

Ambassador Site Housing, Kill Co.Kildare



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Architects

van Dijk Architects



Quantity Surveyor

McGahon Surveyors

Civil & Structural Engineer

Hayes Higgins Partnership

Mechanical & Electrical Engineer

Hayes Higgins Partnership





1.0 Design Team

On examination of the brief requirements;

- The scope of the project will include 33 no. social housing units comprising of:

6 no. 1 Bed / 2 Person own door (3 Storey Apartment blocks)
6 no. 2 Bed / 4 Person own door (3 Storey Apartment blocks)
13 no. 2 Bed / 4 Person (2 Storey House)
8 no. 3 Bed / 5 Person (2 Storey House)

-Integrated high quality corner designs and detailing on all exposed elevations,

-Integrated high quality design and detailing to refuse storage and to the housing of utilities including access panels/ boards.

-New access road from the L2014,

-Development of a landscaped green area and shared spaces,

-Retain and strengthen existing site boundary hedgerows where appropriate, Construction of new boundary walls / fences/ railings where applicable,

-Associated site works.

VDA attended a kick-off meeting on 26th April 2021 with Kildare County Council representatives Letitia Hanratty and John Delaney at the offices were the brief was initially reviewed and discussed. We agreed to work with KCC previous design subject to constraints meeting outcome and detailing to achieve a durable scheme. Following the meeting VDA visited the site for a review of the area and surrounding context.



2.0 Brief Clarification

Kildare County Council Comhairle Contae Chill Dara

Site Location: Kill, Co.Kildare

Site area: 1.51ha (approx.).

Zoning: New Housing and Open Space and Amenity

Current use: This site was a former hotel which was demolished above ground. The underground foundations,

underground services and structures were not demolished or removed and remain in place and the removal of same form part of this project.

Site constraints: The site is located off the L2014, St Brigid's Terrace Road which is a very busy

road. Disruption to this road must be minimized during the construction phase. This constraint must be specifically addressed as part of the design proposal. The site levels change 2 meters approximately over the site.

Planning History: The site has been subject to 2 previous Planning Applications. The site is

currently a brownfield site. The former Ambassador Hotel was located at this site. This Structure has been demolished however; the sub structure element remains.

Adjacent uses: The site is bounded to the East and South East by the Kill GAA club including a

playground constructed by Kildare County Council. This site is bounded to the South West and West by a private residential development, access road and Embassy Manor Business Park. The site is bounded to the North by the L2014 Public Road. Part of the site is used as an overflow car park by the adjacent GAA club.

Site Particulars: The site currently is surrounded by a number of mature trees. The site

boundaries vary from hedgerow, post & wire fence, block work walls, and embankment. The boundaries are quite fragmented in places and will need appraisal and remedial works or replacement. There are several concrete hard standing areas within the site with some areas of green.



Site Location : GPS: 53.24612, -6.599377.



View from access road

3.0 Site Appraisal

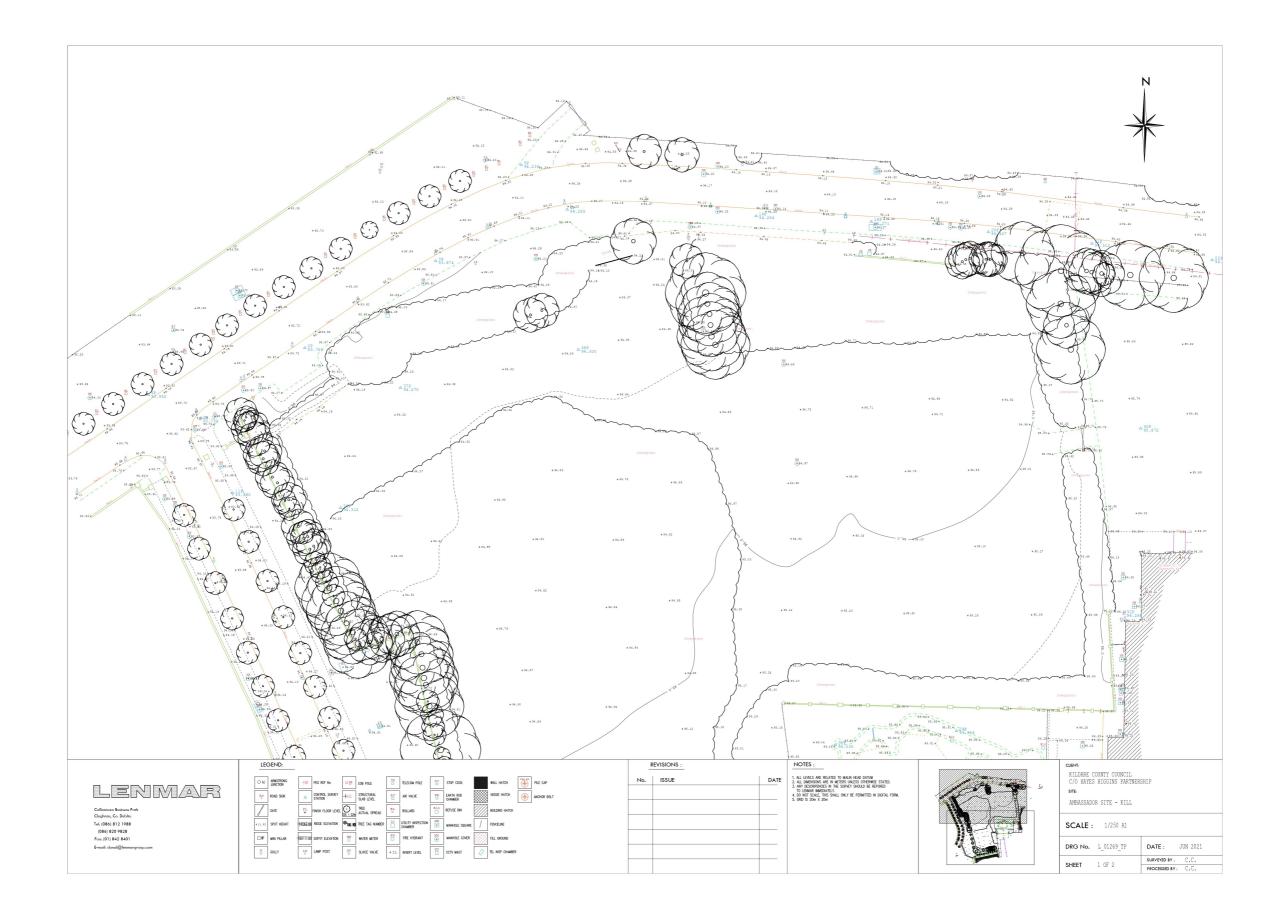
Observing Kildare County Councils housing protocol in relation to the procurement of surveys/ information the following has been tendered;

