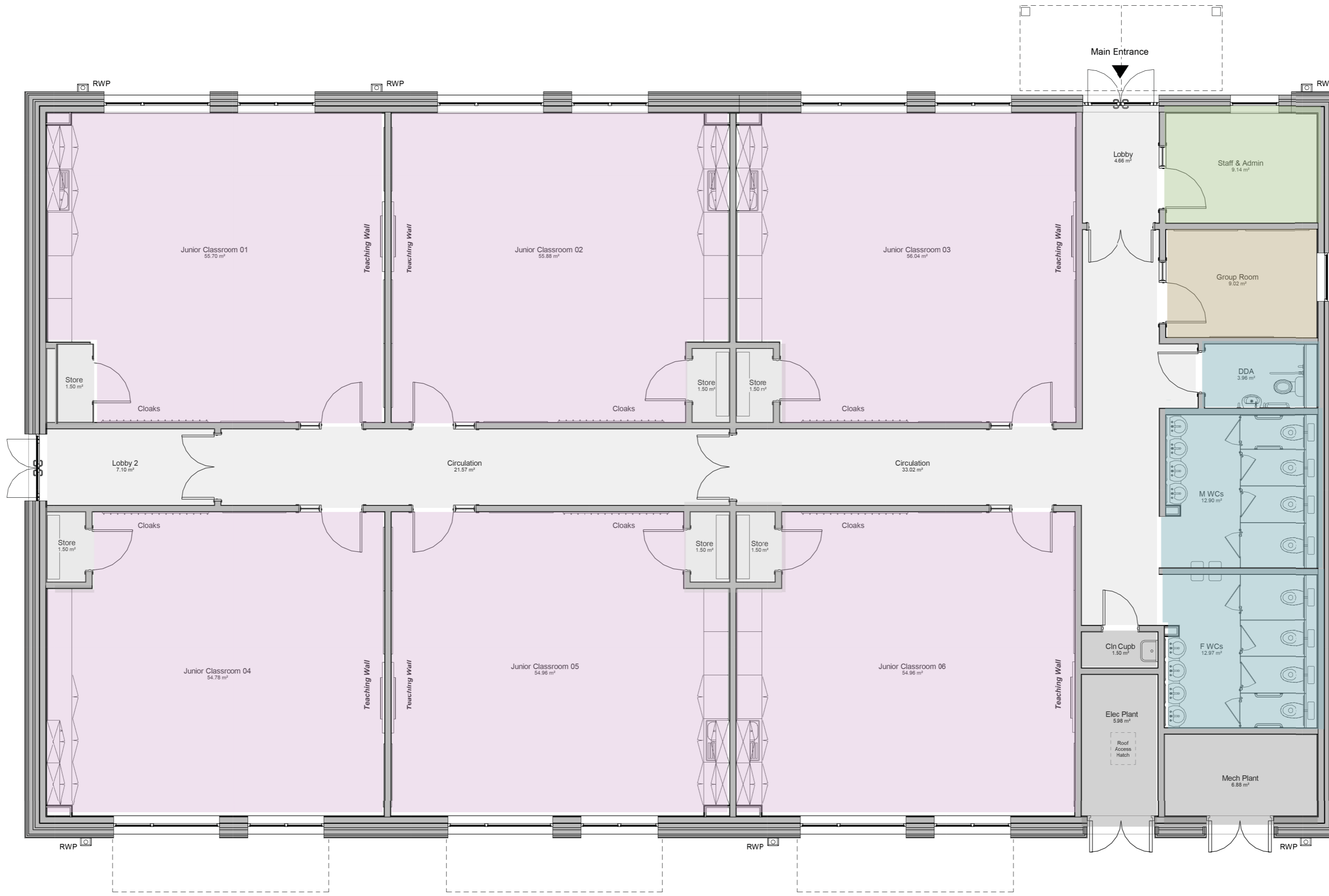
Geographically, Cressing Primary is in the correct place to cater for the extra demand, it is a popular and successful school. Expanding Cressing Primary will help to ensure that local parents will be able to access a good school, and a school of preference for their child.

Following identification of a basic need in the area, a viability assessment was undertaken to determine the key deliverables for the project, these include:

- **New 496m<sup>2</sup> Teaching Block that is net zero in operation.**  
To provide 6 new general teaching classrooms, group room, admin space, WCs and other ancillary accommodation
- **26m<sup>2</sup> Kitchen Extension**  
To accommodate a larger preparation area for the expanded capacity
- **New Car-park**  
To provide 6 new car-parking spaces for staff
- **Other External Works**  
To provide appropriate landscaping around the building and the re-location of playground equipment.



