Subject: Long Term Empty Void Properties

Report to: Management Team – 19th February 2018

Housing and Neighbourhoods – 1st March 2018

Report by: Head of Property and Asset Management

SUBJECT MATTER/RECOMMENDATIONS

This report requested approval to undertake rectification works in a range of properties utilising the 2017/18 and 2018/19 budget allocation for Long Term Void and Major Voids:

- 1. 17 West Road, Great Yarmouth retain1 bed bungalow
- 2. 30 Exmouth Road, Great Yarmouth refurbish to provide two bed house
- 3. 2 Coastguard Cottages, Winterton retain three bed house
- 4. 38 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth conversion to two bed house
- 5. 54 Harbord Crescent, Great Yarmouth conversion to two bed house
- 6. 103/104 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth conversion of two properties to form one six bed house.

With the approval of Committee a full tendering process will commence if costs and works are as anticipated refurbishments will commence without further communication however if tenders identify any increase in costs information will come back to Committee for further consideration.

1. INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

- 1.1 This report deals with a number of properties which are currently classed as long term voids having been empty for anything between 12 months and 10 years. The void periods will be for a variety of reasons and these are expressed within the body of the report.
- 1.2 This report deals with six of the ten long term void properties within the asset portfolio the remaining four include:
 - Ormesby Road, Filby progressing through Planning Permission for development of four new properties utilising the garden in addition to the refurbishment of the property.
 - Horsey Road, West Somerton being investigated by Equinox Enterprises for additional development and refurbishment.

 17 and 21 Raleigh Avenue, Great Yarmouth - being evaluated by a specialist in this type of property construction, it is anticipated that information relating to these properties will be brought to the next meeting.

2. **INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES**

2.1 Property - 17 West Road, Great Yarmouth void since March 2008 and suffering from significant structural issues. The property has subsidence which has effected the stability of the chimney and therefore this will require removal and associated remedial works to the roof, floor, walls. As part of the refurbishment it is suggested that the layout of the bungalow be slightly amended to provide a full accessible ground floor property fit for purpose. Proposals and drawings are provided at appendix 1

Needs analysis – based on the current information held within the Allocation Pool there are a total of 24 applicants waiting for this type of sheltered accommodation.

2.2 Property - 30 Exmouth Road, Great Yarmouth void since May 2013 requires general refurbishment. This property is currently a three bedroom, downstairs bathroom property with a bedroom through bedroom access and single brick rear extension. Issues with the property include mould and damp from the single brick extension and therefore the refurbishment is costed to include a rebuild of the rear extension with a conversion to a two bedroom, three person property with upstairs bathroom. Drawings are provided at appendix 2

Needs analysis – based on the current information held within the Allocation Pool there are a total of 62 applicants waiting for this type of accommodation in this area of the town.

2.3 Property – 2 Coastguard Cottages, King Street, Winterton void since November 2013, extensive refurbishment is required of this three bedroom properties, limited parking. The Council continues to own other properties within this block. Appraisal and drawings are provided at appendix 3

Needs analysis – based on the current information held within the Allocation Pool there are a total of 41 applicants waiting for this type of accommodation in a rural area.

2.4 Property - 38 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth void since May 2016 again this property has a single brick rear extension and would require some remodelling of facilities to provide a two bed three person property. Appraisal and drawings are provided at apprendix 4

Needs analysis – based on the current information held within the Allocation Pool there are a total of 45 applicants waiting for this type of accommodation in this area of the town.

2.5 Property – 54 Harbord Crescent, Great Yarmouth void since February 2017. This property is currently a three bed, downstairs bathroom property with a bedroom through bedroom access the proposal is to remodel to relocate the bathroom to the upstairs and converting to a two bedroom, three person property with upstairs bathroom. Drawing and appraisals are provided at appendix 5.

Needs analysis – based on the current information held within the Allocation Pool there are a total of 71 applicants waiting for this type of accommodation in this area of the town.

2.6 Property – 103/104 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth. This property was previously leased to the Access Community Trust and utilised as a hostel but returned to Community Housing ownership in January 2017. During the period on lease the properties had been used as one 6 bed accommodation although full conversion to one property had not been completed there remained two sets of stairs, two front doors etc. The option being put before the Committee is to formalise the conversion to a six bedroom property for use by Community Housing and fully complete the conversion. This would in real terms remove one property from the Community Housing Asset Register as these remain registered as two three bedroom properties.

Needs analysis – based on the current information held within the Allocation Pool there are a total of 13 applicants waiting for 5 bedroom or larger properties with the average time on the allocation register being in excess of 3 years. Appraisal and drawings are provided at appendix 6.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The financial implications for the properties are all significant and this is one of the reasons proposals have taken a significant amount of time to formulate however given the analysis of demand for these properties it is clear that there is a need within the Borough for these types and locations of properties.
- 3.2 Costs in relation to all addresses are listed below, it should be noted that these are currently estimated costs and all works will be tendered to ensure best value is achieved.

Address	Estimated
	Cost
	£
17 West Road, Great Yarmouth	59,869
30 Exmouth Road, Great Yarmouth	30,900
3 Coastguard Cottages, King Street, Winterton	60,492
38 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth	30,900
54 Harbord Crescent, Great Yarmouth	69,965
103/104 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth	78,563
Total	330,689

- 3.3 The budget for 2017/18 for long term voids is £100k which currently remains unspent it is proposed to request that this budget is rolled forward to incorporate the £100k 2018/19 budget to provide a total budget ability of £200k with additional funds utilised from the Major Void budget as required.
- 3.4 The above costs are estimated and a full tender process will be undertaken to ensure best value can be achieved.

4. RISK IMPLICATIONS

4.1 All of the above properties require significant works to bring them to the 'decent' standard the risk in association with this is that works could prove significantly more costly than anticipated should this be the case further consideration would be requested from Members in relation to the retention of these locations.

5. **CONCLUSIONS**

5.1 Consideration have been given to the sale of these properties rather than refurbishment however it is clear that the sale value of the properties would not facilitate replacement of like for like accommodation and therefore this has been discounted. As is identified in the risk implications should costs for the proposed refurbishments be higher than anticipated further consideration will be given to this option.

