

From Demolition to
Deconstruction - ASBP

Reuse in Reality: Moving towards a circular economy

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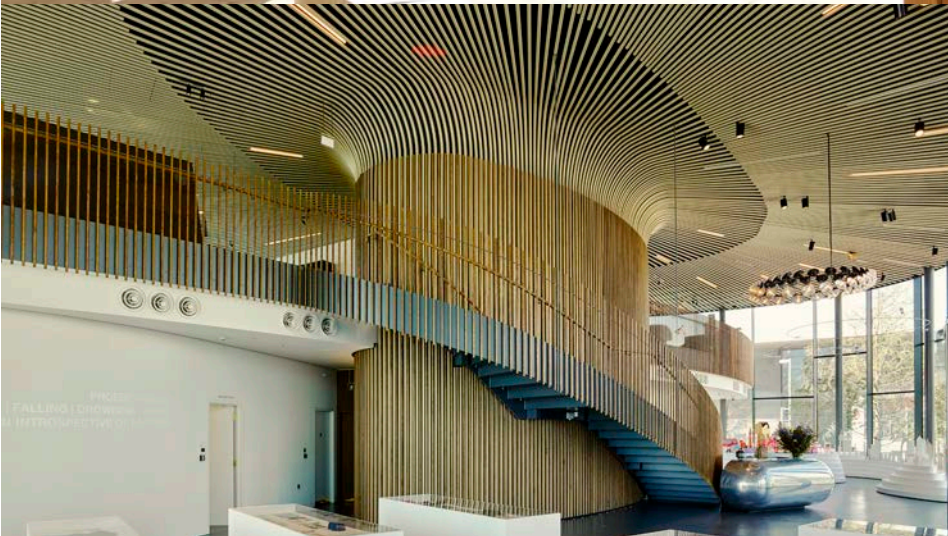
Darcy Arnold-Jones



Who Are We?

- Established 1989
- Over 130 awards for design, innovation and sustainability
 - An entrepreneurial spirit
 - Experts at gaining complex planning consents
 - Maintaining technical edge
 - 50:50 gender ratio from day one
 - Commitment to climate and social justice
 - Focus on retrofit
- Passive House accredited designers





The Climate Crisis - Our Response

42%

Of UK total Carbon Emissions are attributed to built environment (according to the UK Green Building Council)

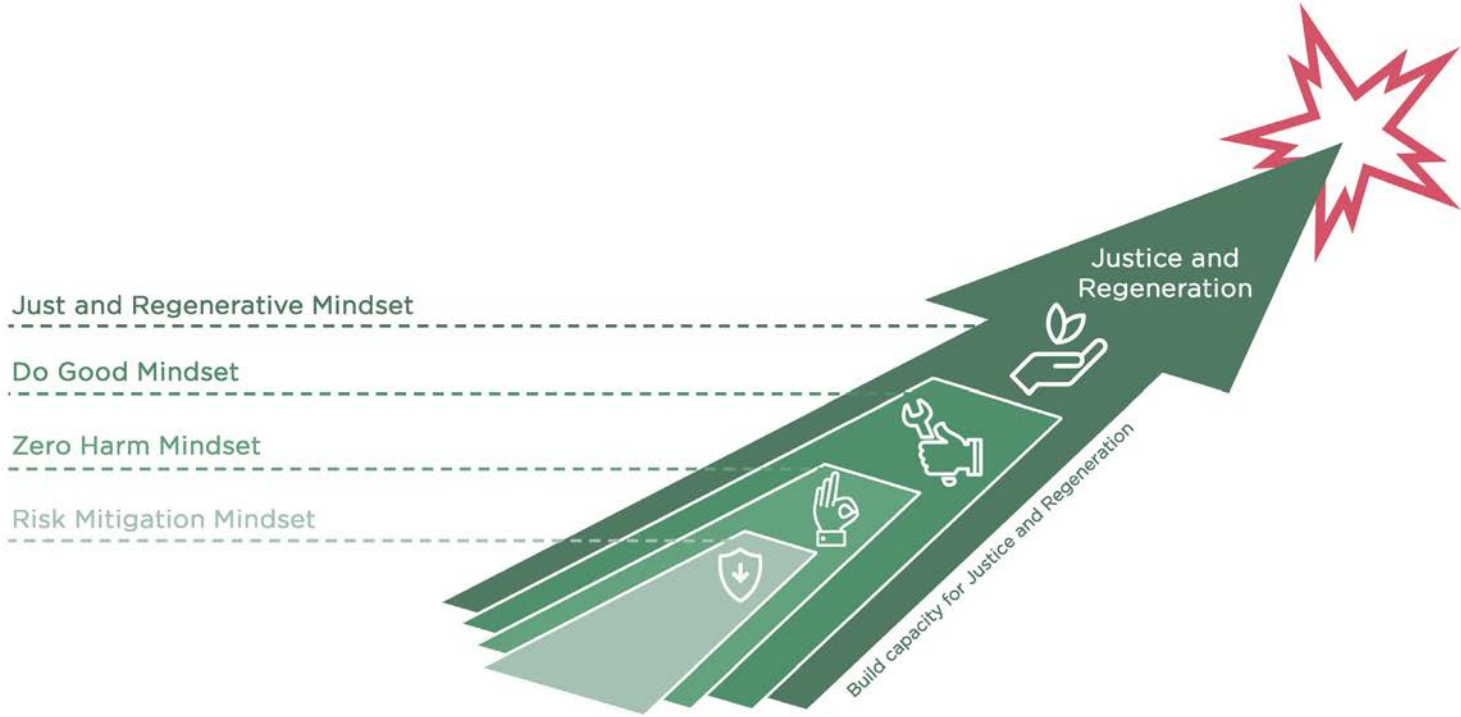
60%

Of UK waste is generated by the Construction Industry - a massive 120 million tonnes

50%

Of all raw materials mined and harvested annually are consumed by the construction sector

Becoming a Regenerative Practice



Forum for the Future: Just and Regenerative diagram

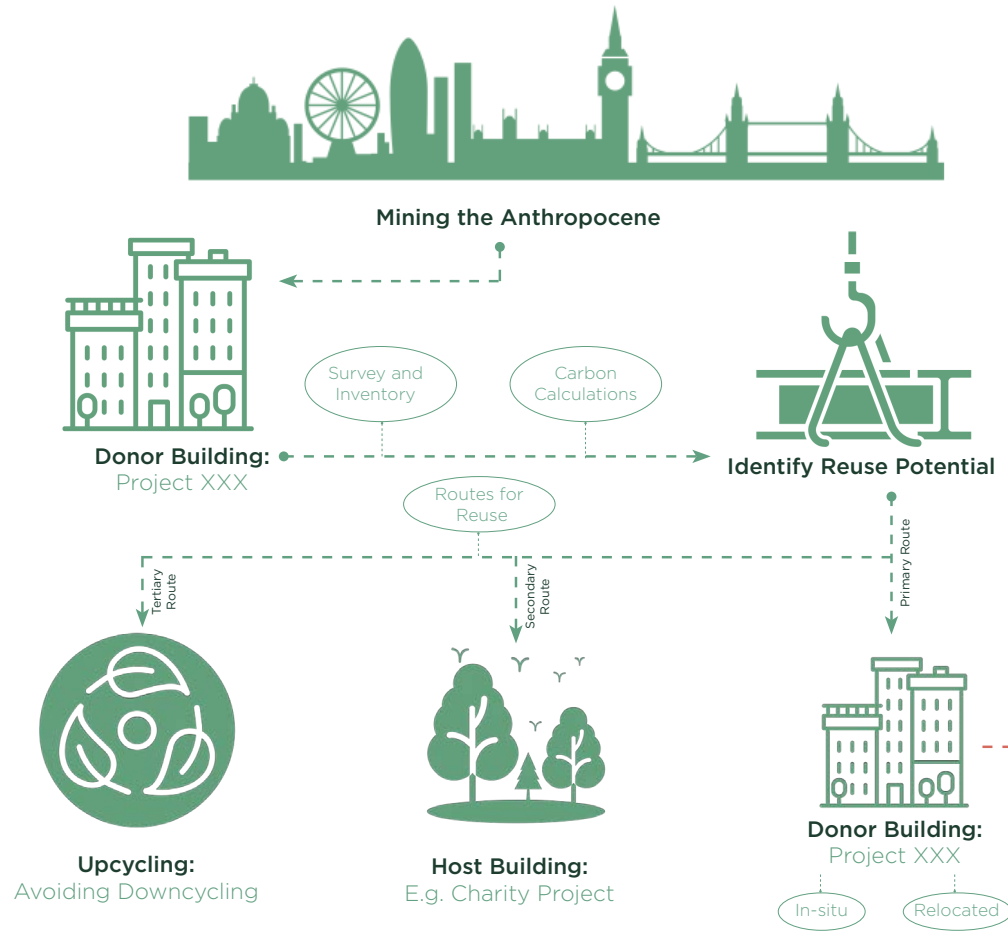


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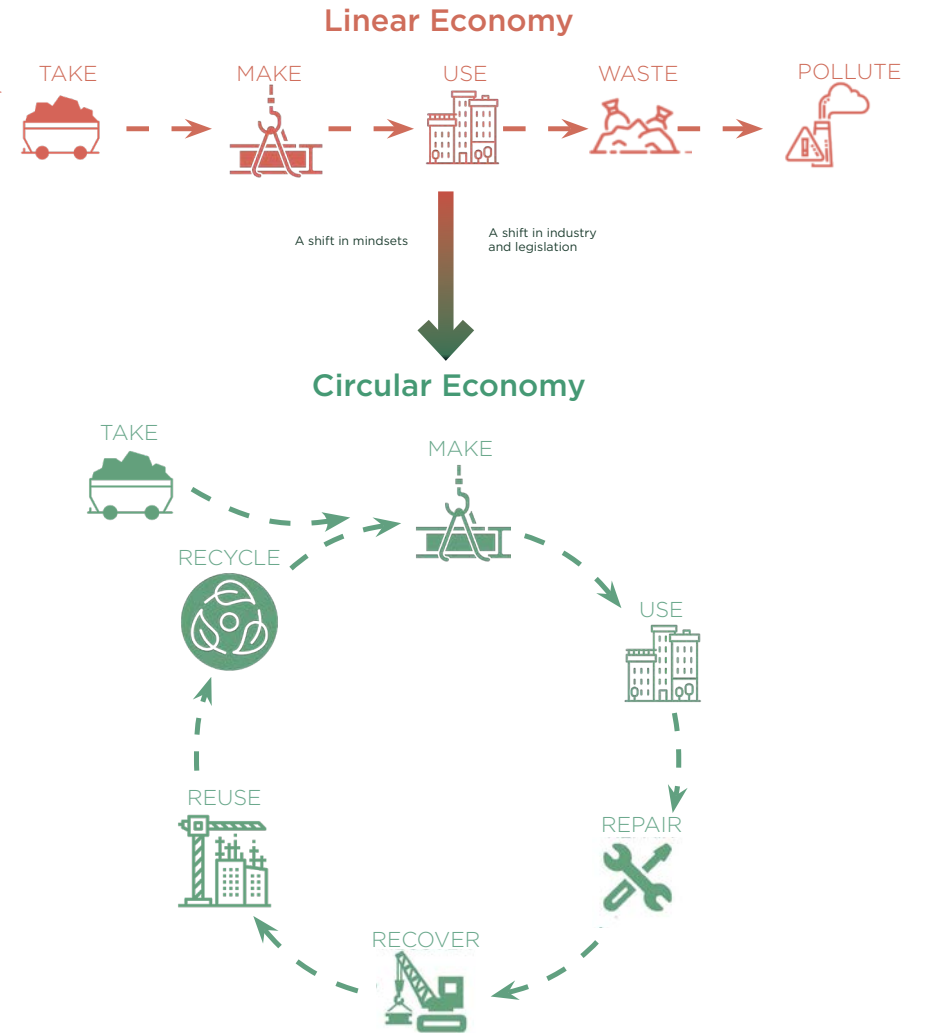


The strategy for retrofit and reuse

The Circular Economy within MBA



Moving from a Linear to a Circular Economy



RETROFIT

What does *CIRCULAR* mean to us?