- Topographical Survey
- Site Investigations
- GPR
- Flood Risk Assessment
- Road Safety Audit
- Traffic Impact Study
- Appropriate Assessment Screening
- Tree Survey
- Ecological Report
- Bat Survey
- Acoustic Survey

Further information in relation to the project is contained within the M&E Engineer's, S&C Engineer's and the Quantity Surveyors Stage 2 Reports



3.0 Site Appraisal



3.0 Site Appraisal-Topology Sheet 1

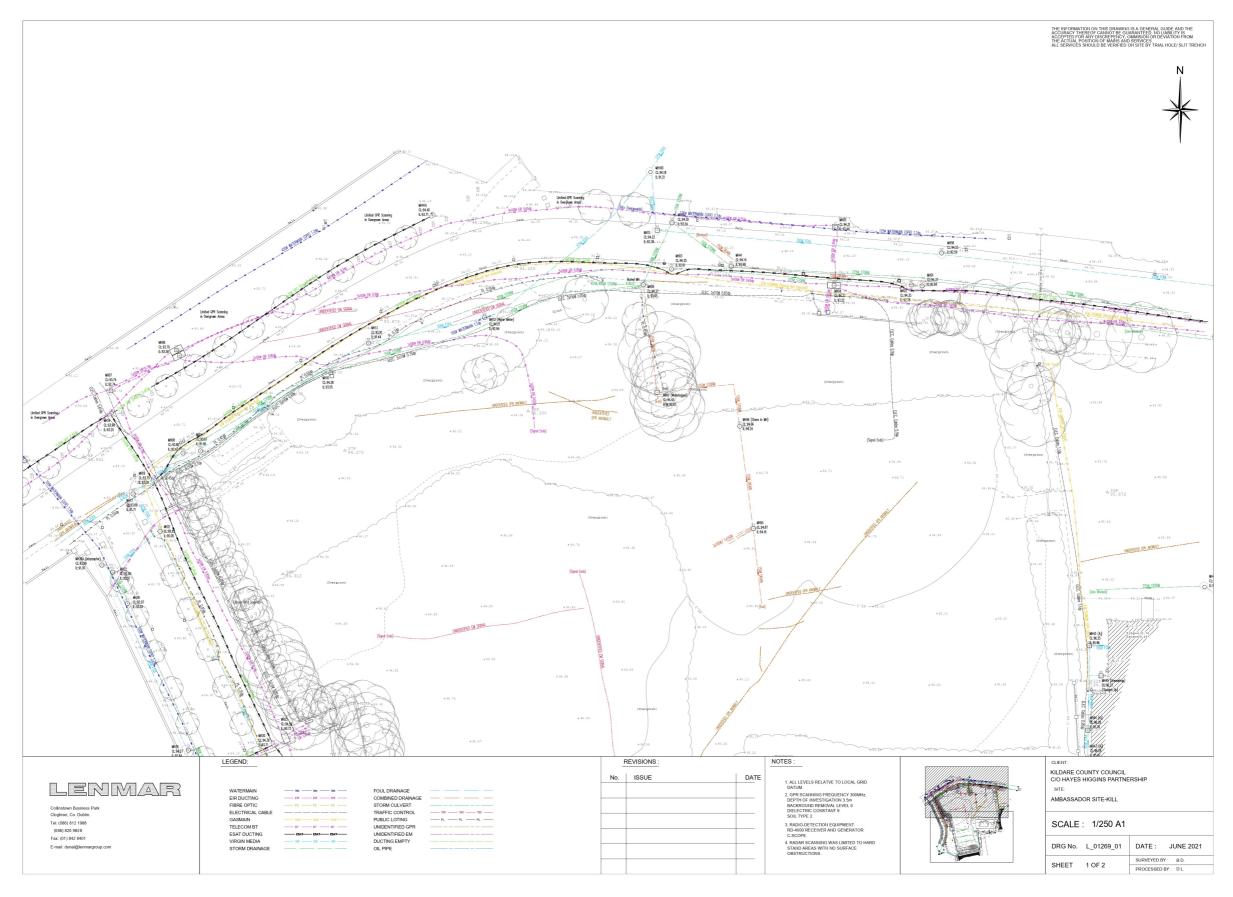


3.0 Site Appraisal-Topology Sheet 2



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3.0 Site Appraisal-Services Sheet 1



3.0 Site Appraisal-Services Sheet 2



Kill, meaning 'the church' is a village and parish in County Kildare, Ireland near the county's border with Dublin beside the N7. Its population was recorded as 3,348 people in the 2016 census. Kill's prominence through its history stems from its situation on the main road from Dublin to the south and southwest., and also to Naas.