6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

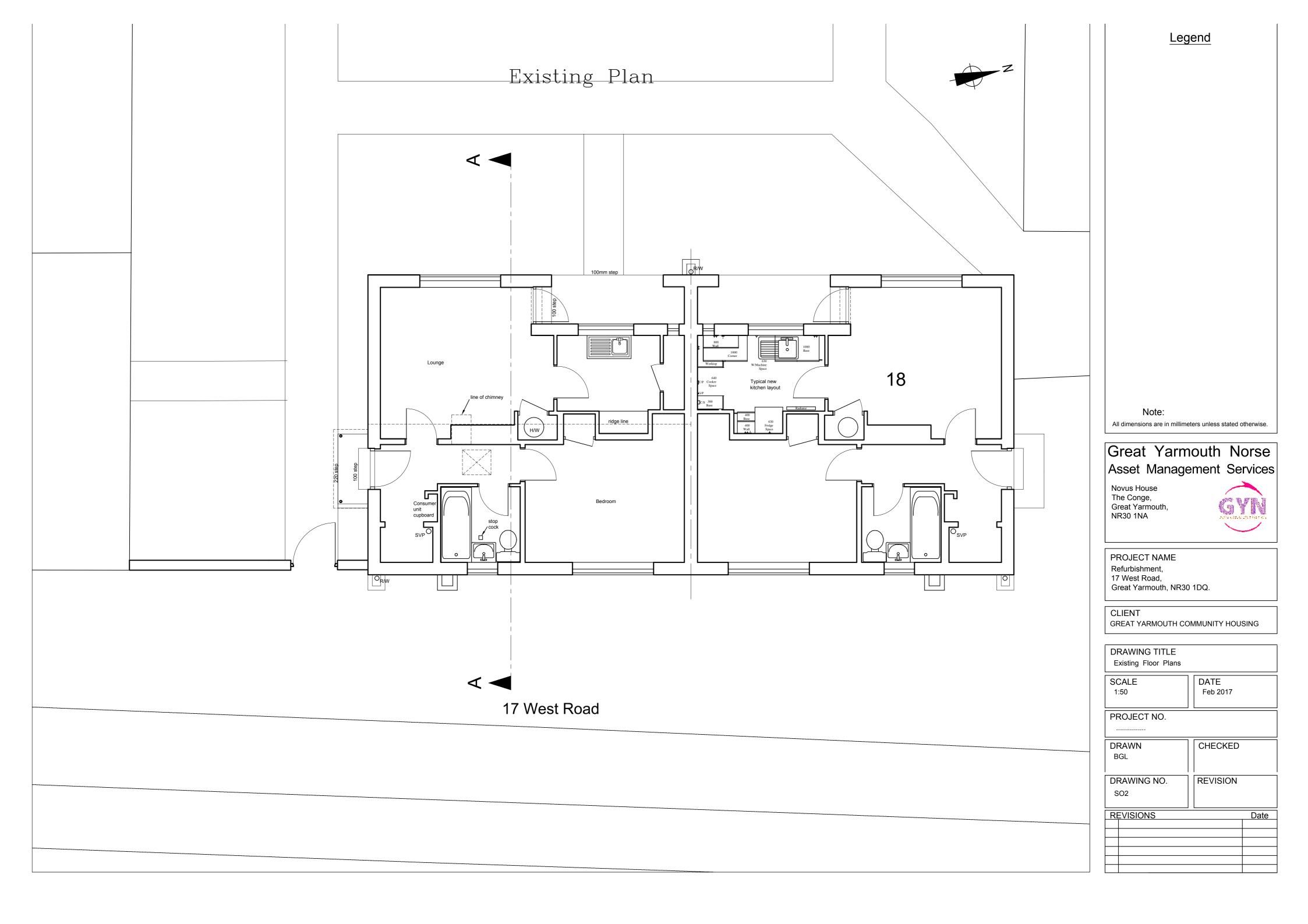
- 6.1 To carry forward the 2017/18 budget to provide funding of £200k in the 2018/19 budget to undertake repair and redevelopment proposals as detailed on the identified properties.
- 6.2 To utilise the Major Voids budget for any shortfall in funding.
- 6.3 With the approval of Committee a full tendering process will commence if costs and works are in line with this report refurbishments will commence however if tenders identify any increase in costs information will come back to Committee for further consideration prior to works being undertaken.