Underpinned by a regenerative built environment, with circular infrastructure

Donor Building: 22 Baker Street

Client: Lazari Investments Ltd

Architect: Marks Barfield Architects

Structural Engineer: The Morton Partnership

MEP Engineer: GLP

Project Manager: Hambury Hird Design

Quantity Surveyor: Album Consulting

Contractor: Faithdean

Demolition Contractor: Lawmans

22 Baker Street Overview



Existing External View of Office Building



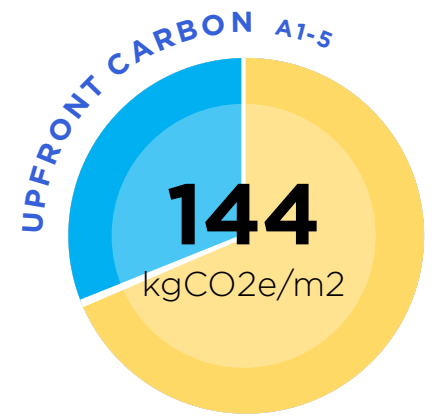
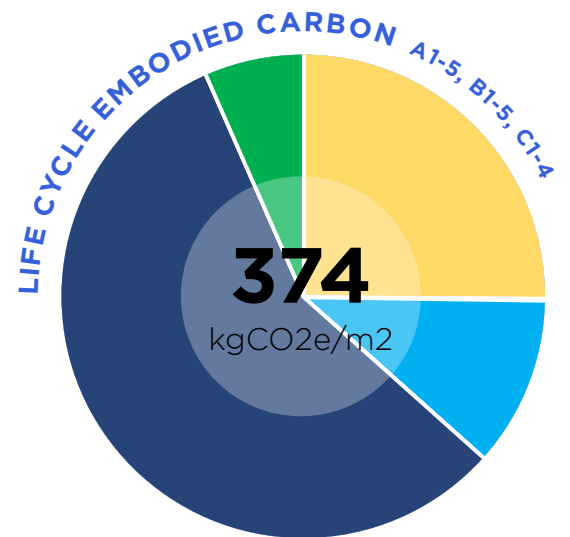
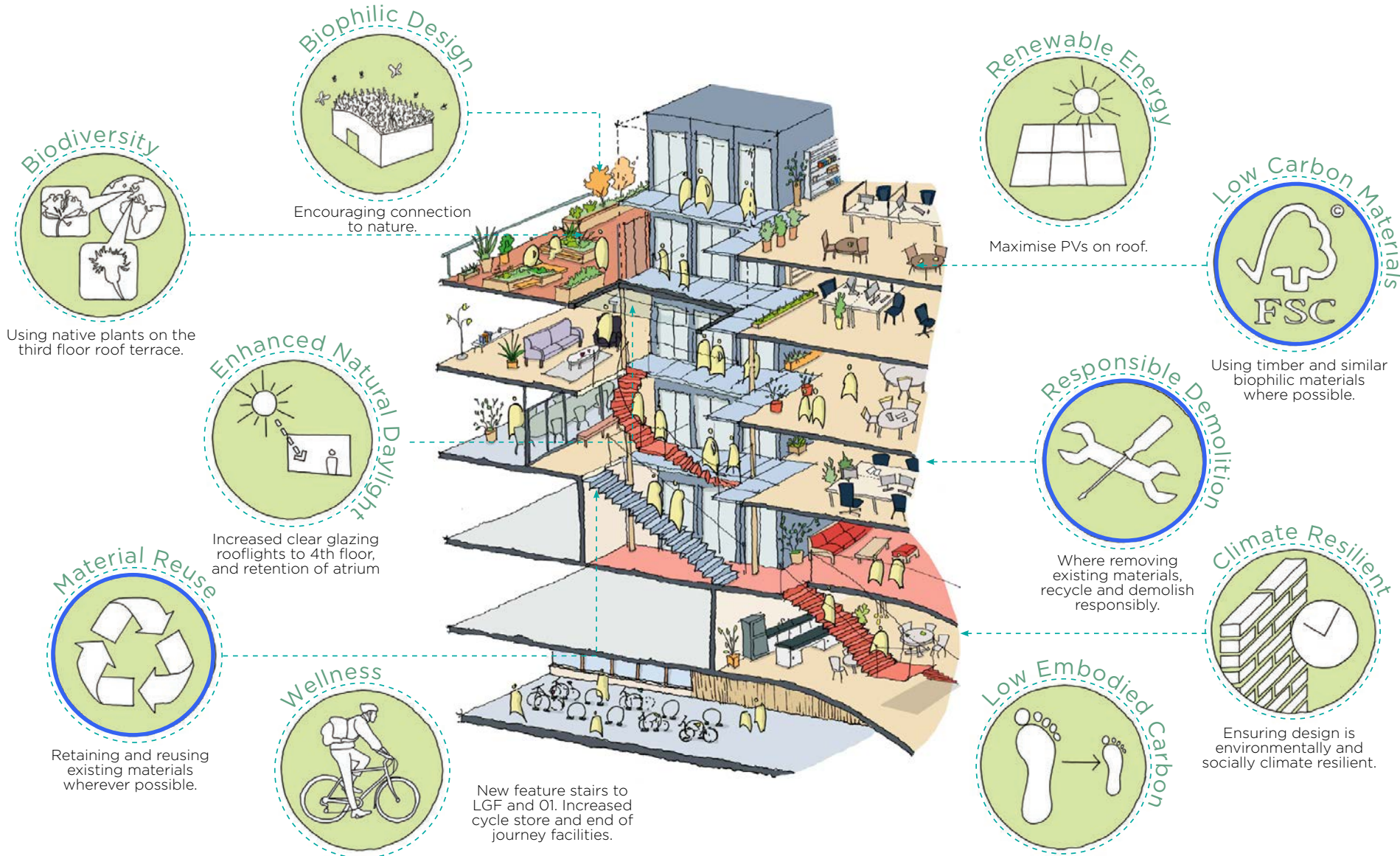
Existing Internal View of Atrium



Existing Internal View of Upper Floor Office Space

Project Overview

Reuse of materials has helped to contribute to low carbon figures



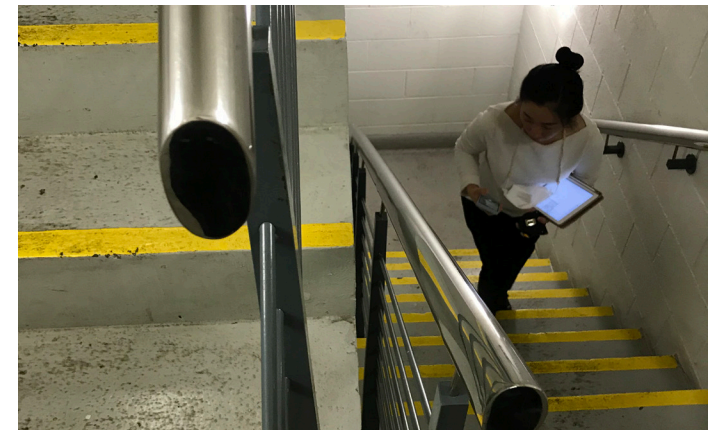
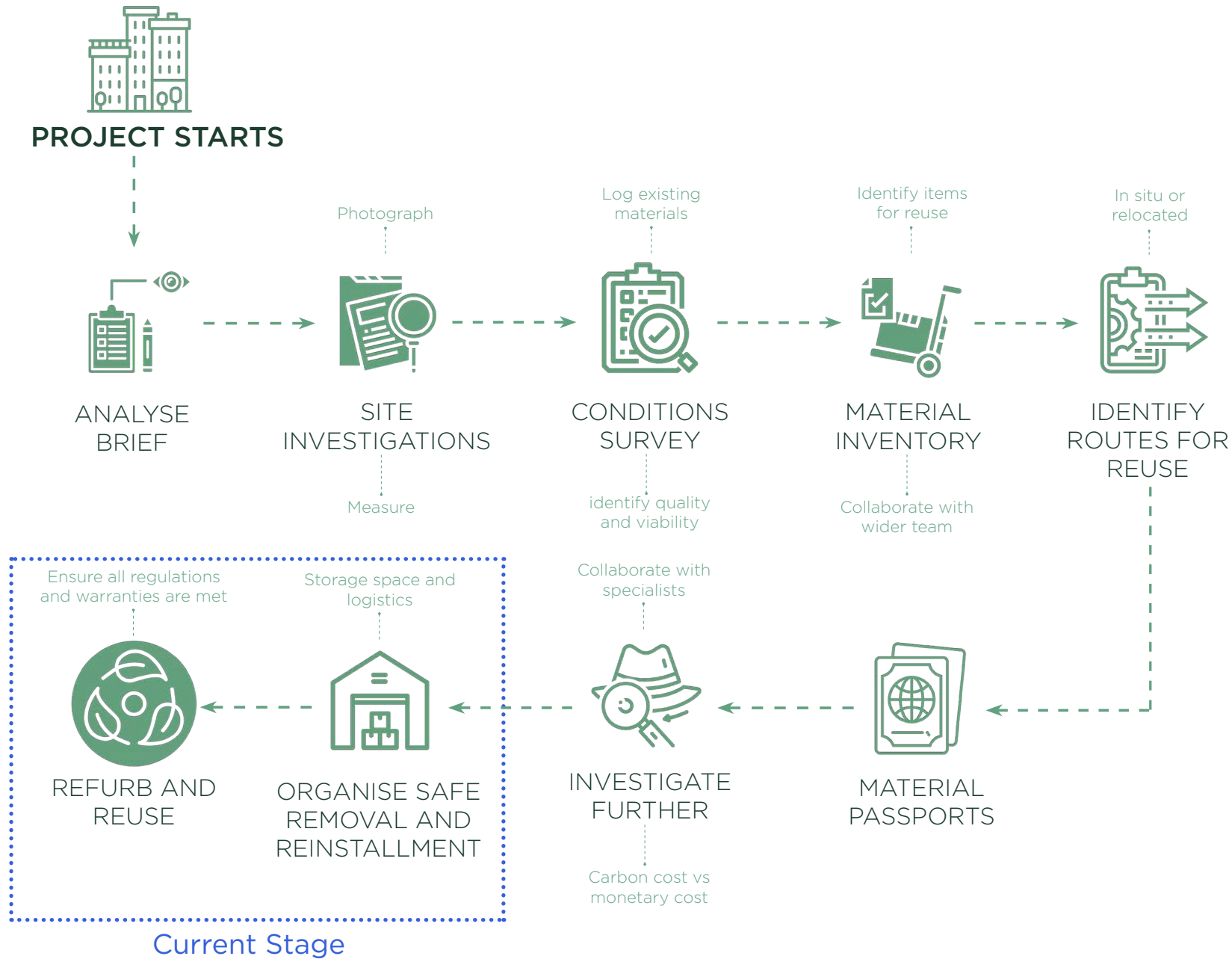
Key of RICS Lifecycle Stages:

- A1-3 (Yellow)
- A4 (Green)
- A5 (Blue)
- B1 (Orange)
- B2 (Teal)
- B3 (Light Blue)
- B4 (Dark Blue)
- B5 (Red)
- C1-4 (Dark Green)

Regenerative Design Principles

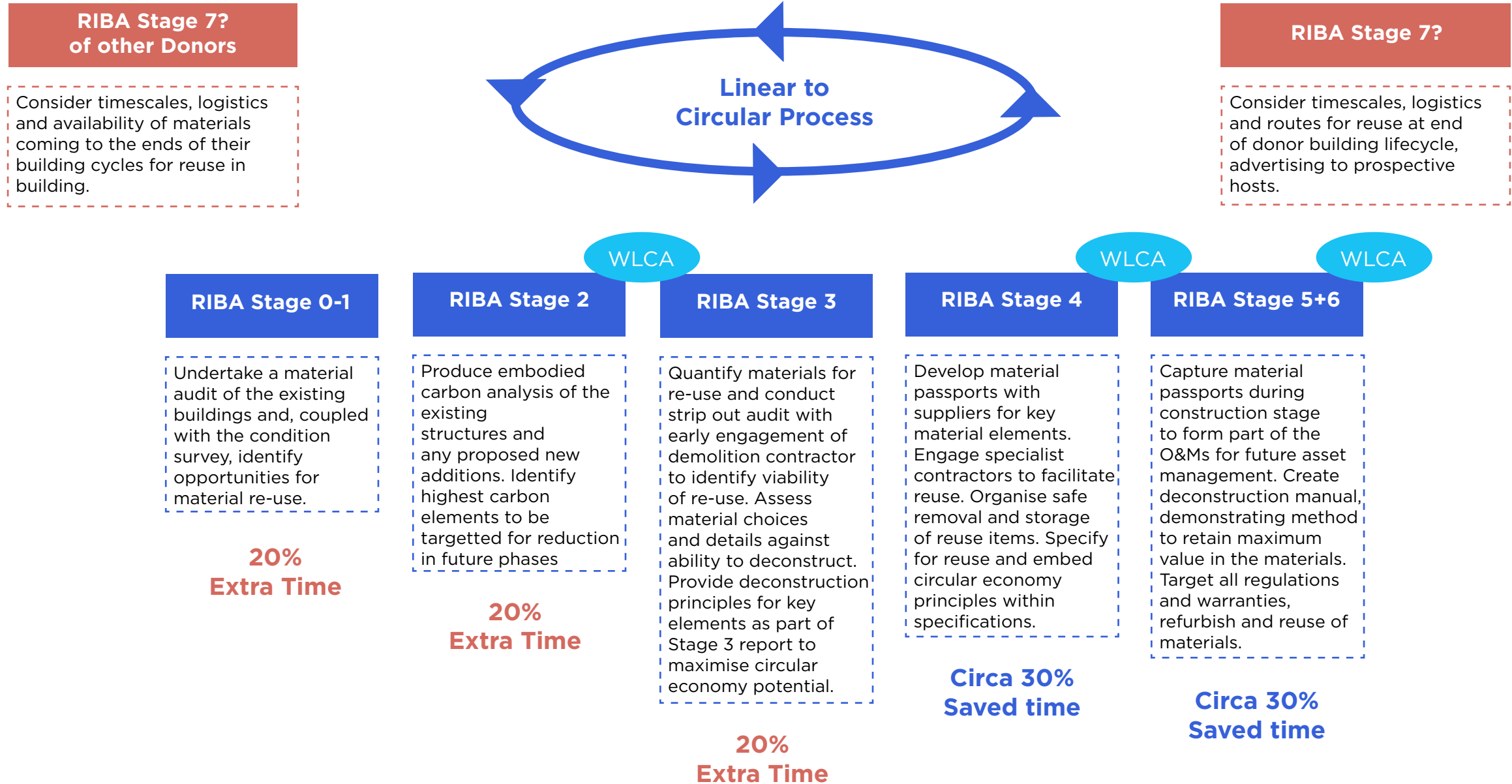
Methodology

Reuse Methodology



Impact on Design Process

Architect as Optimisation Engineer



Existing Material Inventory

Material ID	Material Name	Quantity	Location	Material Type	Material Category	Material Status	Material Condition	Material Notes	Material Photo	Material Reference
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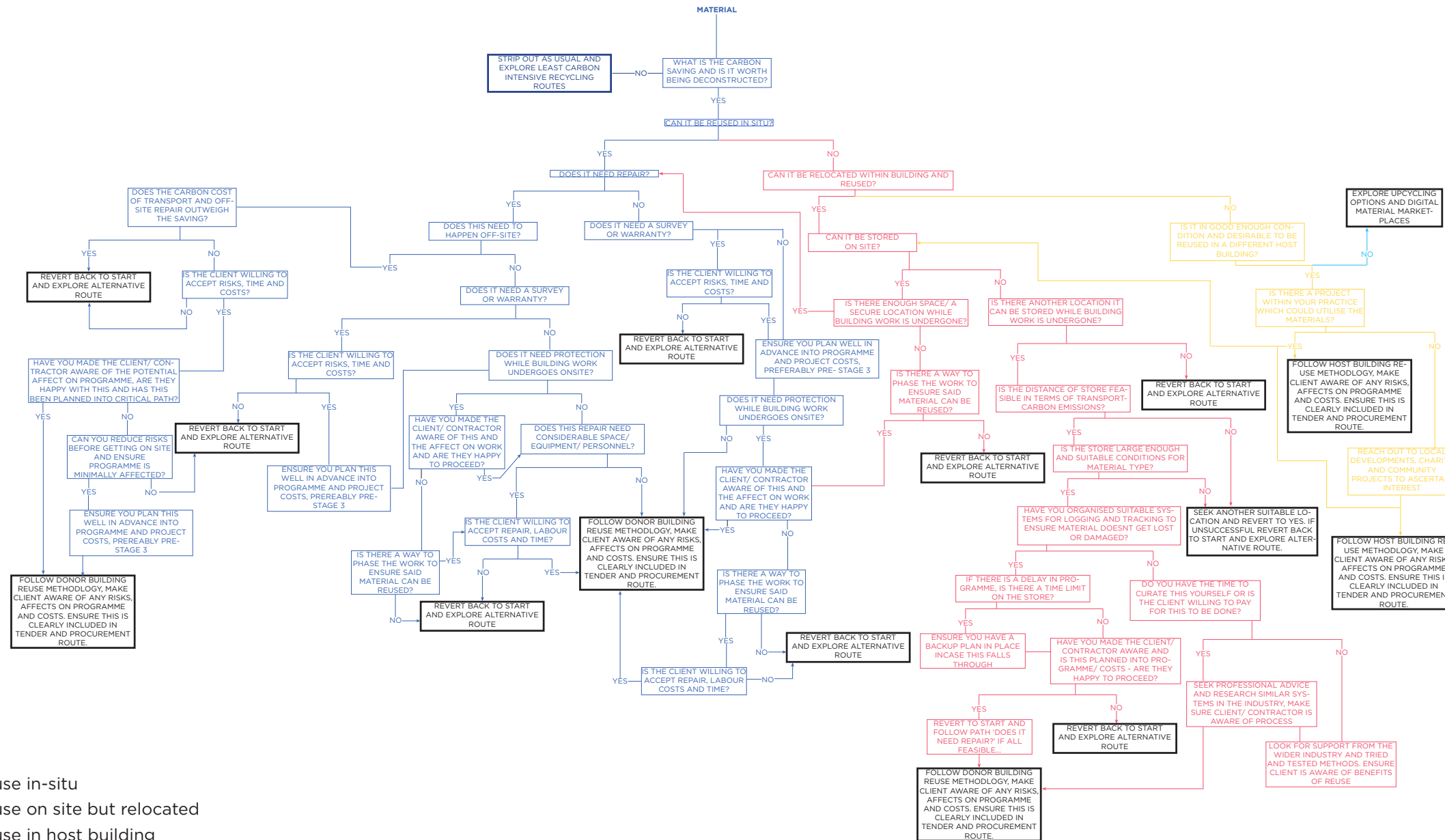
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Key:

- (A) 22 BS - Cat A
- (B) 22 BS - CAT B Potential
- (C) Oasis Play
- (D) Other reuse opportunity
- (E) Upcycle
- (F) Recycle

