

AD2 Semester 2  
Public Project

Marketplace in  
Chepstow, GB



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“The greenest building is the one that already exists”

-Carl Elefante, AIA

The underpinning factor of my scheme, will be the **use, and retrofitting** where necessary, **of its' surrounding context.**

My scheme will work with an **existing public square, with concrete-based installations** whose qualities **can be used as load bearing walls**, to bring **structural stability** to my design as well as reflecting the **historical fabric of Chepstow.**

The construction of my building must be sustainable - specifically using **locally sourced materials** with **low embodied carbon.** The **impact at the end of the material's life** should also be **low.**

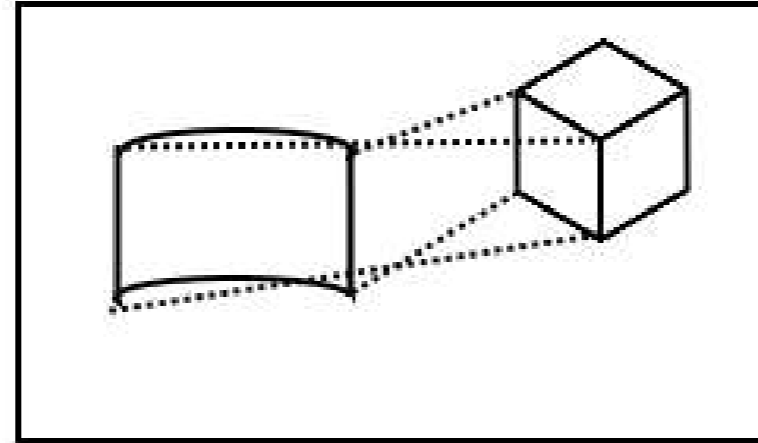
The key goal of the scheme's fabric will be to **meet the RIBA Challenge 2025** energy balance target - in this context, it is a **maximum of 75 kWh/m2/yr.**

My scheme should not just satisfy all Approved Document-based regulations, but it should also **meet comfort standards** - specifically **CIBSE Guide A, EN 17037, and EN 16798-1.**

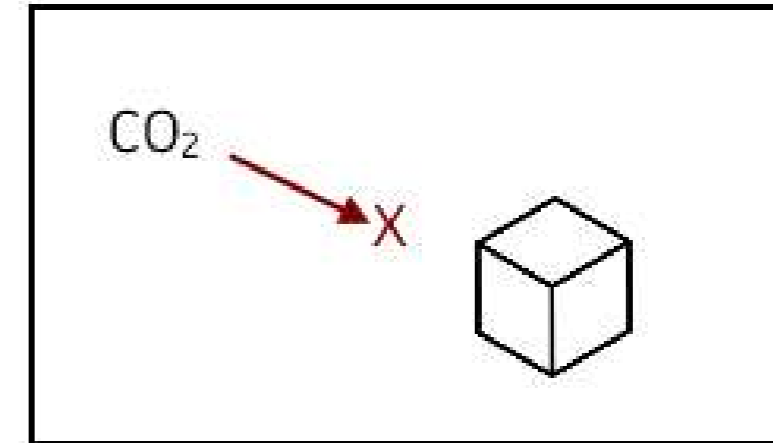
Finally, as **little mechanically forced ventilation** as possible should be used, instead utilising **passive strategies** like cross-ventilation.

## SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIES

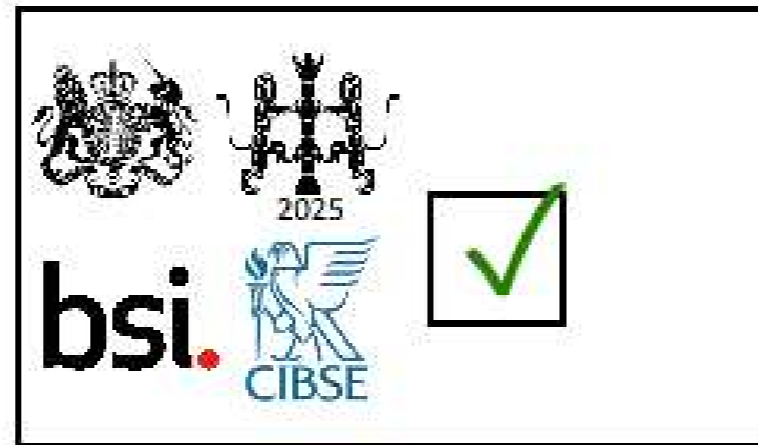
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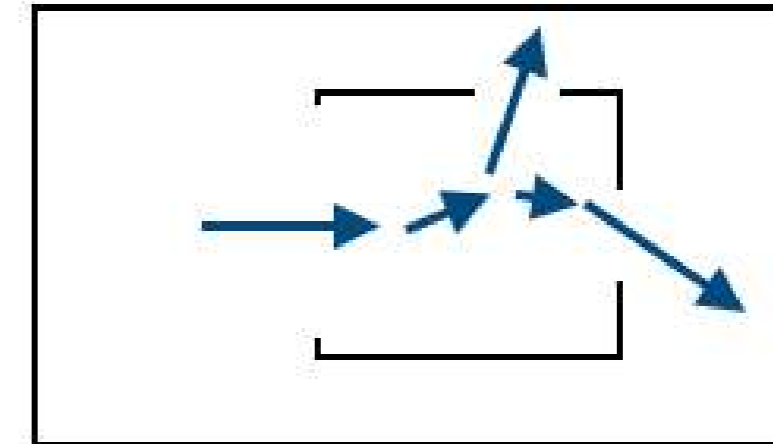
### 2. Low Embodied Carbon



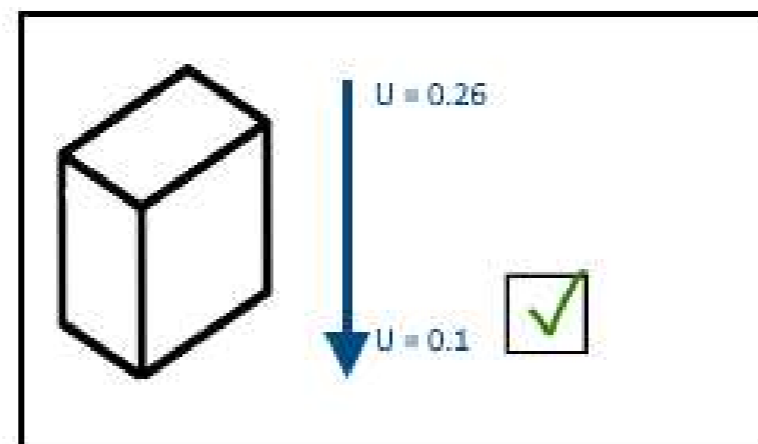
### 3. RIBA Challenge 2025 & other standards



### 4. Natural Ventilation



### 5. 'Fabric First' approach

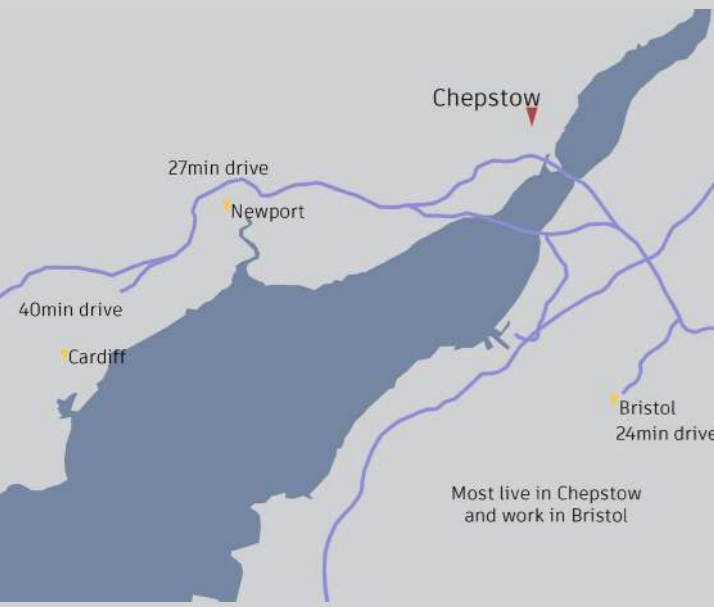


### 6. Local Materials & Products



# Site Analysis

## Introduction: Context

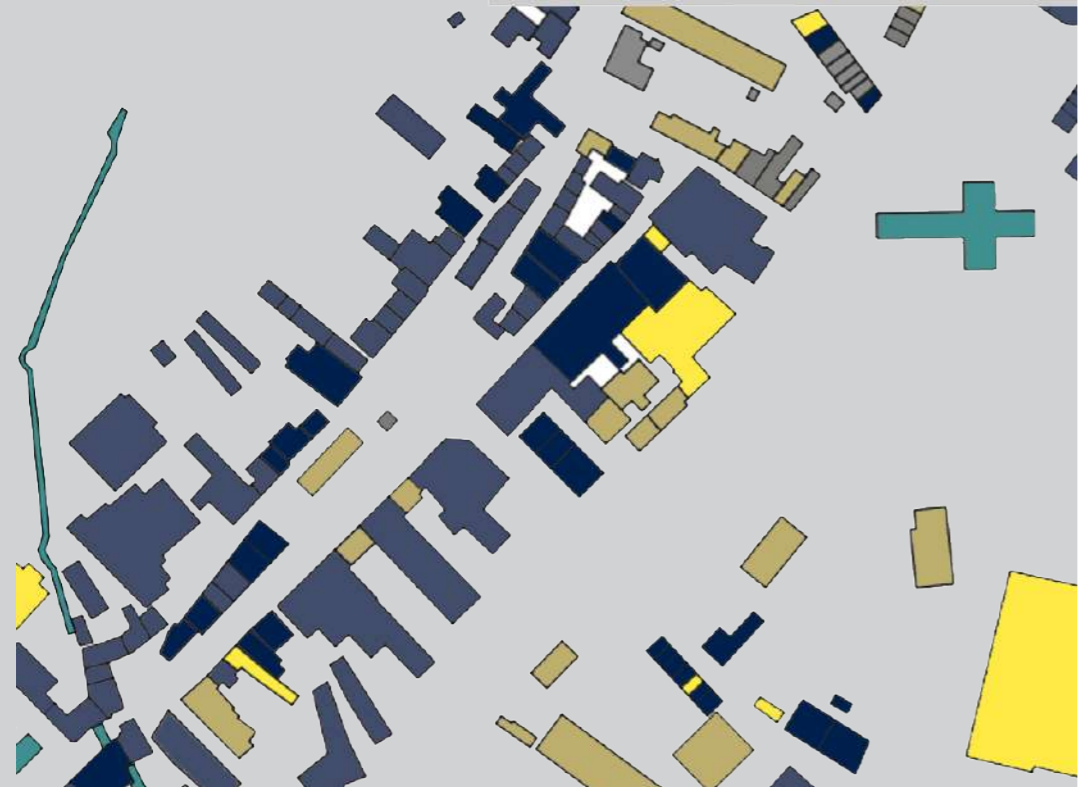
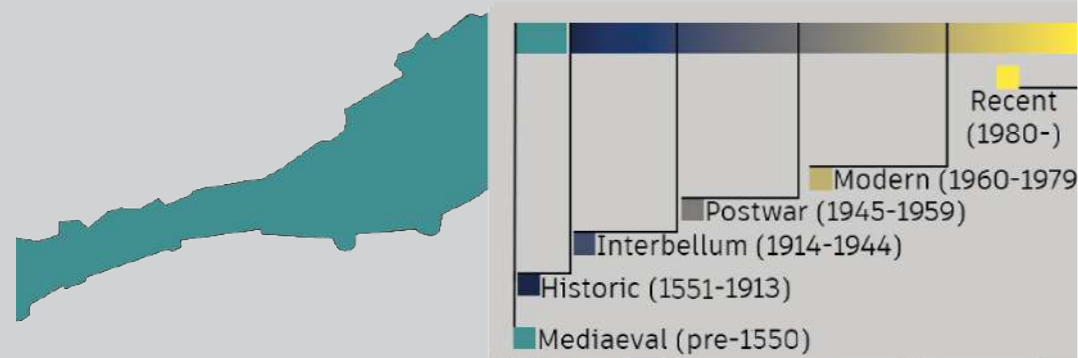


Chepstow, once known for being a trading port and shipbuilding hub, is now considered by most to be a tired and quiet town.

It is inhabited primarily by an older population or people working in bigger cities like Bristol.

This means that not much money is being spent in Chepstow, meaning the local economy suffers.

## Historical Fabric Study



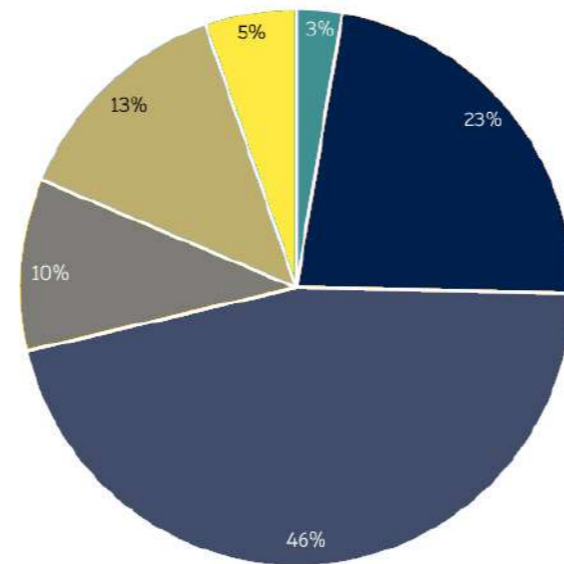
## Personal Response



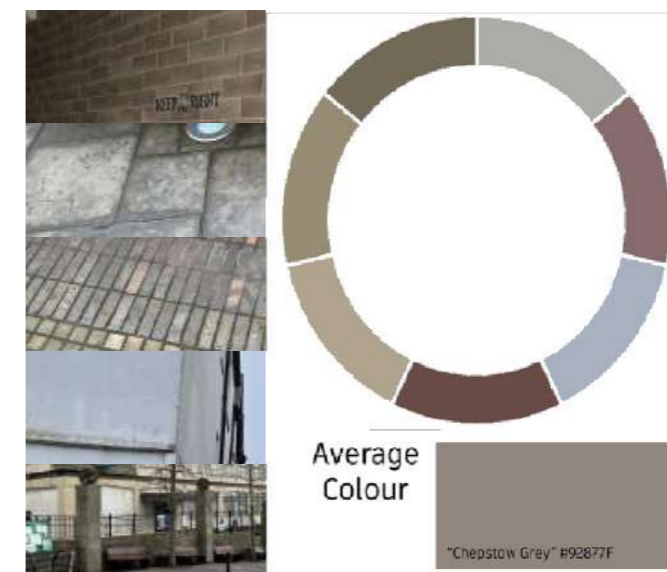
## SOLUTIONS

1. SHOW MEDIAEVAL HERITAGE
2. MAKE SCHEME MORE THAN JUST A THOROUGHFARE
3. ACCENTUATE EXISTING SOLUTION POSITIVELY! NO TABULA RASA

## Percentage of buildings of each era



## Local Materiality & Colour Palette



1. Chepstow's centre currently appears dark and monochrome, leading to a feeling of lost life.
2. There is a lack of appreciation of the mediaeval history of Chepstow in the centre.
3. The town does not have much of an evening economy, and what it has is scattered throughout the high street.

Data obtained from EDINA DIGIMAP Ordnance Survey  
Historical fabric data processed in QGIS Buenos Aires

# Site Photographs

The site does not currently feature any significant points of interest, making it to many nothing more than a thoroughfare.