Kill is classified as a small Town in per the County Development Plan 2017-2023. The site is located at the Western edge of the small town of Kill on the local L2014 road. The site is located close to many amenities from which residents would be able to access local services, Car based travel remains the most popular choice of transport.

Based on its strategic location and accessibility by road to Dublin metropolitan area and Naas, the local economy in Kill is mainly reliant on employment opportunities outside the town although there is a substantiald equestrian industry. It is situated just off the N7 and a 5km drive from Naas and 27km from Dublin, making it a popular location for first-time buyers seeking affordable homes within commuting distance of the capital. Notwithstanding the close links with Dublin and Naas, Kill is an individual town with its own specific needs and identity. The LAP should maximise opportunities for growth in local employment and start up investment. There are opportunities for Kill to harness its strategic location to both deliver and provide for a level of investment sufficient to cater for the needs of the town and the immediate hinterland.

Some of the local facilities include; shops, cafes, Pharmacy ect. As well as a church, Saint Brigids National School, Robertstown Preschool and Saplings Special School, with Kill GAA Club and playground is located next to the proposed site .Part of the site is currently in use as an overflow car park for the adjacent GAA Club.

It is important to consider how the site is linked with the centre of Kill and beyond, provision should be made for the future vehicular, pedestrian and cycle connection to the access road serving the adjacent Embassy Manor Housing Estate.

As of May 2021, the is a 6.35 hectares (15.69 acres), site for sale on the other side of the village with full planning permission from An Bord Pleanála (Ref: ABP-307013-20) for the delivery of 164 homes comprising a mix of detached and semidetached houses, duplexes and apartments.



Historic photography of Kill



Aerial view of near by site for sale with planning for 164 homes



Zoning—Kildare County Development plan 2017-2023

The site is zoned under C: New Residential and F: Open Space and Amenity, under the Kill Land Use Zoning Objectives.

Land within Kill are zoned for various land uses. The provisions of Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) shall apply to land zoned solely for residential use, or a mixture of residential and other uses. S

'1.5.7 Principles Governing Future Development of the Town The following principles will govern the future development of the town:

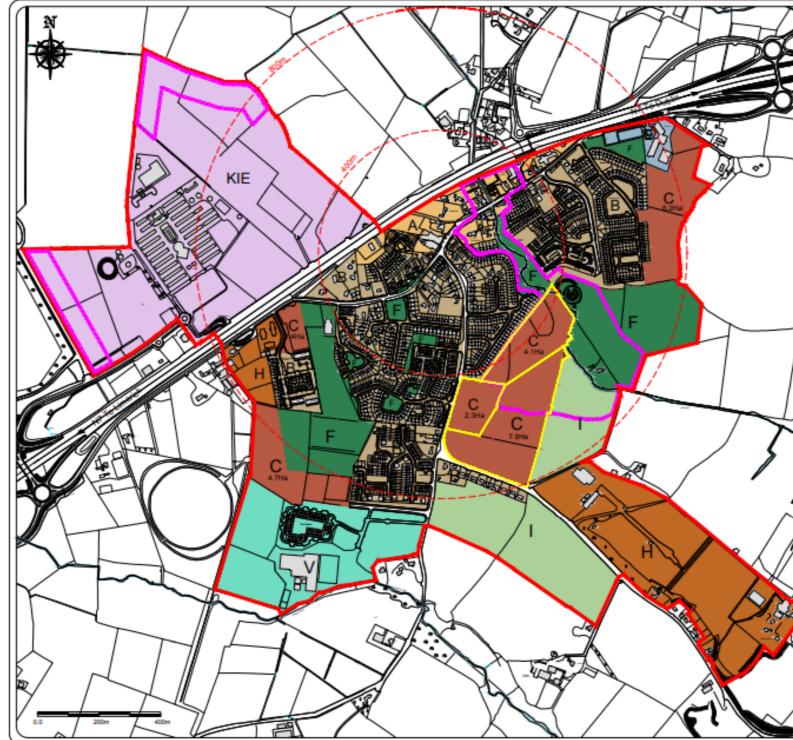
- Consolidating development within the town centre, followed by the sequential development of land/ sites in a logical progression from the town centre to the edge of the development boundary. 44 Kildare County Development Plan 2017-2023 Kildare County Development Plan 2017-2023 45

- Supporting local employment opportunities, while also supporting social inclusion and the development of community facilities and infrastructure to cater for the residents of the town and surrounding hinterland.

- Recognising the role and economic benefit of equestrian and bloodstock development in the area, along with that of the rural countryside in the surrounding area, in supporting the local and wider economy.

Facilitating development in Kill in line with the ability of local services to cater for growth.
Supporting the development of renewable energy within and serving the town.

- Protecting and preserving the quality of the natural and built environment of the town, including architectural, archaeological, cultural and natural heritage.'