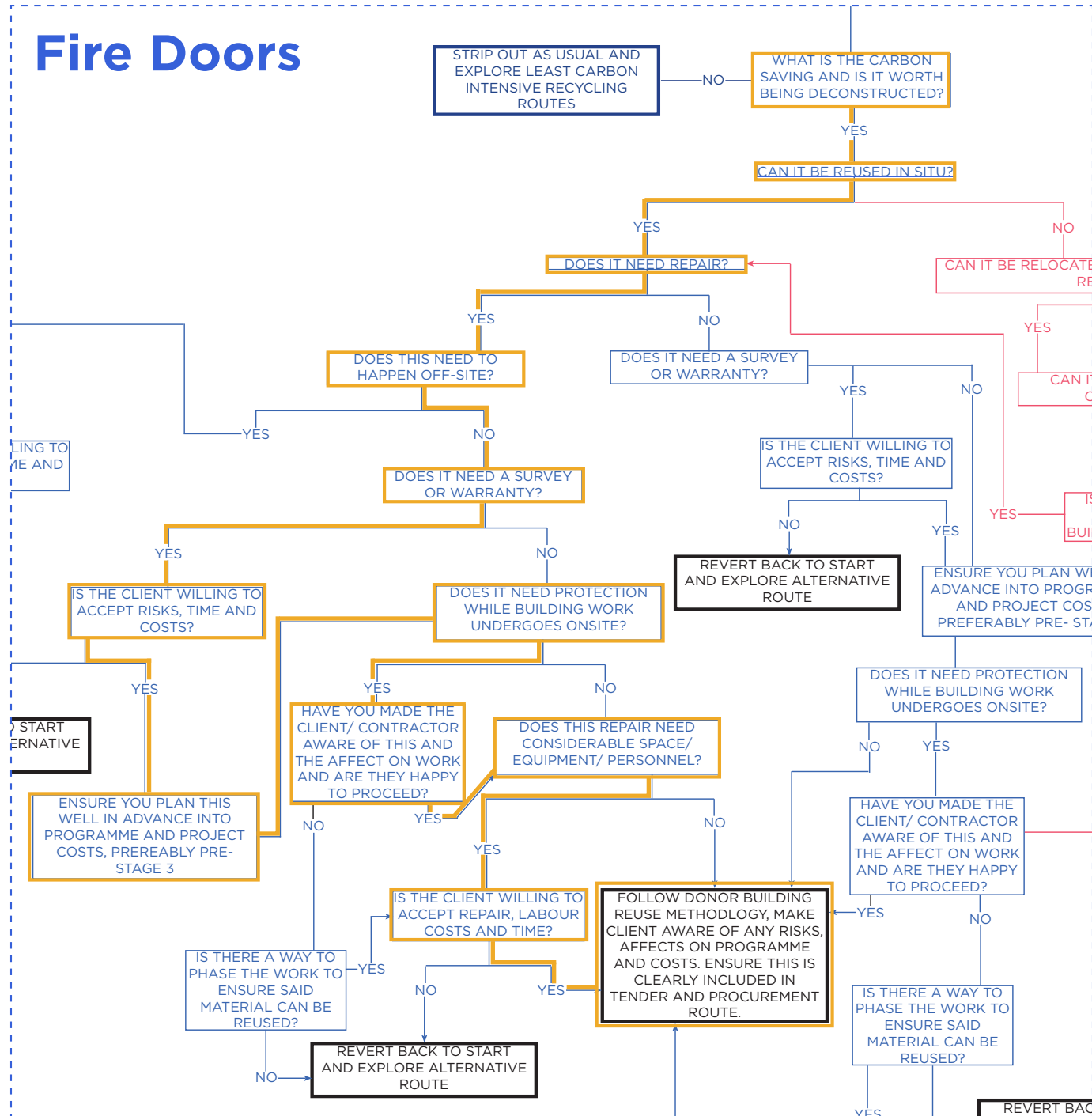
As issued to the Contractor Faithdean at RIBA Stage 3/4

Material Reuse Pathway



- = Reuse in-situ
- = Reuse on site but relocated
- = Reuse in host building
- = Upcycled or reformed
- = Recycled

Fire Doors



Material Passport development

In collaboration with the Material Passport Working Group

Material Passport - Raised Access Floors Ss_30_20_70_00001			
Current Author		Marks Barfield Architects	
Revision	Revision Date	Author	Project
P01	02/11/2023	Marks Barfield Architects	WIU 3BW

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Summary

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Unique Number	1ba8f332-44b9-4002-a95e-4840398bef38
Classification	Ss_30_20_70_00001
Name	Raised Access Floors
Unit Type	1m2
Material/s	Chipboard core encased in steel, acoustic pads provided where necessary. Reused steel tiles from original building, new second-hand pedestals from new manufacturer.
Dimensions of a unit	600x600mm panels generic maximum height 1000mm, generic minimum height 65mm.
Weight of a unit	
Number of units	4245.5
Gross Area	4245.5m2
Gross Volume	na
Density	na
Gross Weight	#VALUE!
Method of Fixing	Adhesive
Date of Original Manufacture	unknown
Supplier/ Manufacturer Details	unknown
Current Installation Date	2023
Life Expectancy	60
Building Layer	Space Plan
Building Element	2.2 Upper Floors
Description	Second user recycled raised access floor system that consists of reused panels from existing building, refurbished panels from another source, and new pedestals. New pedestals to be compatible with re-used panels from existing building.

Material Passport - Internal Double Riser Door Fire Rated EF_25_30_25-00002			
Current Author		Marks Barfield Architects	
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Unique Number	45757278-0444-46ee-8842-ec863b4bcf7
Classification	EF_25_30_25-00002
Name	Internal Double Riser Door Fire Rated
Unit Type	One doorset
Material/s	30min and 60min fire rated MDF laminated doors with paint finish.
Dimensions of a unit	1110mm x 2780mm. Varies, refer to drawings
Weight of a unit	Varies
Number of units	28
Gross Area	3.1
Gross Volume	0.124
Density	600
Gross Weight	74.4
Method of Fixing	Mechanical, pivot hinge.
Date of Original Manufacture	2002
Supplier/ Manufacturer Details	unknown
Current Installation Date	2023
Life Expectancy	
Building Layer	Space Plan
Building Element	2.8 Internal Doors
Description	30min and 60min fire rated MDF laminated doors with paint finish. Pivot hinge. Aluminium skirting detail to base of doors.
Life Expectancy	60

Material Passport - Internal Stair Structure EF_35_10_40-00001			
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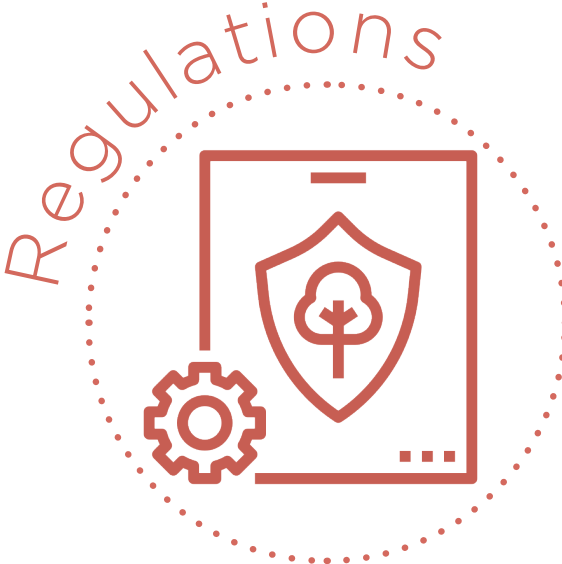
Summary

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Unique Number	df391abf-e137-4756-b387-176cb84c9e43
Classification	EF_35_10_40-00001
Name	Internal Stair Structure
Unit Type	One stair structure
Material/s	Steel
Dimensions of a unit	20 risers, spans FFL to FFL height of 3530mm, riser height 177.5mm, run depth varies, width of stair 1150mm
Weight of a unit	unknown
Number of units	1
Gross Area	na
Gross Volume	0.205
Density	7750
Gross Weight	1588.75
Method of Fixing	Mechanical, bolted utilising existing tread support brackets. New timber treads bonded to existing steel stair structure.
Date of Original Manufacture	presumed 2002
Original supplier/ Manufacturer Details	Spiral stairs, Lewes Design Contracts Ltd. The Mill, Glynde, Lewes East Sussex BN8 6SS United Kingdom 01273 858341 https://www.spiralstairs.co.uk/contact-us/
Current Installation Date	2023
Life Expectancy	60
Building Layer	Space Plan
Building Element	2.4 Stairs and Ramps
Description	Curved steel staircase for one office sized floor with glass treads, painted steel structure.

Immediate Barriers to Reuse



The Reality of Reuse: Deconstruction Stage

From desk to site

Collaborated with Lazari, Lawmens and Faithdean



Reuse in situ material collected, sorted, protected and referenced for reconditioning and reinstallation.



Ceiling Tiles



Raised access floor tiles deconstructed and grouped to be sent for reconditioning before being reinstalled in office building.



Soft strip out of ceilings



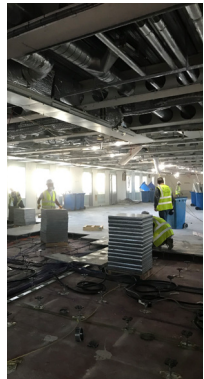
Removal of reuse material via electric vans



Removal of reuse material to be sorted

Research in process - Deconstruction Handbook

Collaboration between
MBA and Lawmens



Raised Access Floors

Category: Floors

- 1 Pedestals sheer number means time taken is too long for reward. They are covered in glue and would need carefully cleaning one by one.
- 2 Mechanically fixed pedestals are much better where possible.
- 3 Tiles easy to reuse and clean, even with glue.
- 4 Unable to reuse those with screed on top.

1. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



Suspended Ceilings

Category: Ceilings

- 1 Standard and simple metal ceilings easily removed for reuse
- 2 Soft ceiling tiles easy to damage at edges but could be upcycled in other ways
- 3 Ceiling frames take time and money to take apart but can be fully upcycled in parts
- 4 Bespoke designs, hidden fixings, complex interconnecting nut and bolt construction difficult for reuse.

2. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



Partitions

Category: Internal Walls

- 1 Timber studs are generally better for reuse and upcycling than metal.
- 2 Metal is hard to reuse in form as they tend to warp and bend over life and when deconstructed.
- 3 Metal studs are ordinarily melted down and recycled which results in more carbon production.

3. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



General Finishes

Category: Finishes

- 1 Floor finishes like vinyl/ carpet are better in tile form rather than sheet. Sheet is much harder to take up neatly if glued etc.
- 2 Carpet tiles can be reused if glued properly, letting the glue set for 15mins. If placed down wet with too much glue, they are difficult to remove carefully.
- 3 Stainless steel is hard to reuse as it is a precious metal and difficult to cut.

8. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



Doors

Category: XXX

- 1 Generally successful for reuse as they could be demounted, protected, and stacked for later use
- 2 Exposed rather than hidden fixings are better where possible - means a change in aesthetic
- 3 Sizes of doors effect reuse - Large, heavy doors are a risk to health and safety if have to manually remove.
- 4 Note door reuse has complications with fire and accessibility regs.

4. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



Glass

Category: Finishes

- 1 Tricky to manually remove due to risk of breakage and compromises health and safety of staff
- 2 Easier to reuse in smaller modules. Difficult to get out of building due to size. Depends on the building itself and how things may be removed.
- 3 Ordinarily likely to be crushed down and recycled
- 4 Engage tenant team earlier to reuse glazed partitions in situ.

5. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



Coatings

Category: Finishes

- 1 Painted metal not an issue for recycling as melted and paint separates. However, it is better to reuse steel in form.
- 2 Intumescently coated steel would have to be burned off; taking steels from site, de-coating and returning them to site.
- 3 Ensure good records are kept of FR paint used and certification.
- 4 Mastic is very difficult to remove - don't use unless necessary.

6. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction



Joinery & Furniture

Category: Finishes

- 1 Timber panels easier to remove with glue than screw - dependant on amount of glue used.
- 2 Corian desk - likely built on site due to size. Too large and heavy to be removed as is so plan is to neatly slice down the middle into two parts and the joint could be an architectural feature.

7. Reuse in Reality
The nuts and bolts of deconstruction


Success Stories

Key Savings:

Raised Access Floors
 Area = 4872 m2
 Cost saving = **£146,160**
 Carbon saving = **121,634 kg CO2e**

Raised Access Floors

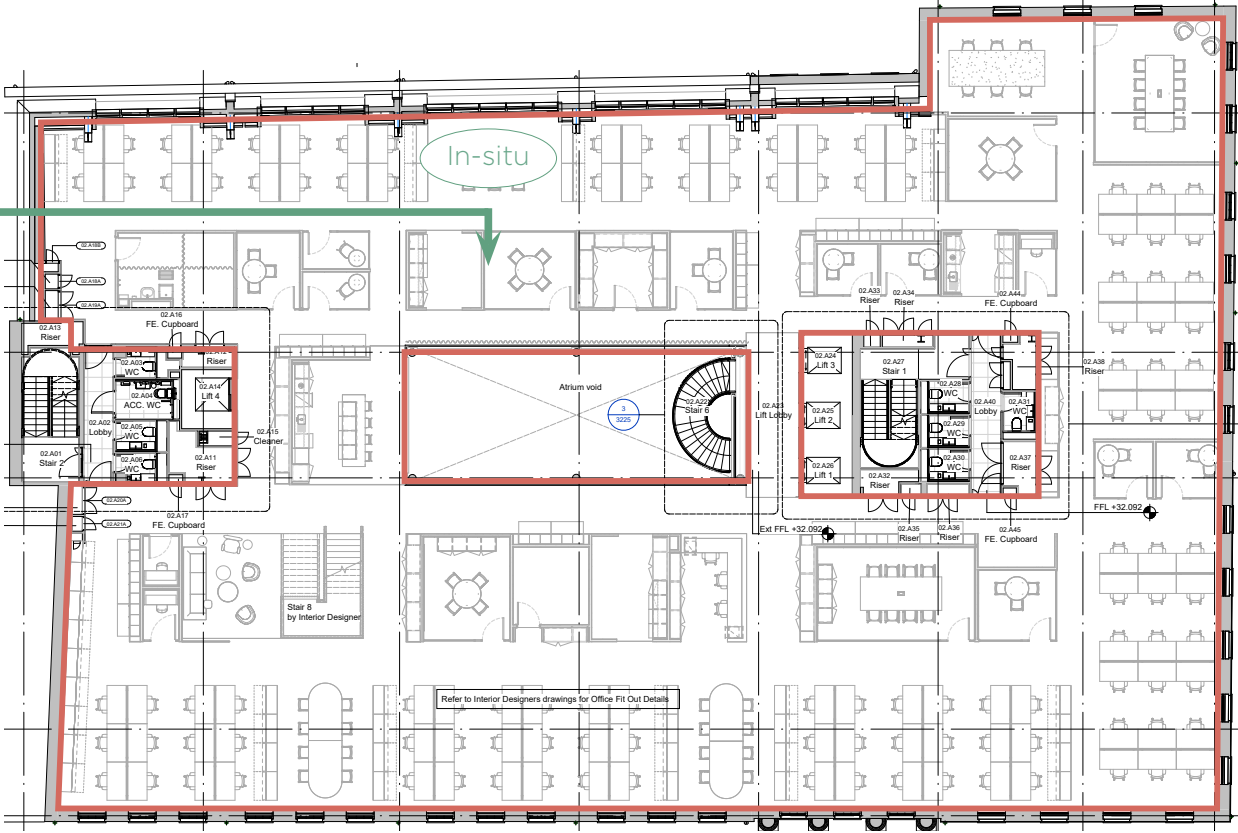
Existing Material Passport 01	
Floor Location:	01,02,03,04
Area (Estimate):	4245.5m ²
Installment:	2002
Recycle/Reuse/Refurb:	Keep and refurb
Replacement:	NA
Stage to Consider:	CAT A
Monetary Saving:	Circa £85,000
Carbon Saving:	121,633.6 kg CO2e



Description:
 Metal raised access floor plates and pedestals across office floorplates. Refurb and reuse as much as possible, replacing with upcycled tiles where need.

Potential Areas for Reuse:
 In-situ

Material Name: **Raised Access Floors**



Typical Existing Office Floor Plan

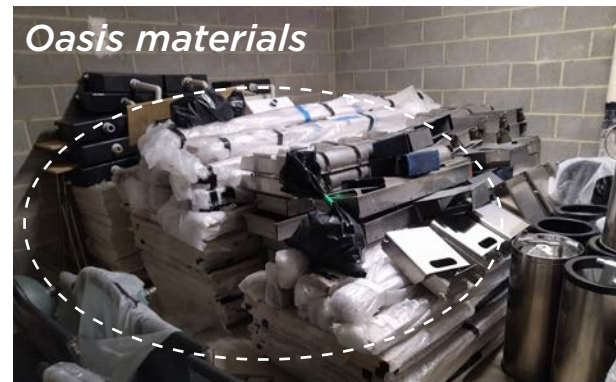
Internal Fire Doors
 Number = 133 units
 Cost saving = **£199,500**
 Carbon saving = **3900 kg CO2e**

- Reused items:**
1. Raised access floors
 2. Internal doors
 3. Riser doors
 4. External doors
 5. Concrete pavers
 6. Feature stair structure
 7. MDF cladding panels
 8. Perimeter plasterboard and skirting
 9. Atrium timber fascia
 10. Glazed atrium balustrade

Capital Saving: circa £85,000
Carbon Saving: 121,633.6 kg CO₂e

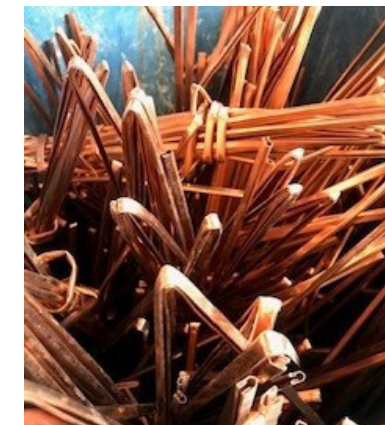
Storage and Coordination

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10 Key Lessons Learnt

- 1 **Reuse in-situ** where possible
- 2 In **early design stages, get all relevant parties involved** earlier including a **de-construction contractor** to find a clear path for reuse.
- 3 Clearly **plan out risks**, address them ASAP and get as much **surveying and auditing** done at early stage.
- 4 Recycle/ **warranty life** of some materials make them **difficult to reuse**. Such as insulation and M&E ducts.
- 5 Key practicality is **storage and standardisation of reuse inventory and system**.
- 6 Ensure **good records through material passporting** of manufacture, supplier and certification are kept. Particularly with respect to fire rated items.
- 7 **Currently good reuse Hosts** are usually **small community/ charity projects**.
- 8 Reuse items will **need a demand** - otherwise will sit in a warehouse.
- 9 Some of the easier reuse wins are the hidden more standardised items such as **Pattressing** - particularly with rising costs of plywood.
- 10 **Note the waste from onsite works, temporary works and temporary protection is not to be ignored.**