### New Teaching Block - Proposed Plans

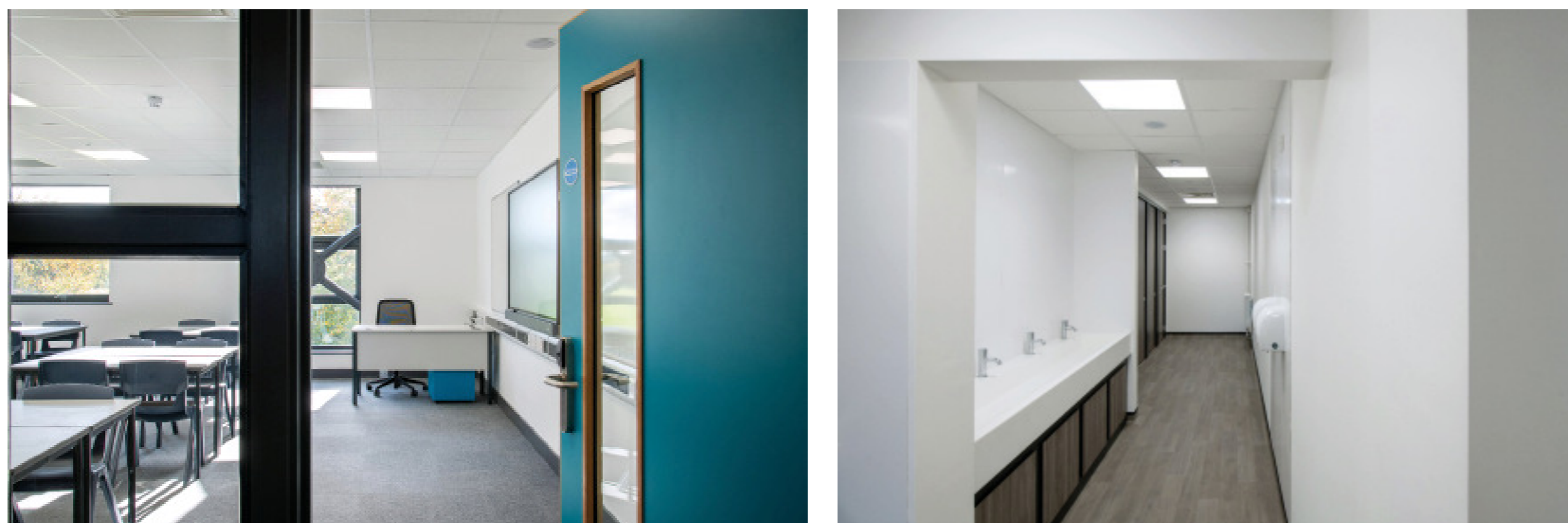


Proposed Ground Floor



#### Key of Spaces

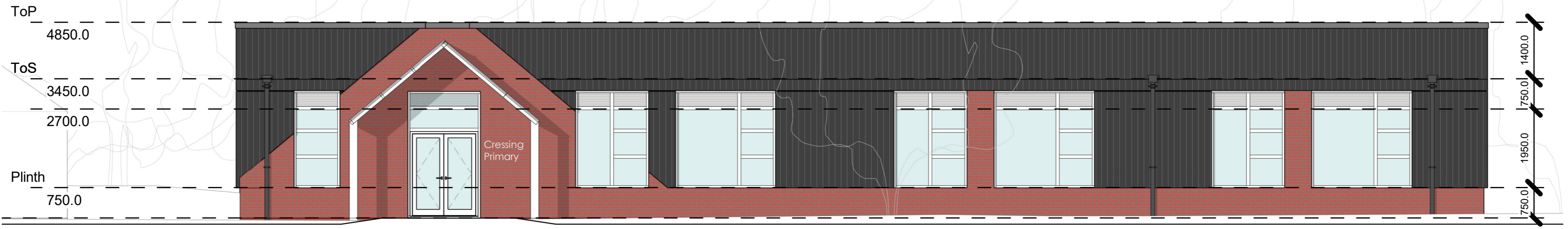
- Teaching Rooms
- WCs
- Staff & Admin
- Group Rooms
- Stores & Plant