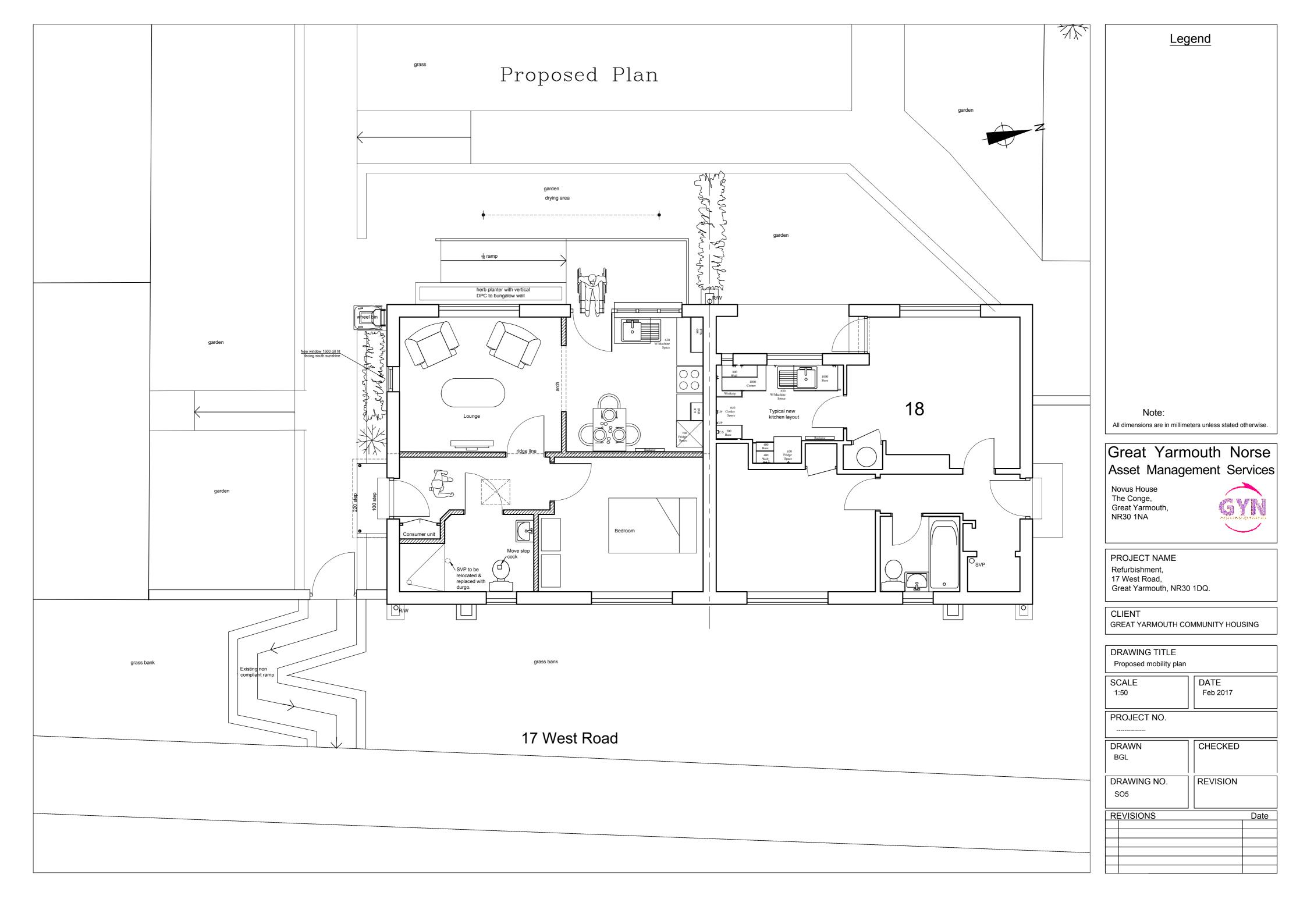
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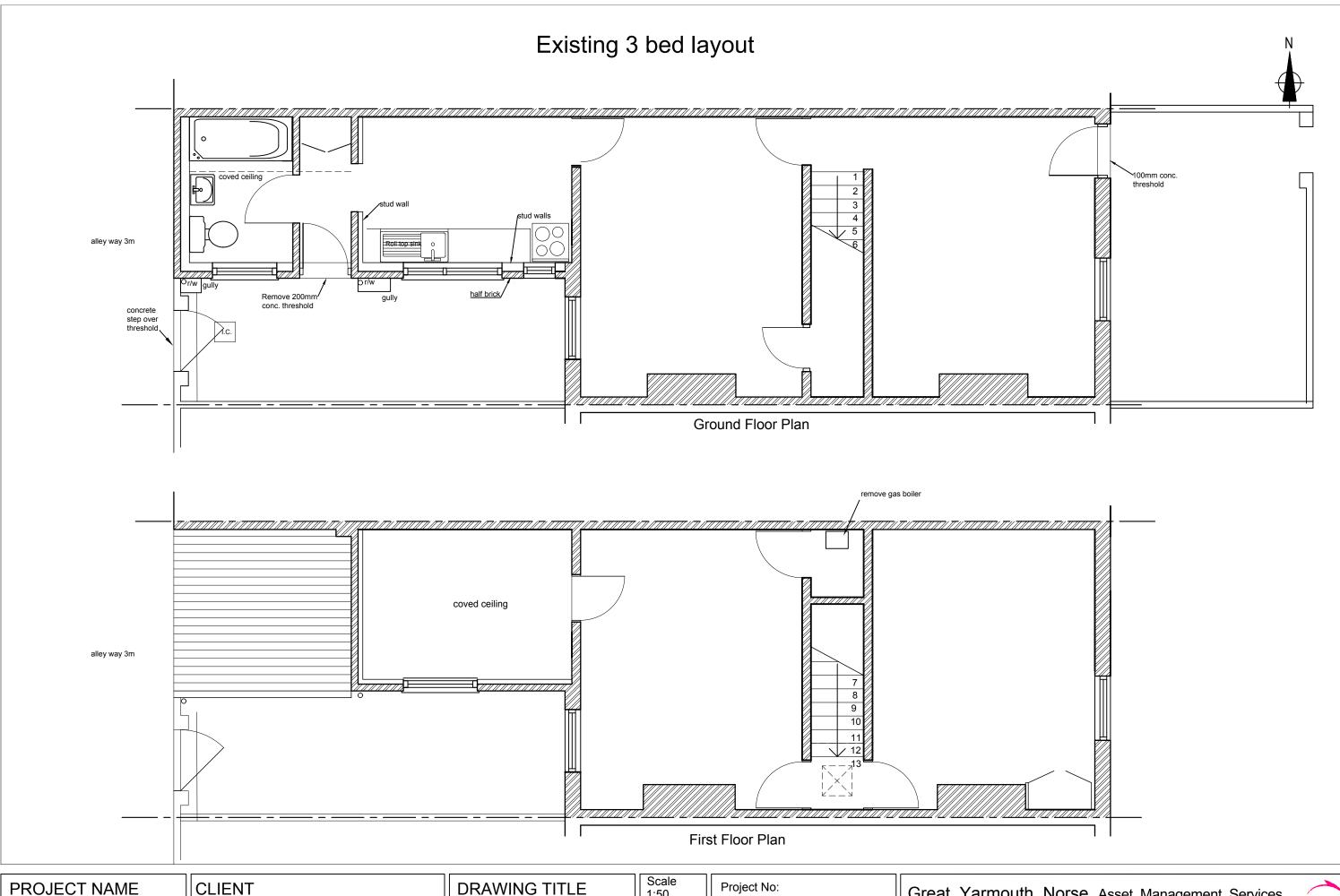
Appraisal documentation from GYNorse Current and proposed plans Allocation Pool needs analysis

Area for consideration	Comment
Monitoring Officer Consultation:	None
Section 151 Officer Consultation:	None
Existing Council Policies:	
Financial Implications (including	Considered and included
VAT and tax):	
Legal Implications (including human	None
rights):	
Risk Implications:	Considered and included
Equality Issues/EQIA assessment:	None
Crime & Disorder:	None
Every Child Matters:	None