The solution that is currently present appears to serve only as a place to sit or to negotiate the topography change from one street to the next.



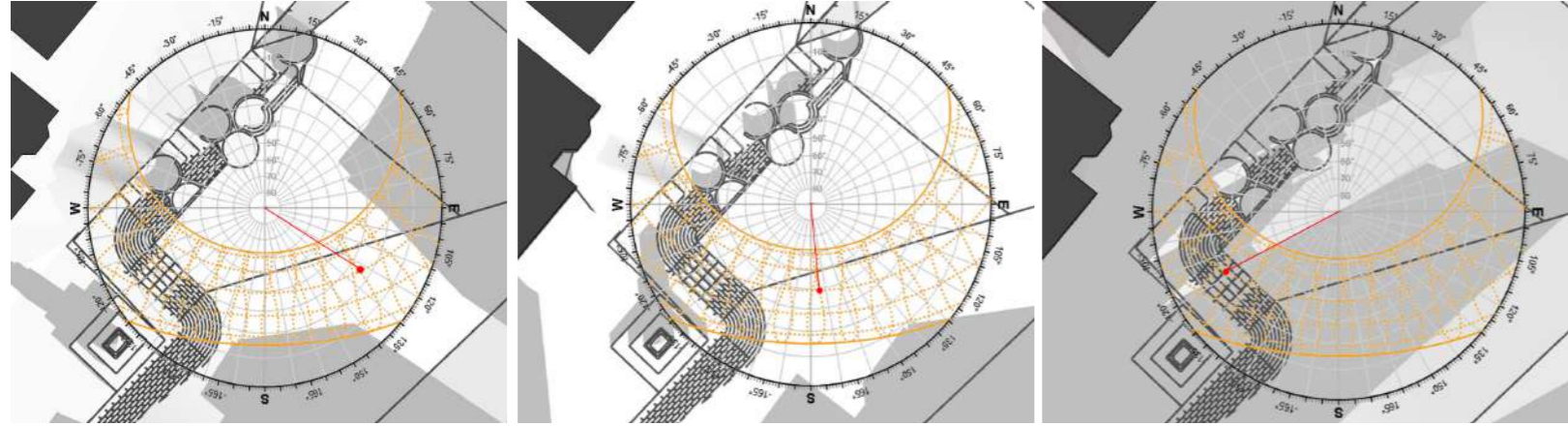
The existing solution features blocks of cast concrete with patterns that reflect Chepstow's marketplace history.

This feature is incredibly positive, and relates heavily to Chepstow's medieval feature. I therefore want to keep and accentuate these depictions in my design.

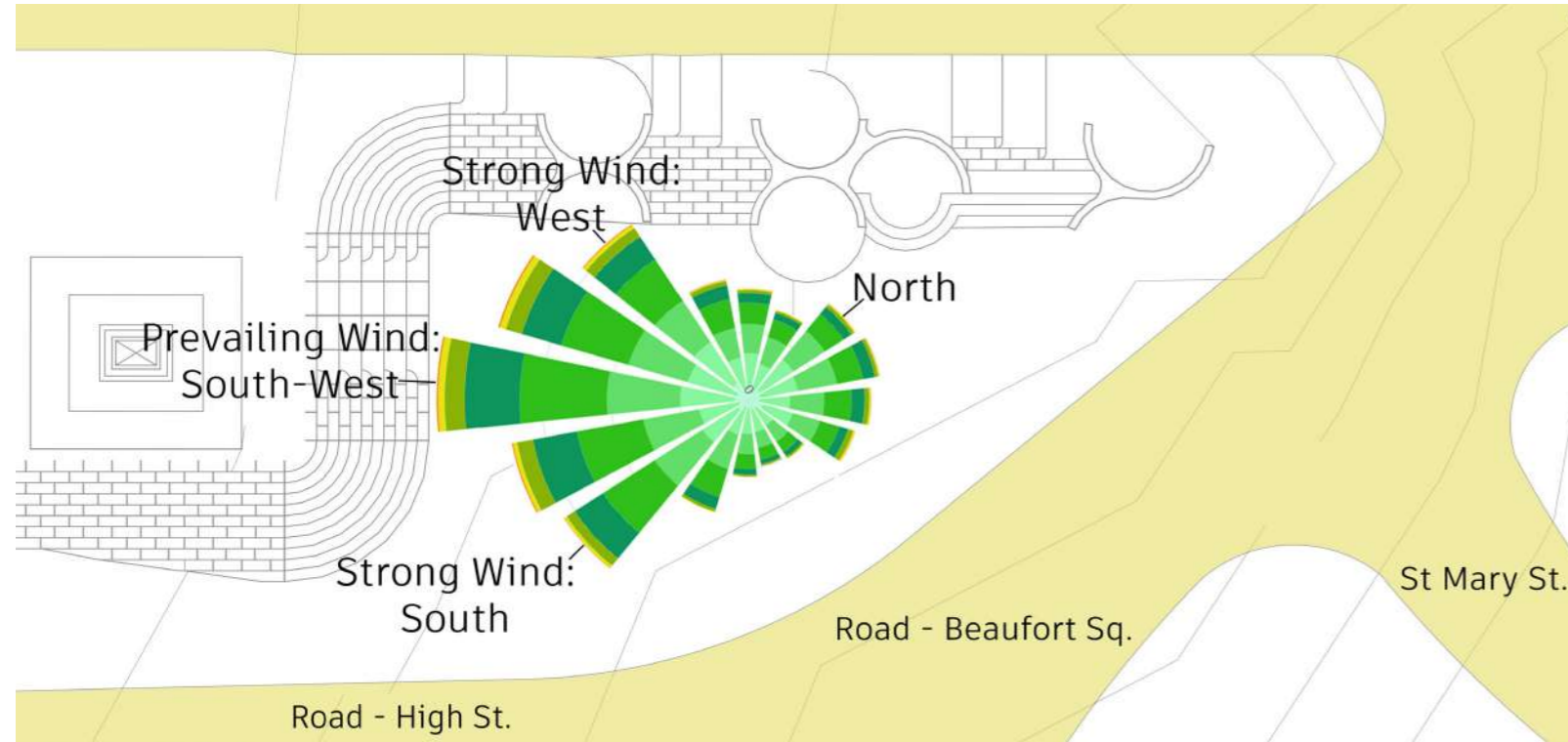
# AT2 - Climatic Site Analysis

AIM - To observe site constraints and characteristics, then analyse how they will impact my design approach

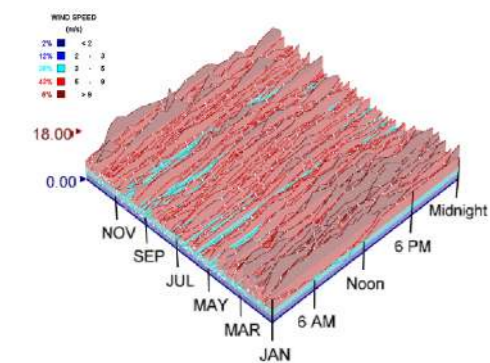
Sun Paths & Overshadowing



Wind Rose & Access Plan

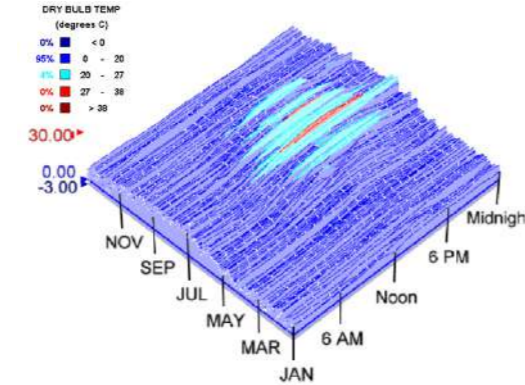


Daily Average Wind Speed

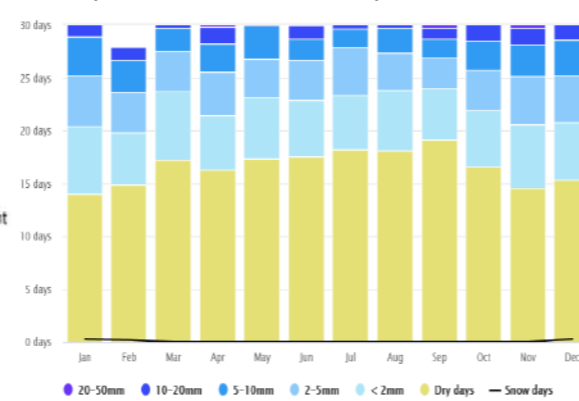


Within Comfortable Range  
( $>5\text{ms}^{-1}$ ) = 50%

Daily Temperature

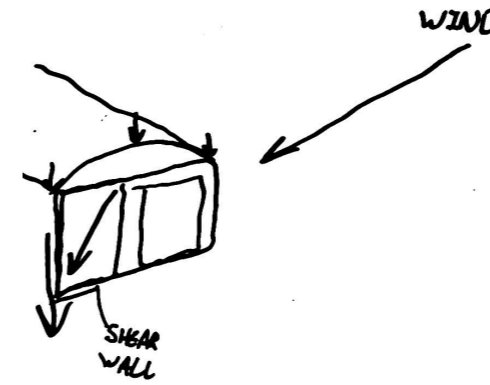


Precipitation Model Graph

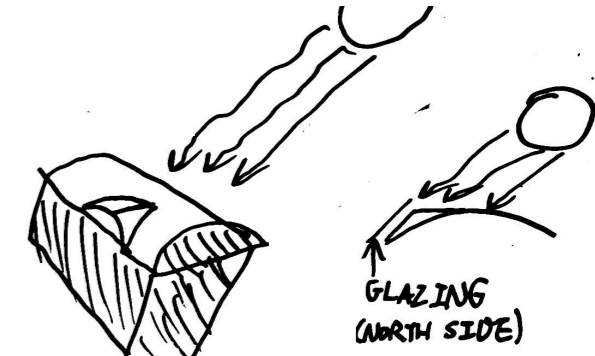


## CONCLUSIONS

- Shear walls should form a major part of the stability structure due to high wind speeds.



- Skylights are preferable for daylighting due to high evening overshadowing.

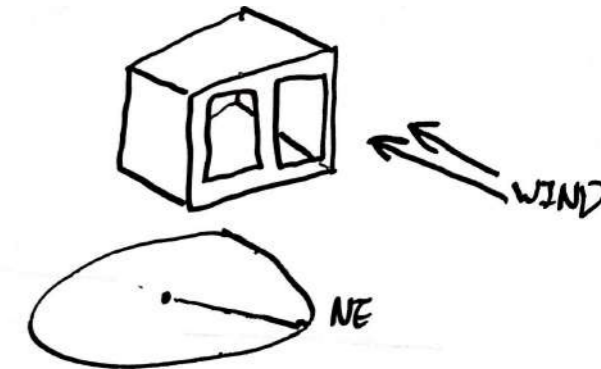


\*These should go on the north face, as summer temperatures and irradiation levels are high.

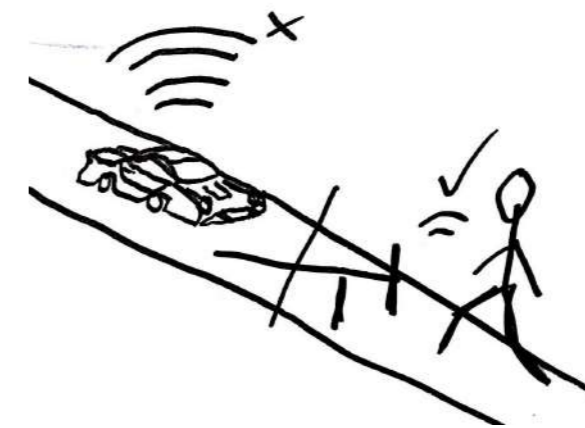
- The units that can be used in the morning and mid-day, should have south-east glazing.



- Major openings should feature on the north-east face for passive ventilation.







- Road access should be controlled, to allow for further pedestrianisation and a more pleasant auditory environment.



# Local Land Use Plan & Analysis

## LEGEND

Disused/Abandoned   
General Amenities   
Residential 

Pharmacy   
Café   
Bank   
Shop/Off-License   
AM

Eatery   
Real Estate   
Clothing   
Consulting   
Early PM

Pub/Bar   
Gambling   
Hotel   
Late PM



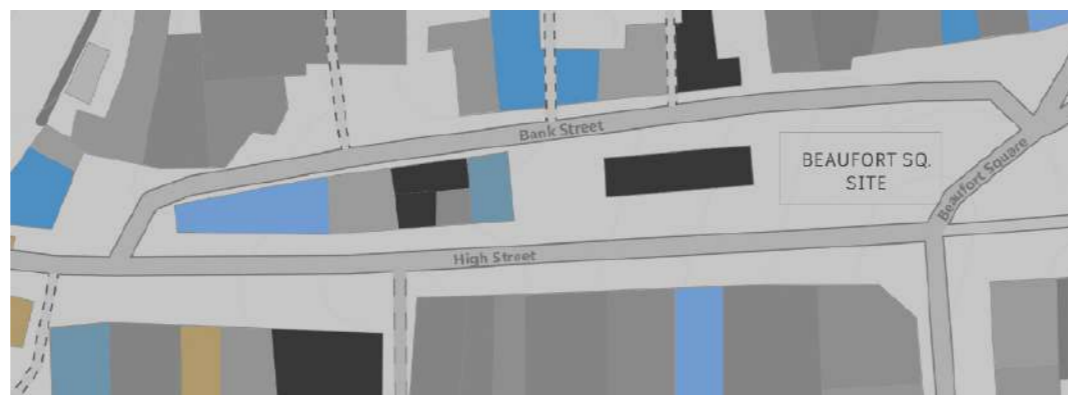
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Morning