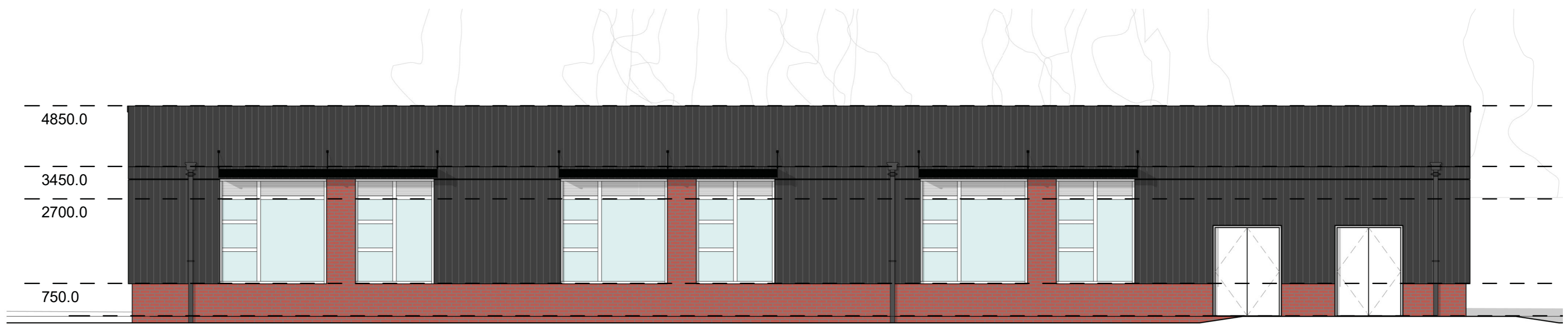
Example Interiors



### Proposed Elevations



1. North West Elevation



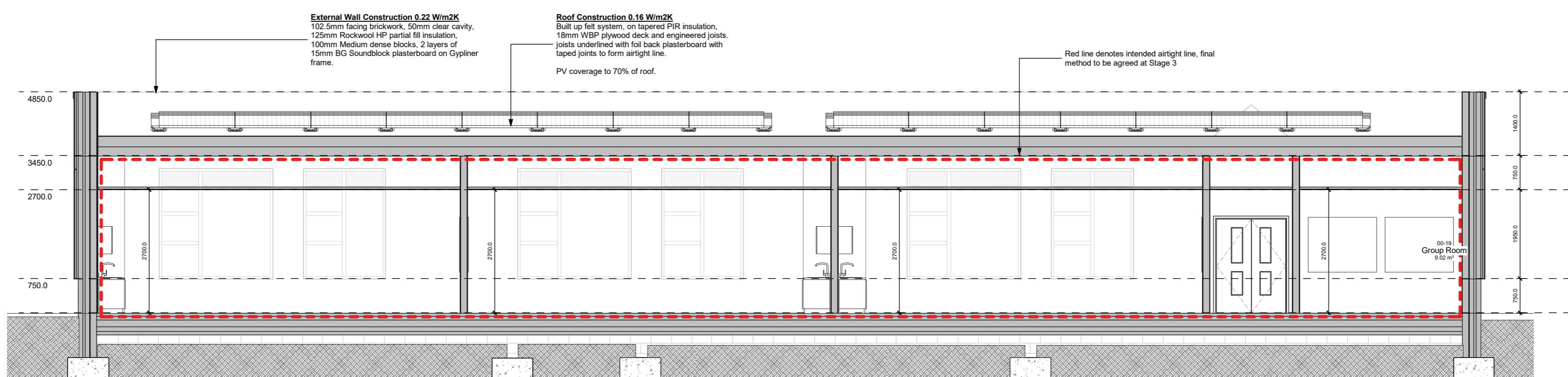
2. South East Elevation



### Indicative Material Palette

- Red facing brickwork
- Vertical timber effect cladding in black
- Powder coated aluminium windows and doors in white