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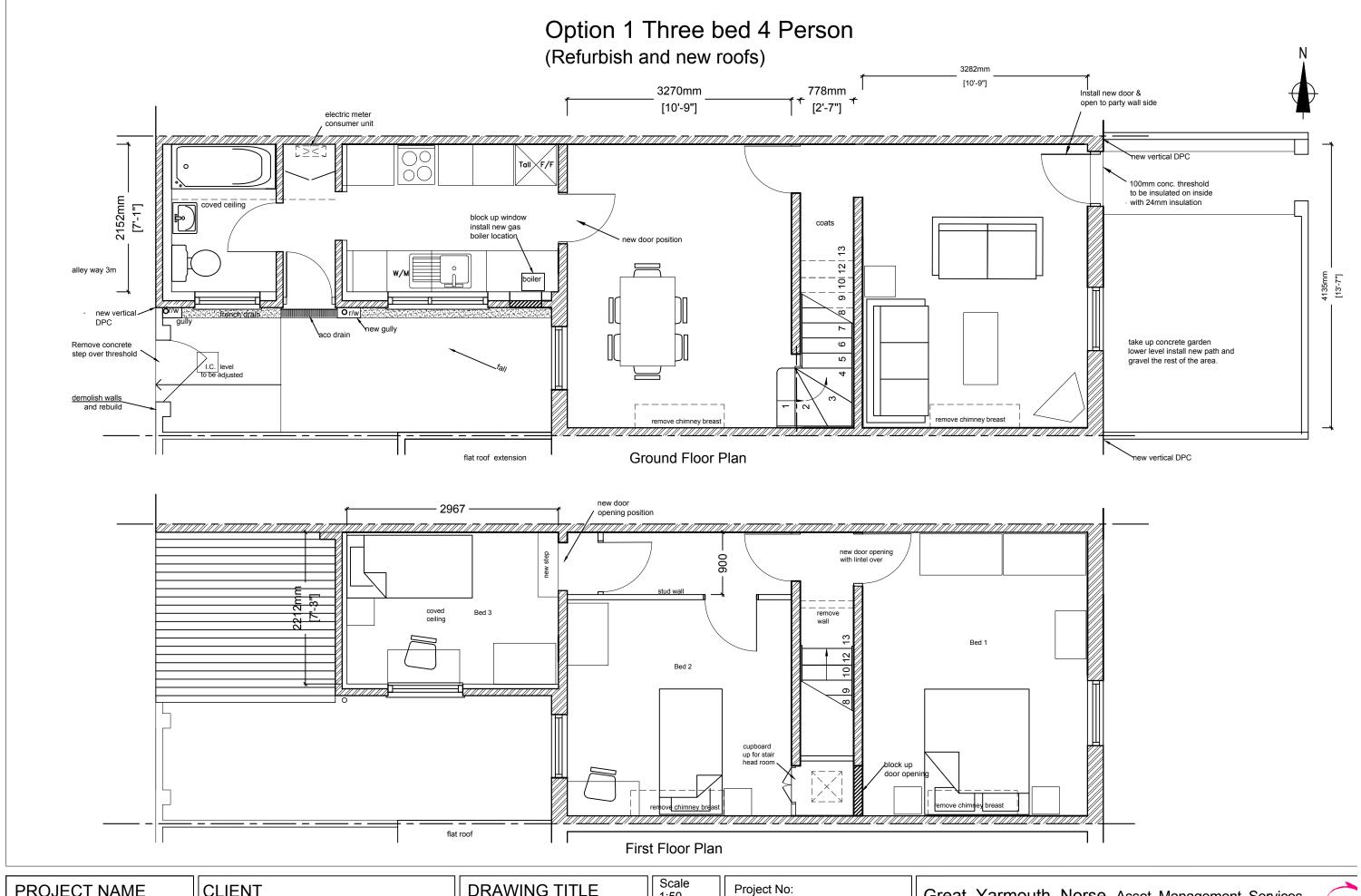
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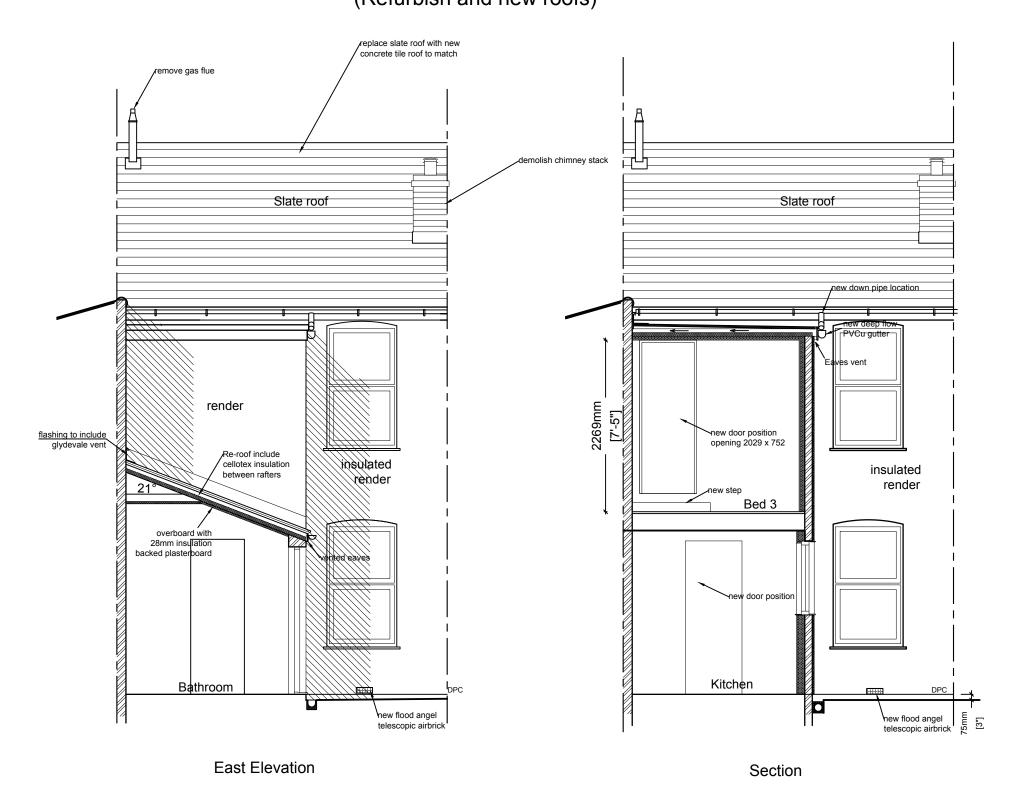
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Option 1 Three bed 4 Person (Refurbish and new roofs)



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30 Exmouth Road, Great Yarmouth, NR30 3DN. CLIENT