Host Building: Oasis Nature Garden

Client: Oasis

Architect: Marks Barfield Architects

Cost Consultant: Gardiner and Theobald

Structural Engineer: Term Engineering

Site Location



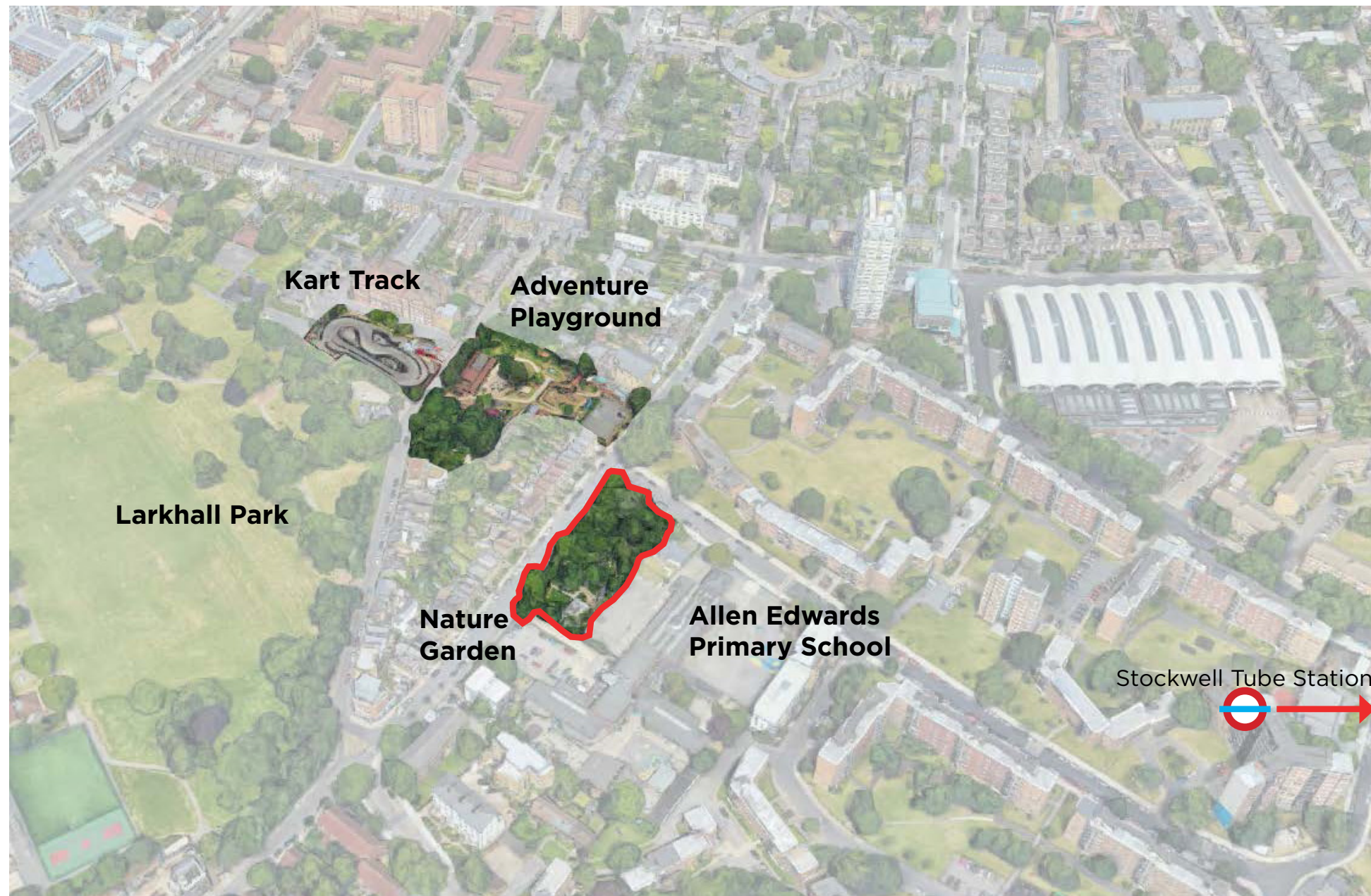
Adventure Playground



Kart Track



Nature Garden



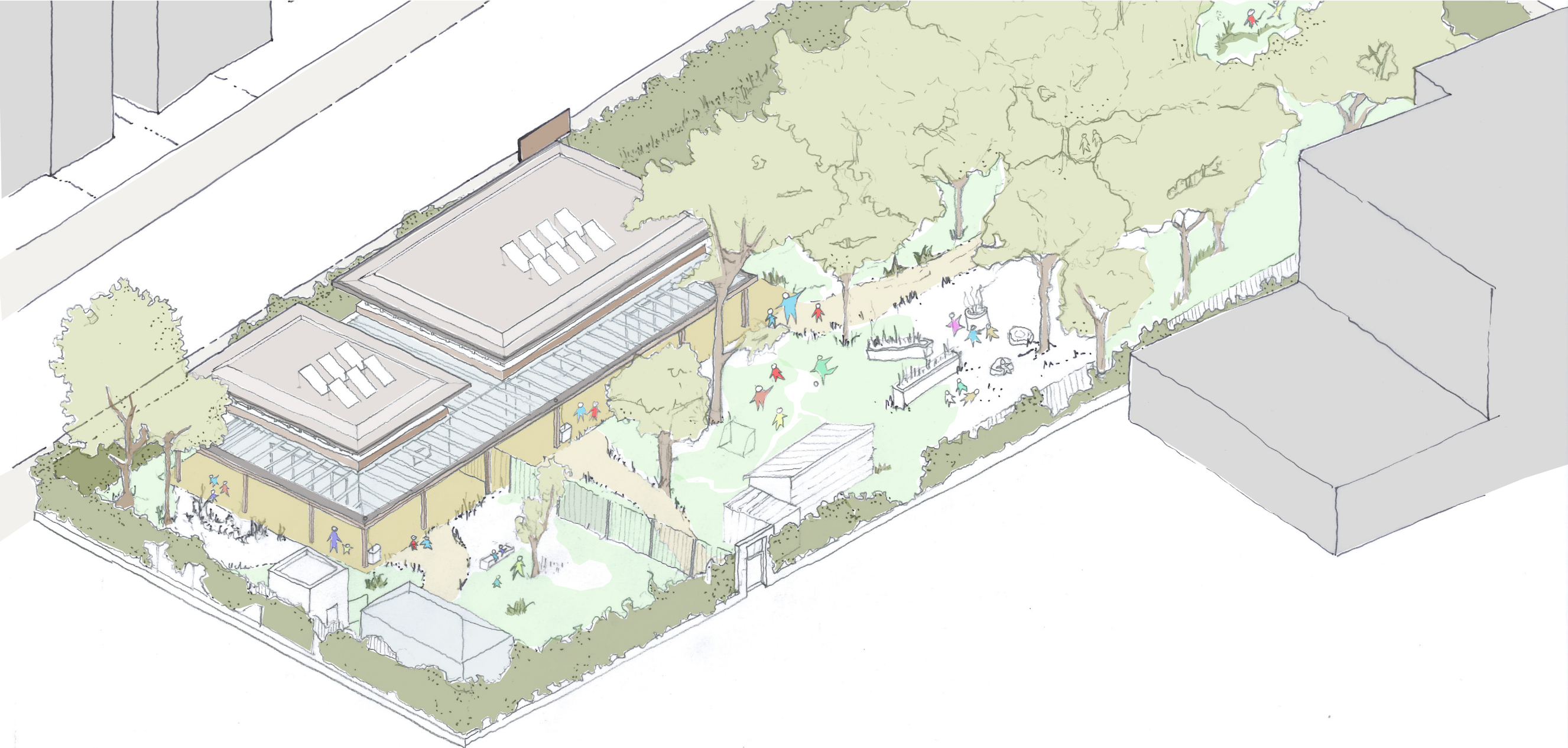
The Nature Garden Brief

- 1 New building for nature garden for educational play, a forest school nursery, a staff office and communal space.
- 2 Nature garden classroom for 30 children
- 3 Forest School Nursery Classroom for 15 children with direct level access to a dedicated outdoor area.
- 4 Staff office and kitchen
- 5 WCs - 1 standard and 1 accessible
- 6 Reception area
- 7 Childrens kitchen in both classrooms
- 8 Storage and draws for learning materials
- 9 Buggy store
- 10 Cloakroom area
- 11 Covered outdoor space

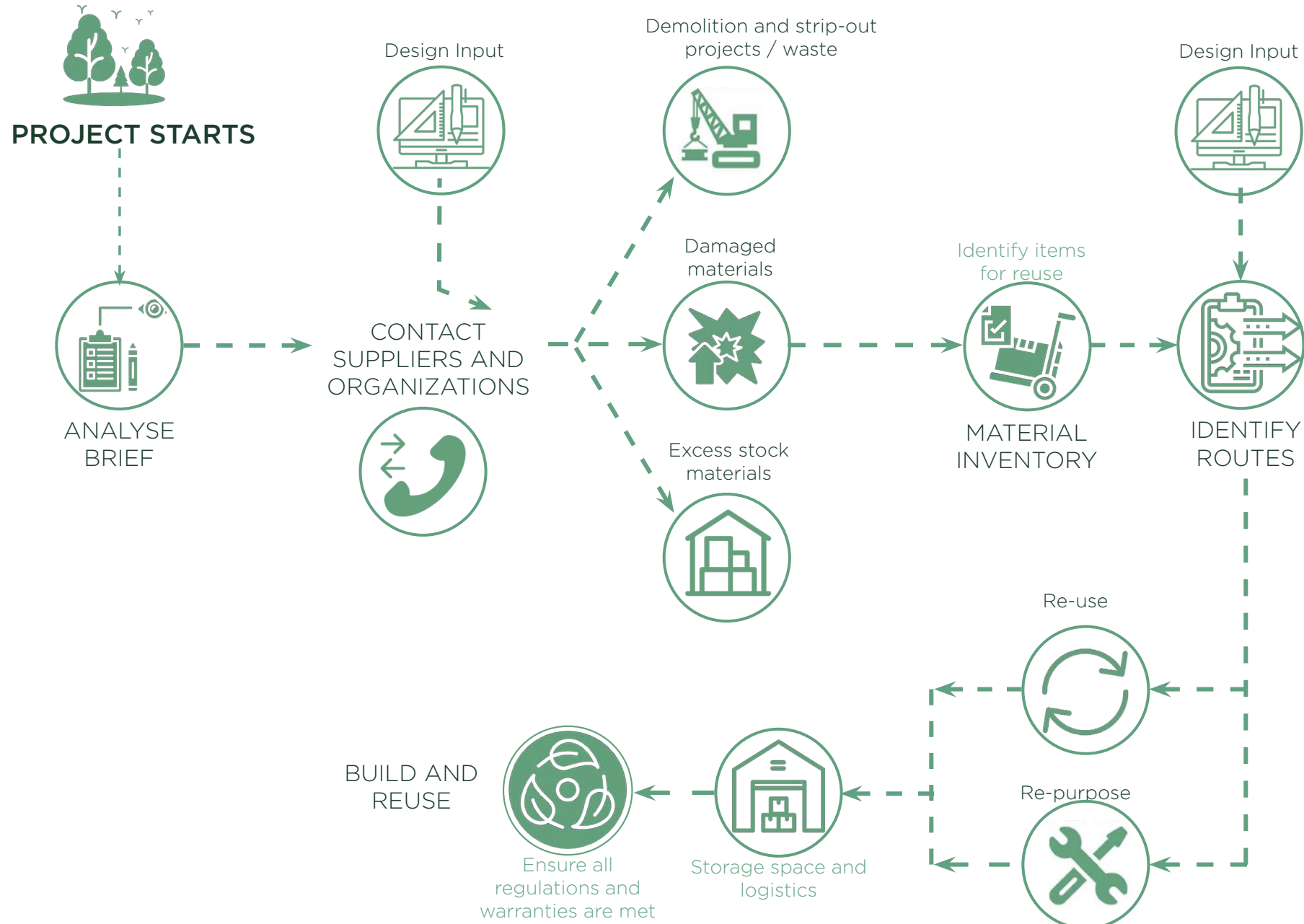
*Importance of a clear
brief to start analysing
material needs*