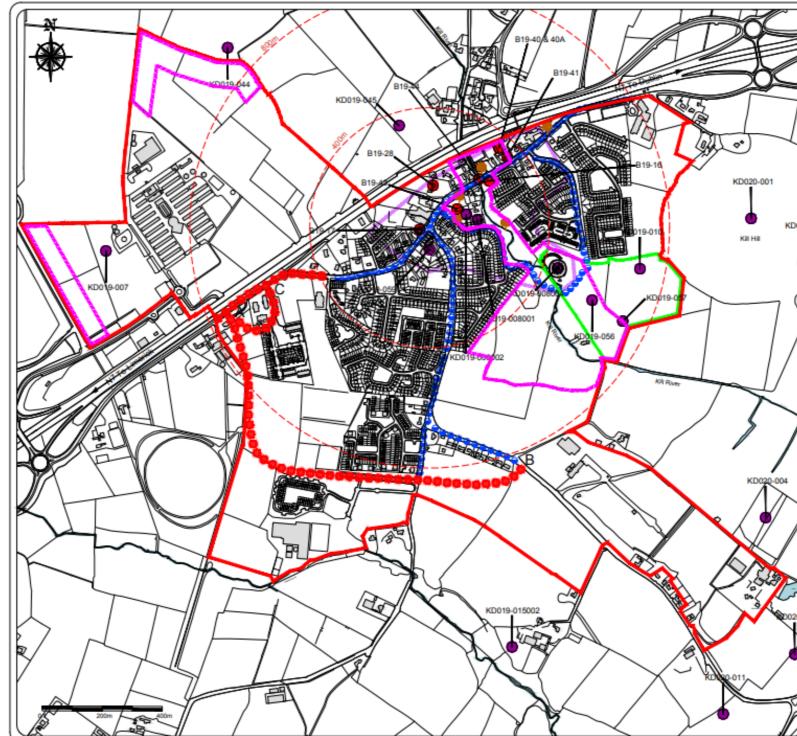
5.0 Planning-Zoning

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	Town Plan Boundary
	A: Town Centre
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	C: New Residential E: Community and Educational
	F: Open Space and Amenity
	H: Industry and Warehousing
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Objectives

1.5.8.1 Housing Housing in the town comprises a broad mix of low to medium density residential developments, one off dwellings and to a lesser extent, apartments/town houses. Housing occupies a significant land bank within the town boundary, with much of the housing located either within or in close proximity to the town centre. The settlement strategy for County Kildare allocates a housing unit target of 422 units for Kill between 2011 and 2023. There has been no significant residential development in Kill since 2011. This Plan provides for residential development on 4 sites, whilst also promoting the development of appropriate infill development on existing residential sites and town centre sites. Taking into account the 50% over provision of zoning as recommended in the Development Plan Guidelines published by the DEHLG, and existing valid permissions for development (355), it is estimated that the level of potential development on zoned lands is in accordance with the Core Strategy in Volume 1, Chapter 2.

It is an objective of the Council to: KL 1 Facilitate the development of residential developments for the lifetime of this Plan, largely within the town centre zone on areas designated as existing residential/ infill and on lands zoned new residential, in accordance with the principles of proper planning and sustainable development.



5.0 Planning-Objectives

	Kildare County Council Planning Department, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co Kildare. KIII County Development Plan 2017 - 2023
	Legend: Town Plan Boundary Zone of Archaeological Potential Flood Risk Assessment Roads Objective Footpath and Cycle Track Objective River Liffey Distance from Town Centre (at 400m Interval's) RMP Record of Monuments and Places DK020-001 RPS Record of Protected Structures (B19-12) Tree and Woodland Preservation Objective Protected View (RL 10) Preservation Order Boundary
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Key issues;

-Integrated high quality corner designs and detailing on all exposed elevations

- All gables facing open spaces / turning corners have a specifically designed plan

-Dual aspect shall be incorporated into all units.

open space.

- New access road from the L2014

-Materials and finishes should as far as possible reflect an Irish vernacular and, where appropriate and feasible, a Kildare and local vernacular.



-Elevations to overlook and address the space with special consideration given to materials. Generally, no windows in the gable / side walls of dwellings where the window would closely overlook the curtilage of the adjoining dwelling but to be included where overlooking public areas.

-Special consideration should be given to boundary treatments particularly where these adjoin existing dwellings. Boundaries between the rear of existing and proposed dwellings shall be a minimum of 1.8m high and shall be constructed as capped, rendered concrete block or brick walls, to ensure privacy, security and permanency.

- Building heights vary up to 3 storeys. The two and three storey elements will face the proposed public

- In general, finishes and materials should be of a high quality and should be used in a consistent and restrained manner. The selection of materials should take into account the requirement for low maintenance and durability.

