

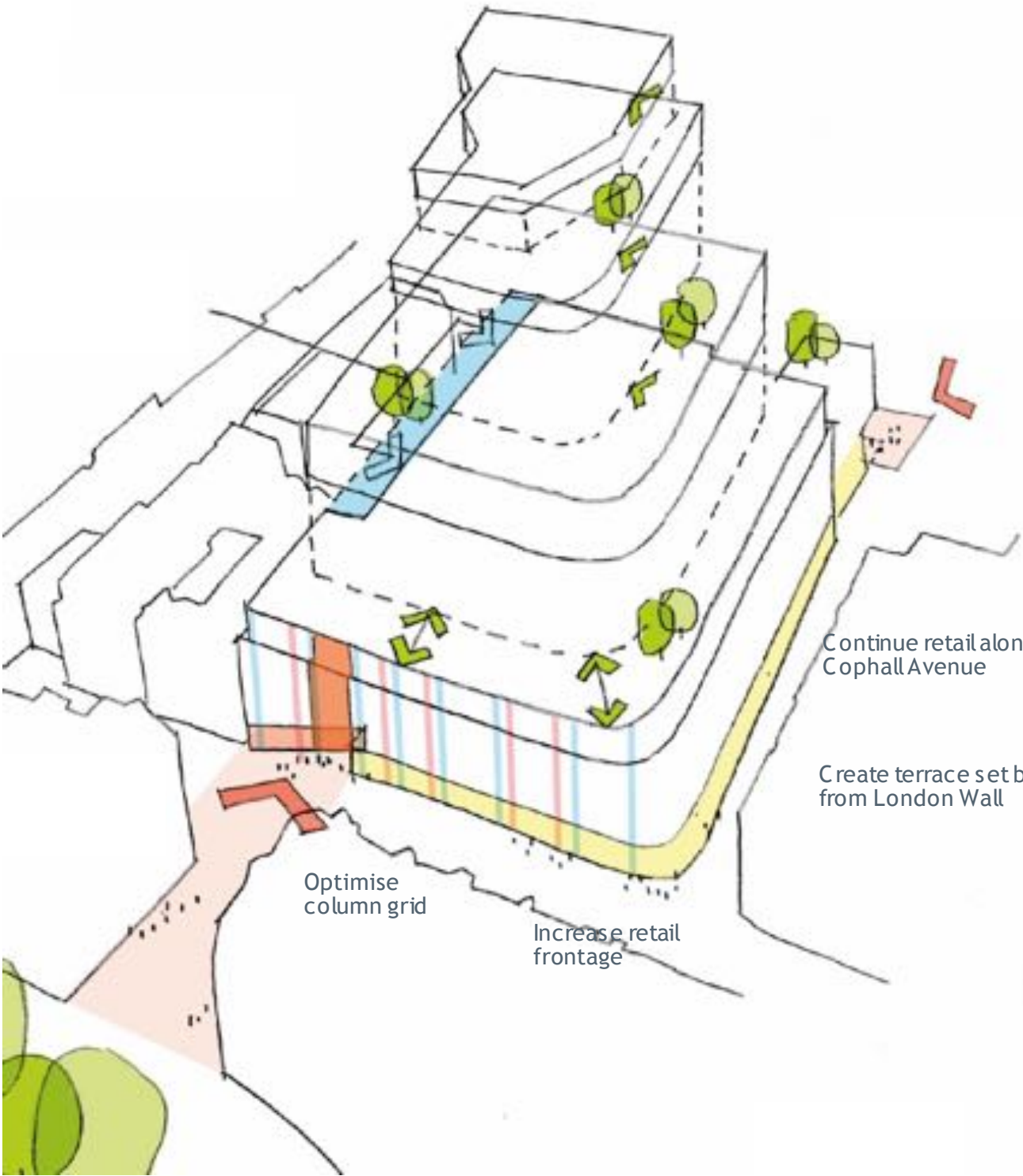
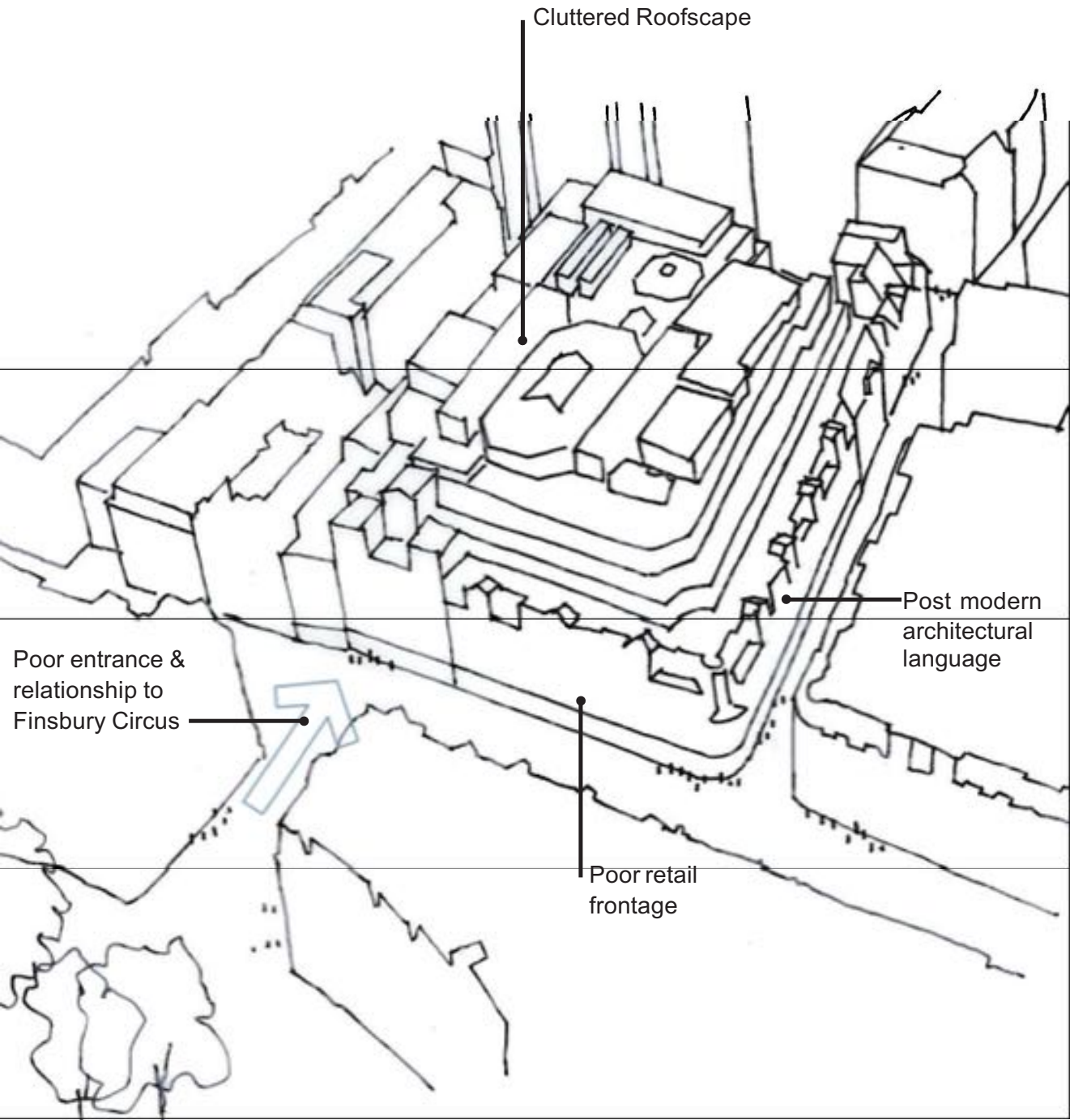
60 London Wall



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Design Response



Design Proposal



Design Proposal



Typical Floor Plan: Before and After

Heavy post-modern facade



Before

5 disconnected cores

Rationalised, light-filled facade



After

New central core



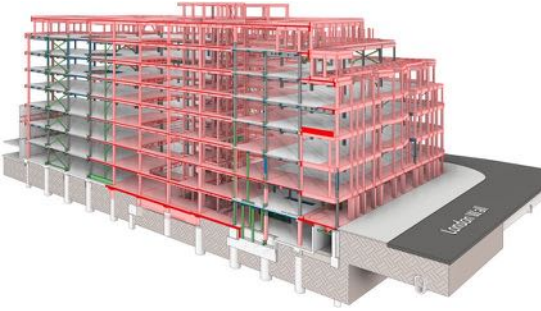
Brief - Practical Completion



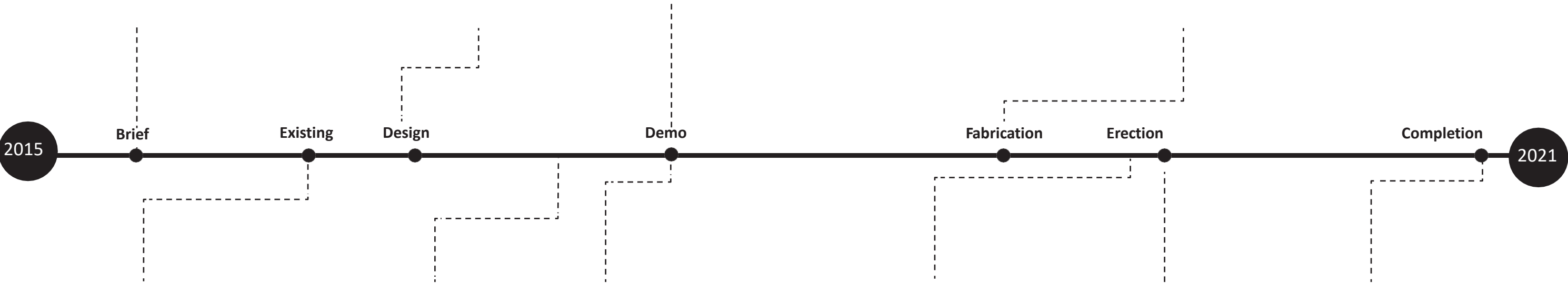
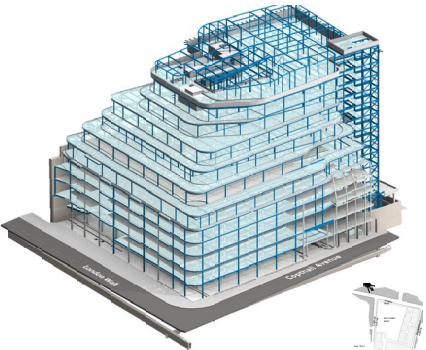
London Wall Portland Stone Facade.



Architectural render



Demolition



Existing Building (2015)

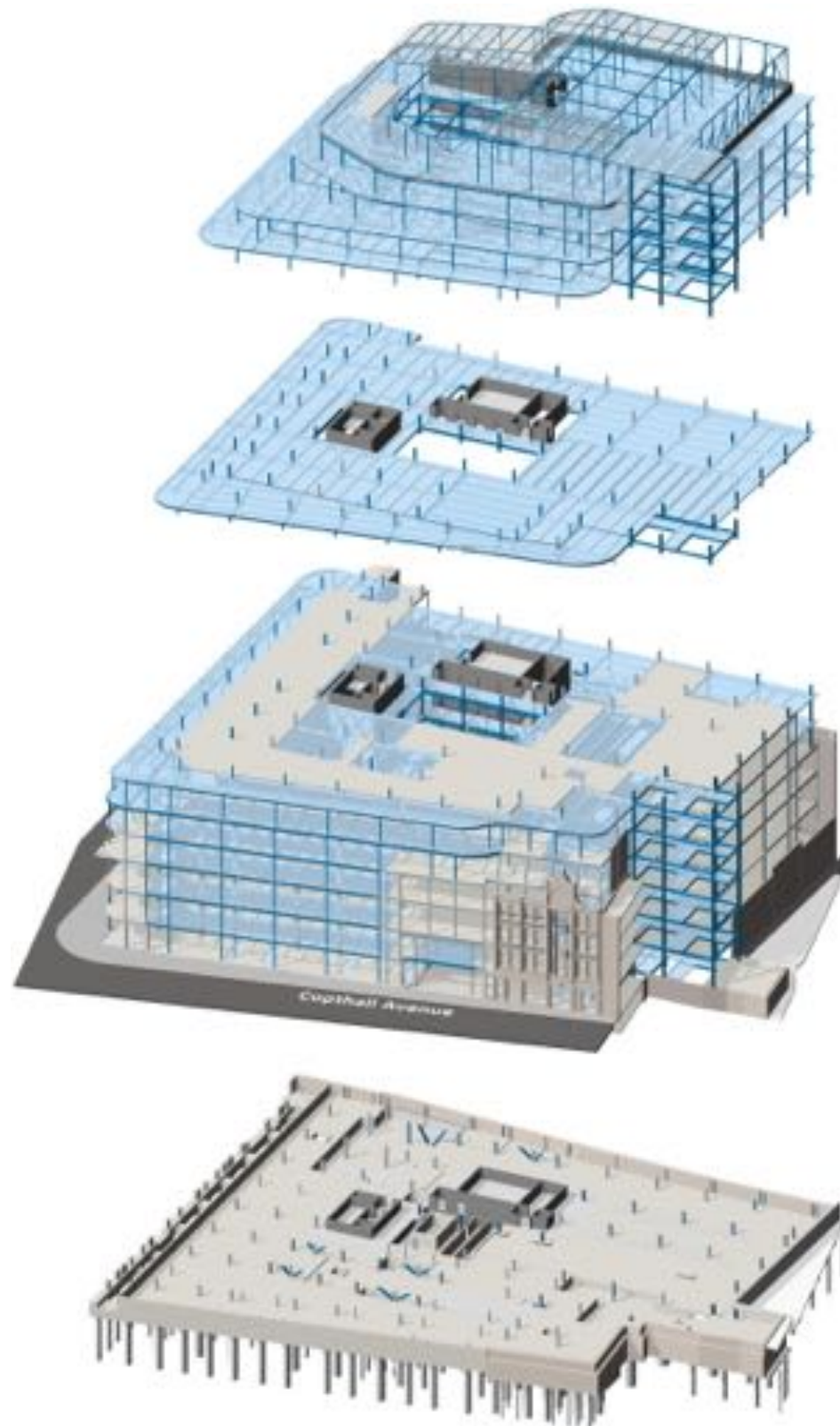
Steel frame demolition

Steel frame erection

Practical completion



Structural Design



- + Building area increased by 54%
- + 49% existing building retained
- + 10% existing columns strengthened to carry additional load
- + Piled foundations justified for 33% load increase
- + BIM level 2 standards
- + Four additional storeys plus plant deck level
- + Exposed steel structure throughout