Afternoon

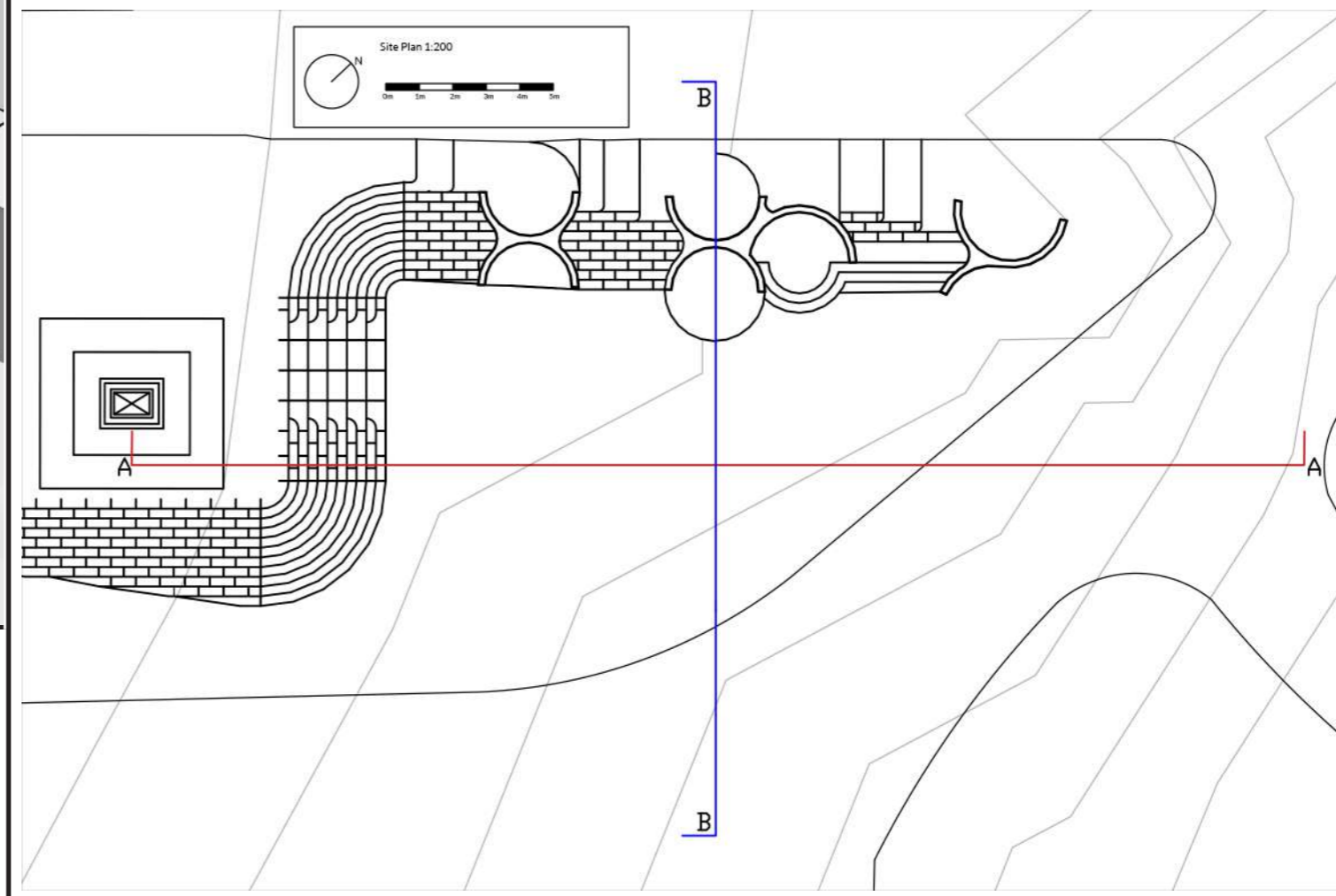
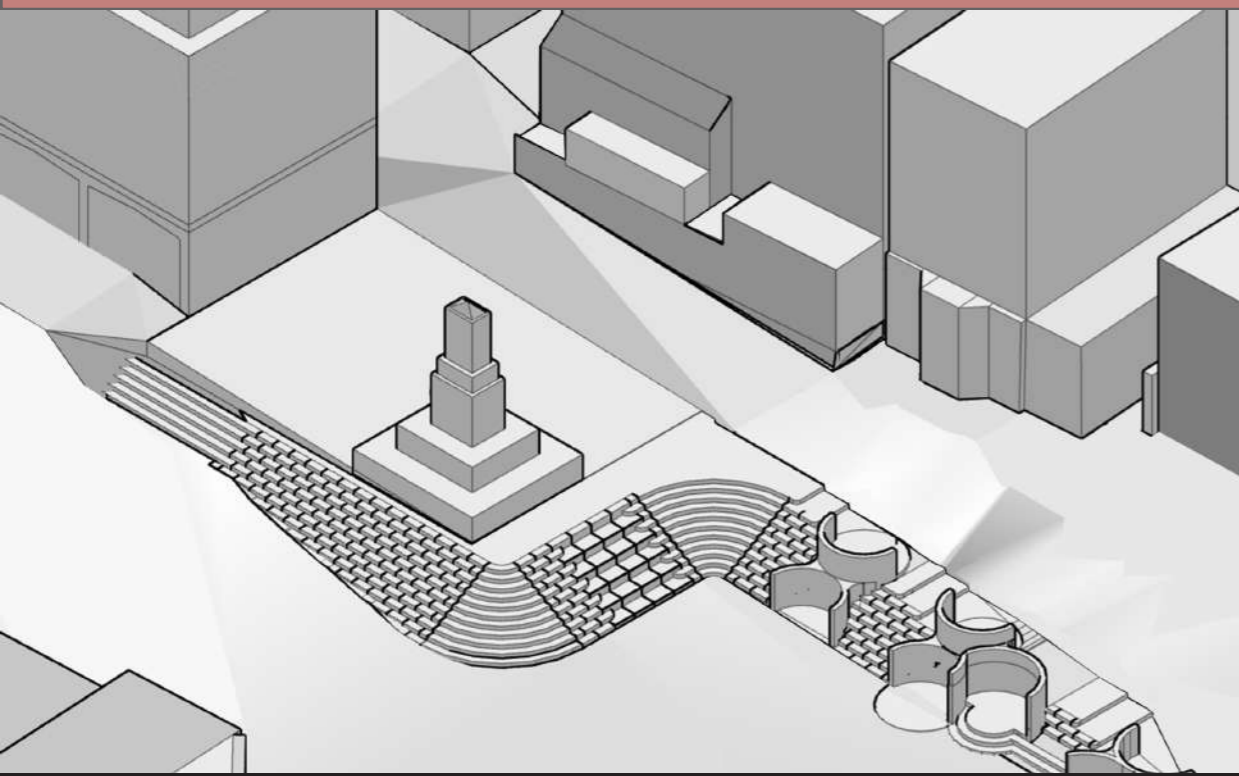


Evening



The land use plan above, accompanied by the plans of key buildings at different times of the day, tells us that Chepstow's economy is primarily focused on the morning. This sharply drops off in the afternoon, and by the evening, only seven buildings remain to serve the evening economy.

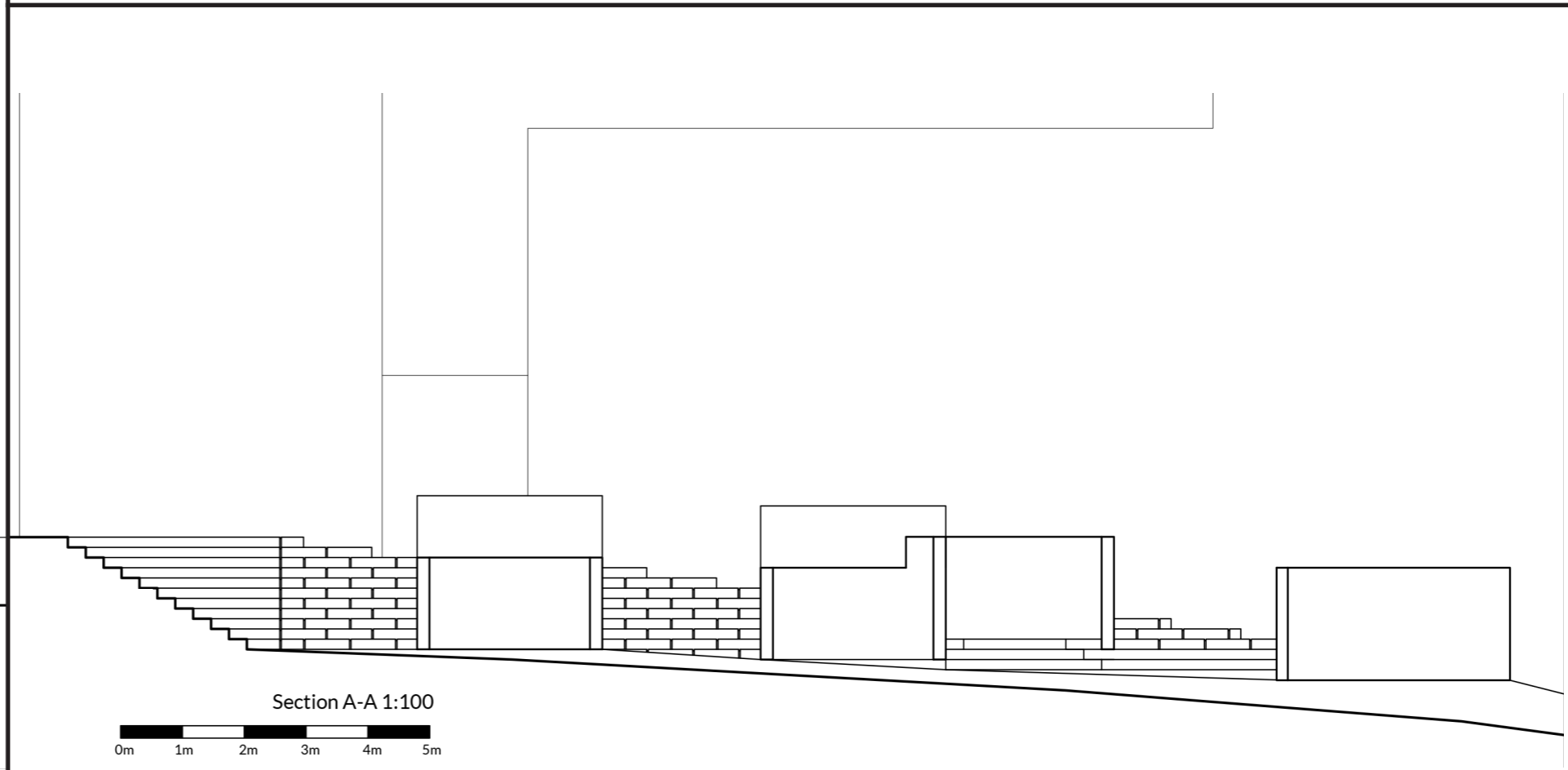
# Site Plan, Model and Sections



The site has a subtle but complex topography, getting steeper further northwards in A-A.

There is a consistent, shallow gradient on B-B.

The majority of the elevation change is negotiated by the existing stairs.





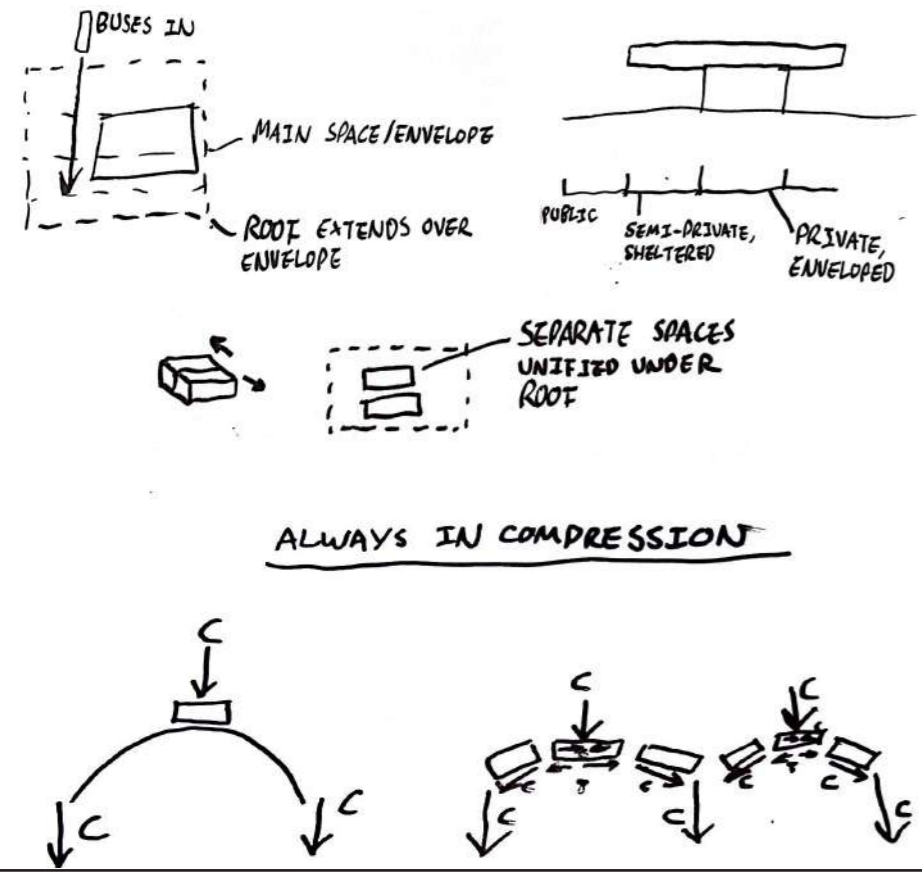
# Precedent Analysis

## Precedent A-

Salto Omnibus Terminal  
Salto, UR  
Eladio Dieste 1974



**KEY THEMES**  
-Public-Private  
-Unifying Spaces  
-Structure

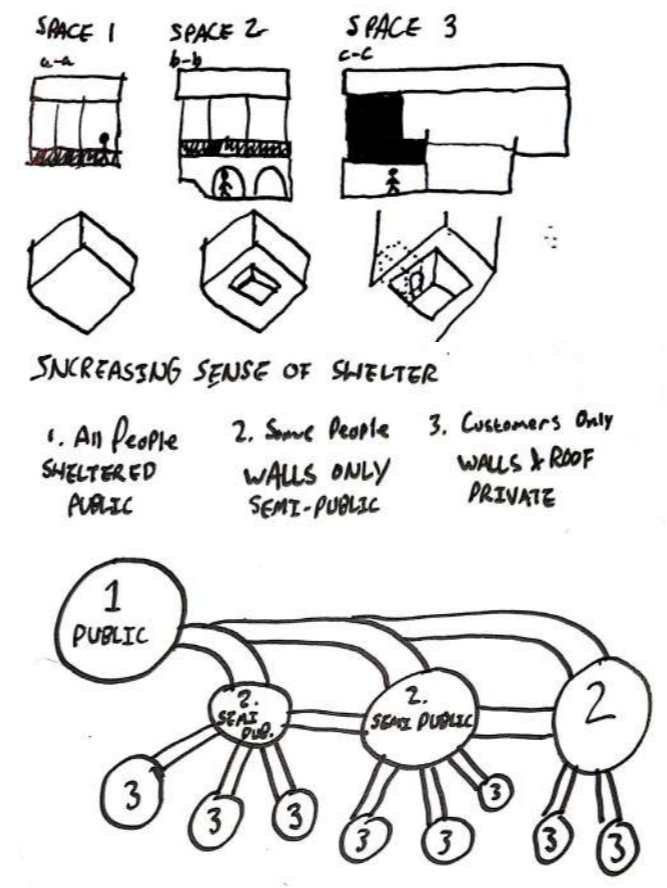


## Precedent B-

Covent Garden Market  
London, UK  
Inigo Jones 1630



**KEY THEMES**  
-Thresholds & Proportion  
-Shelter

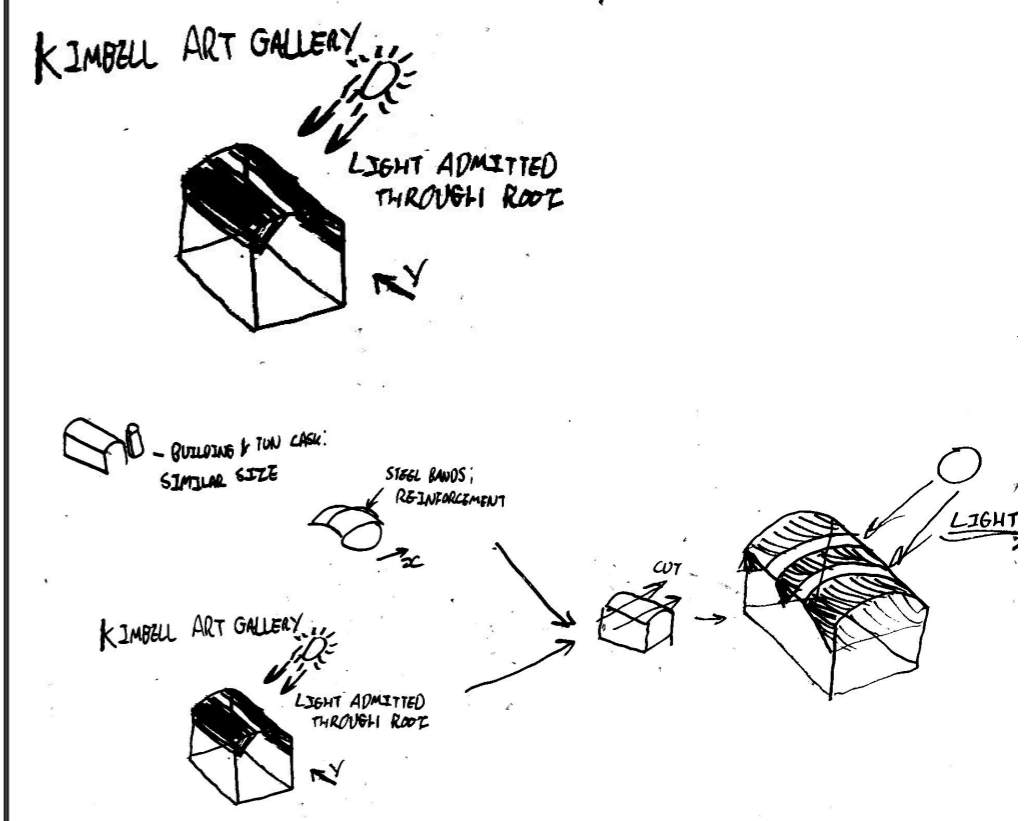


## Precedent C-

Kimbell Art Museum  
Fort Worth, US  
Louis Kahn 1972



**KEY THEMES**  
-Lighting  
-Atmosphere



1- Silvia Montero (courtesy of Servicio de Medios Audiovisuales de la Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Urbanismo de la Universidad de la República, 2006)  
2- Andreas Praefcke, Kimbell Art Museum, Fort Worth, Texas (2009) [https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Kimbell\\_Art\\_Museum\\_Fort\\_Worth\\_galleries\\_1.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Kimbell_Art_Museum_Fort_Worth_galleries_1.jpg) accessed 2023-03-24