6.0 Concept Design





7.0 Architectural Drawings



Legend

_	Site Ownership
_	Site Outlined in Red
-	Tactile Paving
1. 2./33	Proposed numbering /overall no. of Houses
-	Dwelling Principal Entrance
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01-48 (66)	No. of Parking Space /overall
660	Bin Stores

3no. Disable Parking Space (15,25,66)

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Level Access (Part M)

Site Area

Area of Site Ownership: Area of Site: Land Reserved Percentage Ownership to Site 1.5136 Ha (15136.01m²) 1.0942 Ha (10942.28m²) 0.3850 Ha (3850.30m²) 72.29 %

Public Open space

 Public Open space no.1:
 0.0969 Ha (968.63 m²)

 Public Open space no.2:
 0.0517 Ha (516.71m²)

Public Open space no.1 & 2: 0.1485 Ha (1485.34m²) Percentage of Open space no. 1 & 2 to Area of the Site: 13.57%

Area

Area of Site: Public Open Space Provided: Car Parking Spaces: Disable Car Parking Spaces: Bicycle Stands 1.0942 Ha 1485.34m2 66 spaces 3 spaces 39

Schedule of Accomodation

Residential Units:

13 No. Houses type A Double-story dwellings: 2 Bedroom 4 People

-No. 2 (Block 1) -No. 7-10 (Block 2) -No. 16-19 (Block 4) -No. 30-33 (Block 7)

8 No. Houses type B Double-story dwellings 3 Bedroom 5 People

-No. 1, 3 (Block 1) -No. 14-15 (Block 3) -No. 23-24 (Block 5) -No. 25-26 (Block 6)

2 No. Apartment type X each (X1, X2, X3) with 3 Single-story dwellings 2 Bedroom 4 People

-No. 4-6 (Block 2) -No. 11-13 (Block 2)

2 No. Apartment type W each with 2 Single-story dwellings (W1, W2) 1 Bedroom 2 People

-No. 20-21 (Block 5) -No. 27-28 (Block 6)

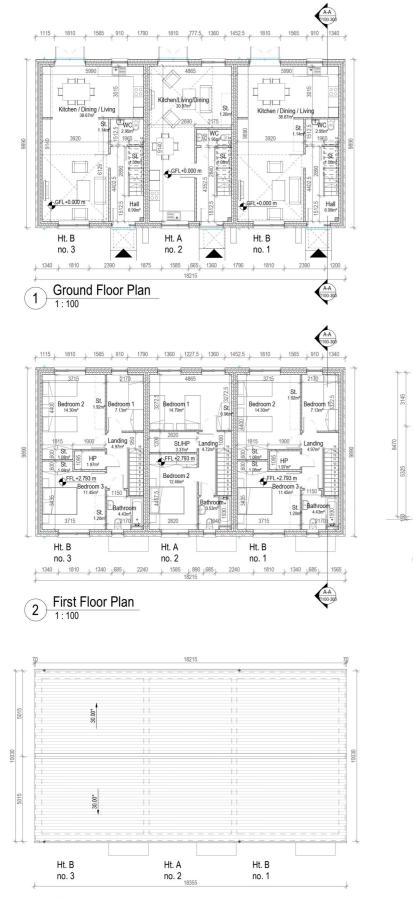
and 1 Single-story dwelling (W3) 2 Bedroom 3 People

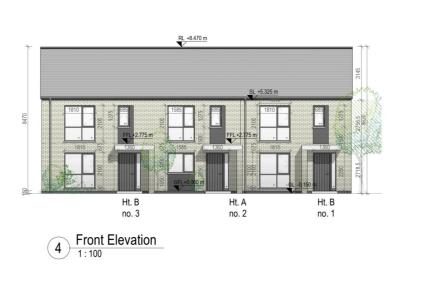
-No. 22 (Block 5) -No. 29 (Block 6)

TOTAL - 33 Units for 130 People

Units number 4, 11, 20, 27 to accommodate disabled people

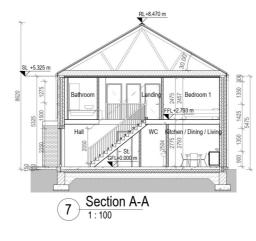
7.1 Site Plan















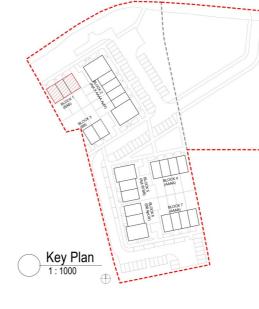
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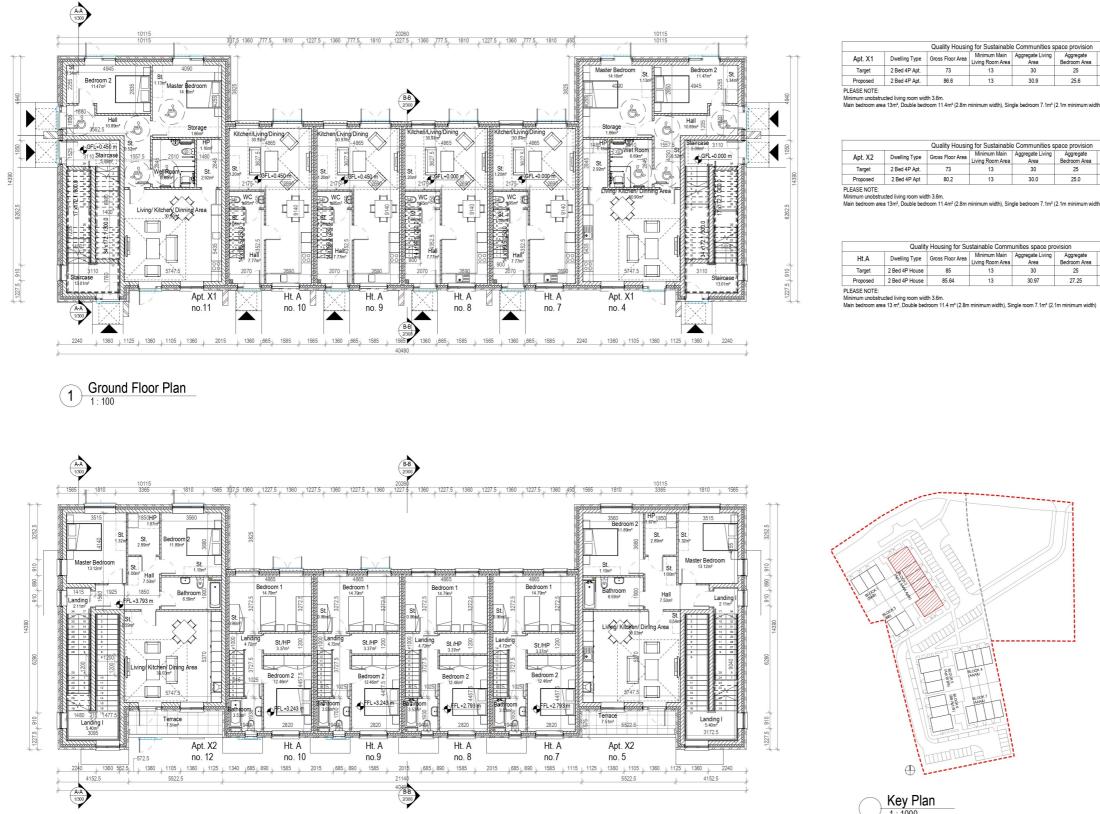
Ht.B	Dwelling Type	Gross Floor Area	Minimum Main Living Room Area	Aggregate Living Area	Aggregate Bedroom Area	Storage Area
Target	2 Bed 4P House	100	13	34	32	9
Proposed	3 Bed 5P House	106.1	13	38.7	32.9	9.7