Site History Timeline

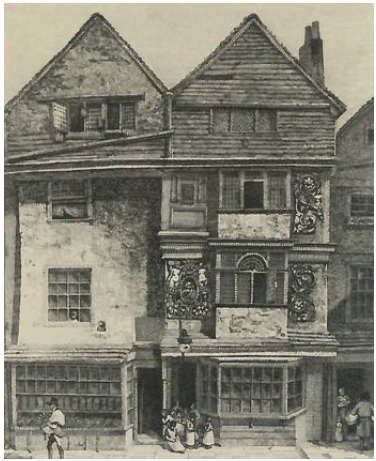


Image of typical 16th century timber house along London Wall



View of Little Bell Alley



Aerial View of Finsbury Circus



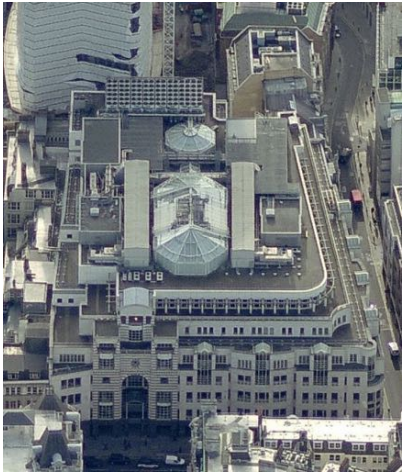
1958 - 1970 View of Copthall Avenue



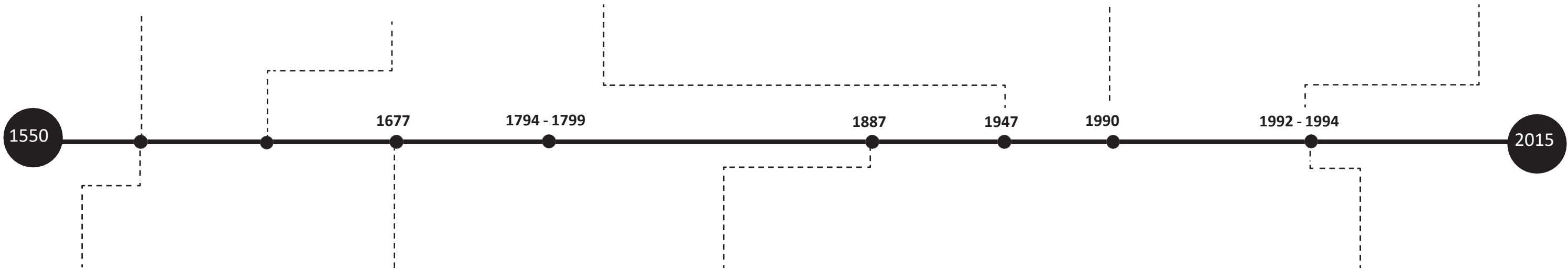
Archaeological investigations and piling works on site



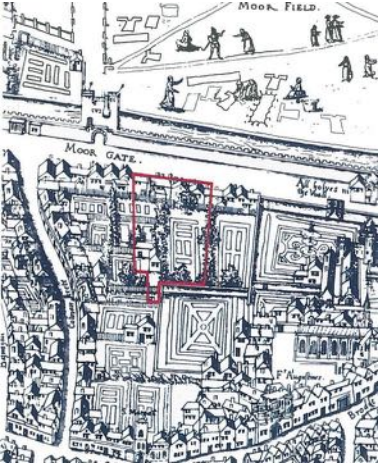
Site under construction



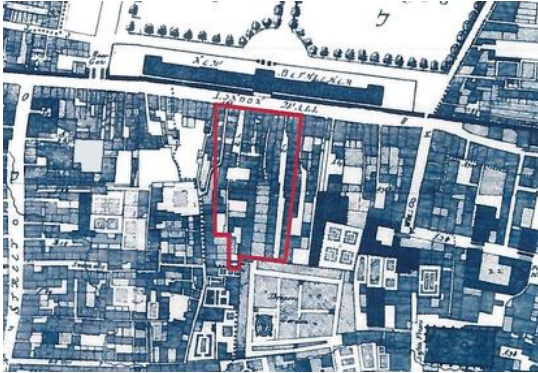
Aerial View



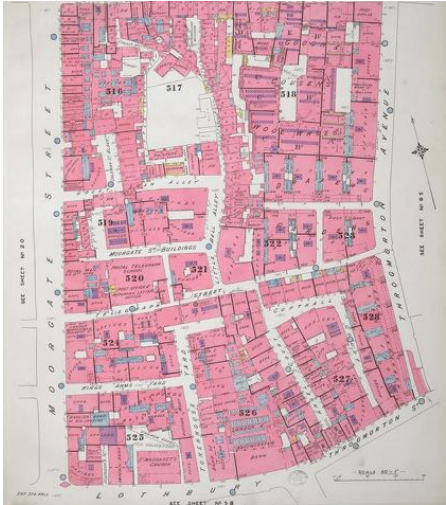
Copperplate Map of London Wall



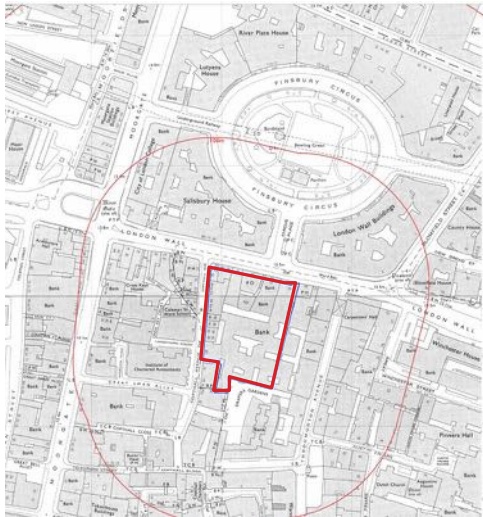
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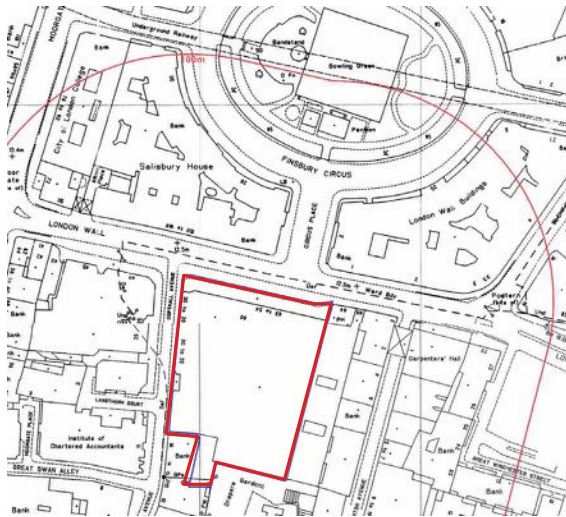
1877 Fire Insurance Map



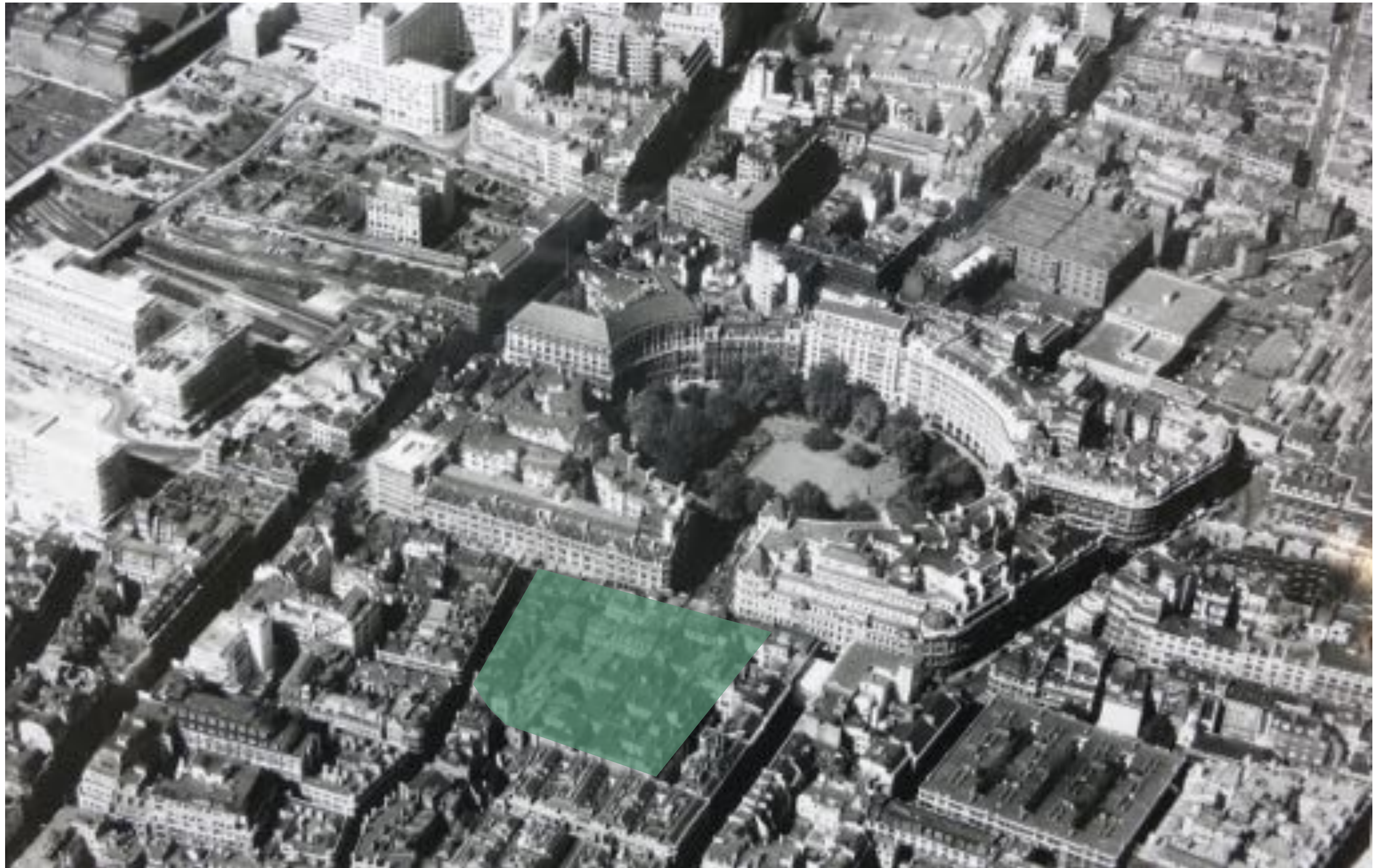
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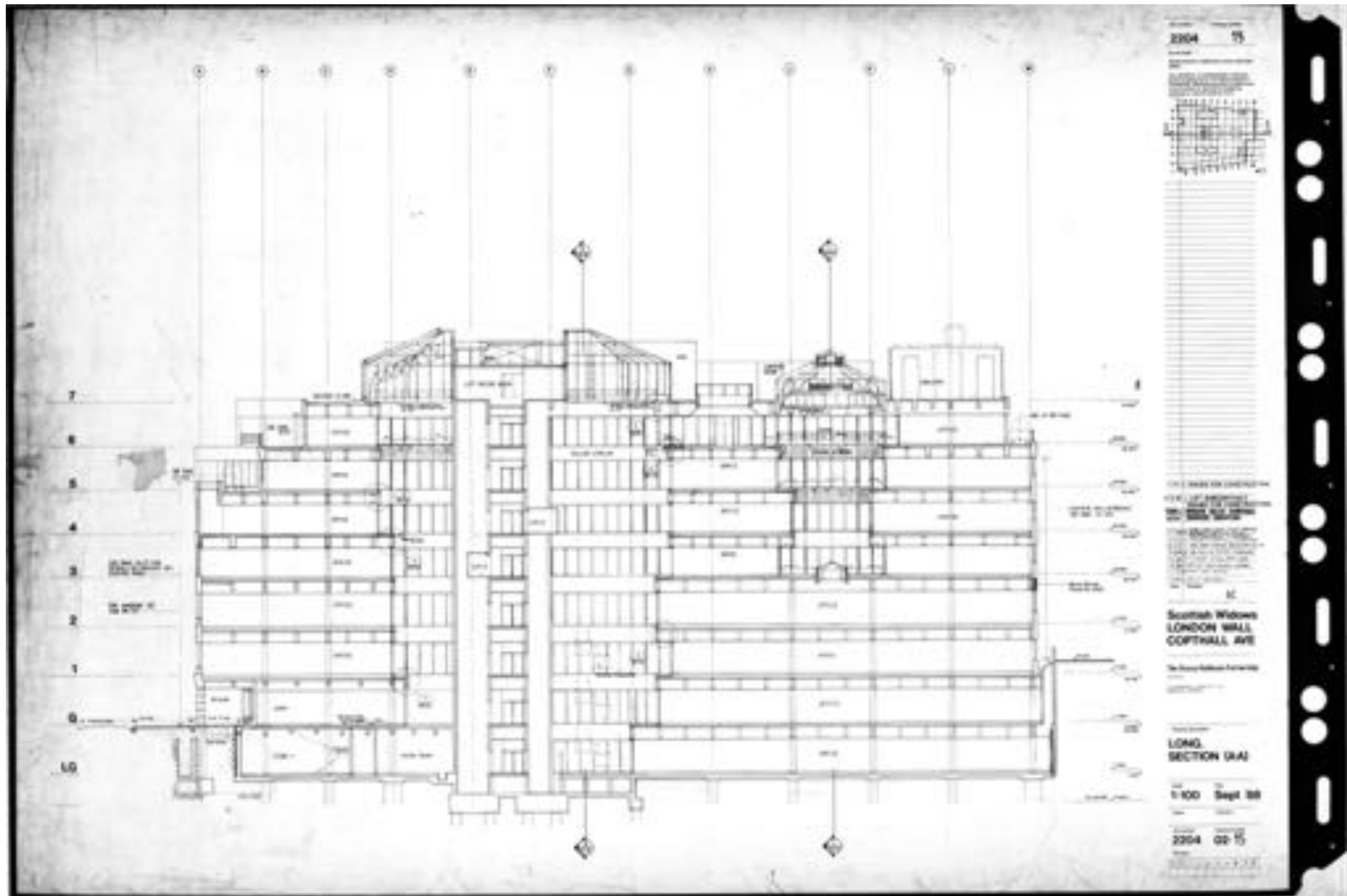
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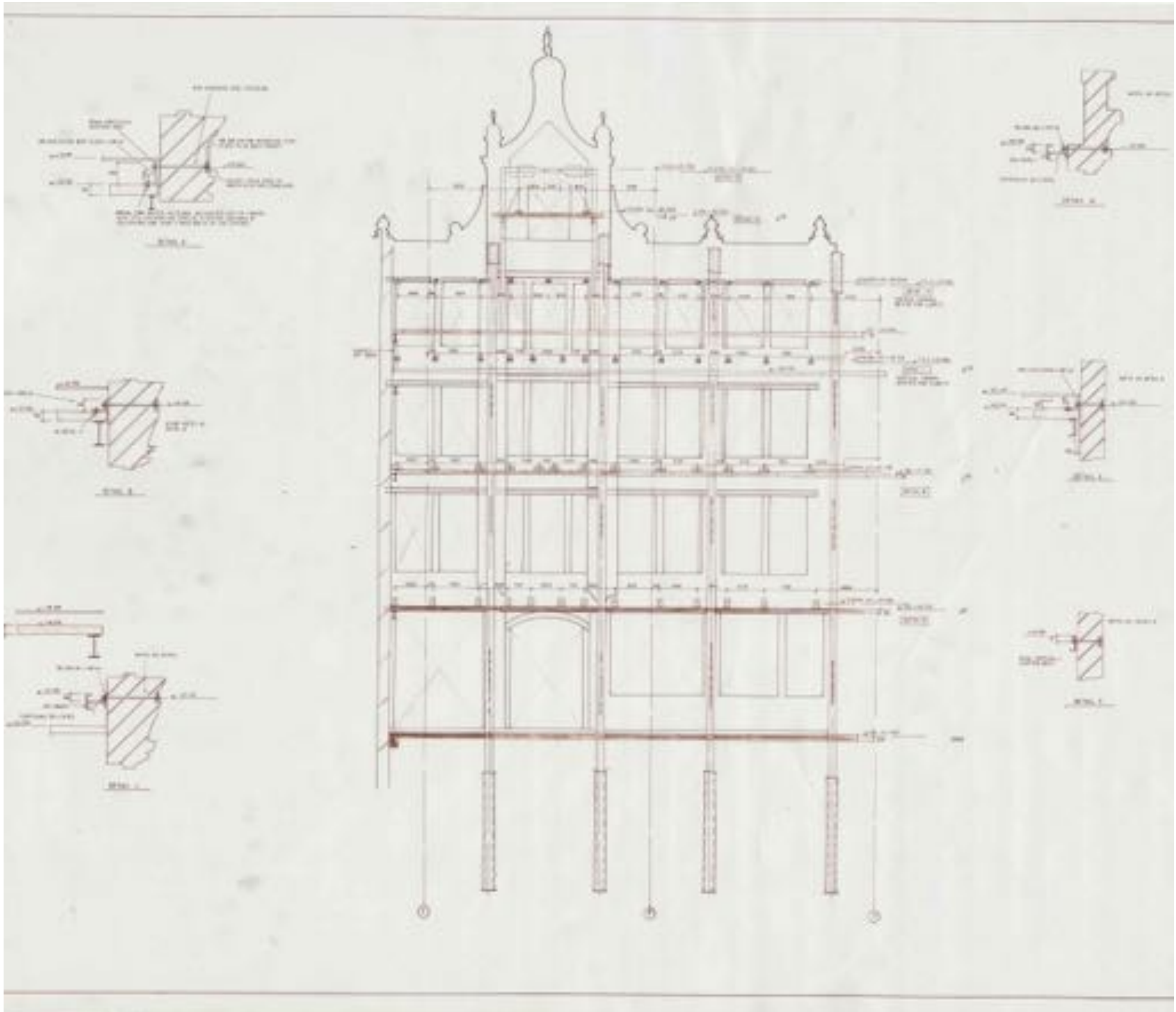
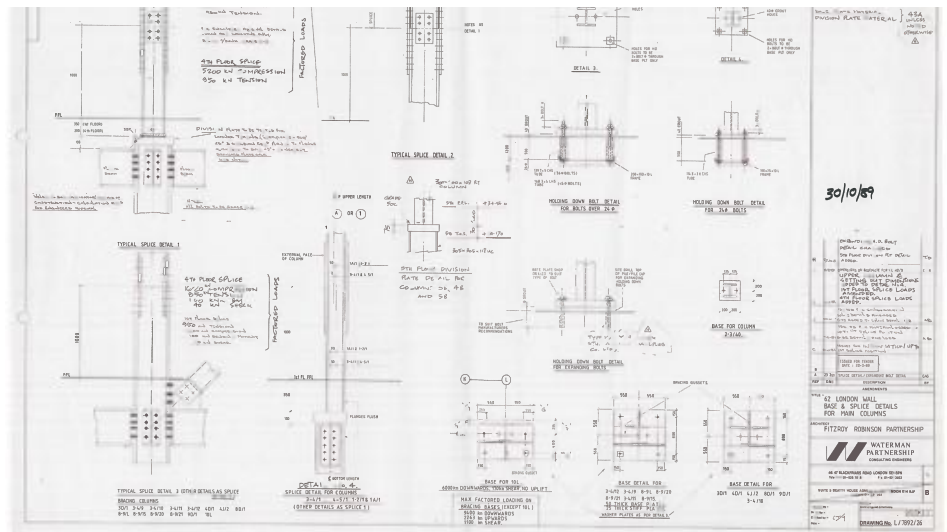
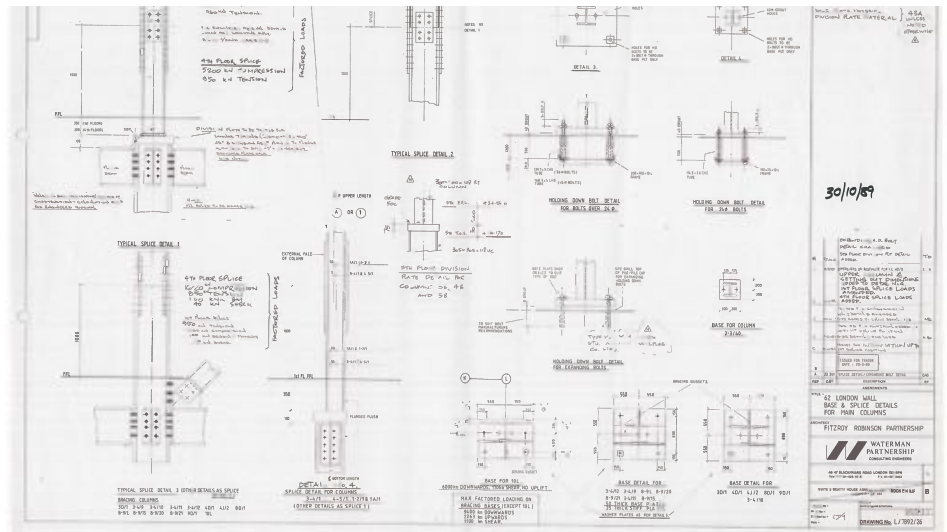
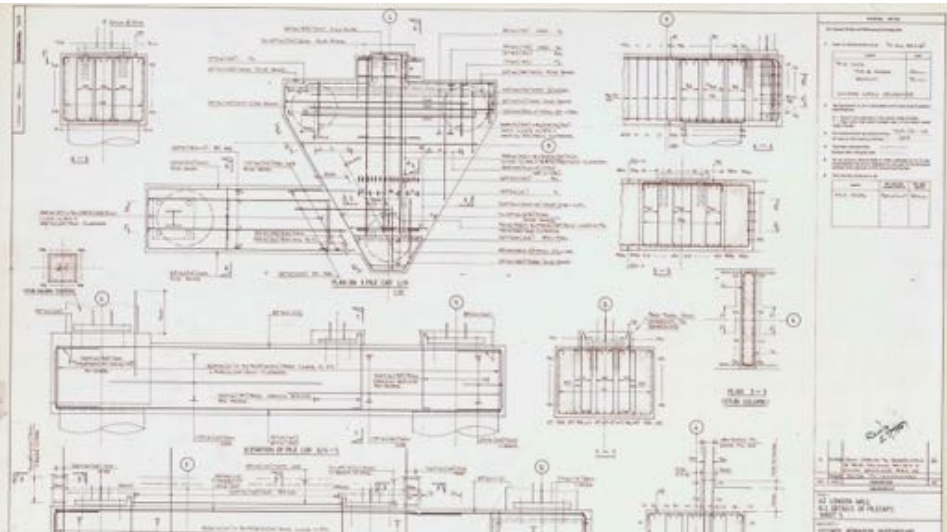
Existing Site