3D View



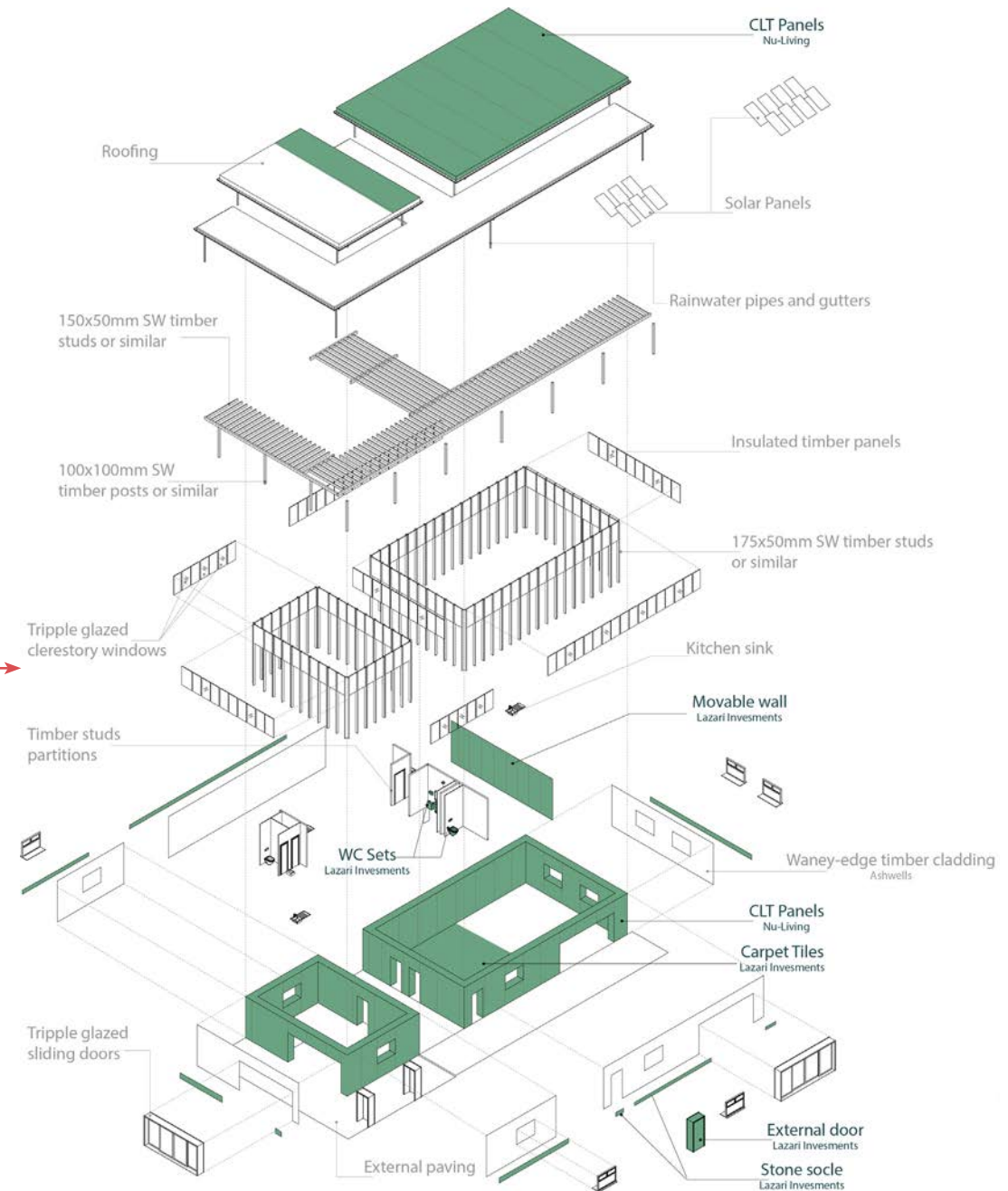
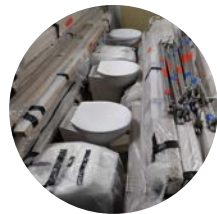
Oasis Methodology for Reuse



Reuse of materials - Inventory

Reuse from 22 Baker Street:

3.0 INTERNAL WALLS, FINISHES AND PARTITIONS	Floor Location	Height Area m2/Quantity	Installation (2002/2020)	Description	Recycle/Reuse/Refurb/ Bin Suggestion	Quantity needed	Relocation Suggestion	Original Category (Cat A or Fujitsu Cat B)	Photos	Reference numbers in condition survey
Paneling to curved wall	0	70m2	2002	Timber/Vinyl type paneling to reception feature wall	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT A		650-2285-1.1.04
Timber effect tiles	1		2020	Timber tiles to kitchens in Fujitsu fit out	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT B		
Tiles to kitchen	1		2020	Black glazed tiles to underside of kitchen counter	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT B		
2.0 FLOOR FINISHES	Floor Location	Height Area m2/Quantity	Installation (2002/2020)	Description	Recycle/Reuse/Refurb/ Bin Suggestion	Quantity needed	Relocation Suggestion	Original Category (Cat A or Fujitsu Cat B)	Photos	Reference
Hard Finishes										
Reception	0	100	2002?	vinyl/stone interlocking further	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT A		650-2285-1.1-1.0
Dark grey/black tiles	1		2020	Tiles to kitchen area	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT B		
Carpet	LG, L2, L4		2020	Beige carpet soft flooring	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT B		
Carpet	LG, L2, L4		2020	Grey Carpet soft flooring	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	Cat B		
Carpet tiles	spare	144m2	2002/20	Stacks of spare carpet tiles in good condition	Reuse in Oasis	130m2	off site	CAT A		
3.0 INTERNAL DOORS	Floor/ Location	Height Area m2/Quantity	Installation (2002/2020)	Description	Recycle/Reuse/Refurb/ Bin Suggestion	Quantity needed	Relocation Suggestion	Original Category (Cat A or Fujitsu Cat B)	Photos	Reference
Internal Timber doors	01,02,03, 04		2020	Timber panelled doors, double used in Fujitsu fit out	Reuse in Oasis	1x double, 4x single	off site	CAT B		
5.0 SANITARY AND SUNDRIES	Floor/ Location	Height Area m2/Quantity	Installation (2002/2020)	Description	Recycle/Reuse/Refurb/ Bin Suggestion	Quantity needed	Relocation Suggestion	Original Category (Cat A or Fujitsu Cat B)	Photos	Reference
5.1 Toilets										
5.11 A-WCs	LG	4	2002?	Armitage sharks. Good condition	Reuse in Oasis	1 inc toilet seat	off site	CAT B?		650-2285-5.5.0.2
5.12 Accessible WC	LG	1	2002?	Armitage sharks. Good condition	Reuse in Oasis	1 inc grabrails, sink, tap and all accessories	off site	CAT B?		650-2285-5.5.0.2
5.2 Sinks and taps										
5.21 A-sink	LG	4	2002?	Armitage Sharks good condition	Reuse in Oasis	3	off site	CAT B?		650-2285-5.1.0.2
5.26 Tap	All	36	2020	Brittan in standard WCs (see above). Manual tap in acc. WC unit	Reuse in Oasis	3	off site	CAT B?		650-2285-5.2.0.2
5.3 Dryers and details										
5.31 A-toilet roll dispenser	-1	36	2020	dolphin toilet roll dispenser in good condition	Reuse in Oasis	3	off site	CAT B?		650-2285-5.6.0.2
5.32 Toilet brush	All	36	2020	Stainless steel holder in bad condition	Reuse in Oasis	3	off site	CAT A		650-2285-5.8.0.1
5.33 Paper towel holder	All	36	2020	Stainless steel towel holder and bin. in good condition but visually dated.	Reuse in Oasis	3	off site	CAT A		650-2285-5.7.0.1
5.5 Sundries										
Fridge	All	unknown	2020	clear drinks fridge on first floor, very good condition	Reuse in Oasis	All	off site	CAT B		
Microwaves	All	4	2020	Two new models in lower ground floor kitchen	Reuse in Oasis	3	off site	CAT B		
Kitchen cabinets	01,02,03	3 sets	2020	black painted cabinets in good condition	Reuse in Oasis	All	off site	CAT B		
Kitchen sink	01, 02, 03	3	2020	Frankie make, Black sink in good condition	Reuse in Oasis	All	off site	CAT B		
Kitchen Counter	01,02,03	3	2020	white counter in good condition	Reuse in Oasis	All	off site	CAT B		
Kitchen counter	LG	1	2020	granite like counter in good condition	Reuse in Oasis	1	off site	CAT B		