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2 First Floor Plan

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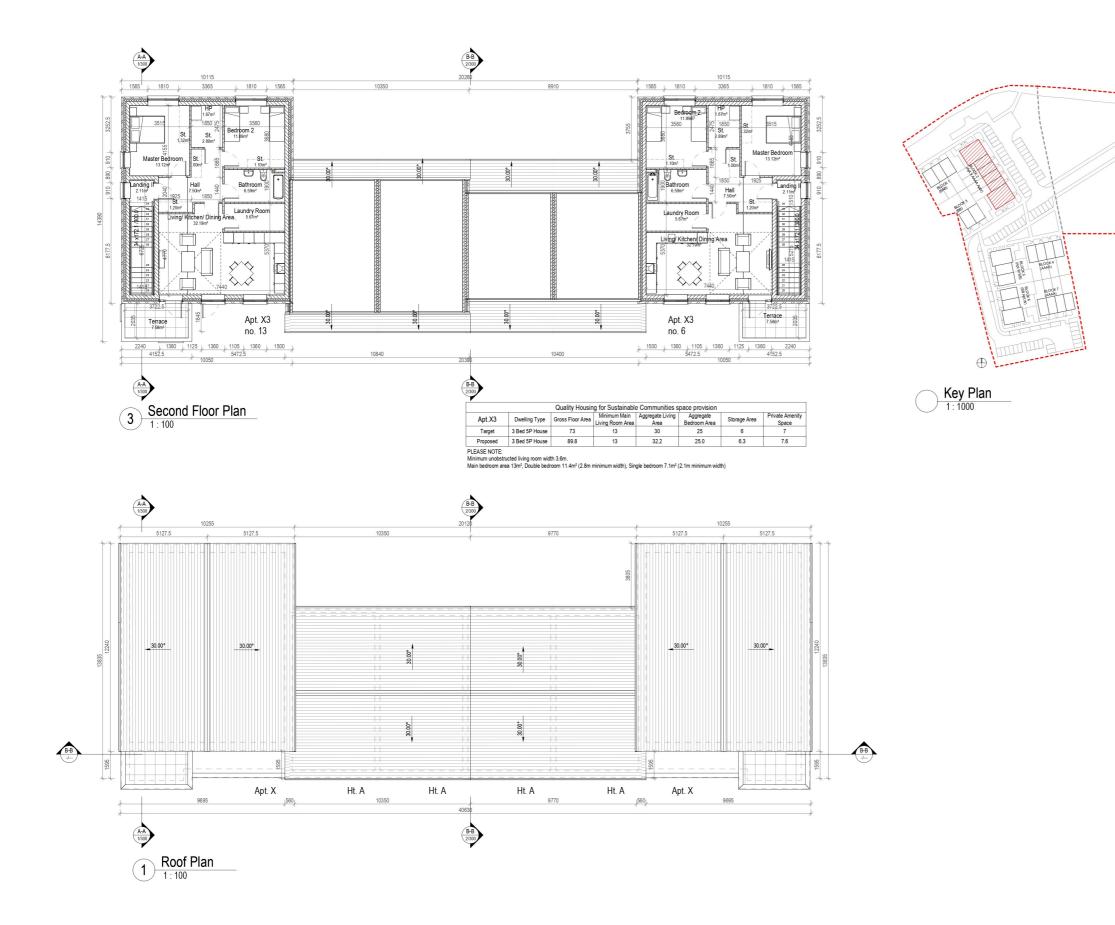
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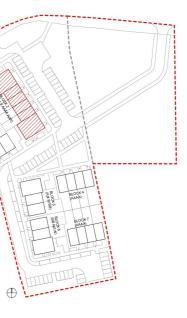
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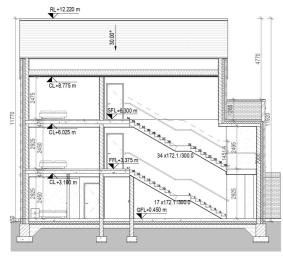