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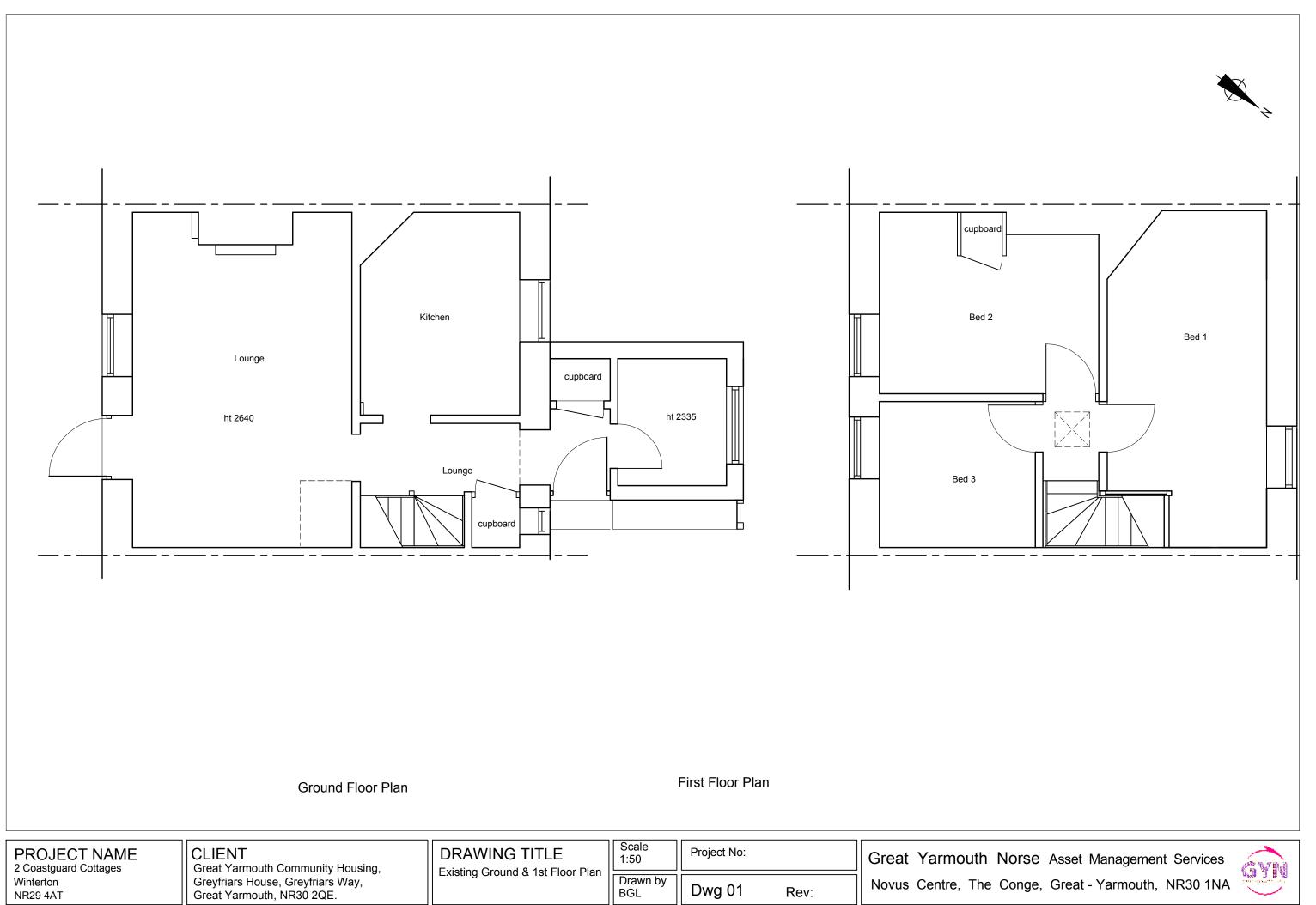
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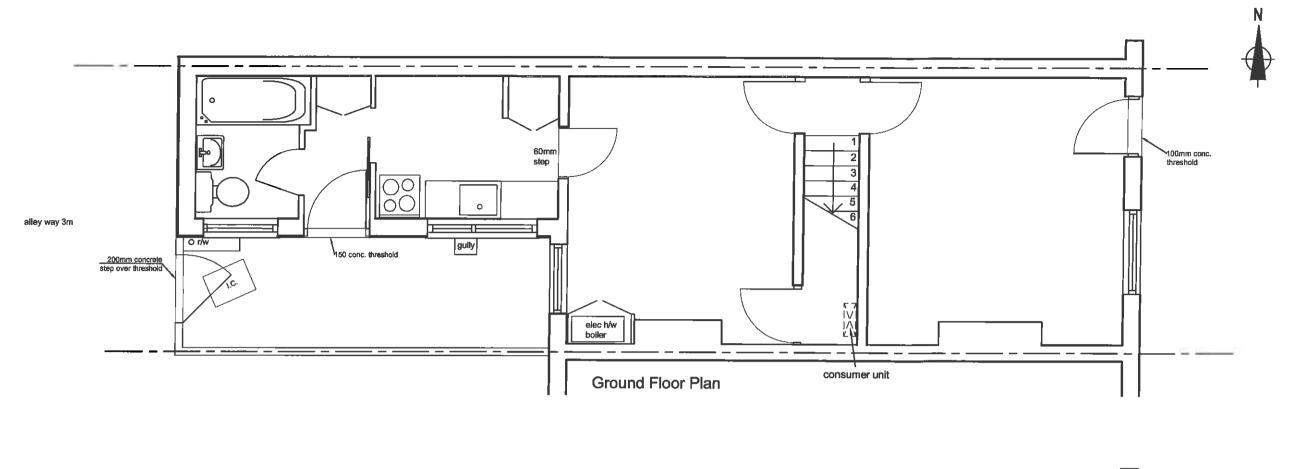
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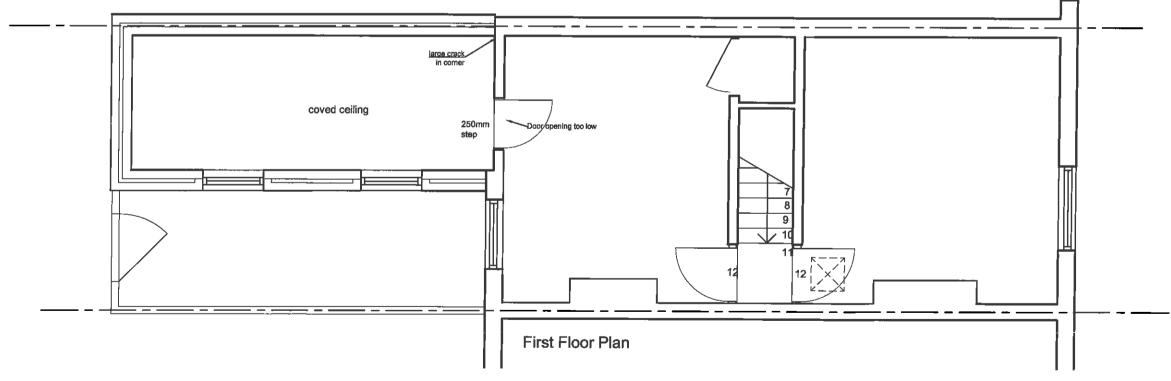
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Great Yarmouth, NR30 3DQ.