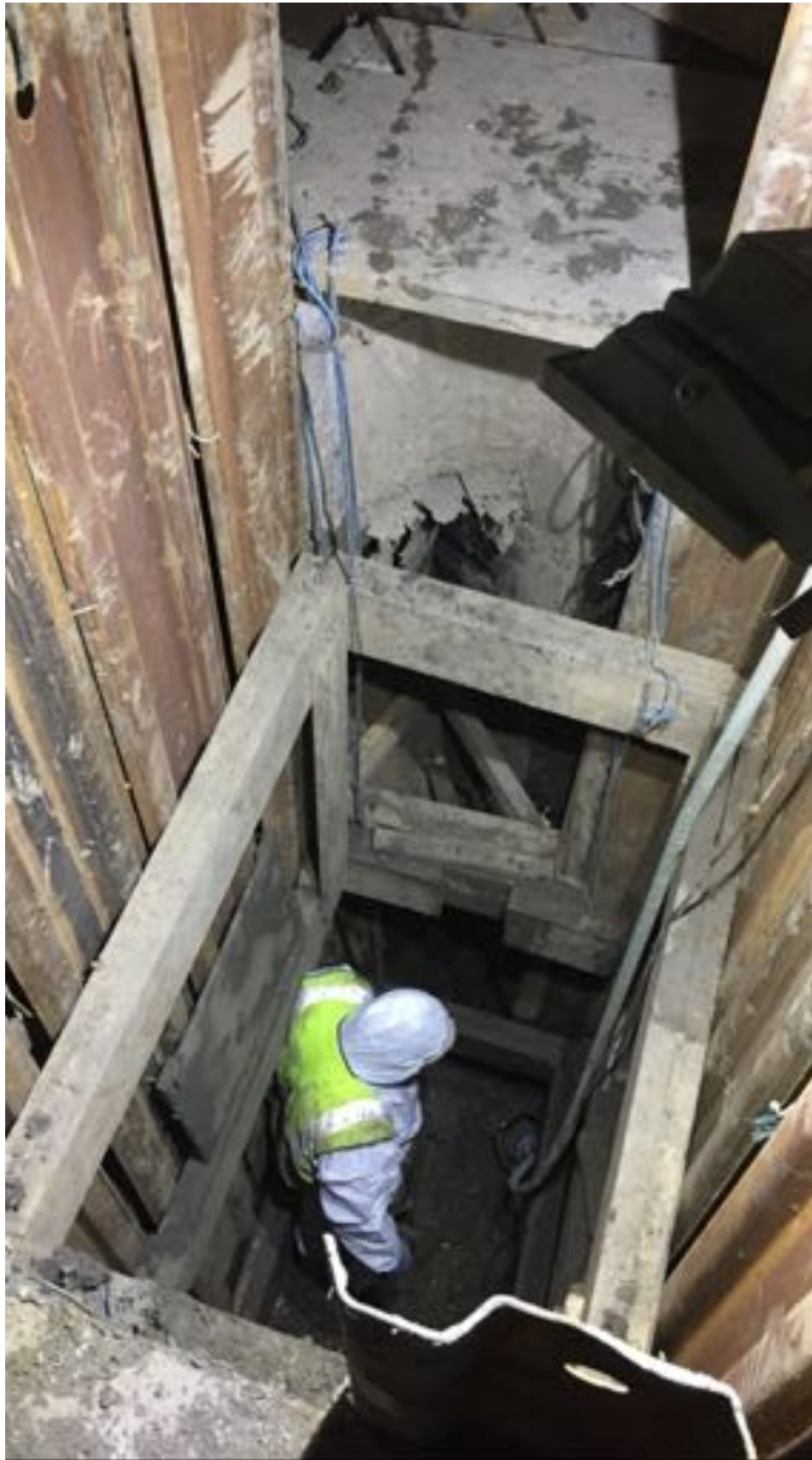
Existing Building - Archive Research



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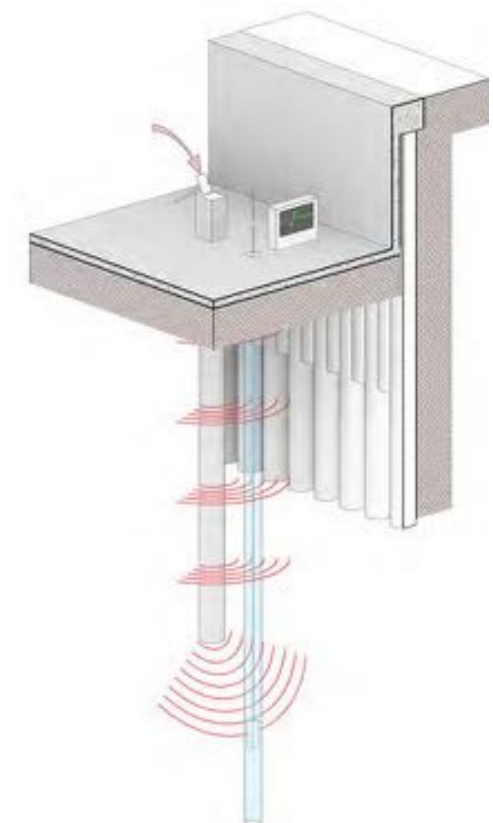
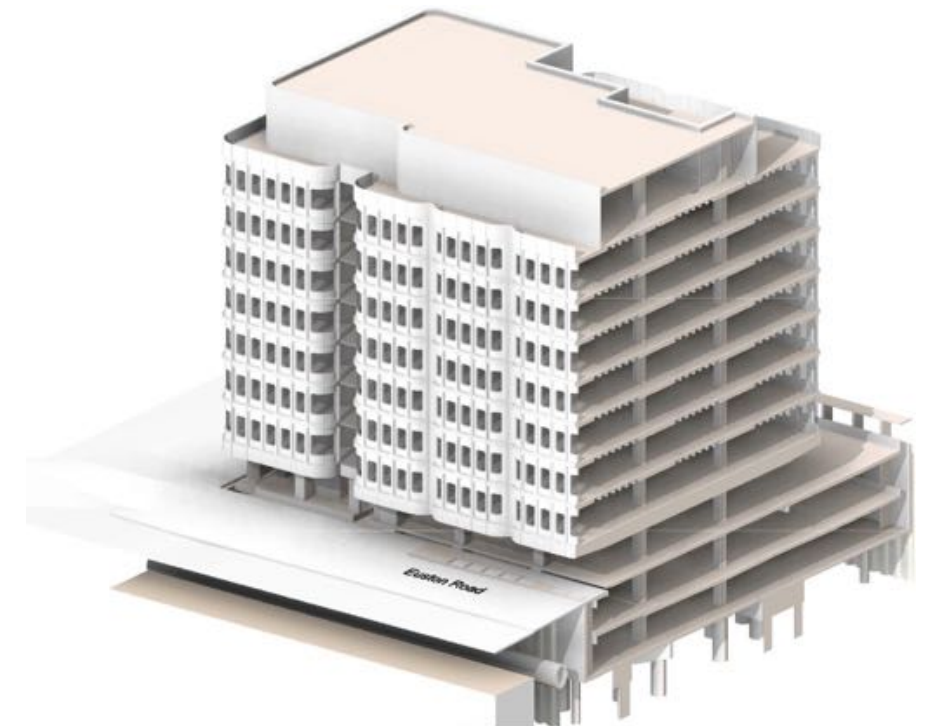
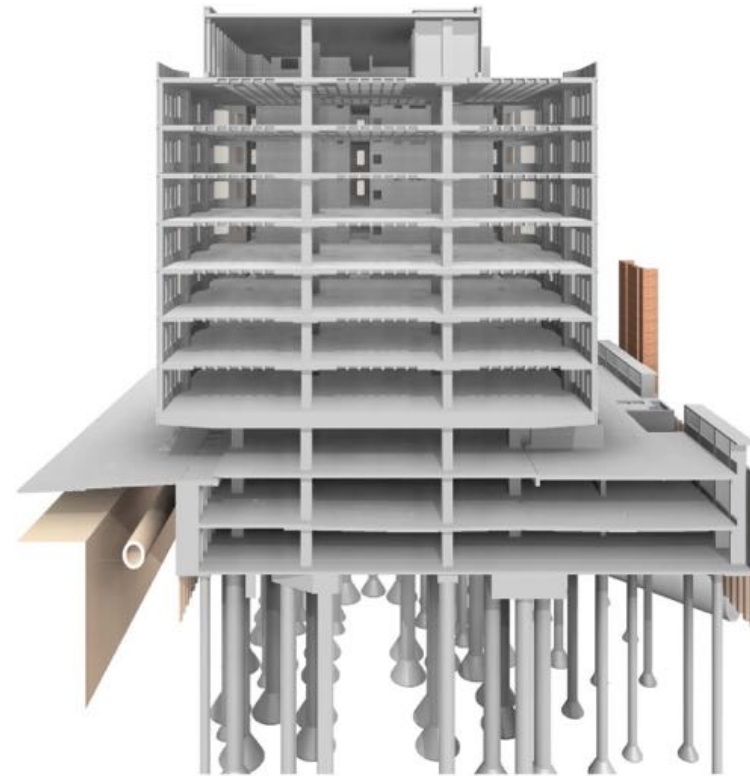
Existing Building - Investigations