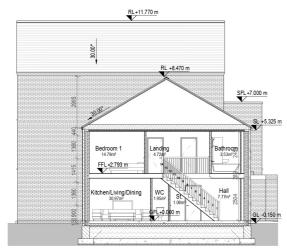
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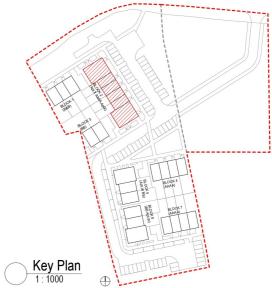








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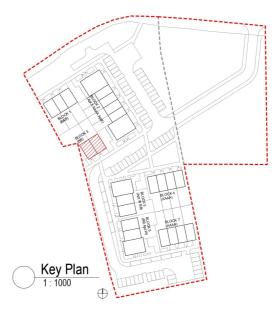






6 3D View

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sing for Sustainable Communities space provision						
s Floor Area	Minimum Main Living Room Area	Aggregate Living Area	Aggregate Bedroom Area	Storage Area		
100	13	34	32	9		
106.14	13	38.67	32.89	9.72		







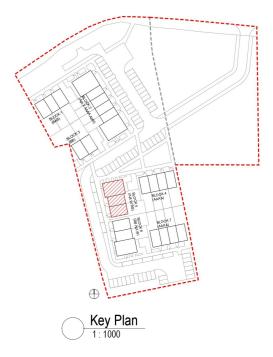
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7.5 Block 4





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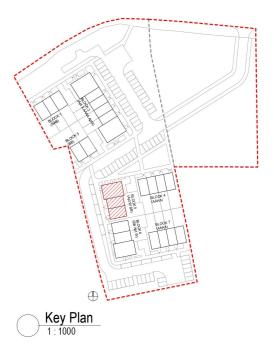




















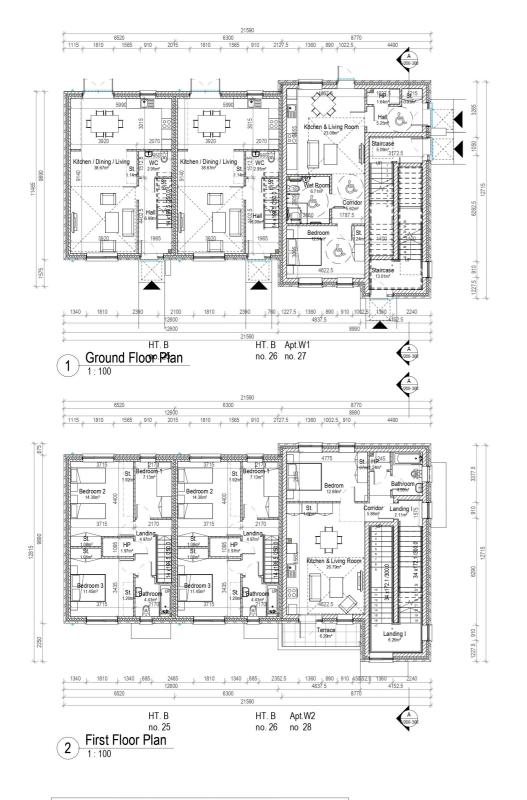


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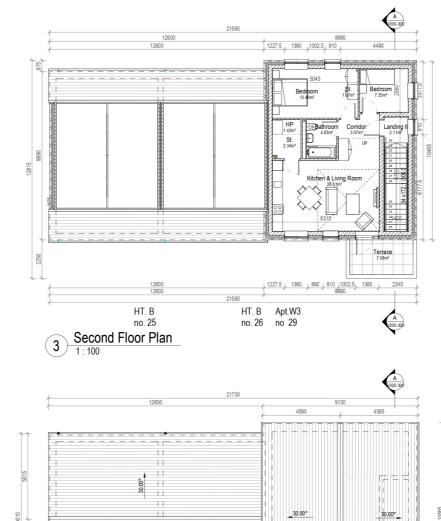


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Target	3 Bed 5P House	100	13	34	32	9
Proposed	3 Bed 5P House	106.1	13	38.7	32.9	9.7

Minimum unobstructed living room width 3.8m. Main bedroom area 13m^a, Double room 11.4m^a (2.8m minimum width), Single room 7.1m^a (2.1m minimum width)

Quality Housing for Sustainable Communities space provision								
Ht.W1	Dwelling Type	Gross Floor Area	Minimum Main Living Room Area	Aggregate Living Area	Aggregate Bedroom Area	Storage Area	Private Amenity Space	
Target	1 Bed 2P Apt.	45	13	23	11	3	5	
Proposed	1 Bed 2P Apt.	59.8	13	23.1	12.8	3.8	45.5	
PLEASE NOTE:								

PLEASE NOTE: Minimum unobstructed living room width 3.6m. Main bedroom area 13m², Twin bedroom 11.4m² (2.8m minimum width), Single bedroom 7.1m² (2.1m minimum width)