Reuse of materials - Other Donors

Nu-Living CLT Panels



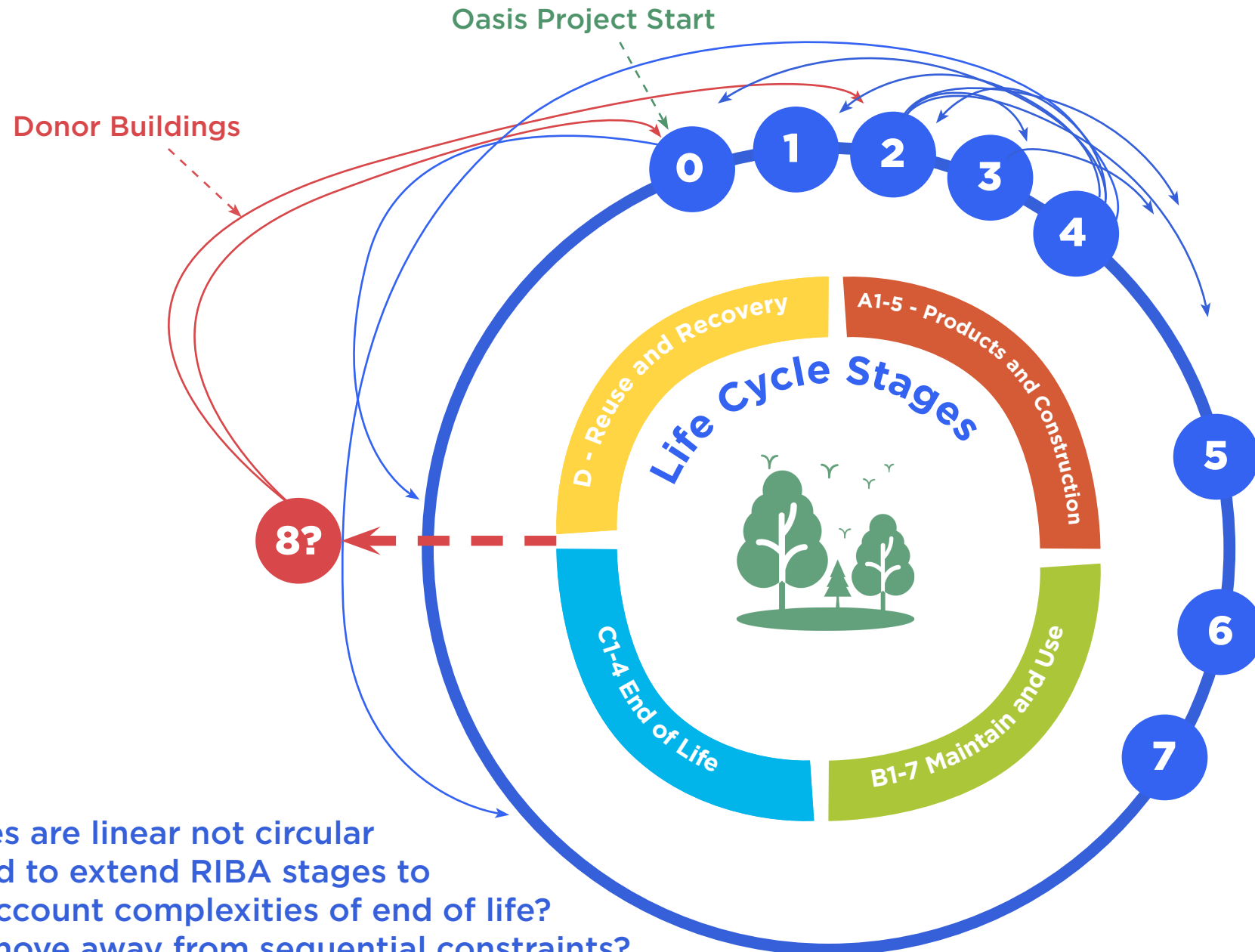
Ashwells Timber Yard



One Exchange Square



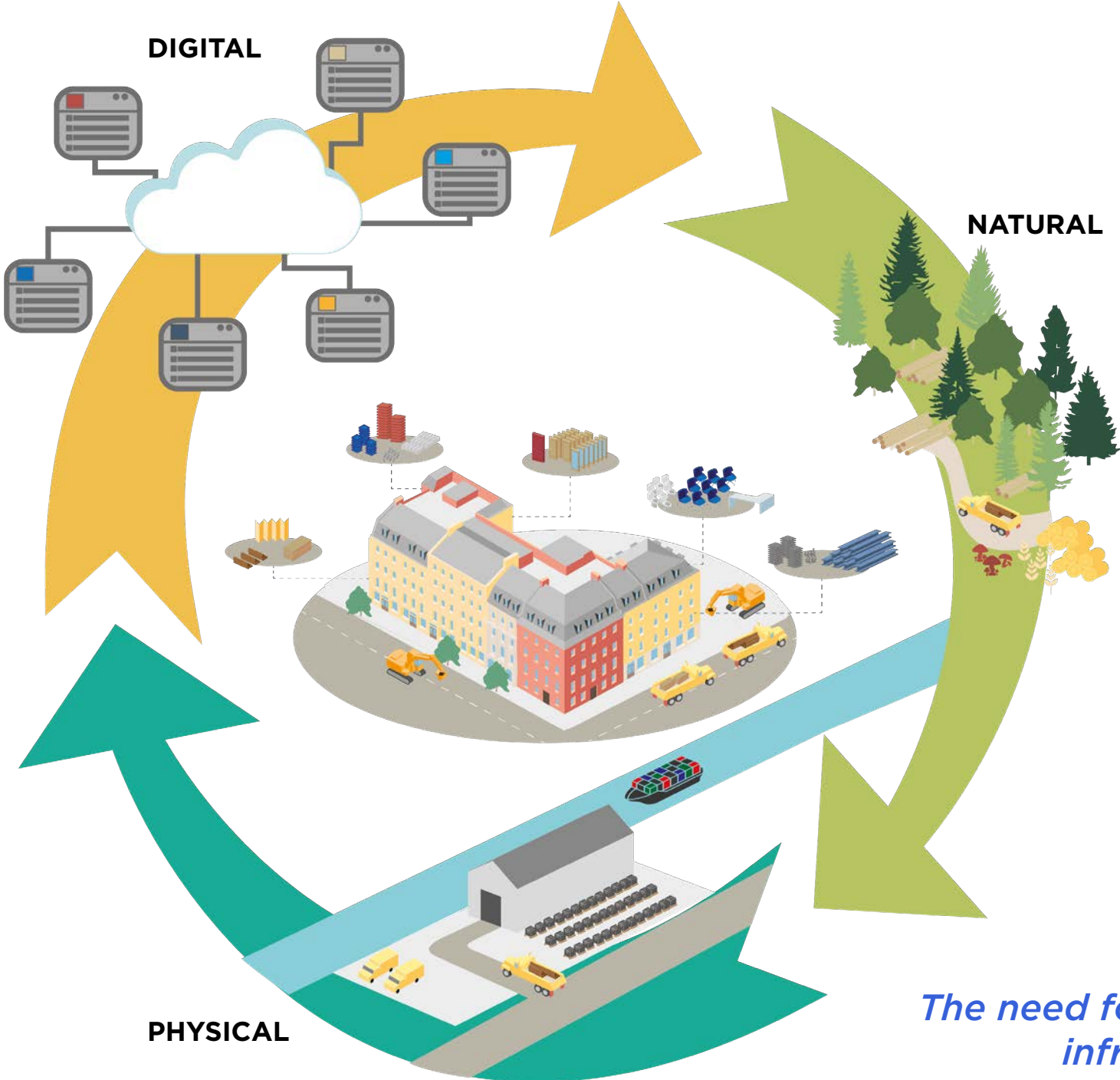
RIBA Stages vs Lifecycle Stages



RIBA stages are linear not circular
Do we need to extend RIBA stages to
take into account complexities of end of life?
Or do we move away from sequential constraints?

Reclaimed Material Bank

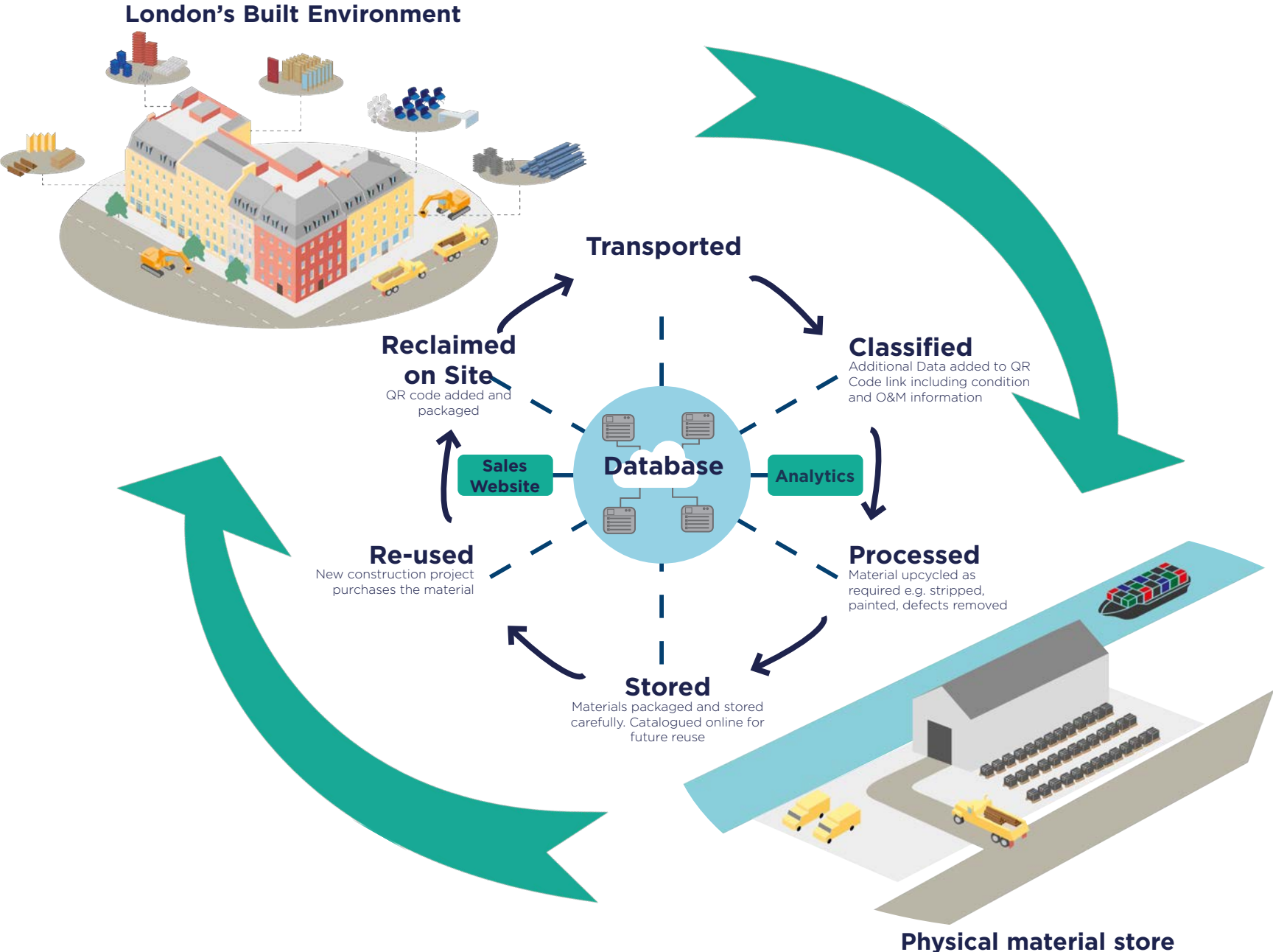
Research and Development



*The need for physical
infrastructure*



What could this model look like?



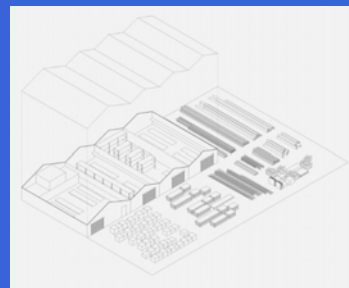
Factors to consider:

1. Will the space store all materials or focus on specific types? Such as high turnover fit our materials.
2. What will the reuse business model look like? Will the materials be re-sold, stored for specific clients, space charged as a rent?
3. What is the extent of works done to the materials? Such as repair, rework, re-warranty/ certify, upcycle?
4. What is the current/ predicted supply/ demand of these materials? How long are they likely to be stored before being redistributed?
5. How are items transported to/ from the site?

Case Study:

Material Cultures

- **Client: LB Newham, in collaboration with Arup 2022**
- **Creation of a Circular Economy Construction Hub (CECH) that can serve the whole of London and set an example internationally.**
- **Significant cultural and environmental benefits.**
- Could support over 250 direct jobs (gross), and opportunities for engagement with over 10,000 students per year while generating over £6.5 in new local spend, and additional investment of up to £137m over the next 10 years.



Case Study:

Manchester Renew Hub

- *Renew is an ambitious and unique project which aims to create value from waste to benefit Greater Manchester.*
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- It's a joint initiative between R4GM & SUEZ UK. They take items donated at recycling centres across Greater Manchester, then repair and renew them at their Renew Hub, ready to be resold to a new home.



Case Study:

RotorDC

Deconstruction & Consulting

<https://rotordc.com/>

- A Co-operative setup in 2016, based in Brussels
- Dismantle, Process and Trade Materials
- 7-12 staff (organised into 4 teams: Acquisition, Process, HR and IT Support)

Their specialisations include

- repair and transformation of lighting equipment,
- a state of the art method for removing mortar from ceramic tiles
- the reprocessing of high quality 'urban' wood
- cleaning and preparing for reuse of furniture and building hardware, sanitary equipment
- planning and organising of salvage operations in large and complicated buildings



Case Study:

Brussels Material Hubs

- *Stadsatelier de Ville* is a circular hub planned for the port of Brussels
- Aims to be a circular hub for building materials, focusing on production, distribution, training and innovation.
- Founders are BC Materials (earth building company) and Herk&Red (investment company of Democo)
- Will also rent spaces and stimulate collaboration on the site with other partners from the circular economy
- BC Materials already holds classes and workshops where they have practical applications tested by students, engineers and potential builders



The Material village aims to create a wider circular materials store at the port.

Huge benefits to be had!

- 1 Carbon**
Reduced embodied carbon in manufacturing, processing and transport of materials.
- 2 Cost/ Programme**
Cost savings on existing materials and potential advantages to programme due to no lead in times/ material delay.
- 3 Waste**
Reduced waste and energy/costs associated with waste processing.
- 4 Social**
Social benefits through apprenticeships in the new circular industry - material deconstruction and repurposing.
- 4 Environmental**
Urban mining allows landscapes which are traditionally intensively mined for materials to heal.