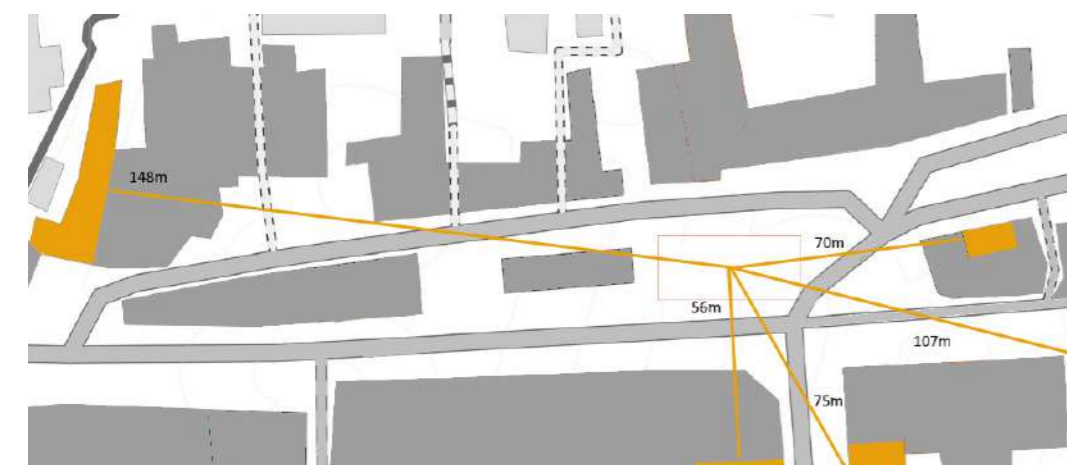
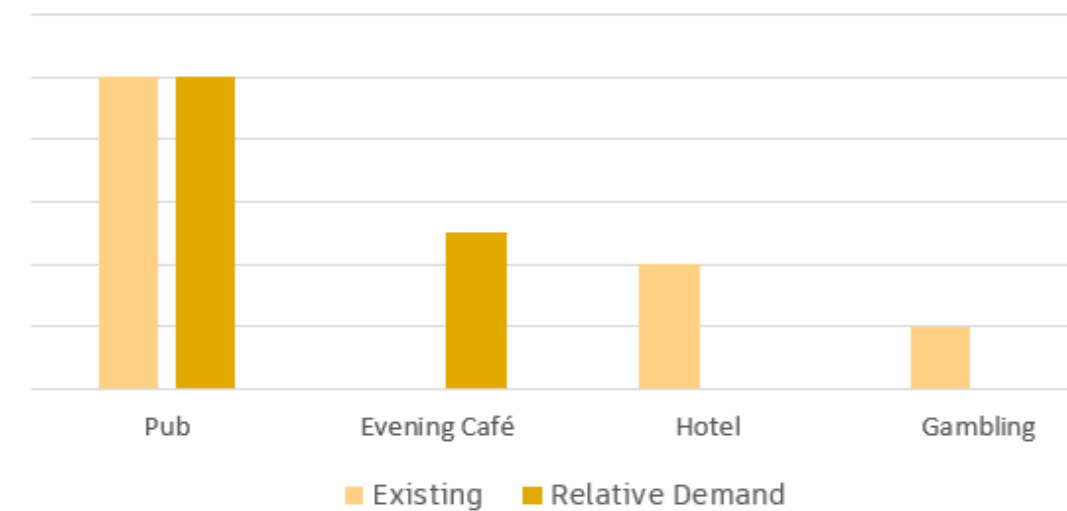
## My Project's Focus-

### AFTER HOURS: Evening Economy

### Targeted User- LOCAL YOUTH, aged 18-30

### Current Evening Economy-

Evening Economy:  
Existing Establishments vs User Group Demand



## An interview with one of Chepstow's young adults

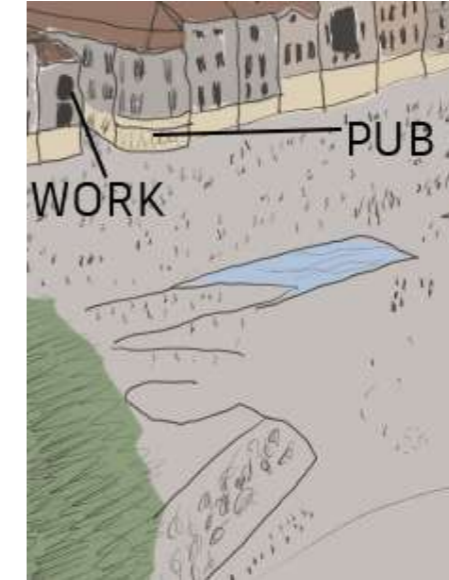
**“So, what do you do after work?”**

**“Well, it’s different to uni, that’s for sure.”**

“Most of the time I’m too drained, so I’ll just go home and have a coffee. I’d go out for one, but nowhere’s open past five.”



“If it’s a Friday, I’ll go to the pub sometimes. But the good places are where I work, so I can’t be spontaneous.”

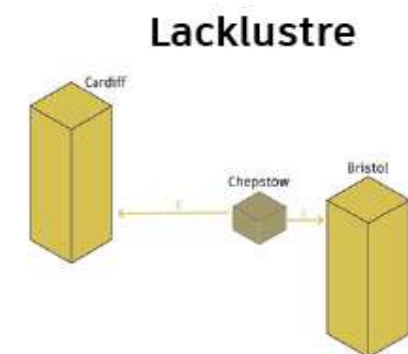
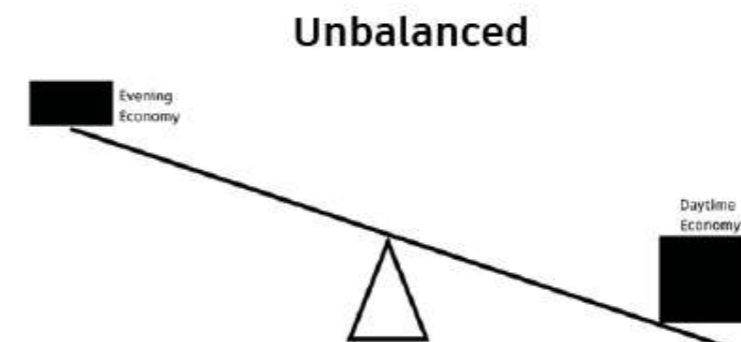
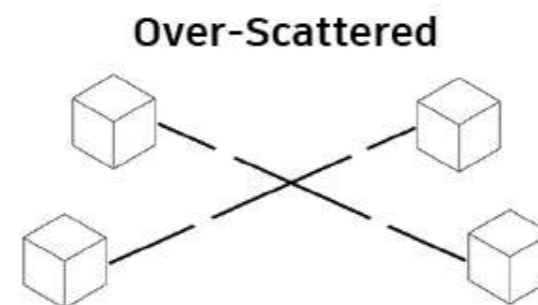


“Every Friday used to be pints with the boys. But now I mostly just go home and have a takeaway. It’s no fun.”



- The centre features a Betfred branch, while most 18-34 year olds prefer to gamble online.
- The focus on hotels is perhaps too great in the centre, and leads to a slump in evening activity. It is also not very useful to locals, who have homes in Chepstow.
- No cafés are open past 5pm, which leads to the centre of Chepstow feeling empty and too quiet of an evening.

### Key issues with evening economy





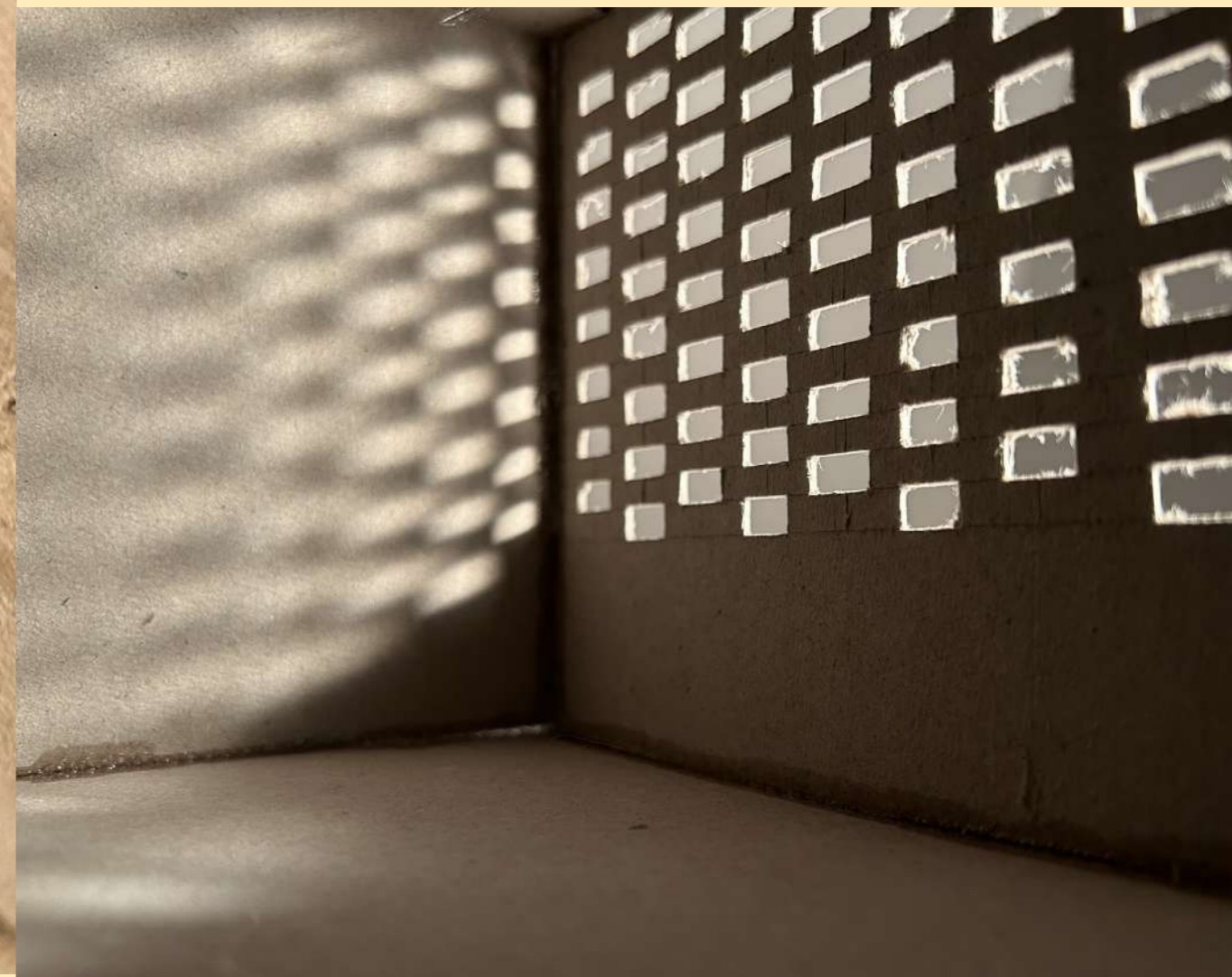
## POROUS BRICK & THRESHOLDS

My primer model was informed by my first choice of precedent - Eladio Dieste and his brick forms.

To dive deeper into the materiality itself, I looked at how the bricks could be assembled, to admit light in a porous manner.

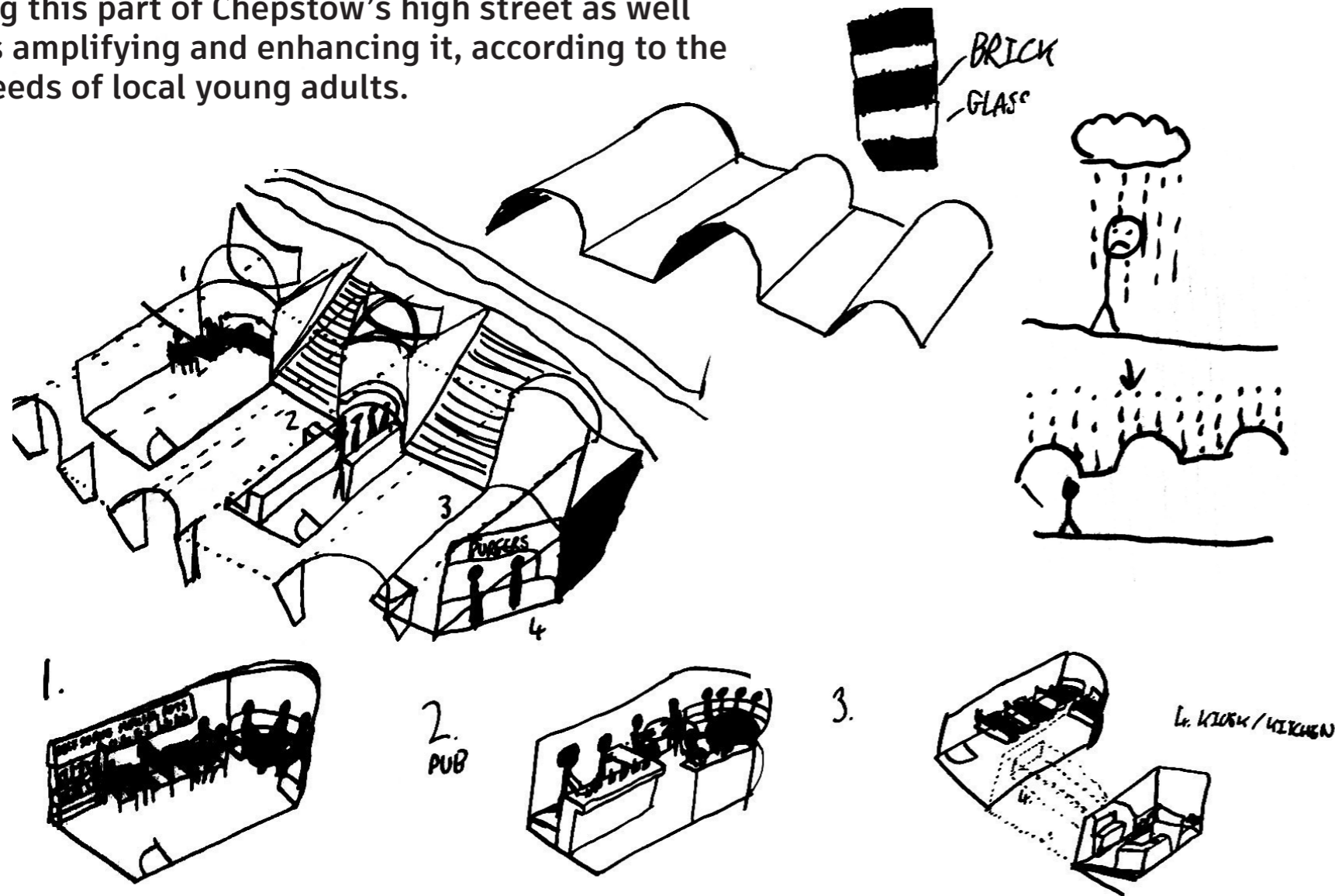
The result showed a way of creating a threshold using light and brick, in order to enforce a semi-public space between the public and private, in this case, I used existing shop fronts and created a conceptual seating space in front of them.