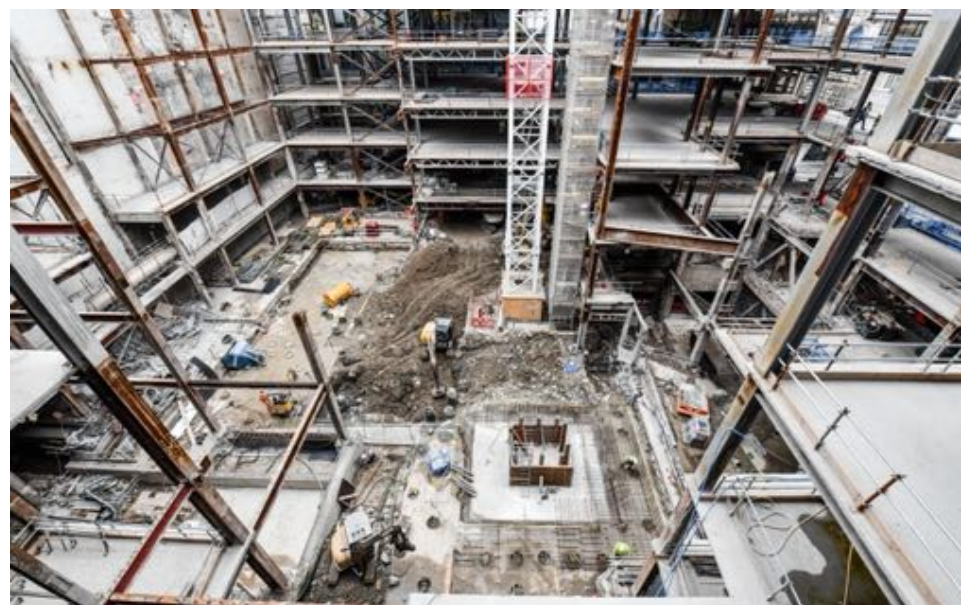
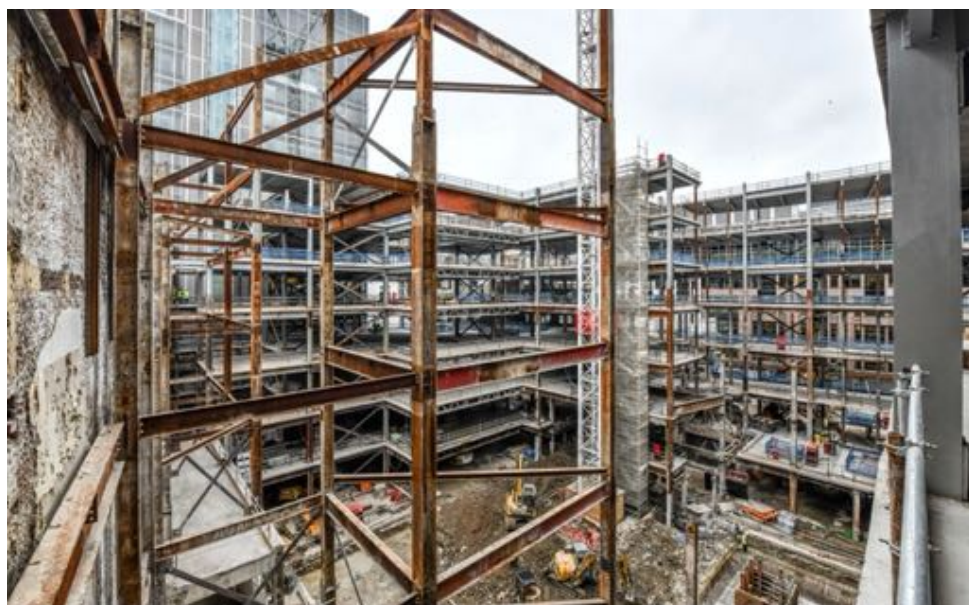
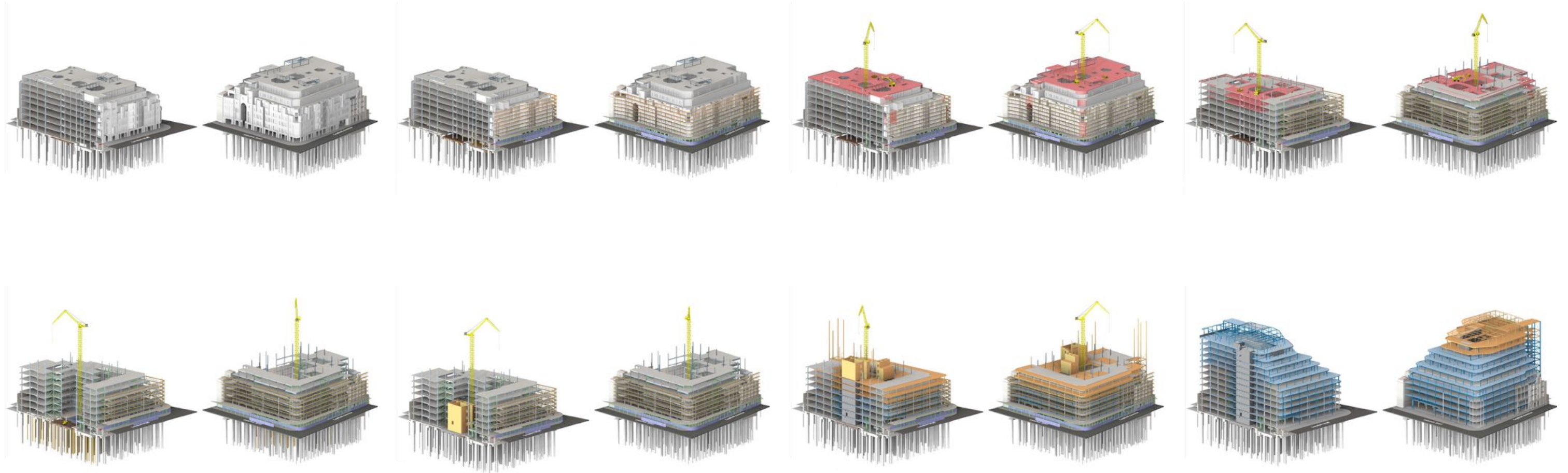
Pile Investigations & Testing

The re-use of piles relies on the recovery of archive information and an understanding of the existing building load paths. In the case of 60 London Wall, we have found archive drawings indicating pile layouts, and in some cases, design loads which we believe offers the opportunity to reduce the carbon impact of the project and re-use the existing piled foundations.

Where existing piles experience an increased load, as a result of the proposed structure, parallel seismic testing is required to verify the piles capacity. This process determines the unknown depth of the pile base, along with the approximate depth of the reinforcement contain within the pile. The process involves impacting the pile at slab level whilst lowering an ultrasonic sensor into a borehole completed adjacent to the existing pile. The returned sound profile can determine the required pile depths to allow the pile analysis to be completed.

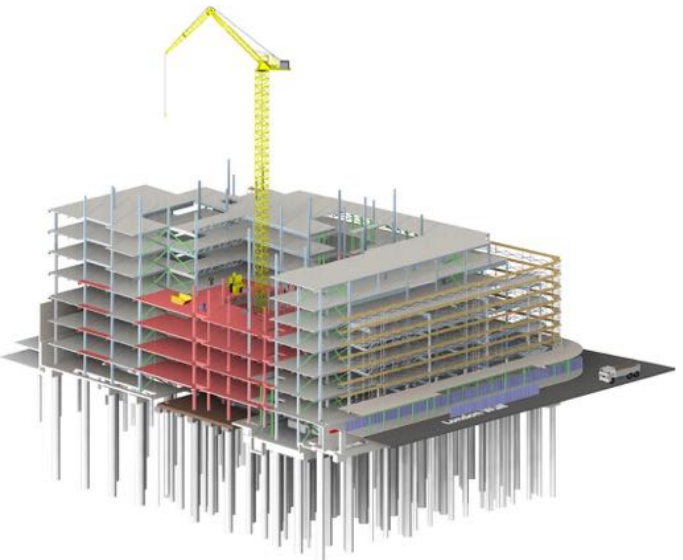
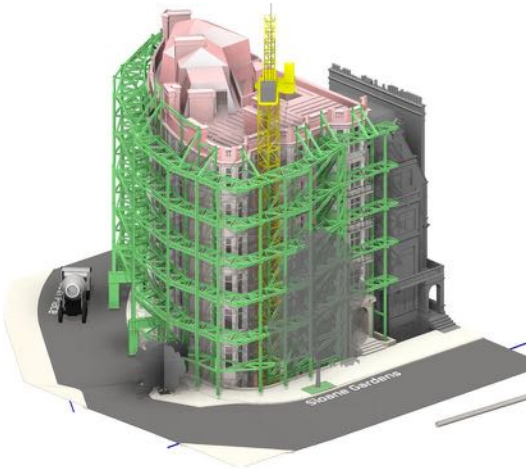


Optimising Programme On-Site - Total Engineering

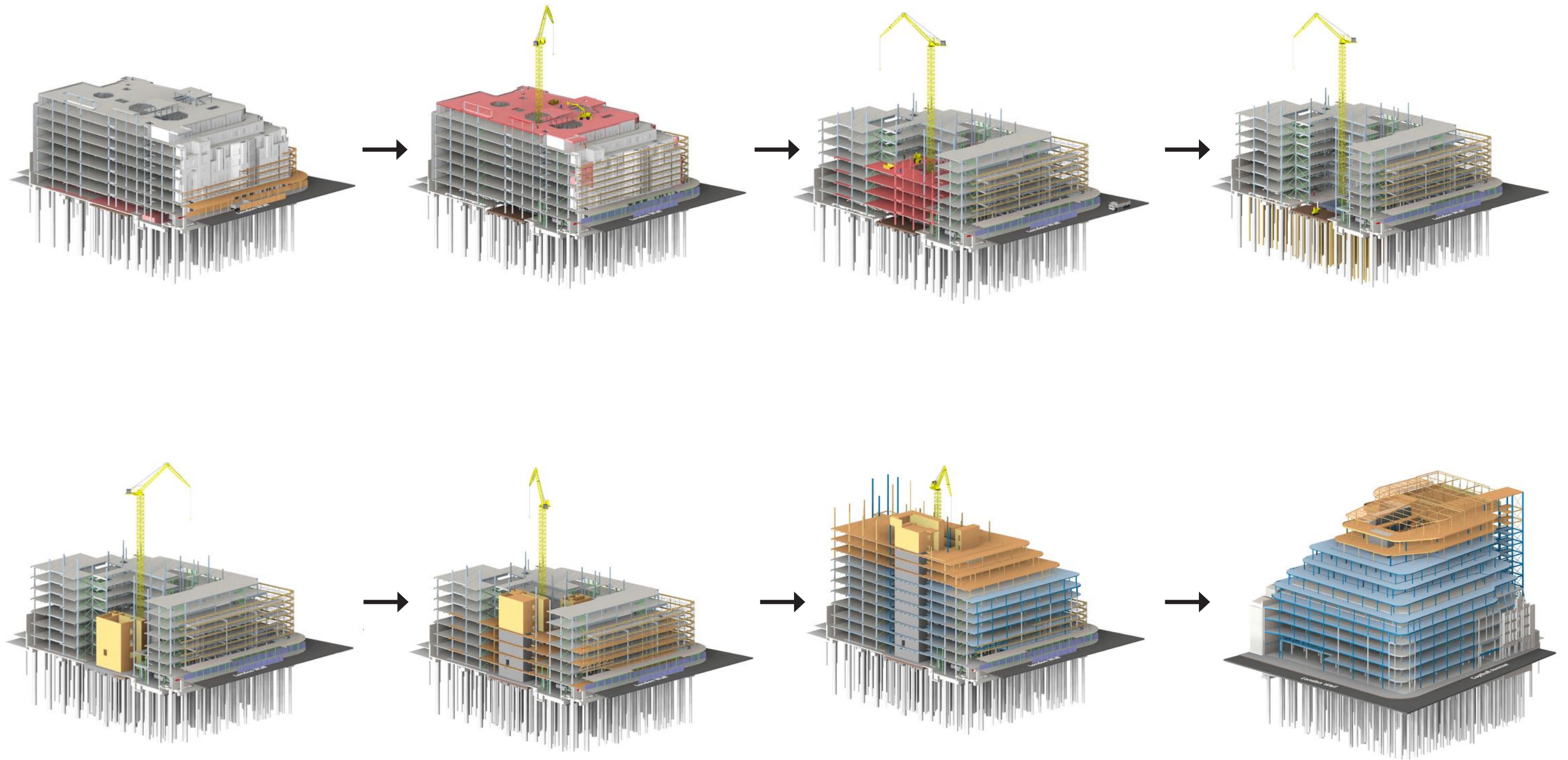


Total Engineering

One holistic approach which measures everything, across all phases from strip out to practical completion.