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Ht.W2	Dwelling Type	Gross Floor Area	Minimum Main Living Room Area	Aggregate Living Area	Aggregate Bedroom Area	Storage Area	Private Amenit Space
Target	1 Bed 2P Apt.	45	13	23	11	3	5
Proposed	1 Bed 2P Apt.	55.1	13	26.8	12.6	3.9	6.3

HT. B Apt.W3

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		Quality Housir	ng for Sustainabl	e Communities s	pace provision		
Ht.W3	Dwelling Type	Gross Floor Area	Minimum Main Living Room Area	Aggregate Living Area	Aggregate Bedroom Area	Storage Area	Private Amenity Space
Target	2 Bed 3P Apt.	63	13	28	20	5	6
Proposed	2 Bed 3P Apt.	64.4	13	28.5	20.7	5.6	7.6
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7.7.1 Block 6

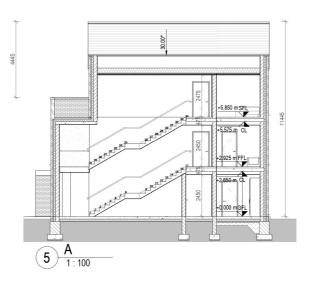


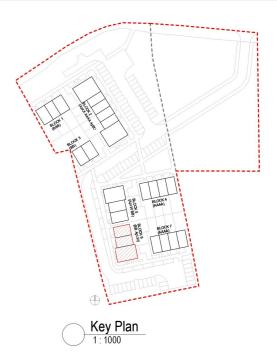










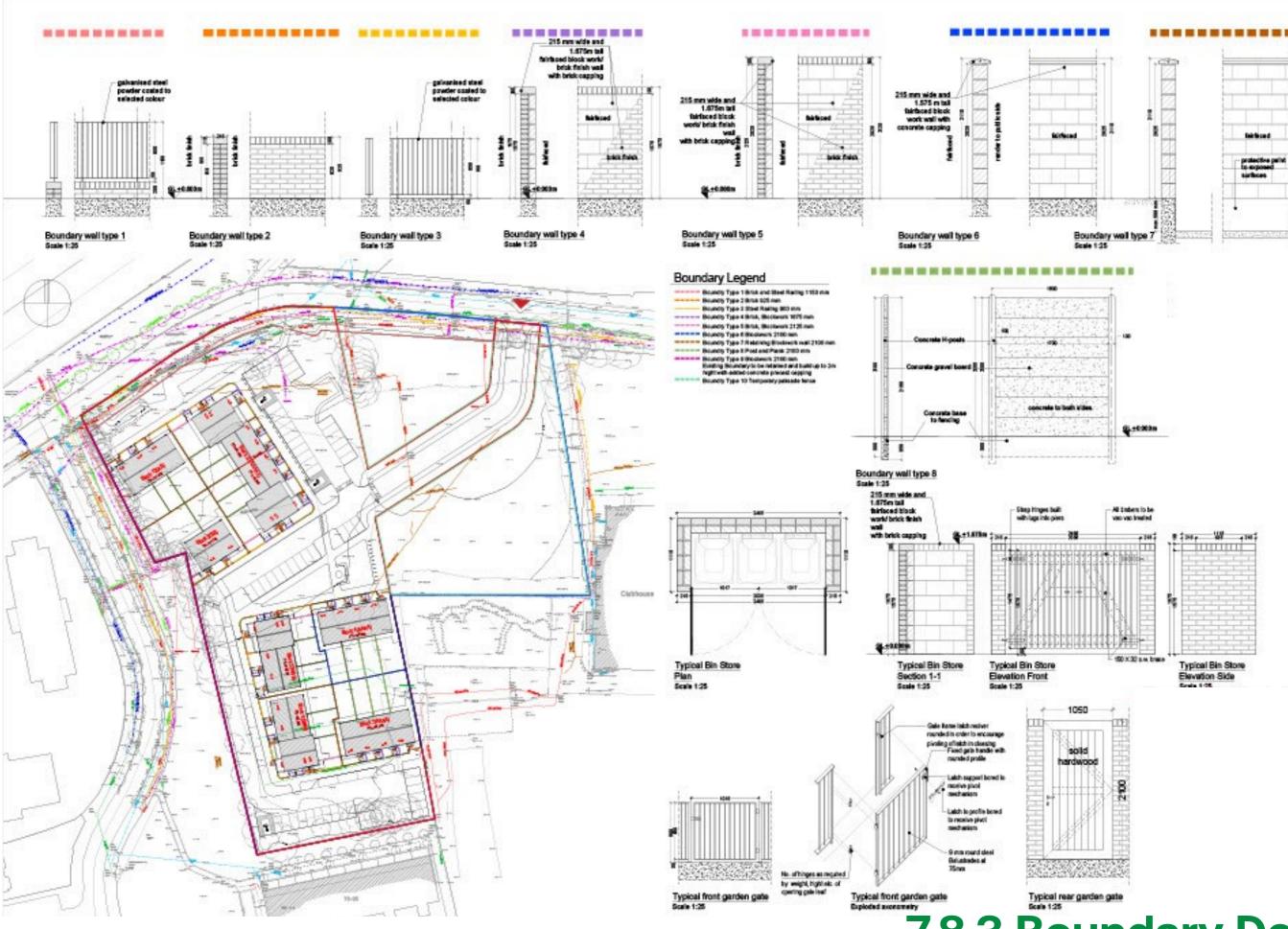






7.8.1 Site Sections





7.8.3 Boundary Details