This also allowed me to experiment with ways of working with existing fabric - an important and underpinning part of my project's concept.

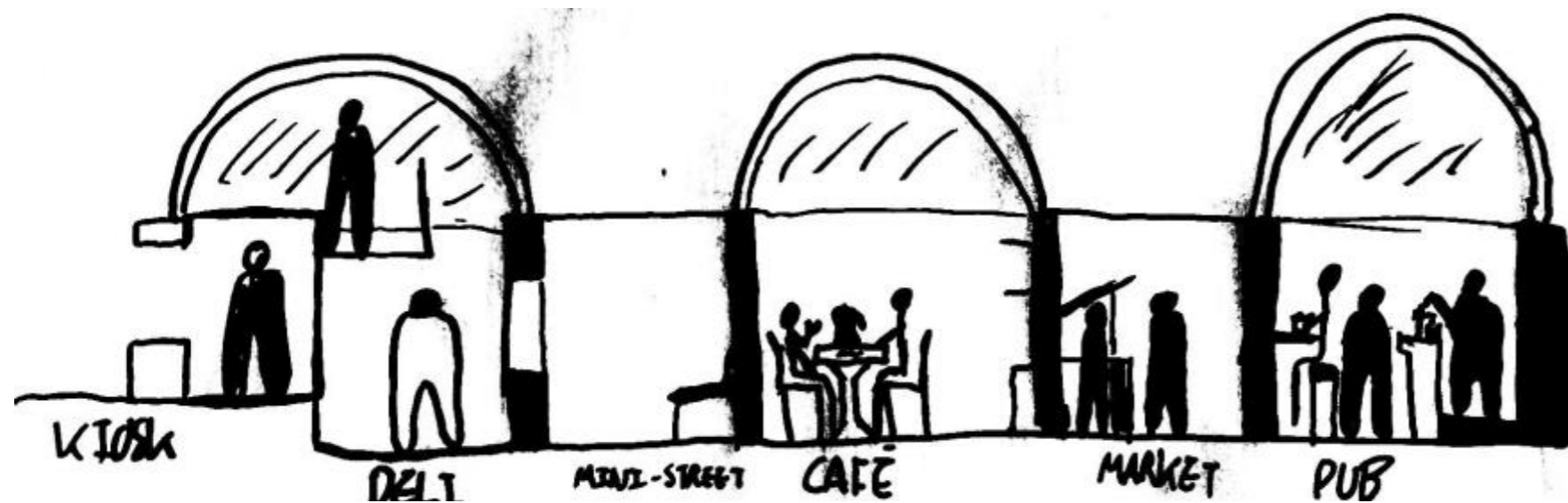


# Concept Sketches

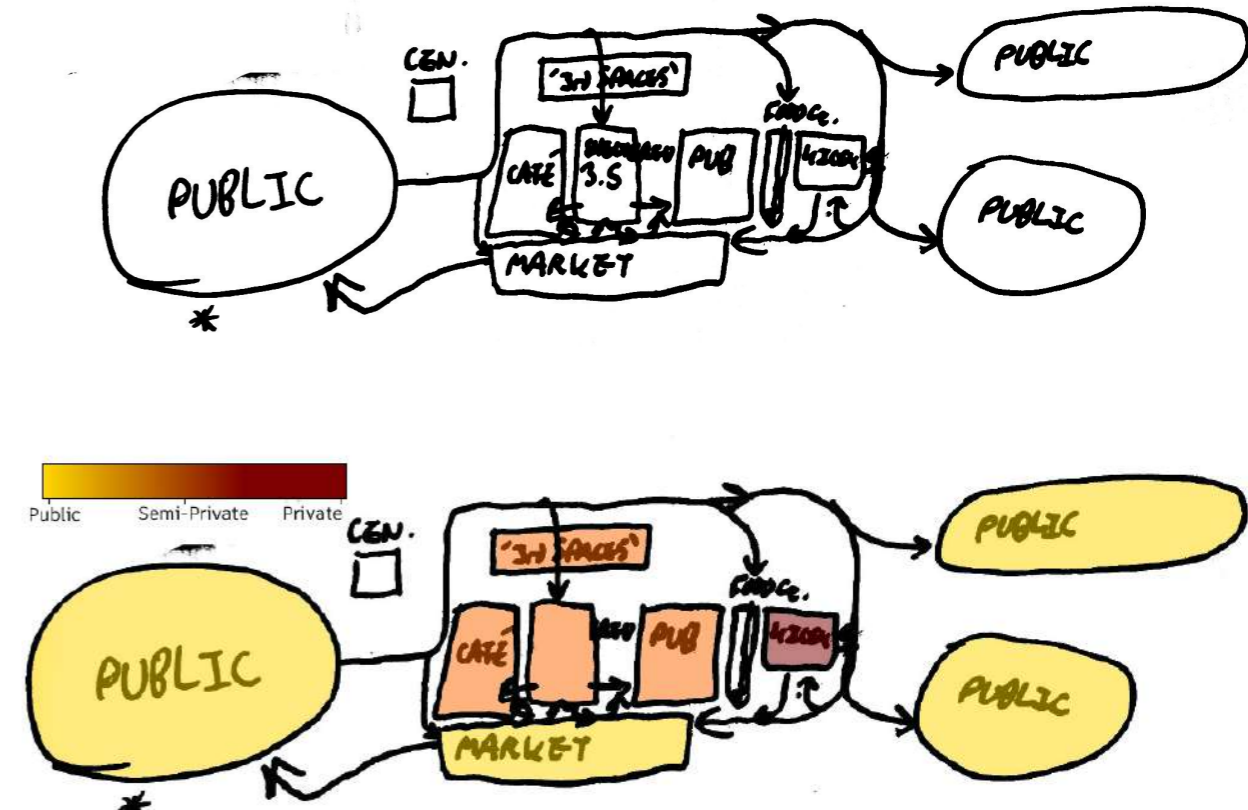
The core concept behind my project is the evening economy - and will focus on centralising this part of Chepstow's high street as well as amplifying and enhancing it, according to the needs of local young adults.



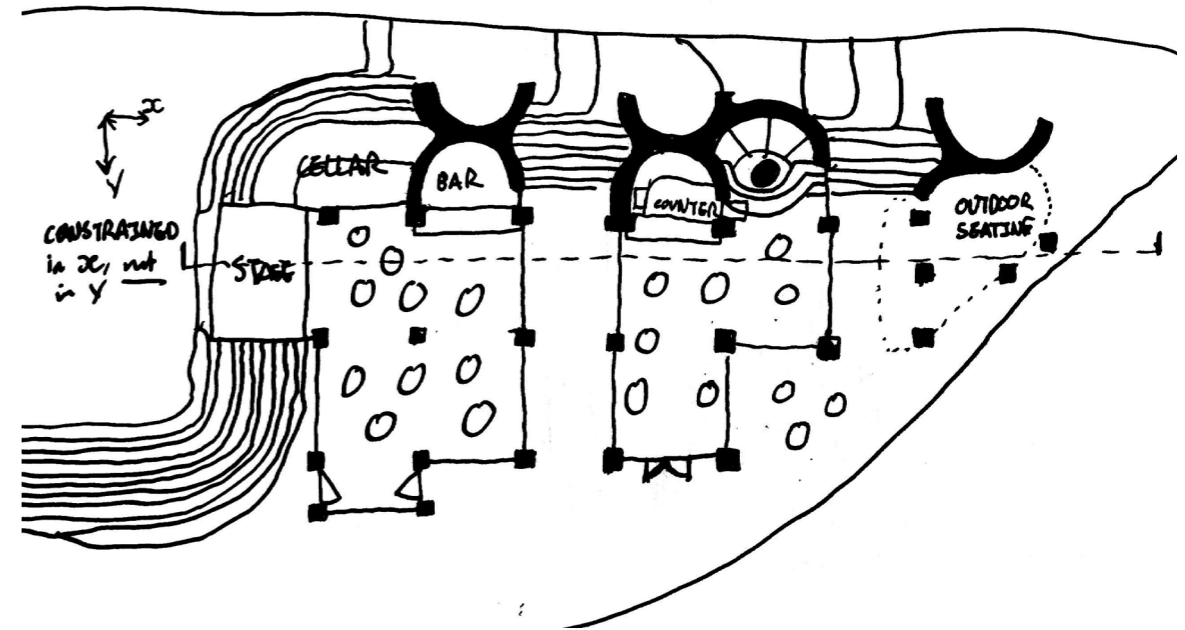
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Initial Bubble/Circulation Diagrams



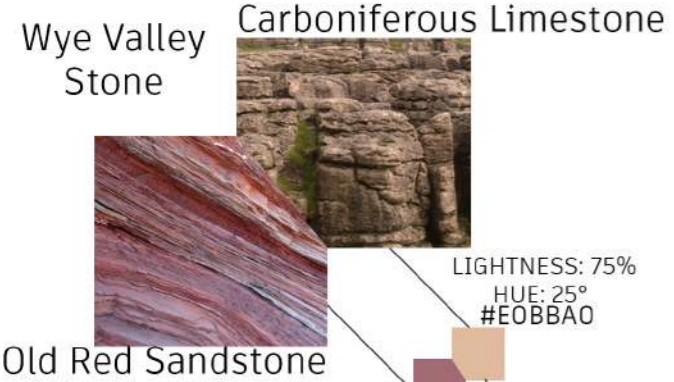
Initial Plan



# Material Strategy

## Part I MATERIALS

THE COLOURS OF THE WYE VALLEY  
Hue is a measure of a colour's closeness to red, the warmest colour, in degrees, on the colour wheel, where red is zero or 360 degrees.



LIGHTNESS: 75%  
HUE: 25°  
#EOBBAA

#A26B73  
HUE: 351°  
LIGHTNESS: 53%

#BF9188  
HUE: 9.8°  
LIGHTNESS: 64.1%

LIGHTNESS: 51%  
HUE: 22.9°  
#B9754B

Clay Wine Vats  
LIGHTNESS: 62.9%  
HUE: 22.4°  
#DE9163

Red Wine  
LIGHTNESS: 19%  
HUE: 341°  
#4D1426

#99584B  
LIGHTNESS: 44.7%  
HUE: 10°



## Part II HISTORY



Richard Newton of Kington in the county of Somerset, a merchant aged thirty-four as sworn by the Prince, recalled with clarity the arrival of three foreign ships into Chepstow, laden with wine, between June and July of 1564. The exotic wines were subsequently sold in the town.

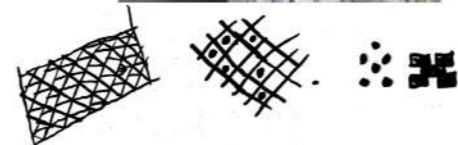
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## Chepstow Castle

Medieval Wine Cellar



## Arches - Eladio Dieste



## Porous Brick

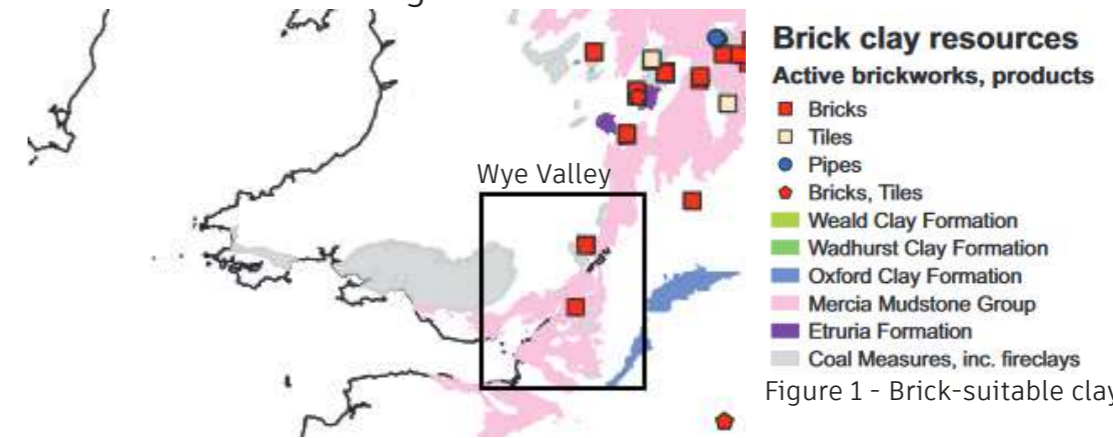
## Saltó Bus Terminal



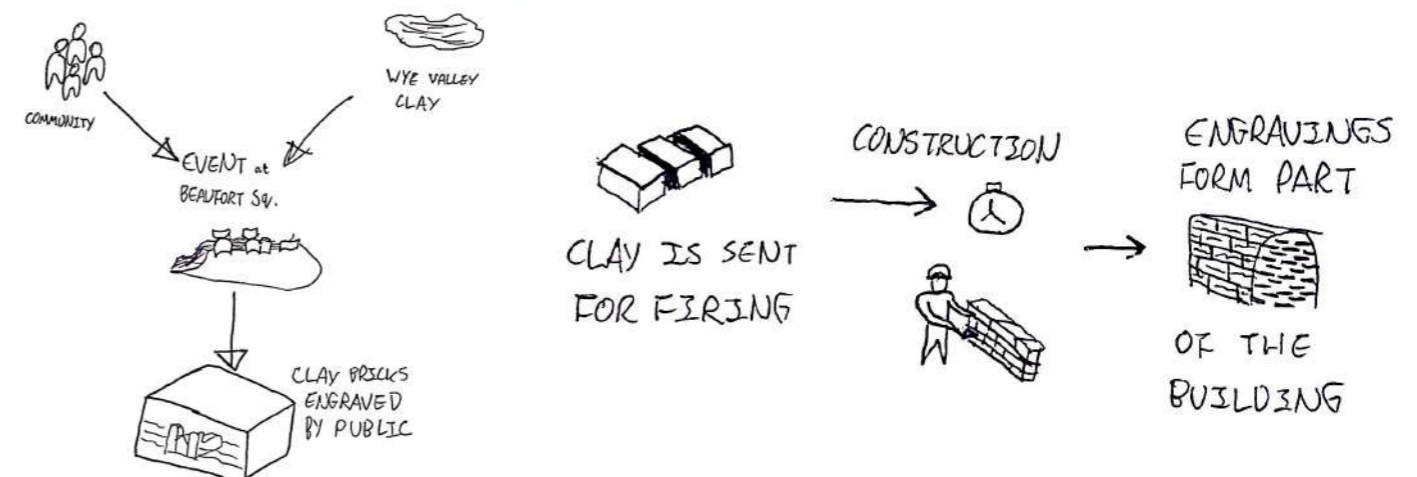
Brick is a material that provides a sense of warmth beyond paint - which can flake and fade. The colour is permanent, not ephemeral.