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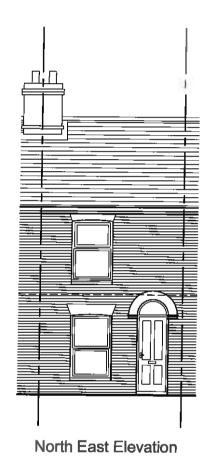
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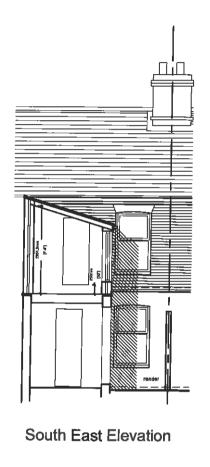
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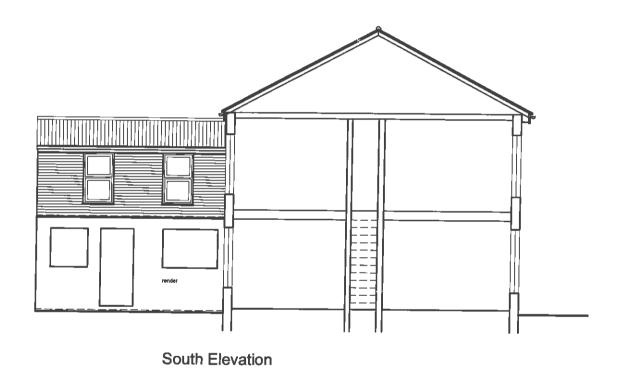
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Option 3 Two bed 3 Person (new extension) [24'-3"] velux New position of 200mm concrete step over threshold Ground Floor Plan [11'-2"] [15'-10"] 2200,3mm [7'-3"] new door opening with lintel over O r/w O [2'-5"] stud wall cupboard up for stair head room First Floor Plan

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38 Admiralty rd Great Yarmouth, NR30 3DQ. CLIENT

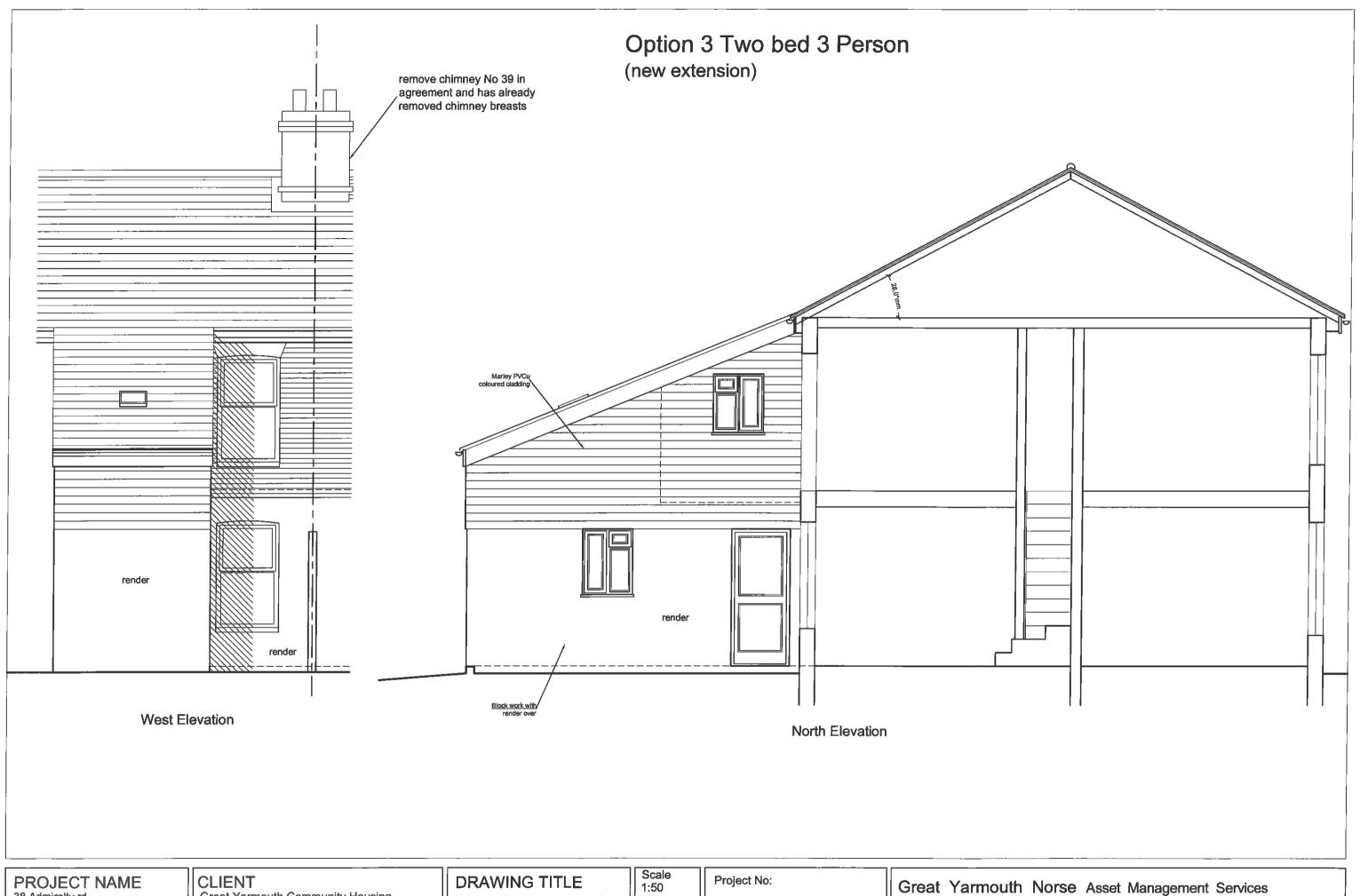
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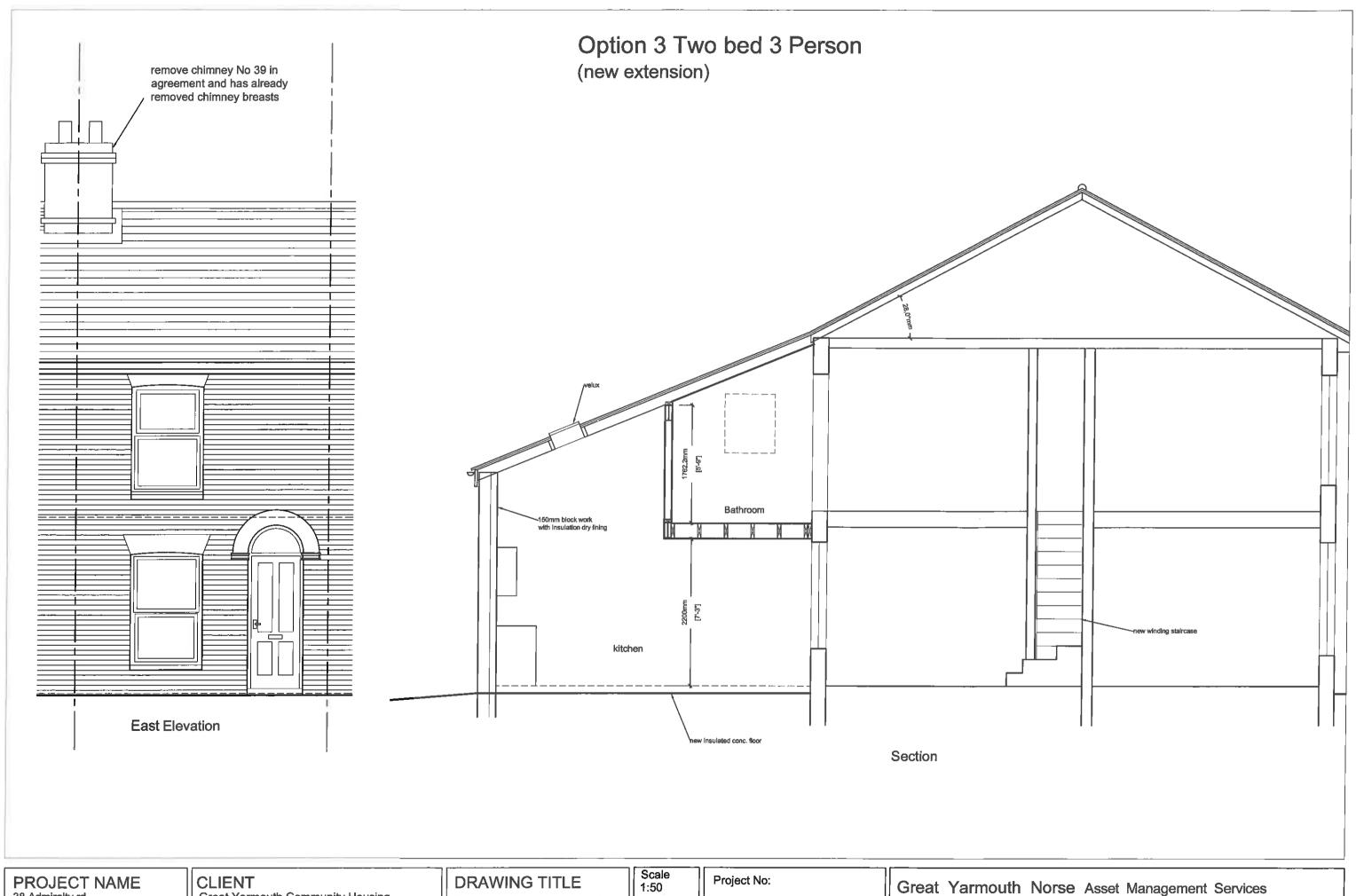
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Proposed elevations option 3 new extension