Construction Sequence



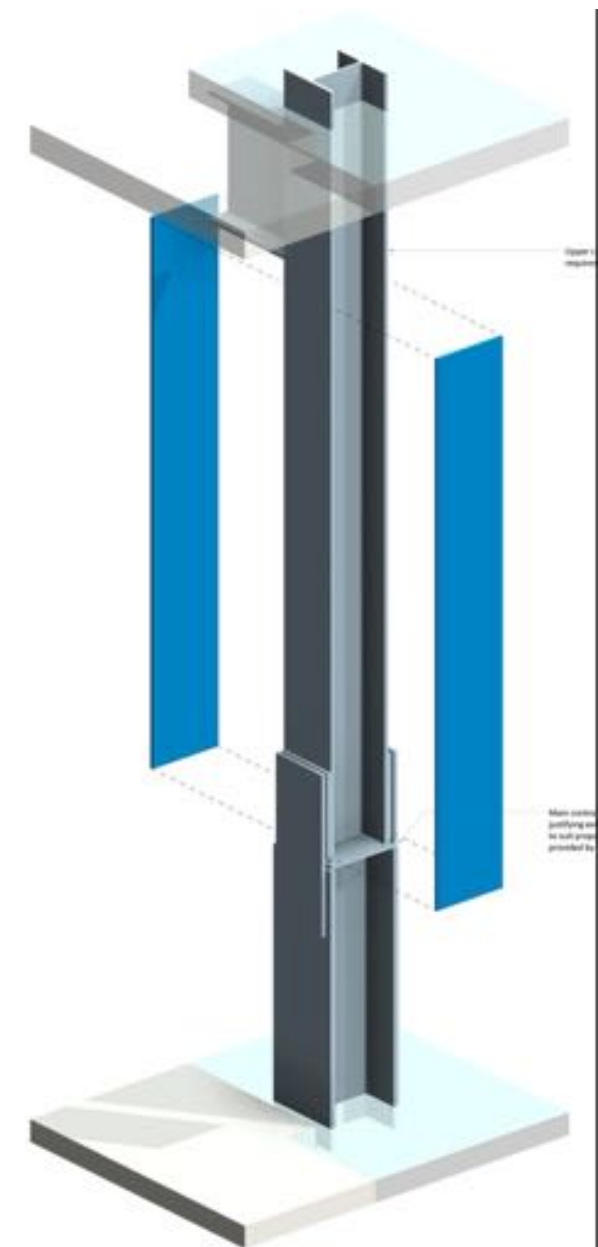
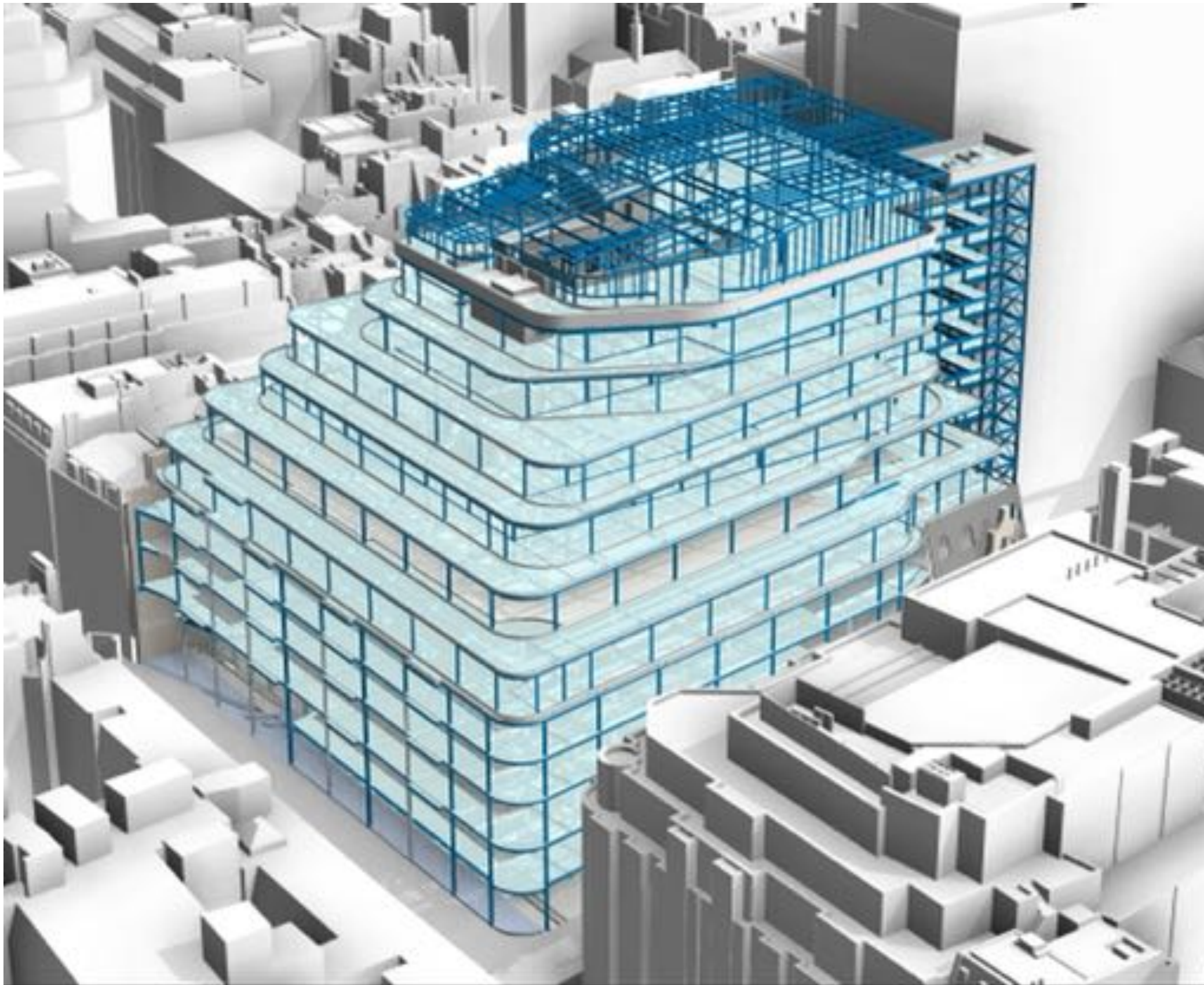
Demolition / Reuse



Demolition / Reuse



Structural Steel Design

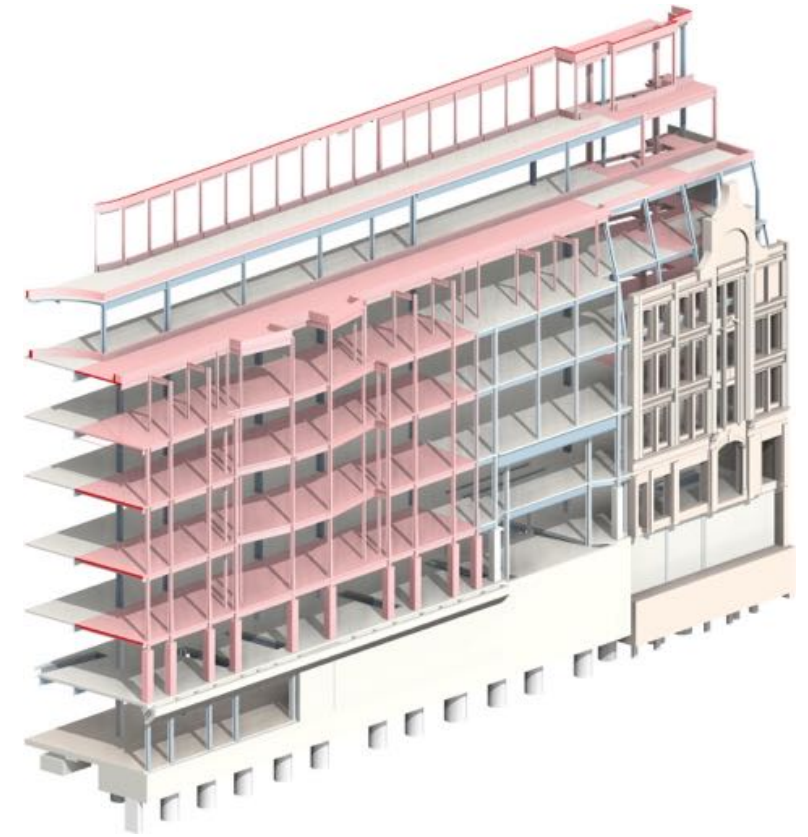
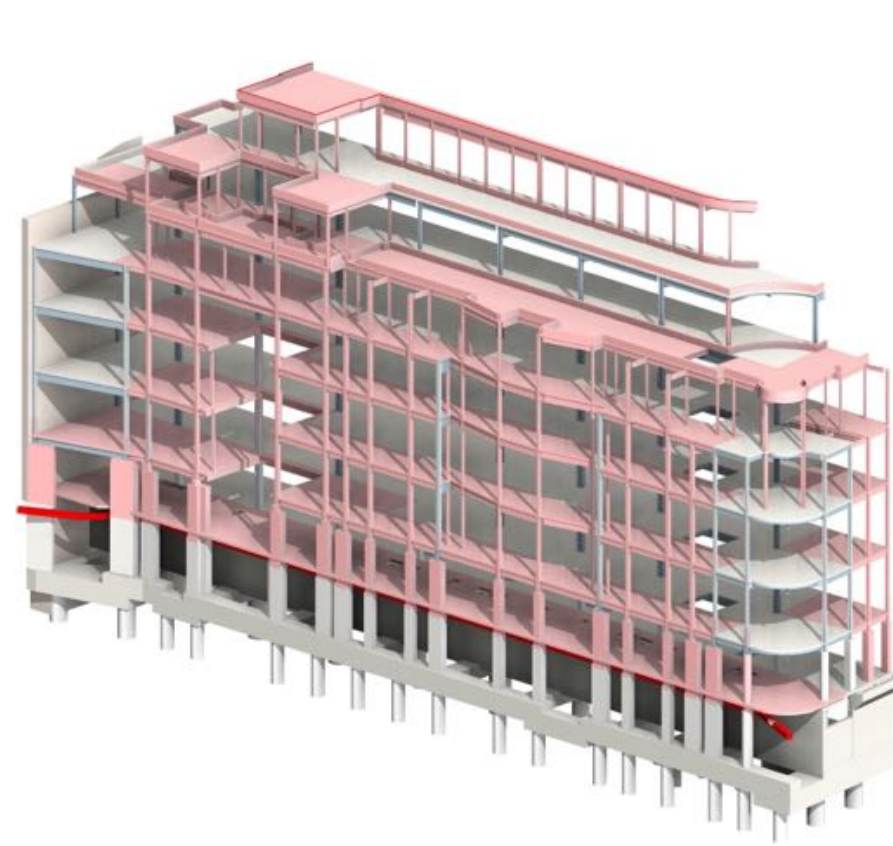


10% of existing columns
strengthened

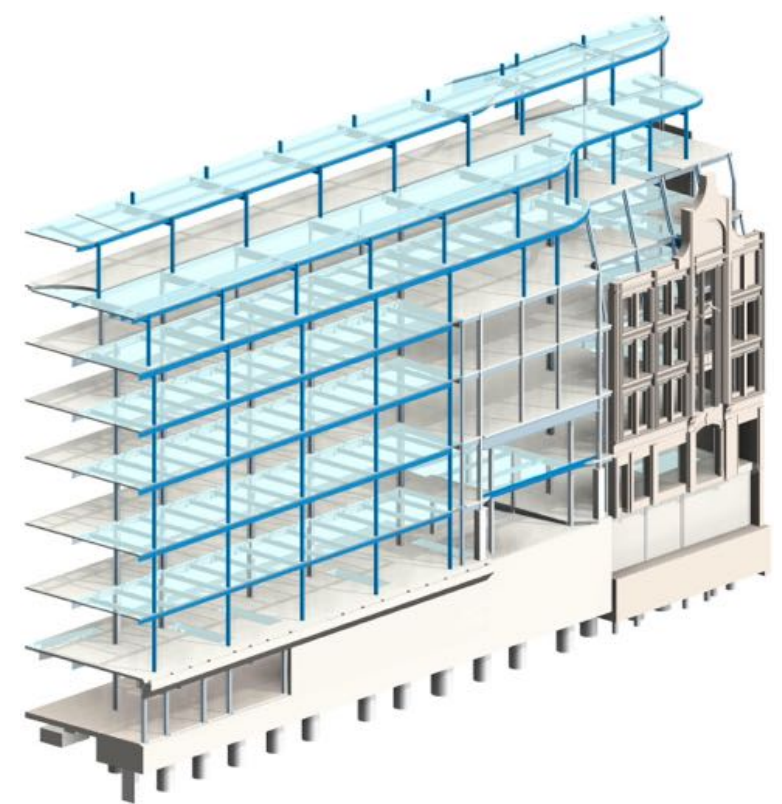
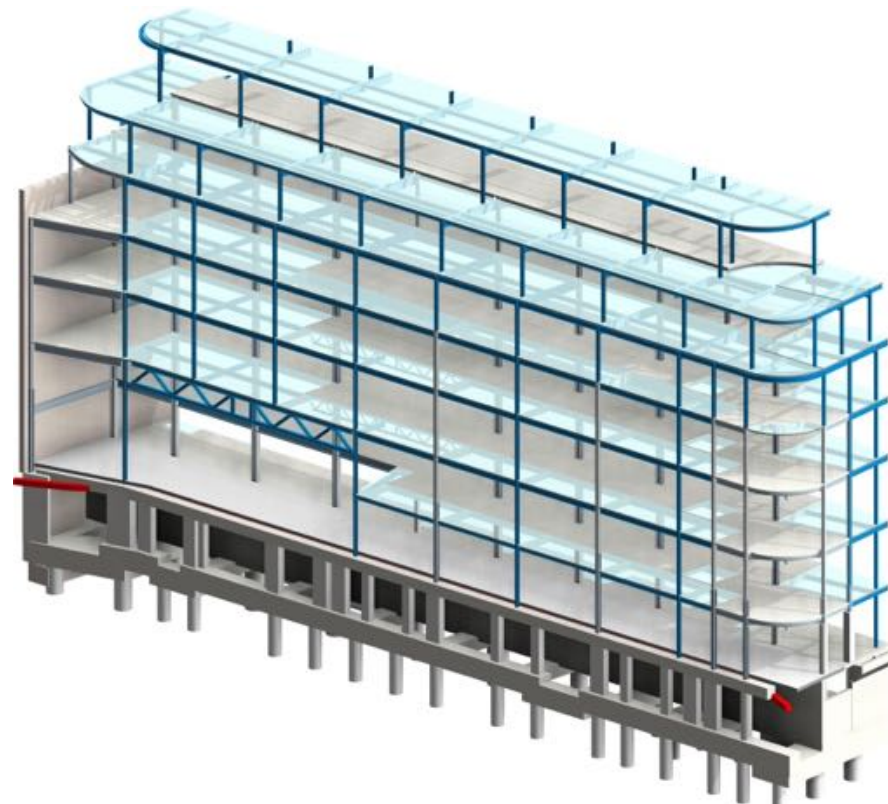
Facade Design



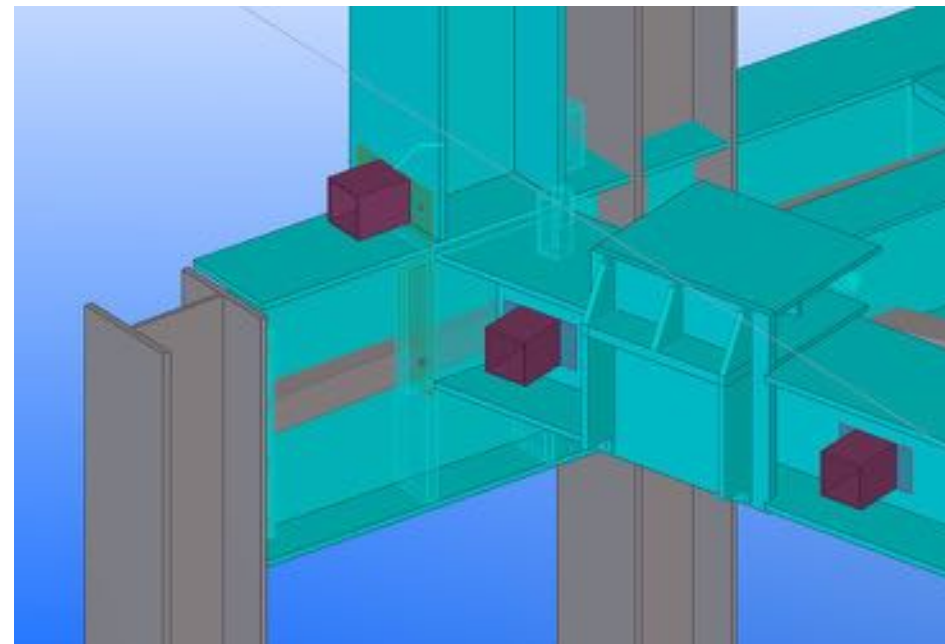
Existing



Proposed



Structural Steel Fabrication



Structural Steel Erection



Structural Steel Erection



Structural Steel Erection



Completion



Completion



Completion



Completion



Completion



Completion



Completion



Retained Structure

Retained existing GIA:

30,024 m²

Percentage of retained structure by volume:

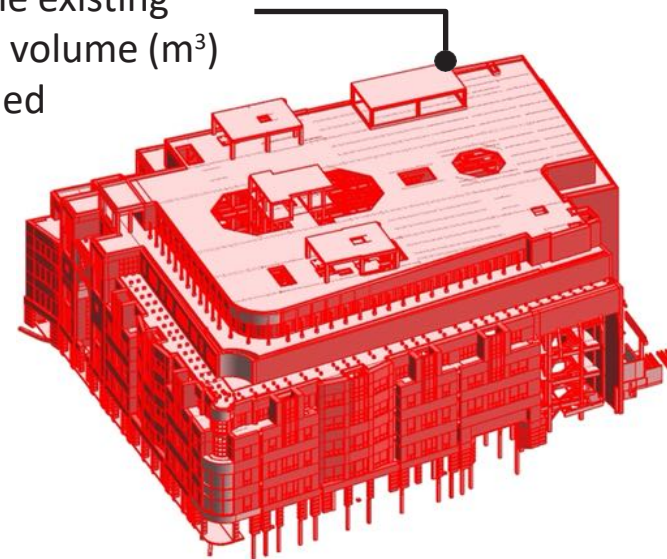
49%

Embodied carbon retained*:

8,596 tCO₂e

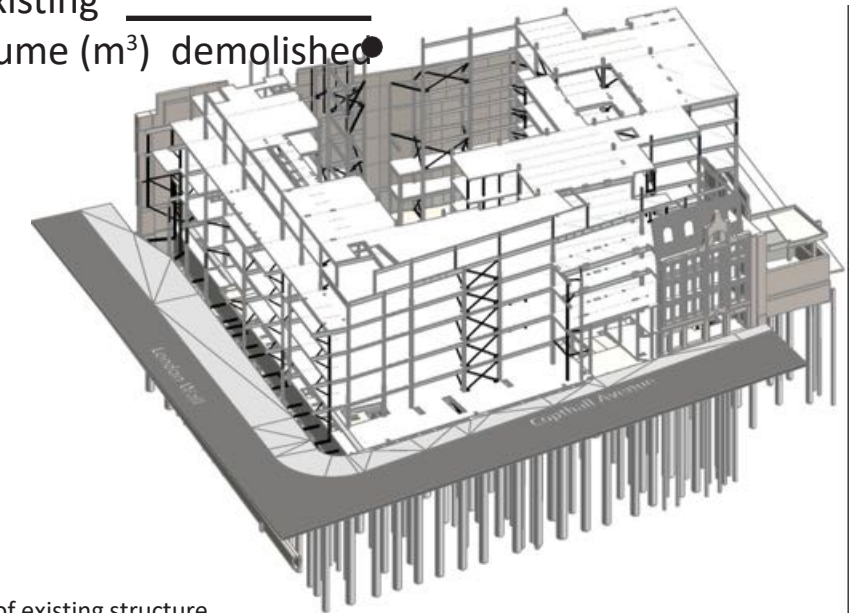
*Assuming modern embodied carbon rates

51% of the existing structure volume (m³) demolished



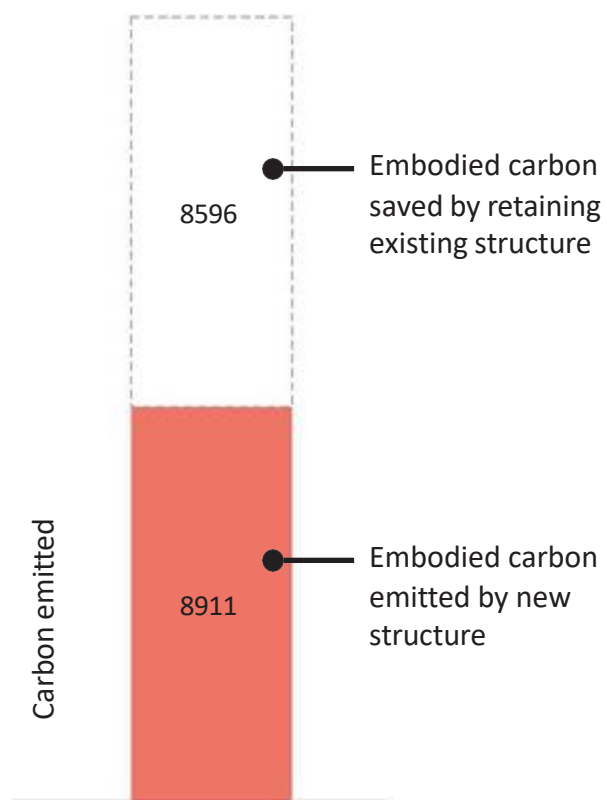
3D Image of demolished building

49% of the existing structure volume (m³) demolished

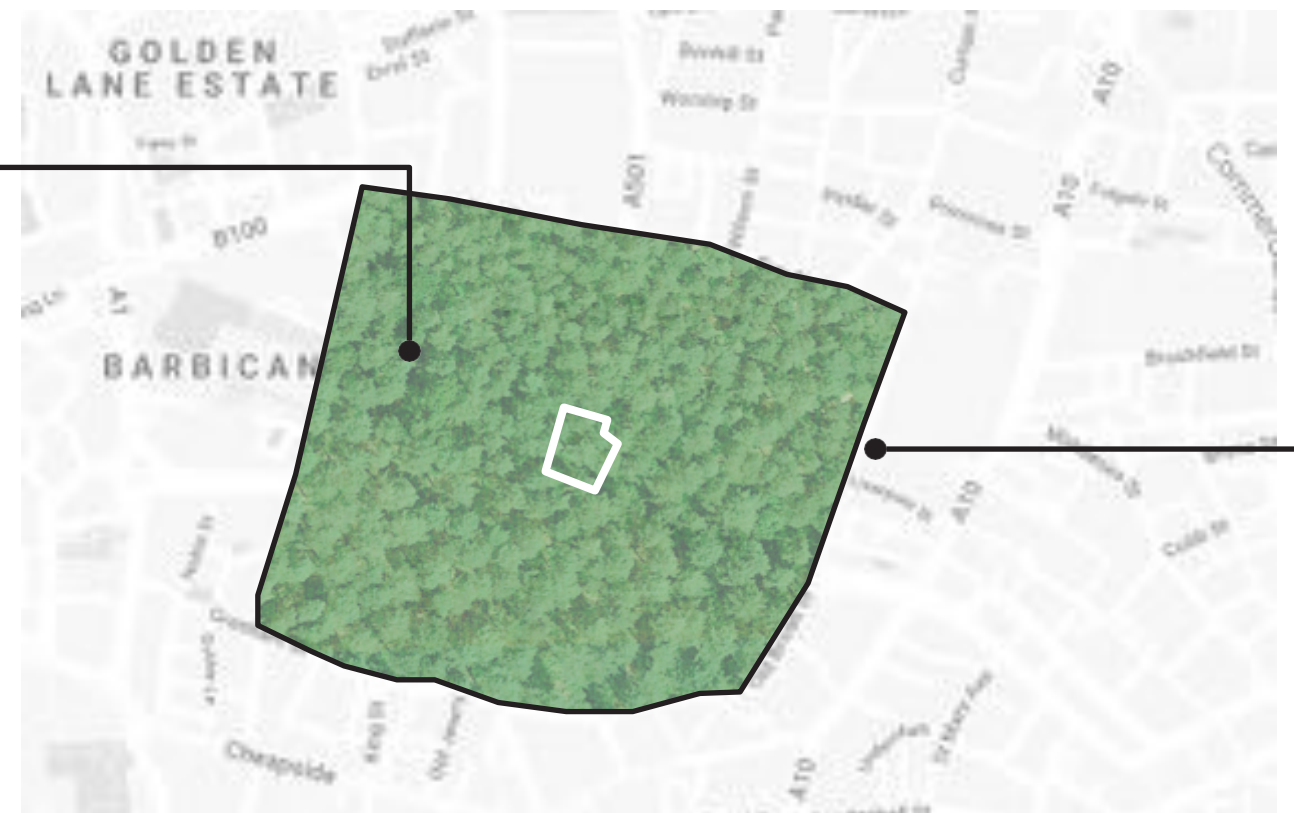


3D Image of existing structure

Carbon emitted vs. carbon saved (tCO₂e)



422,691m² of native forest representing embodied carbon saved by retaining 49% of existing structure



Site

Retaining most of the existing structure avoids this carbon emission, keeping the 10171 tonnes of CO₂e locked into the existing building.

Proposed Structure

Proposed total embodied carbon:

8,911 tCO₂e

Proposed total embodied carbon per m² total GIA:

193 kg CO₂e/m²

Proposed total embodied carbon per m² new GIA:

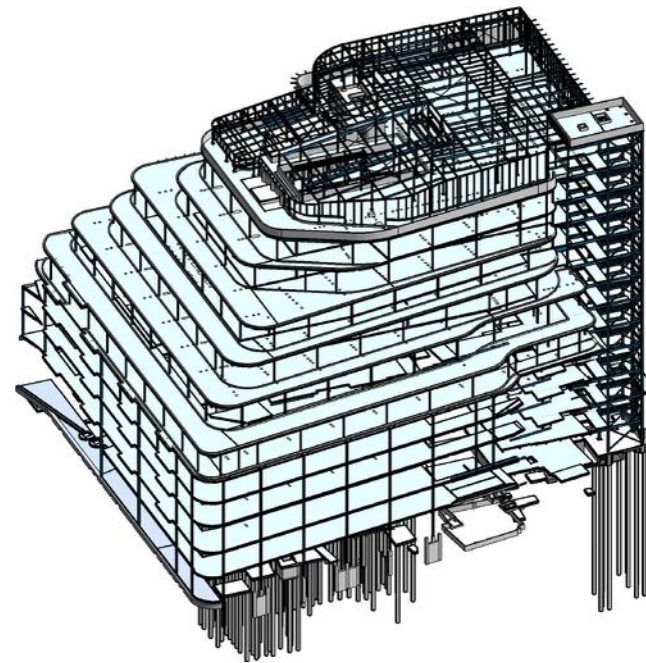
550 kg CO₂e/m²

RIBA 2030 target ⁽²⁾:

169 kg CO₂e/m²

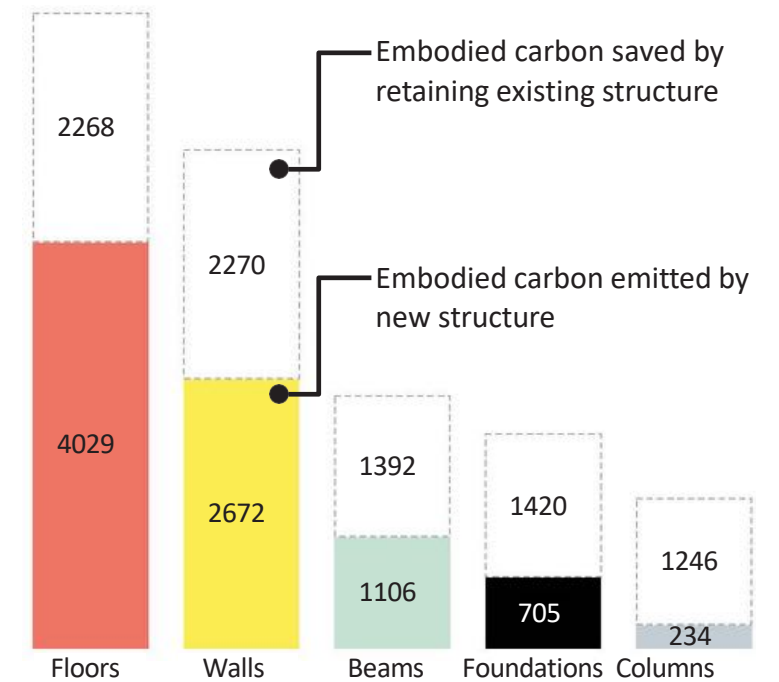
LETI 2030 target ⁽³⁾:

228 kg CO₂e/m²

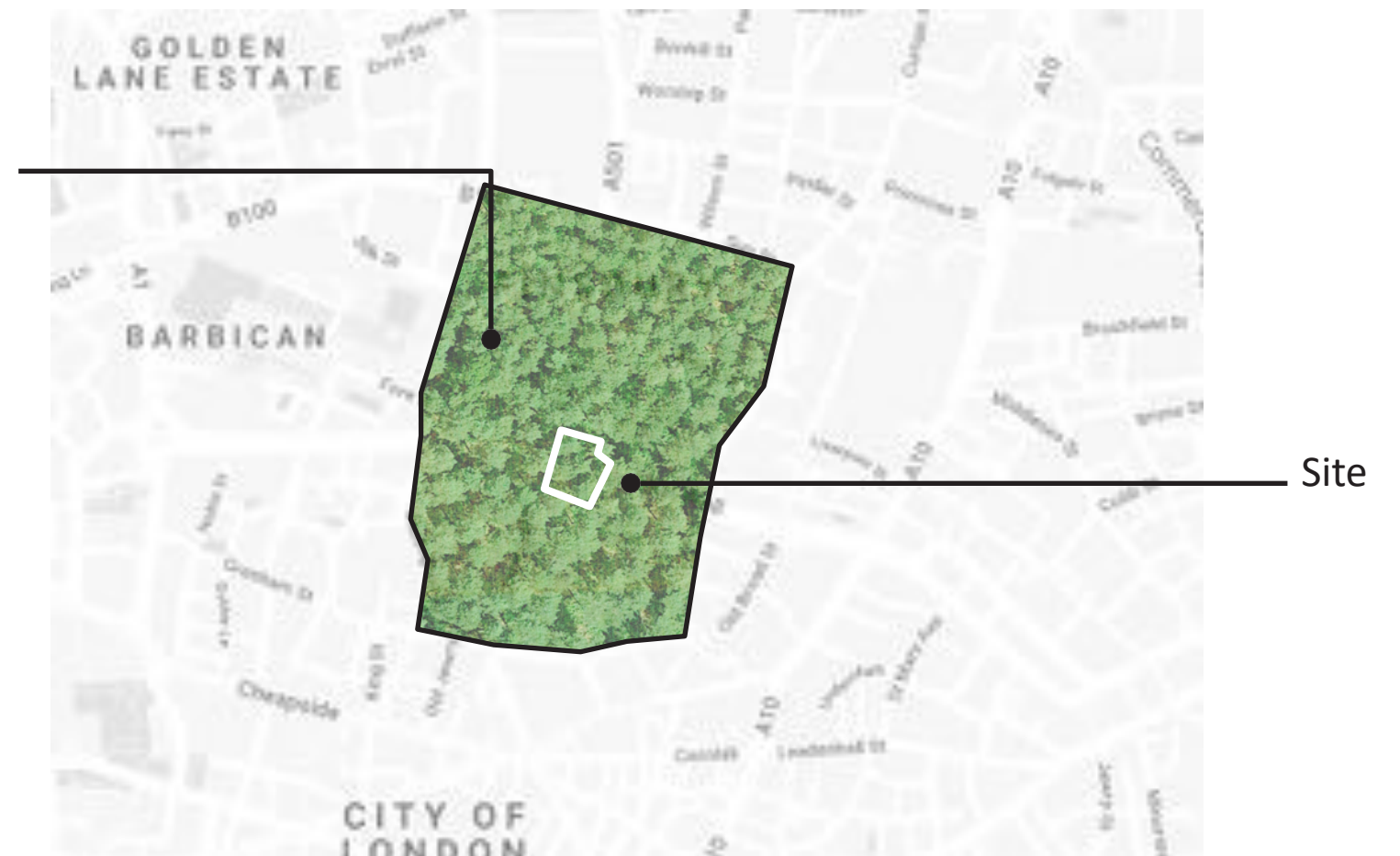


3D Image of proposed structure

Embodied carbon (tCO₂e) by element, in new and retained structure



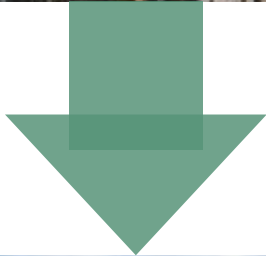
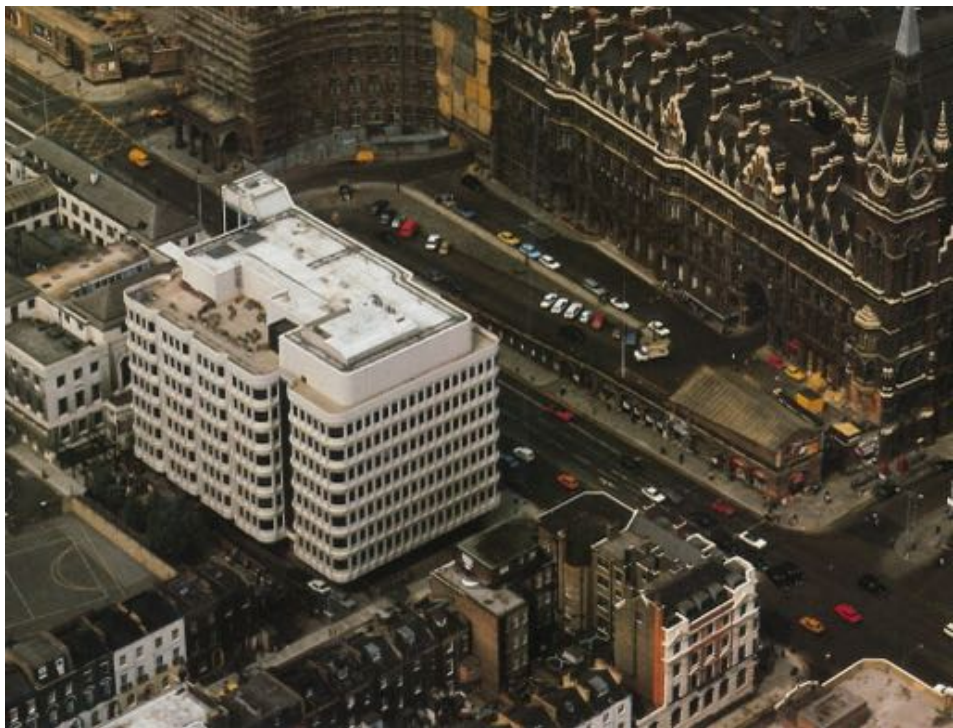
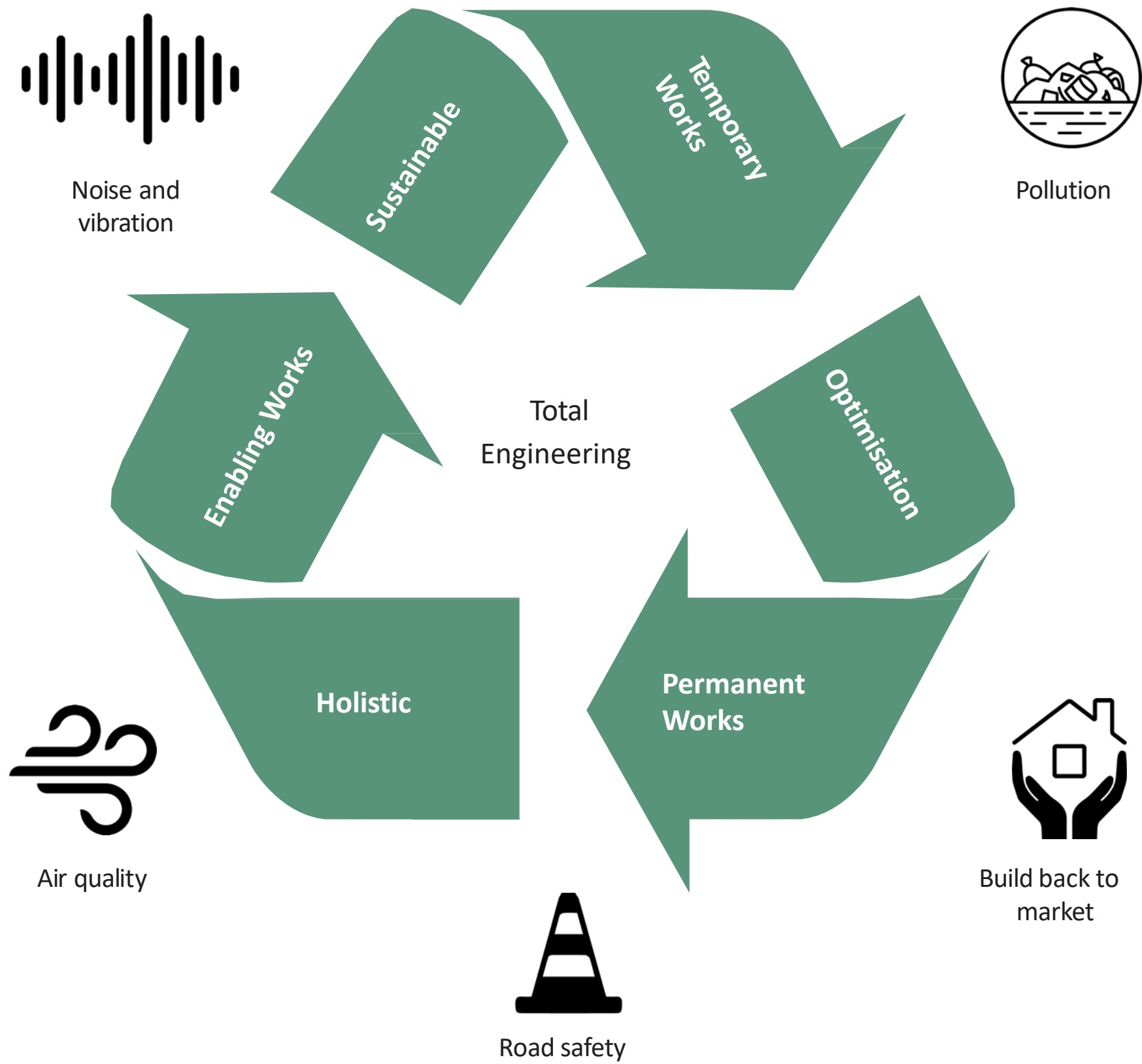
184,727m² of native forest required to sequester embodied carbon of proposed structure



(2) Embodied carbon covers Stages A1-A5 (cradle to practical completion) plus demolition of existing structure.

(3) Targets represent year of anticipated project completion.

Reusing the Structure



A Change of Order is Required

The Old Way: “Sketch a vision and make it work”

Sketch / Draw → Investigate → Test → Justify → Demolish or Strengthen

The New Way: “We research, interrogate and collaborate to identify opportunity and potential”

Research → Model → Test → Explore → Create

Be Lead by the Science, Engineering and Architecture

Sustainability - Design for Adaptability - Loose Fit for a Long Life

Life Science:

Imposed load = $4 + 1 \text{ kN/m}^2$
 Vibration = $R=0.5$ (VC-A), $R=0.2$ (VC-C) over part of the floor
 Acoustics = Medium
 Achievable with localised structural adaptations and further strengthening

Office:

Imposed load = 2.5 kN/m^2
 Vibration = 4 Hz , $R = 8$
 Acoustics = Medium
 Achieved

Hybrid Space:

Imposed load = 2.5 kN/m^2
 Vibration = 4 Hz , $R = 8$
 Acoustics = Medium - Can be achieved in finishes and space plan

Residential:

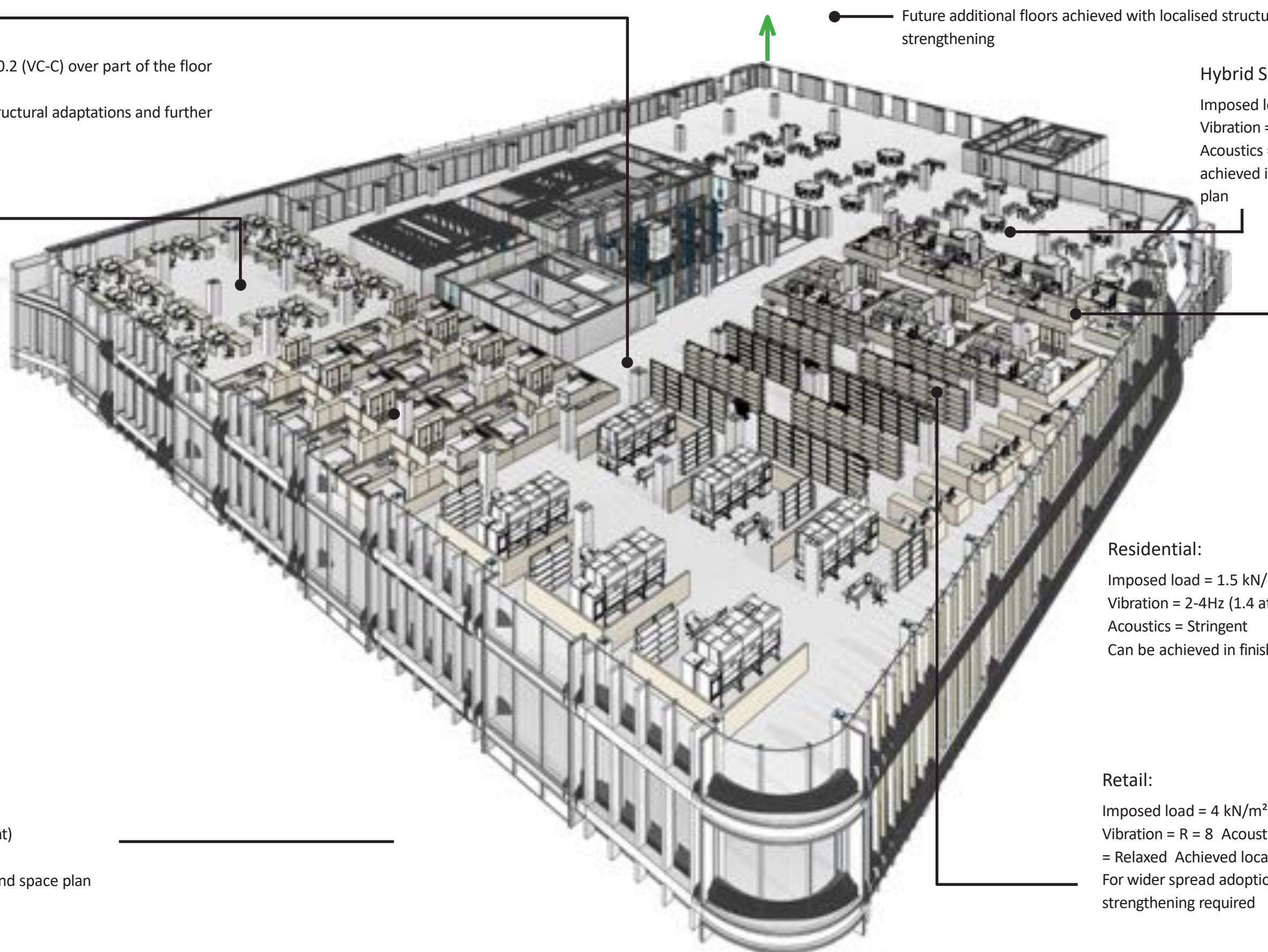
Imposed load = 1.5 kN/m^2
 Vibration = $2-4 \text{ Hz}$ (1.4 at night)
 Acoustics = Stringent
 Can be achieved in finishes and space plan

Hotel:

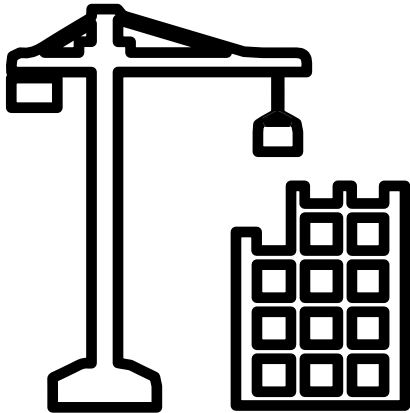
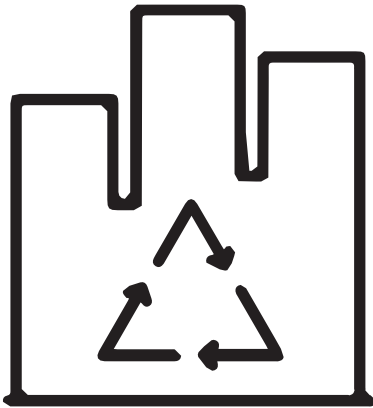
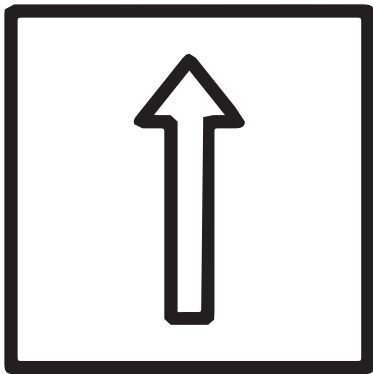
Imposed load = 2 kN/m^2
 Vibration = $2-4 \text{ Hz}$ (1.4 at night)
 Acoustics = Stringent
 Can be achieved in finishes and space plan

Retail:

Imposed load = 4 kN/m^2
 Vibration = $R = 8$ Acoustics = Relaxed
 Achieved locally
 For wider spread adoption localised strengthening required



Key Takeaways



Existing
30,024 m²
Proposed
46,238 m²
Area gained
16,214 m²

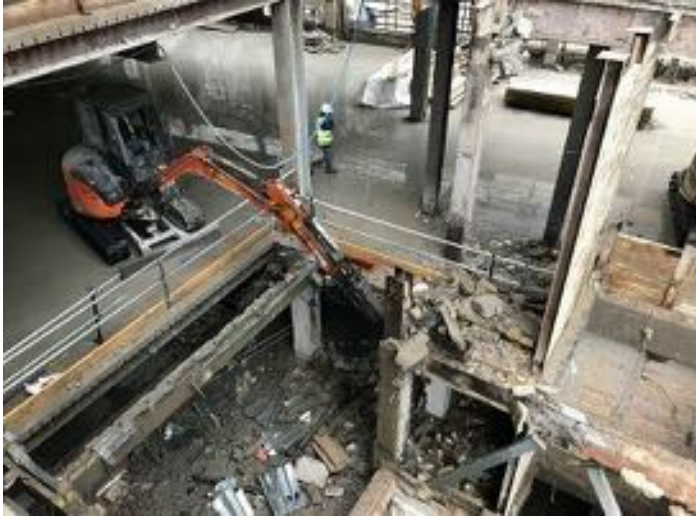
Embodied carbon:
Total Structural Carbon:
193 co₂e/m²
LETI 2030: 228
RIBA 2030: 169

Future adaptability 100
+ year design life
Adaptable chassis
Long Life Loose Fit

Steel tonnage
2131 Tns
65 kg/m² (new area) 46
kg/m² (total area)

A unique response - the warranty of new structure with the sustainability of a retained frame

If We Were Doing It Today, How Could We Go Further?