### Proposed Section



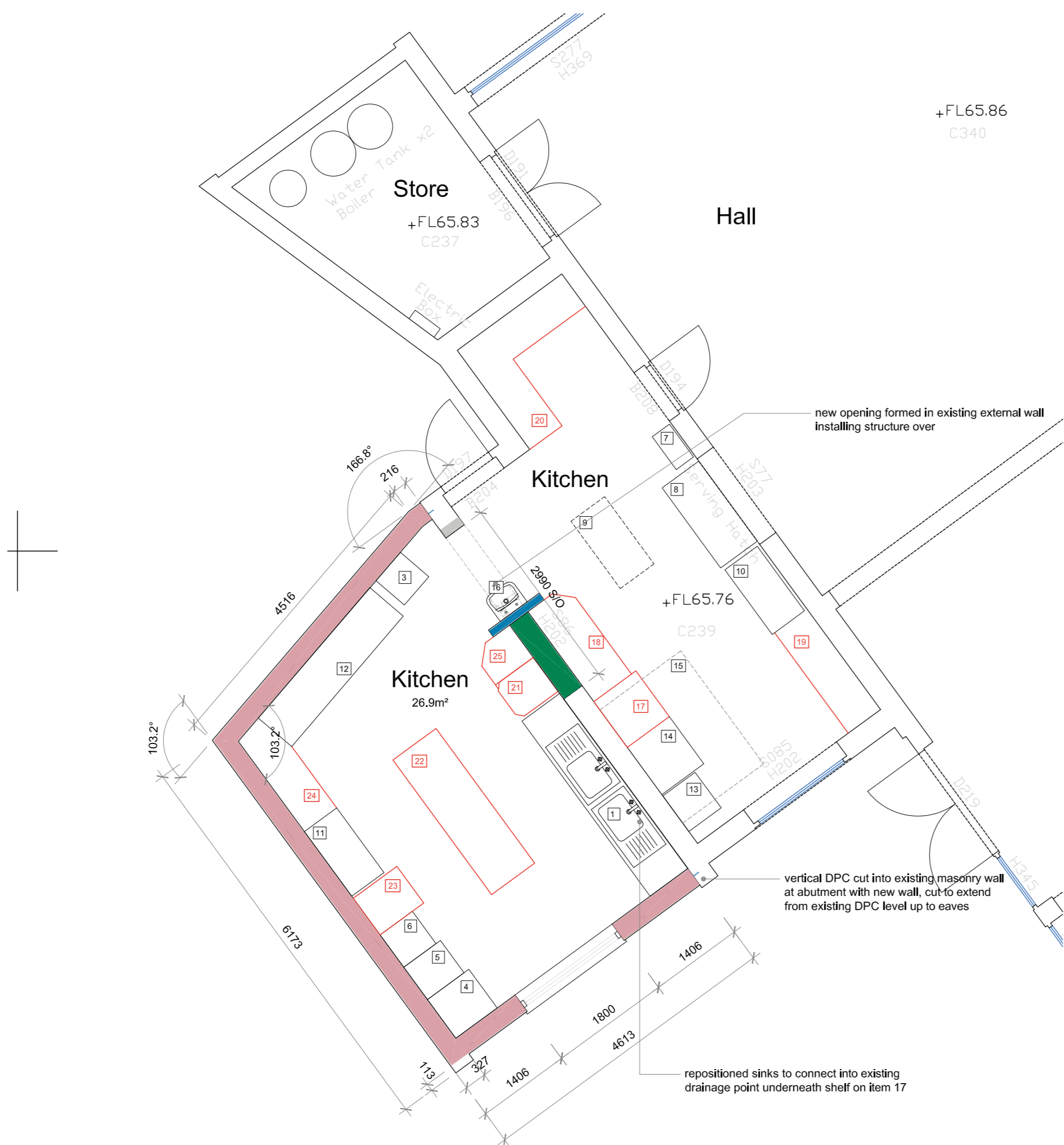
### Artist Impression - Visuals of the Development