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PROJECT NAME 54 Harbord Crescent Great Yarmouth, NR30 3EL.

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Two bed 3 Person (Demolish rear addition) New window sill ht 673mm raise by 4 courses ONew SVP t/d Kitchen Bed 2 В Electric meter consumer unit Bed 1 Ground Floor Plan First Floor Plan

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Great Yarmouth, NR30 3EL

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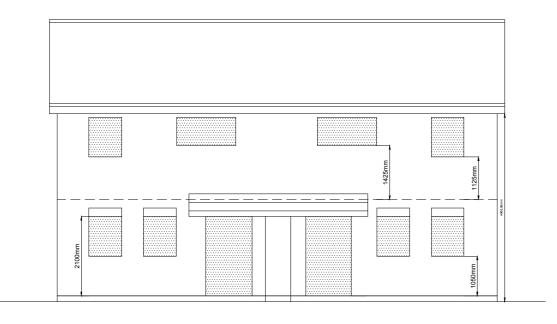
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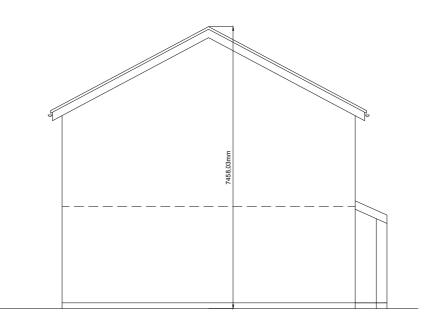


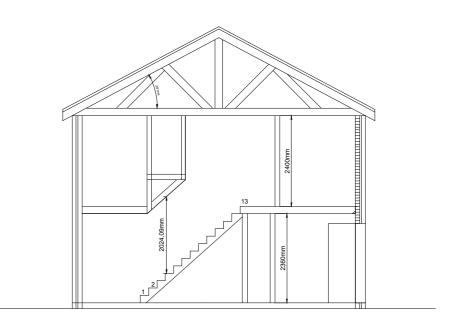


Existing Refuge House Elevations and Section





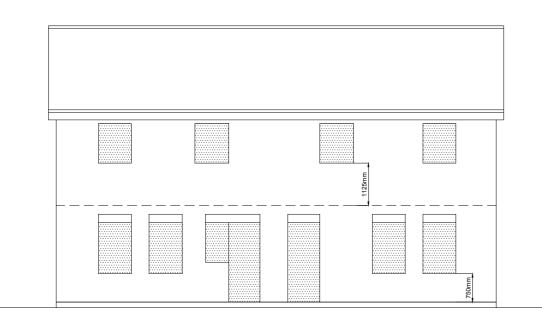


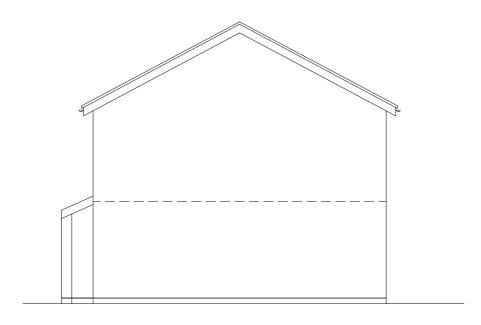


North Elevation

East Elevation

Section A - A





South Elevation

West Elevation

Existing Elevations

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Legend

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Novus House The Conge, Great Yarmouth, NR30 1NA



PROJECT NAME

103 - 104 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth, NR30 3DS.

CLIENT

GREAT YARMOUTH COMMUNITY HOUSING

DRAWING TITLE Existing elevations & section

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Existing Refuge House Site Plan Patio garden communal garden First Floor Plan Ground Floor Plan Adopted path