Salvage not Scrap



Sites always used to be
deconstructed

Salvage not scrap

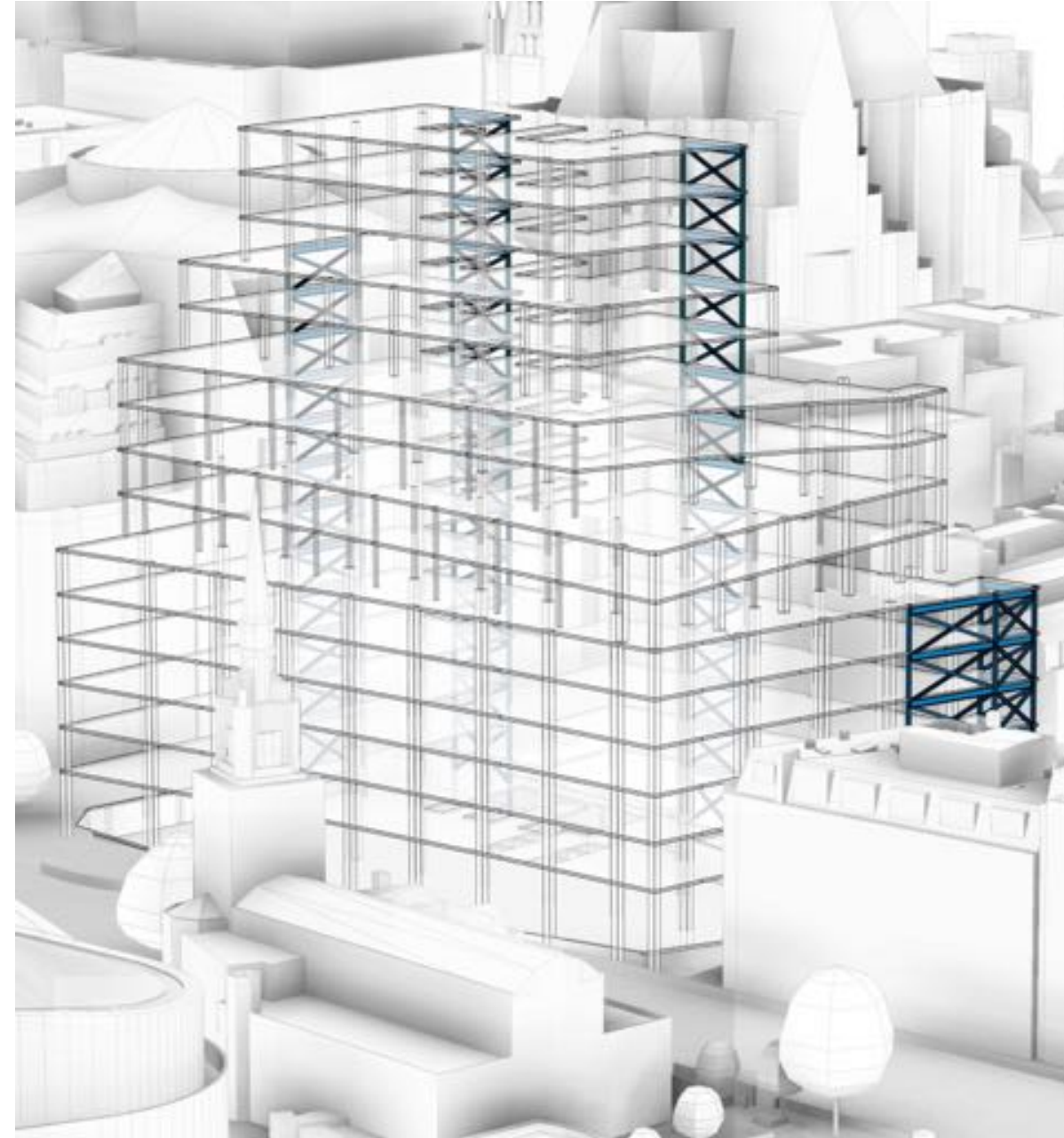
£110 / Tonne - £250 / Tonne

Need Clients, Demolition
Contractors. Engineers and
Fabricators to come together

Soft Core - True Sustainability, Long Life, Loose Fit

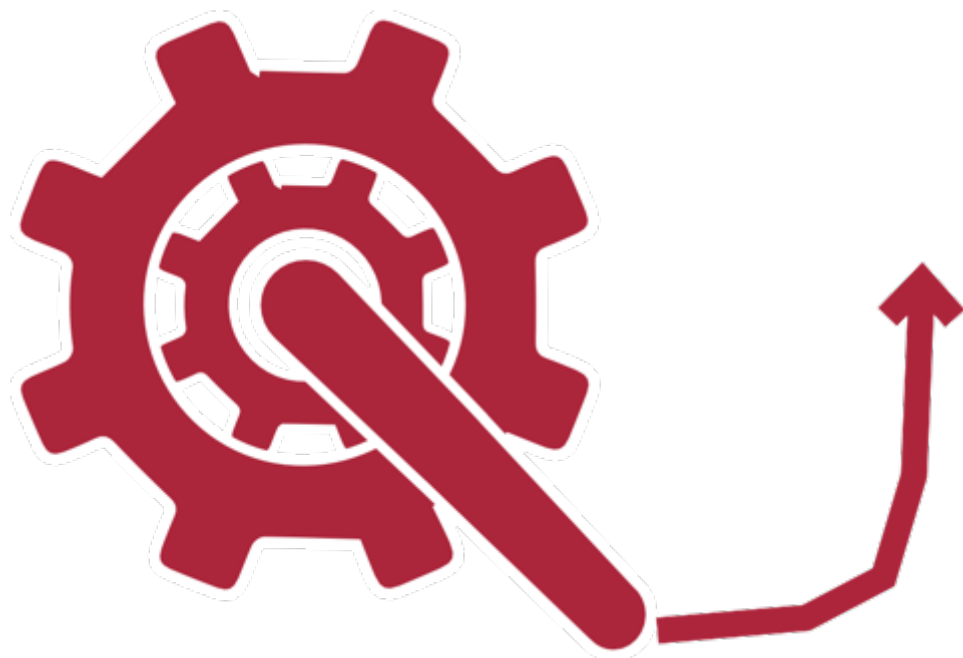


Traditional RC Stability Core



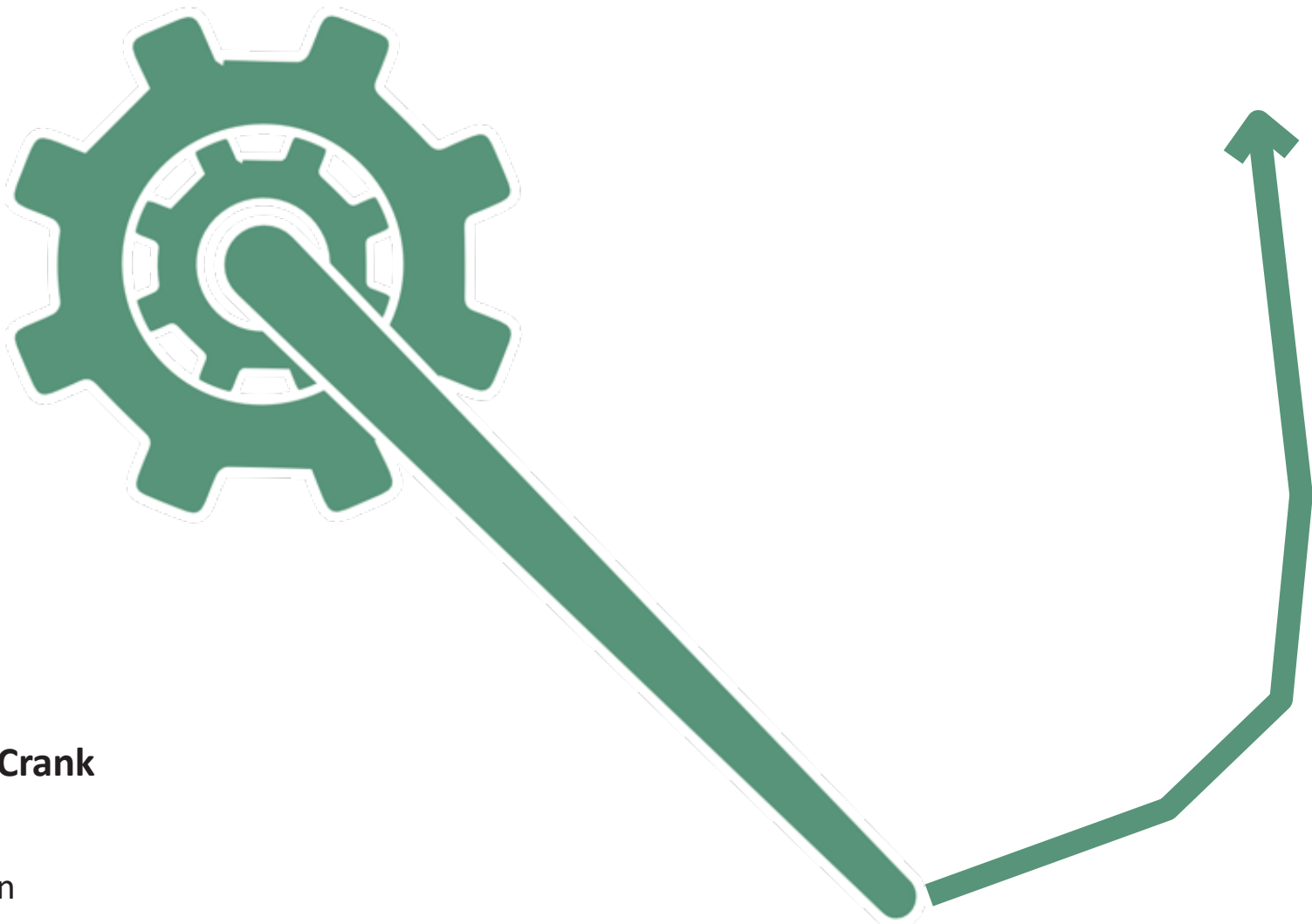
Soft Core Approach
Maximise future flexibility

Core Adaptability - The Principle



Short Pedal Crank

+ Hard Work



Long Pedal Crank

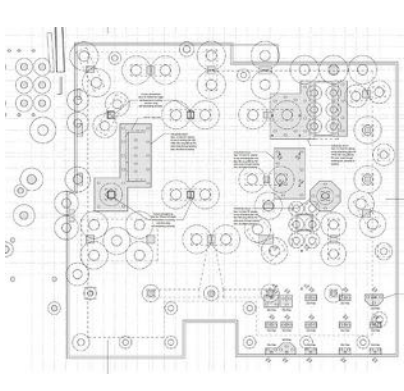
+ Easy Work

+ Less Carbon

Reset the Design Collaboration Process...



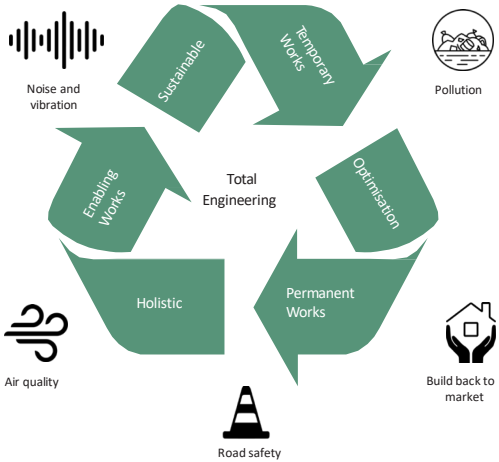
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Testing

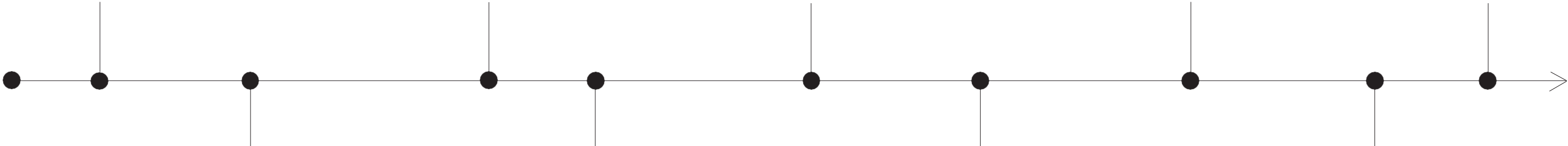


Finding the Opportunities



Total Engineering + Contractor Input

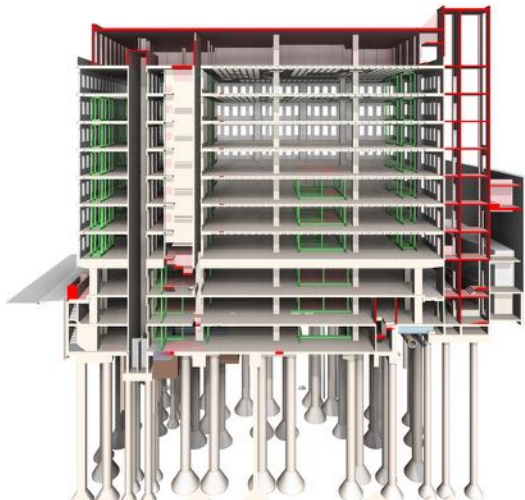
Process:
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throughout in
real time



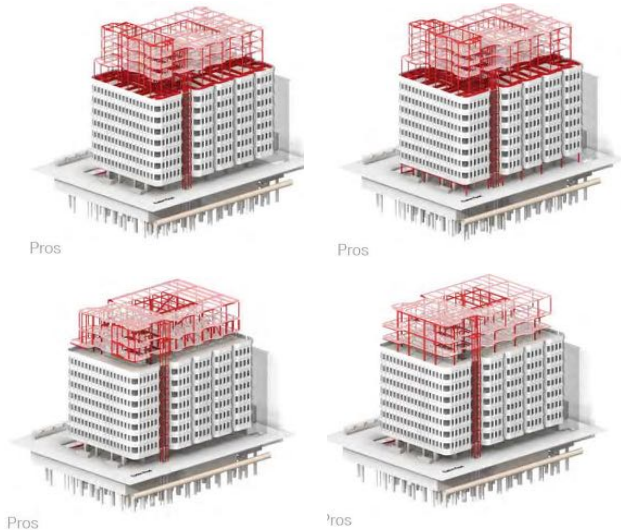
Investigations



Modelling the Bones and Structure



Option Testing Cost, Programme, Carbon



Client and design team
make an informed
decision



...Understand the Asset Before you Define the Proposal

We Must Change the Parameters - Buildings are Forever

Live Long and Prosper - 180 Year Design Life

- + Currently, commercial buildings are designed for a 60 year life span – although a large proportion of UK building stock is Victorian
- + A new building designed for a 180-year life span will last until 2201
- + Life time achievement awards. Be all it can be, design for the unknown