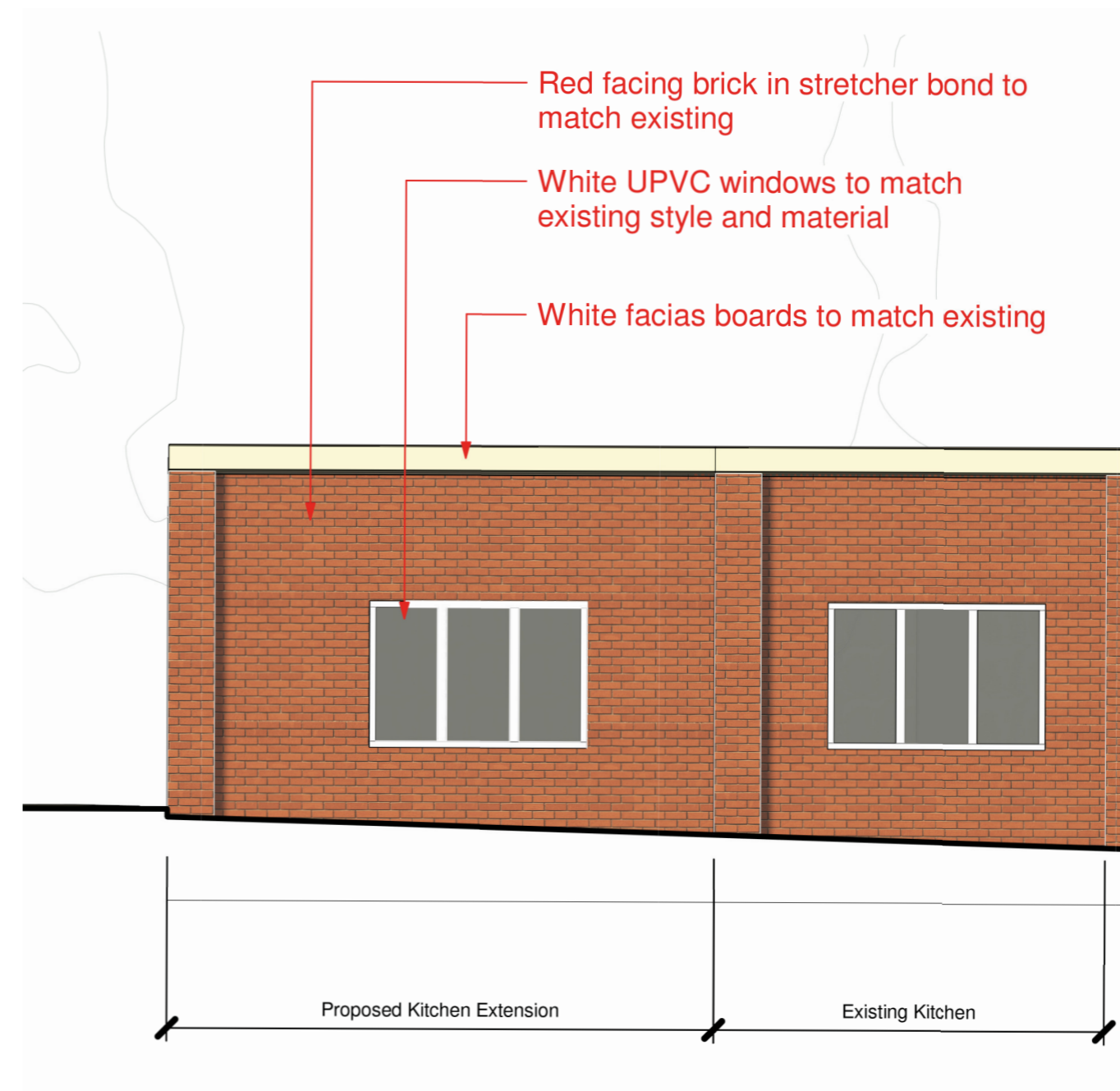
Proposed View of North West Elevation



### Proposed Kitchen Extension

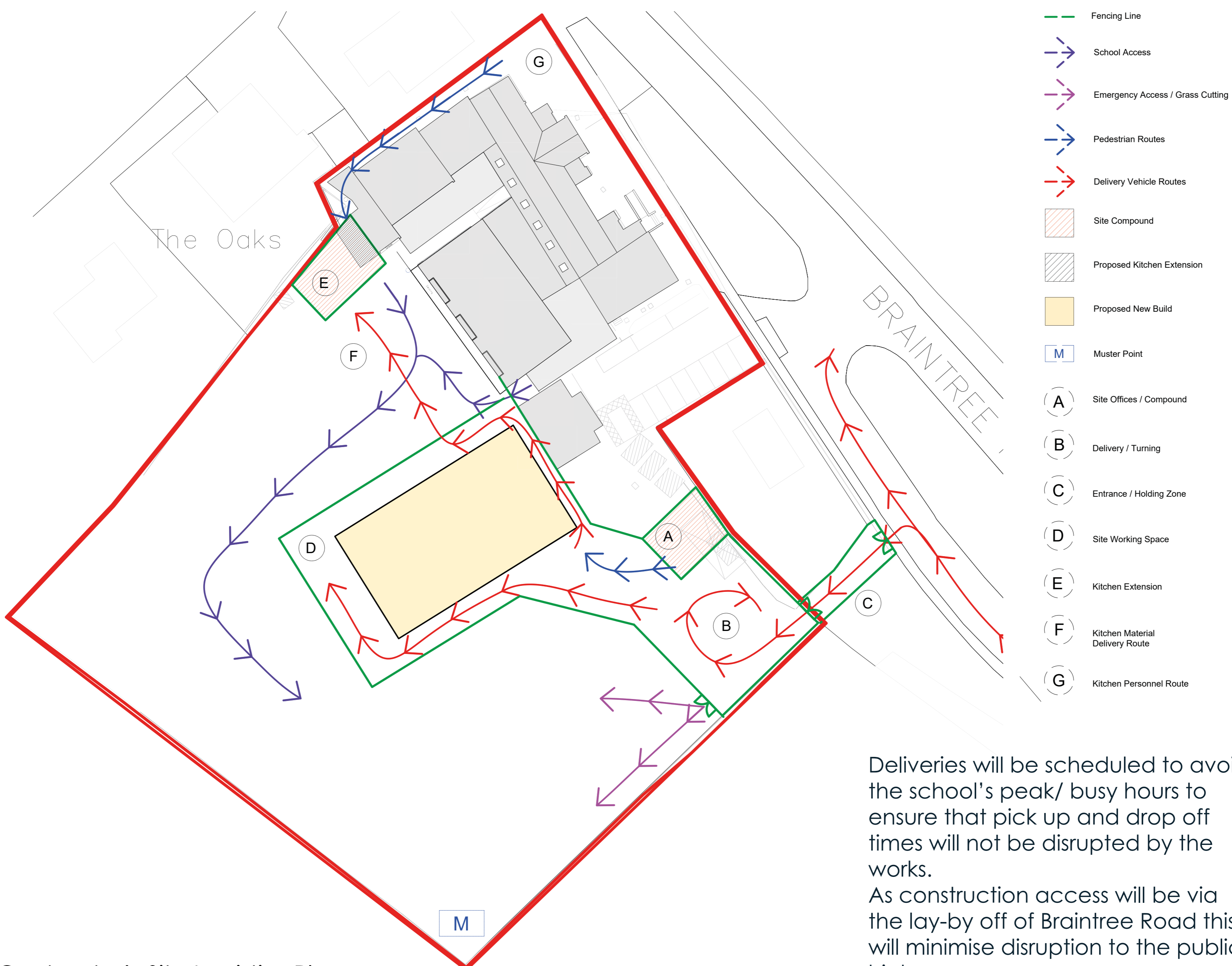


1. Kitchen Extension - Proposed Plan



The proposed kitchen extension is a single storey, flat roof construction which has been designed to be inkeeping with the existing built form. The design consists of a rich red brick material palette, white windows and fascias to sit cohesively with the existing building.

2. Kitchen Extension - Proposed Elevation



Contractor's Site Logistics Plan

Deliveries will be scheduled to avoid the school's peak/ busy hours to ensure that pick up and drop off times will not be disrupted by the works.

As construction access will be via the lay-by off of Braintree Road this will minimise disruption to the public highway.



### Summary and Timeframes

#### Where we are in the planning process

The proposals to support the school expansion have been issued to the following statutory consultees and determining bodies:

- Essex County Council Planning Department
- Essex County Highways
- Sport England
- ECC Place Services (Urban Design, Landscape, Historic Buildings, Ecology, Trees)
- Lead Local Flood Authority
- Braintree District Council
- Environment Agency
- Natural England

Since the pre-application discussions with the above named parties, Ingleton Wood in conjunction with Beardwell Construction have been liaising with our own consultant team of Ecologists, Arboriculturists, Engineers, Sustainability Specialists, Transport Consultants, Landscaping Consultants and Heritage Consultants. These discussions have shaped the proposals that form part of this public consultation to ensure that they meet a number of specialist requirements in terms of the design, scale and location of the new built form proposed.

#### Why we want to hear from you..

If you are in favour or opposed to the proposed development, please tell us why. Your feedback is important to us and will be used to help shape our proposals. Your comments and suggestions will be taken into account when formulating the final planning application submission which is scheduled for April 2024. It would be much appreciated if any comments that you have are provided by the 14th March to ensure that they are viewed and considered prior to the formal planning submission.

#### Next steps...

Once the planning application has been submitted to Essex County Council, you will have the opportunity to make further representations to the planning authority directly, who will take your views into account before making their decision on the planning application. You can keep updated on the planning application progress by following the Council's online planning portal.

#### Key milestones:

STAGE	TIMEFRAME
Statutory & public consultation with continued design development	February 2024 - April 2024
Planning application to ECC	April 2024
Planning determination	June 2024
Anticipated duration of construction works	September 2024 - July 2025