The colour of brick is made more vibrant by rain - which is common in Chepstow. This brings a further sense of warmth.



UK clay is generally acceptable for use in bricks, including that found in the Wye Valley.



A community aspect can therefore be incorporated - whereby locals to Chepstow engrave designs into the clay before it is sent off to be fired.

# AT2 - Materials

AIM - To determine a building fabric that is sustainable, thermally sound, and that overall supercedes regulations and meets the targets set out in the Mission Statement.

## Assemblage ratings - BRE Green Guide

Wall - Brickwork, plywood sheathing, insulation between timber framing, plasterboard on battens, brick slips

NB: The roof will have the same construction, in line with the conceptual language.

Overall Rating	Climate Change	Water Extraction	Mineral Extraction	Ozone Depletion	Human Toxicity	Freshwater Toxicity	Land Toxicity	Waste	Fossil Fuels	Kg CO2 equivalent (60yrs)
A+	A+	A+	A+	B	A+	A+	A	A+	A	55.0

Floor - Ceramic mosaic tiles

Overall Rating	Climate Change	Water Extraction	Mineral Extraction	Ozone Depletion	Human Toxicity	Freshwater Toxicity	Land Toxicity	Waste	Fossil Fuels	Kg CO2 equivalent (60yrs)
A+	B	A+	A+	A+	A+	A+	A+	A+	A+	52.0

Hardwood has marginally better sustainability scores, however ceramic tiles match the language of my scheme better - so it is an acceptable compromise to use these instead.

## Material Property Analysis

	Bricks	Thermofloc	Plywood	Glulam Timber Frame	Plaster- board (Gyproc Fireline)
Distance from Chepstow	1km	331km	177km	122km	14km
Sustainability	EN 15804 Compliant	'natureplus' Certified	PEFC Certified	FSC Certified	Recyclable by manufacturer
Fire Safety	Euroclass A1	Euroclass B-s2d0	Euroclass B	Euroclass D-s2d0	Euroclass A2
Thermal Resistivity (mK/W)	0.752-0.909	26.3	6.67	7.14	4.17
Water Absorption	6%	3%	36.9%	11%	5%

\*See Brickwork for properties of brick slips attached to plasterboard.

- 1- Brickwork information sourced from <https://www.wickes.co.uk/Marshalls-Red-Perforated-Engineering-Brick---215-x-100-x-65mm/p/252223> accessed 2023-03-28
- 2- Thermofloc information sourced from <https://www.thermofloc.com/en> accessed 2023-03-28
- 3- Plywood information sourced from <https://www.fraserstimmer.com/products/sheet-materials/plywood/fire-retardant/1220-x-2440mm-luminfirepro-euro-class-b-eucalyptus-plywood-detail.html> accessed 2023-03-28
- 4- Glulam information sourced from <https://www.bucklandtimber.co.uk/> accessed 2023-03-28
- 5- Plaster information sourced from <https://www.british-gypsum.com/products/board-products/gyproc-fireline-125mm#documents> accessed 2023-03-28
- 6- Glass information sourced from <https://www.kjmgroup.co.uk/products/windows/triple-glazing> accessed 2023-03-28

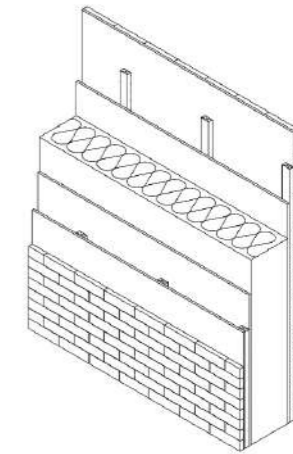
## U-values (Initial Assemblages)

APPROVED DOCUMENT L2 - SPECIFICATIONS:

Wall - 0.26 W/m2K  
 Floor - 0.22 W/m2K  
 Roof - 0.2 W/m2K  
 Window - 1.6 W/m2K

## Wall & Roof - MUST BE BELOW 0.2W/m2K

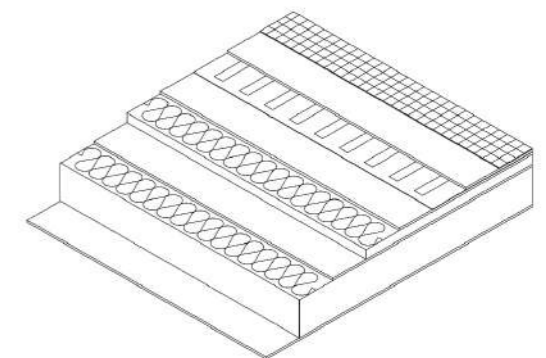
Material	Resistivity	Thickness (mm)	R-value (m2K/W)
Outside Air Layer	-	-	0.12
Brickwork	0.752	102.5	0.077
Vapour Control Layer	0	-	0
Plywood Sheathing	6.67	12	0.08
Thermofloc	26.3	50	1.32
Plywood Sheathing	6.67	12	0.08
Thermofloc	26.3	150	3.95
Plywood Sheathing	6.67	12	0.08
Battens	0.038	25	0.001
Plasterboard	4.17	12	0.05
Brick Slips	0.909	25	0.023
TOTAL	N/A	400.5	5.78



INITIAL U-VALUE = 0.173W/m2K  
 FINAL U-VALUE = 0.125W/m2K\*

## Floor

Material	Resistivity	Thickness (mm)	R-value (m2K/W)
Outside Air Layer	-	-	0.12
Ceramic Tiles	0.00625	4	0
Chipboard Deck	0.106	12	0.001
Underfloor Heat Mat	N/A	2	0
Plywood Sheathing	6.67	12	0.08
Thermofloc	26.3	50	1.32
Plywood Sheathing	6.67	12	0.08
Thermofloc	26.3	200	5.28
Plywood Sheathing	6.67	12	0.08
TOTAL	N/A	304	6.96



U-VALUE = 0.137W/m2K

## Window

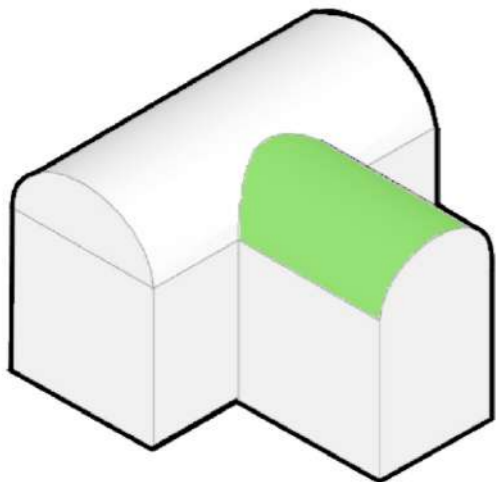
Chosen window- KJM Group 44mm Triple Glazing U-VALUE = 0.50 W/m2K

## \*CHANGES:

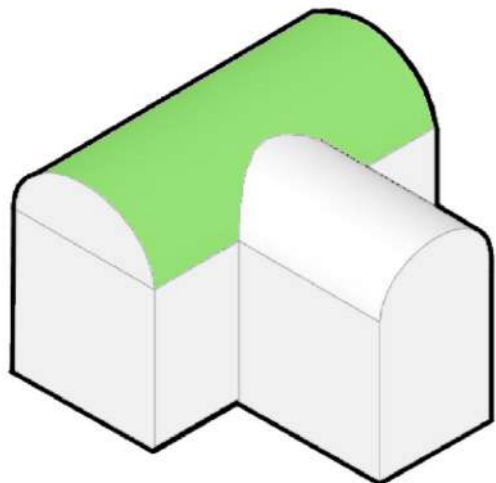
- I have substituted Thermofloc for Sheeps Wool - it can be sourced locally, has higher sustainability credentials, and a better thermal resistivity value. This will bring down the U-value to meet the RIBA 2025 challenge, and improve my building's sustainability.

# STRATEGY- Space, Place and Volume

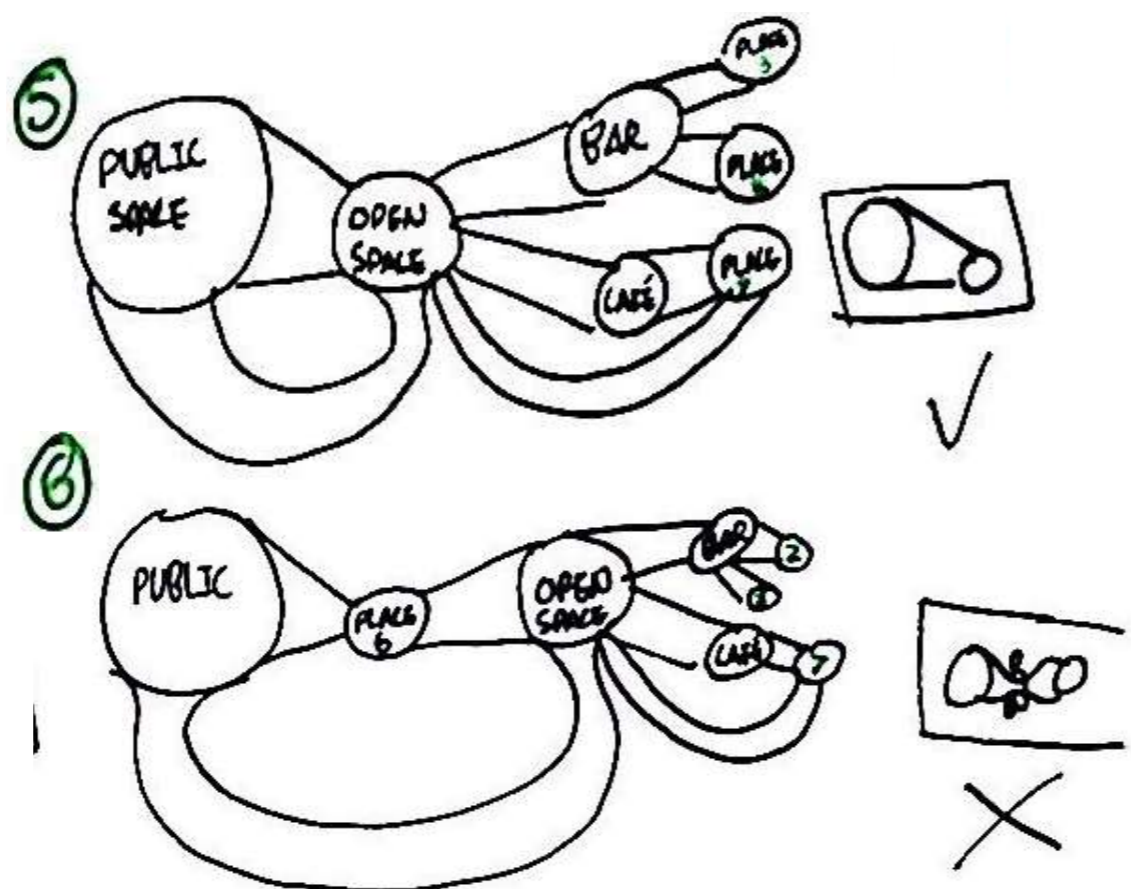
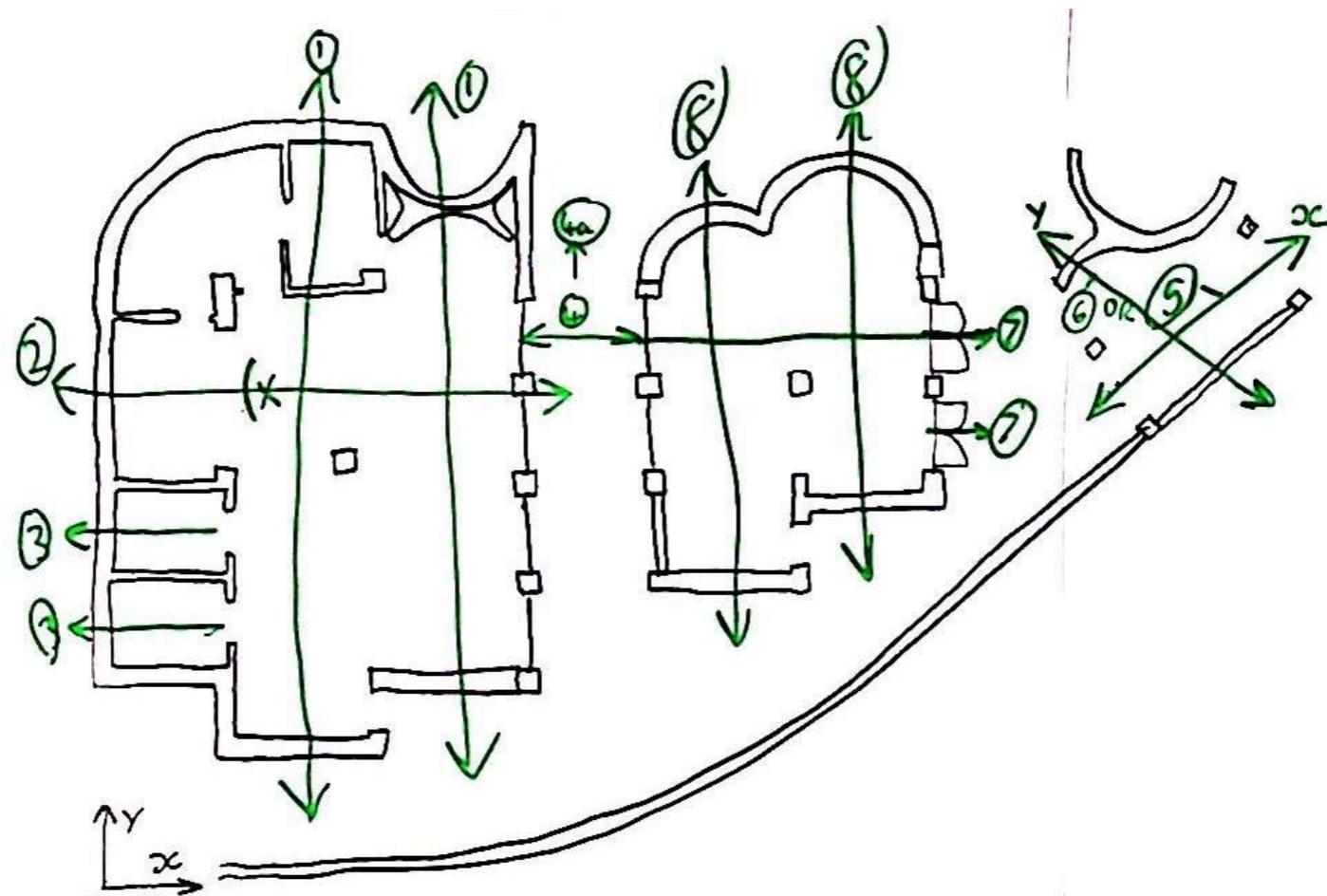
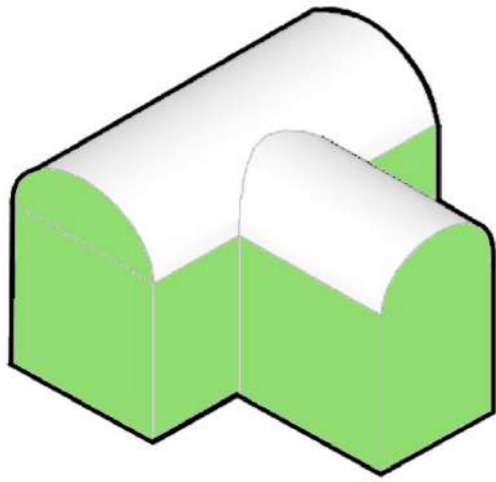
X defines PLACE