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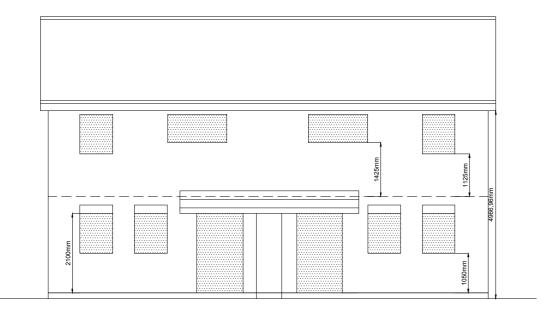
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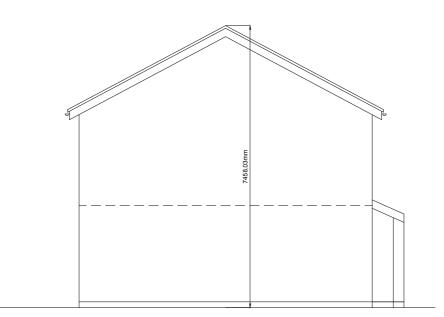
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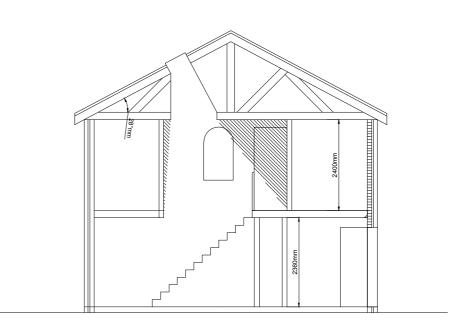
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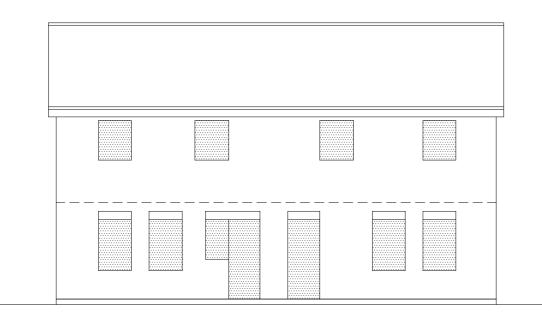


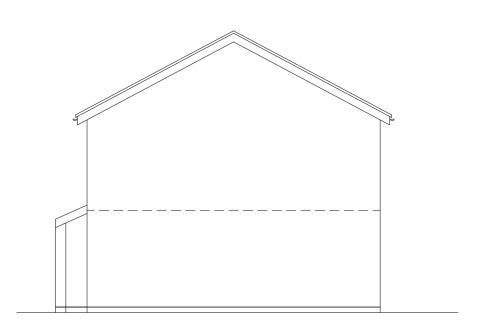


North Elevation



Section A - A





South Elevation

West Elevation

Proposed Elevations

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103 - 104 Admiralty Road, Great Yarmouth, NR30 3DS.

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Six bed house elevations & section

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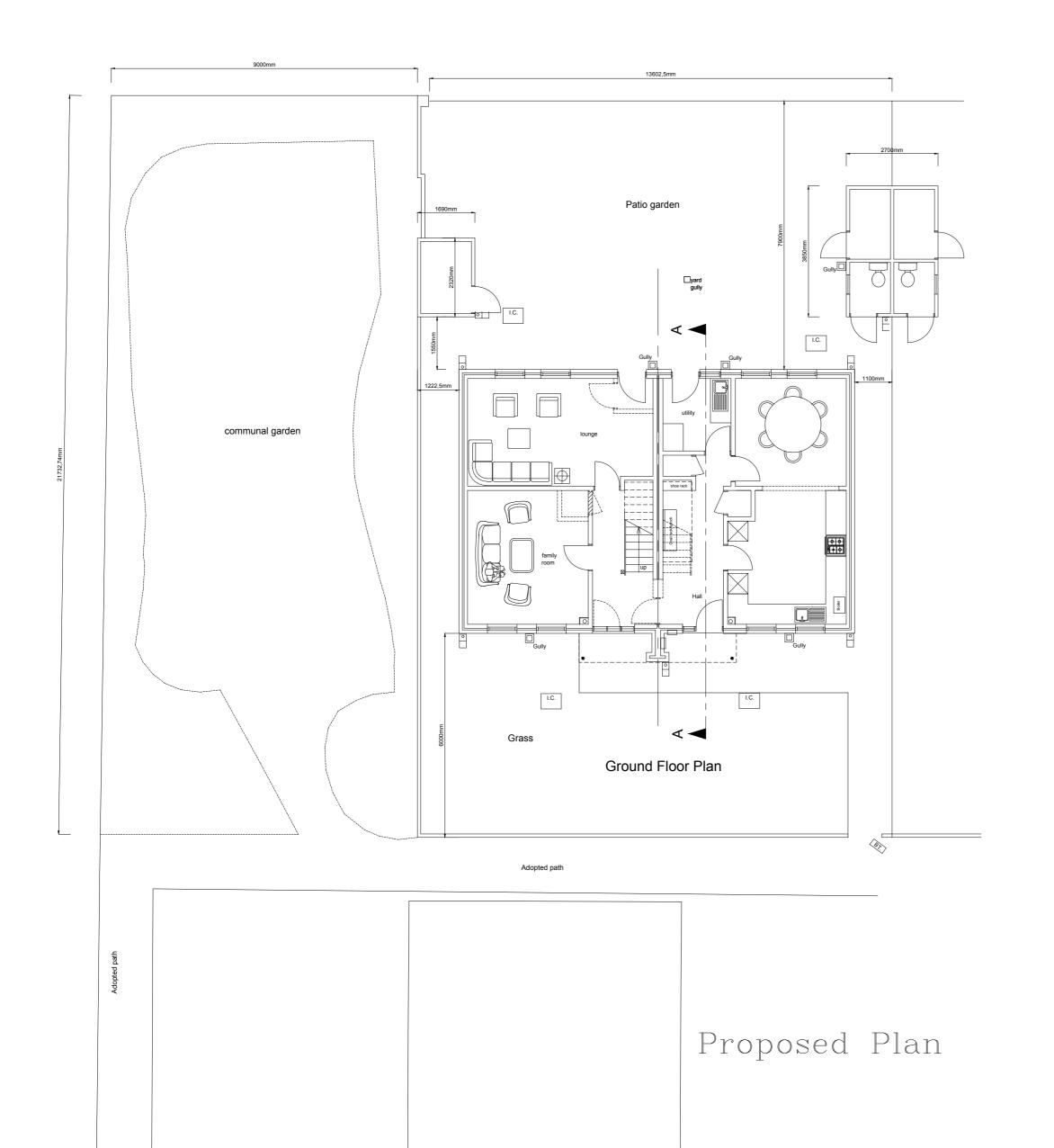
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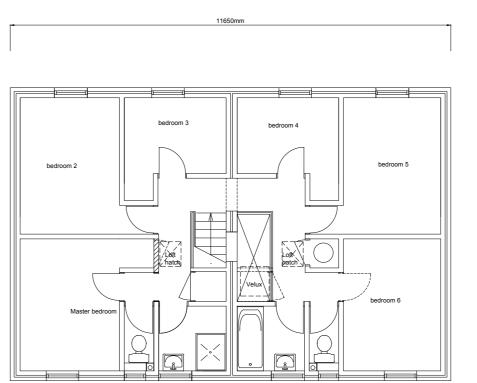
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First Floor Plan

Legend

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CLIENT

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Plans for one six bed house

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