Y defines SPACE



Z defines VOLUME



1. SPACE (Bar)



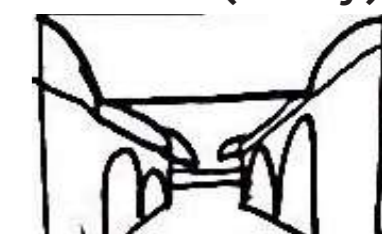
2. PLACE (Stage)



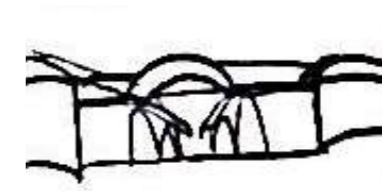
3. PLACE (Toilet)



4. PLACE (Entry)



4a. SPACE (Entry)



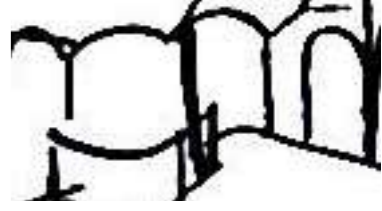
6. SPACE (Entry)



7. PUBLIC-SEMI PRIVATE THRESHOLD



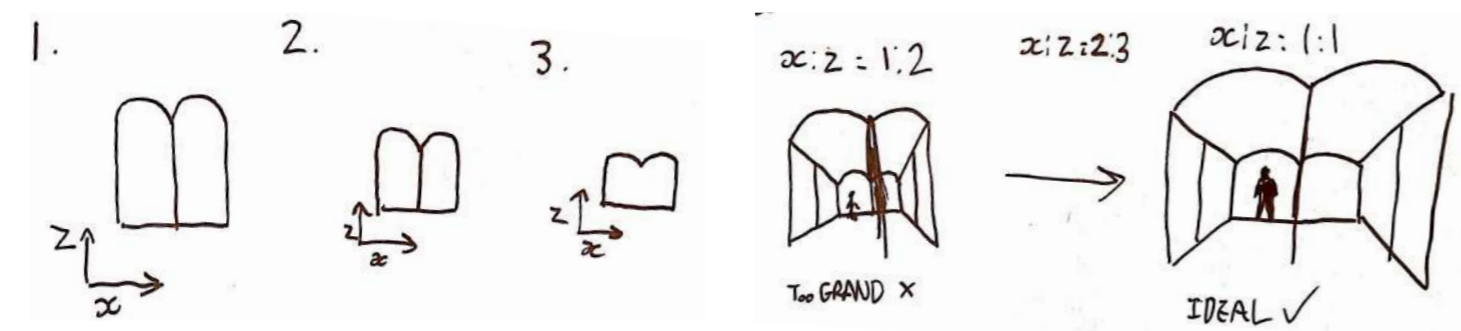
8. SPACE (Café)



To enhance the experience of my project, I have adopted an approach with the barrel vaults that involves, in plan, two major axes - X defines a specific place or event, Y defines a larger, unified and more general space.

Places such as the east entrance could have arguably been either, so for these I studied the hierarchy of places to decide.

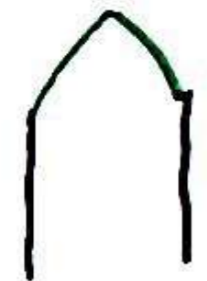
# STRATEGY- Volume, Roof heights & Arch shapes



Much of the experience of my scheme will be defined by its' volume and three-dimensional form - and my goal is to match the language of a wine cellar as close as possible.

To enhance my space, I studied a range of arch forms, and their proportionality with respect to the X and Z axes. To resemble my intent closely, the ideal ratio is 1:1, both for X:Z overall and X:Z in the shape of the arch.

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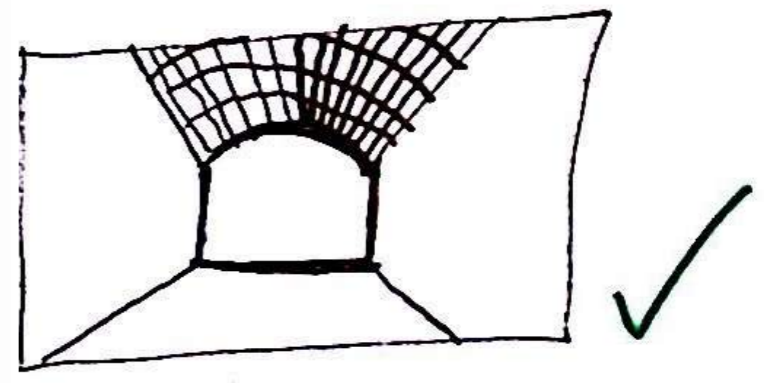
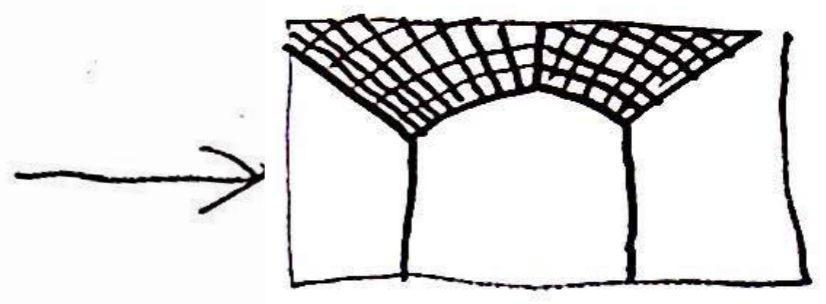
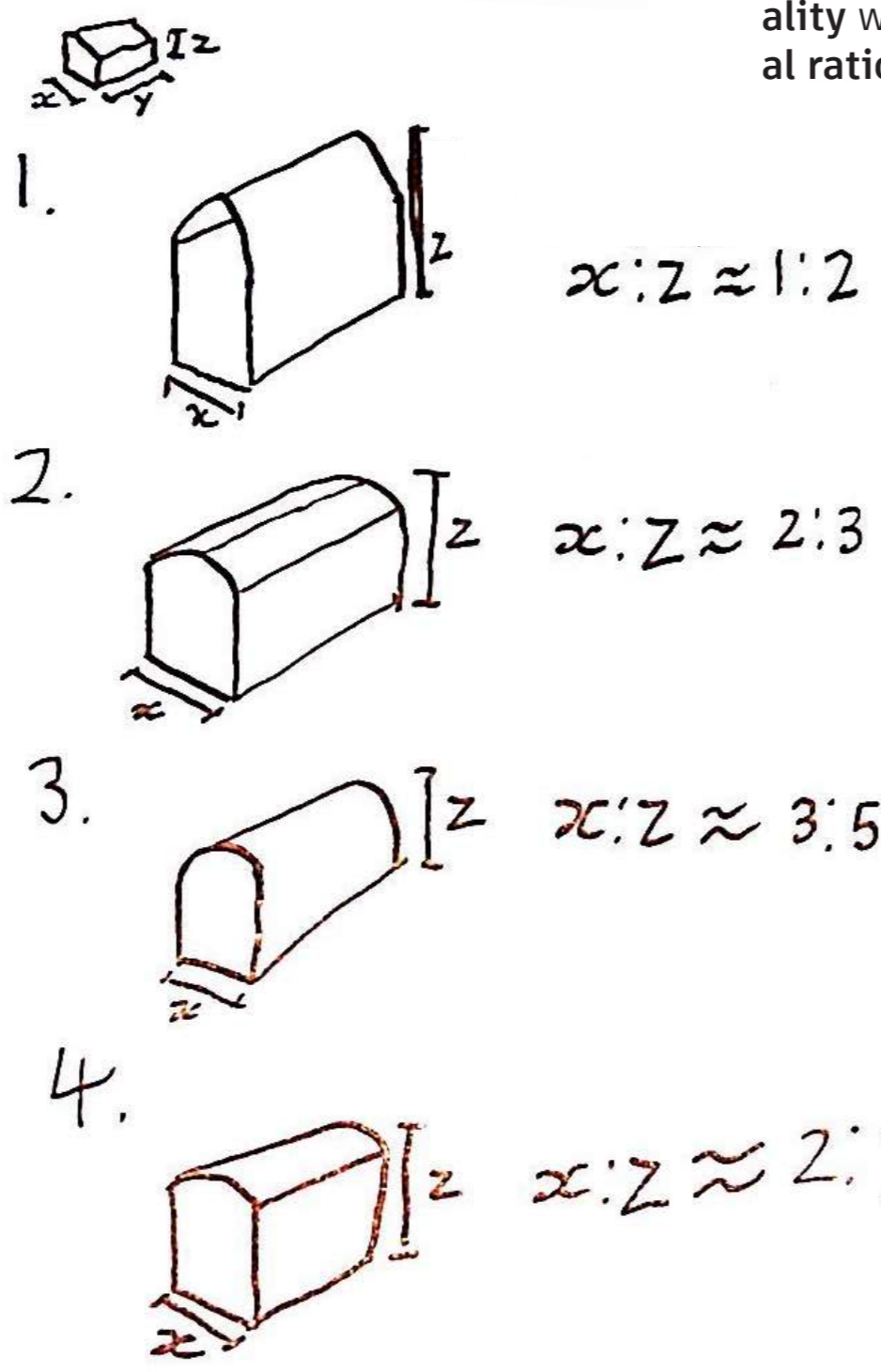
2. FOUR CENTRED



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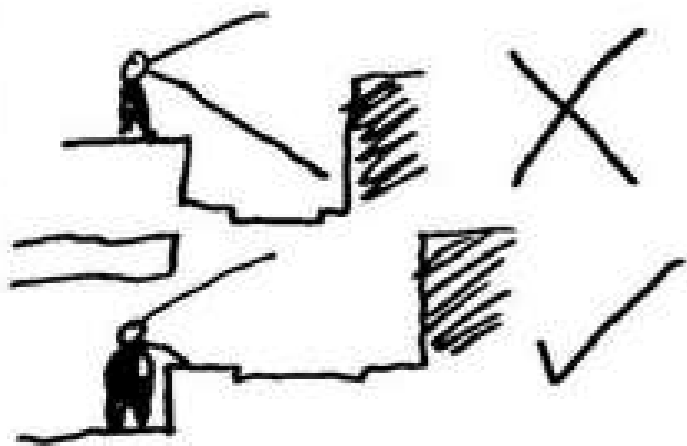
4. SEGMENTAL



The smoother and lower form is best for my design intent - and so the segmental arch style will be the one I employ.



# STRATEGY- Thresholds, Scheme Elevation and Space Requirements



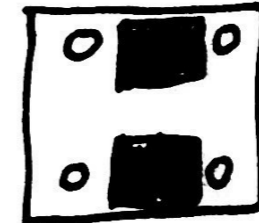
LOWER is BETTER

◀ To improve the wine cellar language in my design, the lower my design went in long section, the better. This led to me designing in section further, to introduce more of a gradient to my project. To inform this, I used Approved Document M (see page 16).

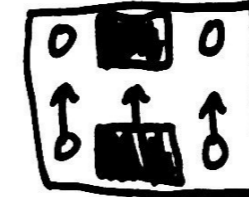
The user, as they enter my project, goes through gradually tightening thresholds - down to each individual cell of the grid, dictated by the existing curves on site. ▶

Each cell can contain the following table arrangements:

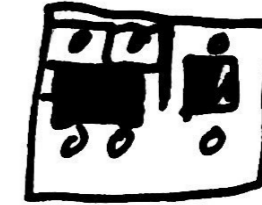
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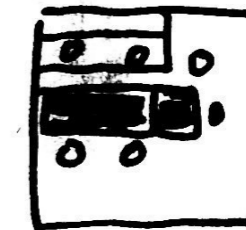
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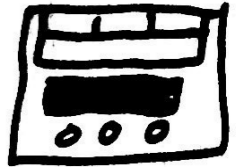
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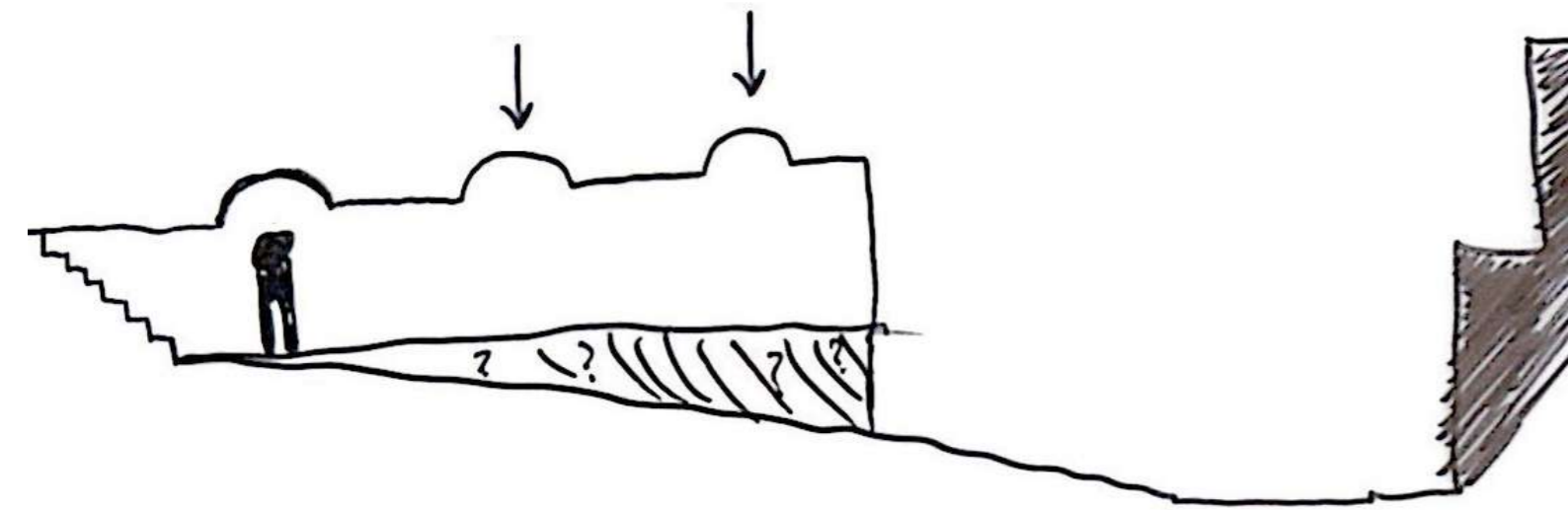
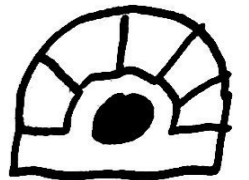
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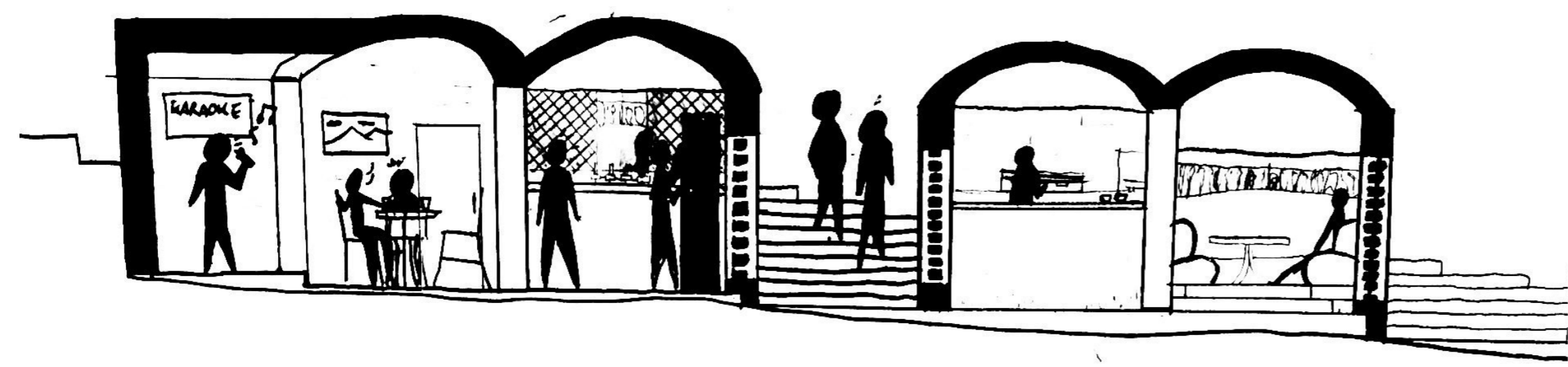
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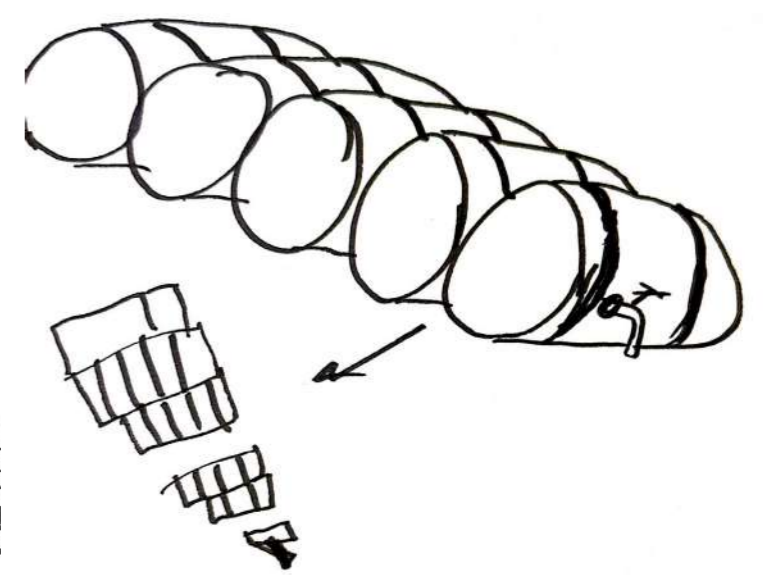
UNIQUE  
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Revised Section

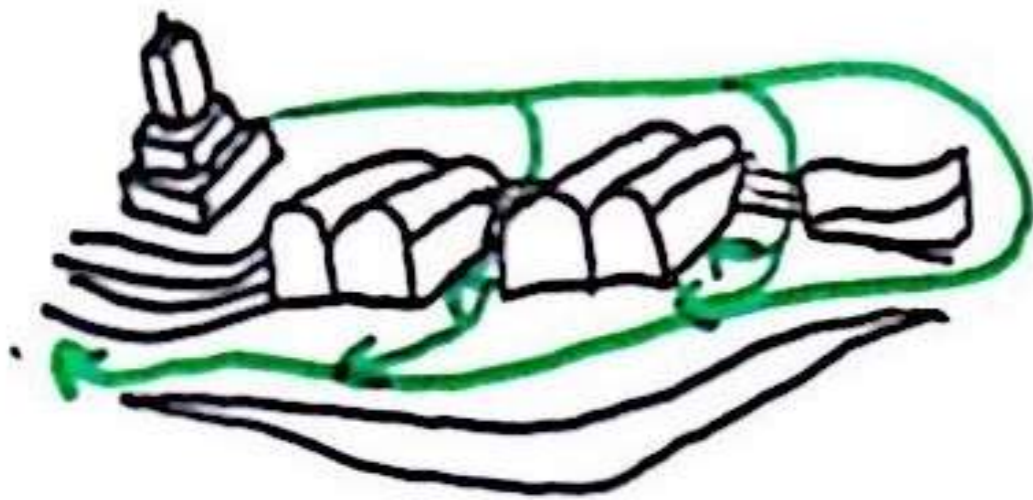


Massing Concept Sketch

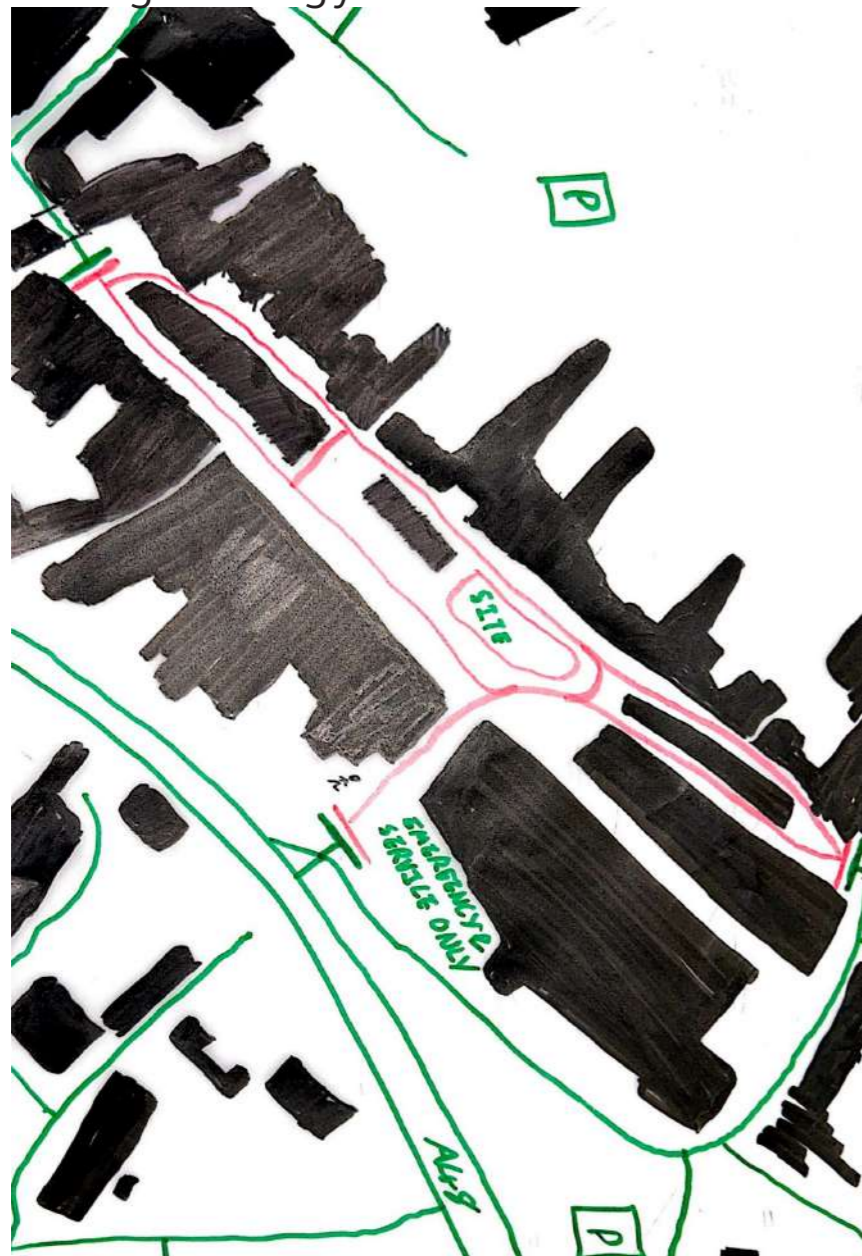


# STRATEGY- Circulation and Initial Sketches

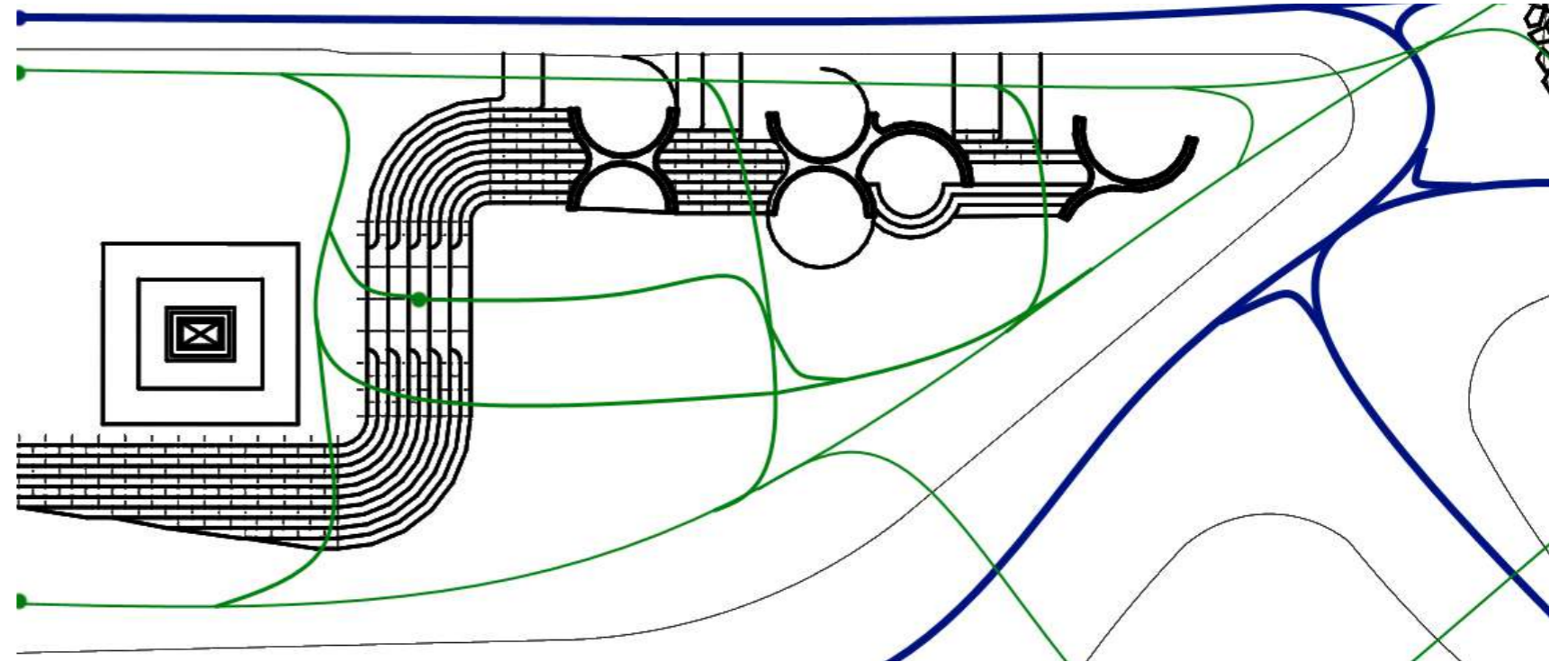
Circulation - Rough Strategy



Road closing strategy



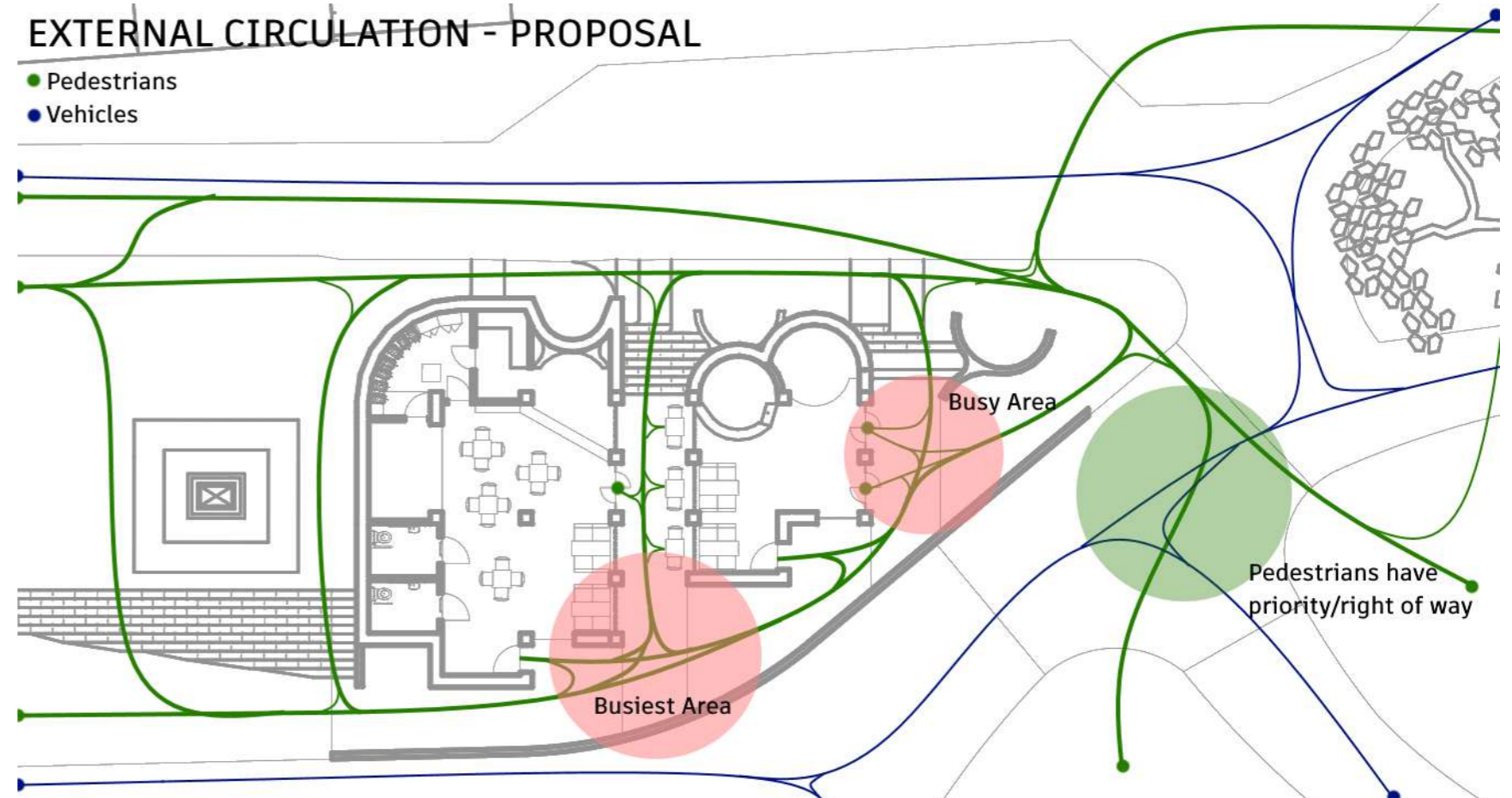
## EXTERNAL CIRCULATION - CURRENT SITUATION



Currently, the square exists **solely as a thoroughfare**, and is **seldom ever busy**. There is **little sense of focus or community**, and there is no sense of it contributing to Chepstow.

## EXTERNAL CIRCULATION - PROPOSAL

- Pedestrians
- Vehicles



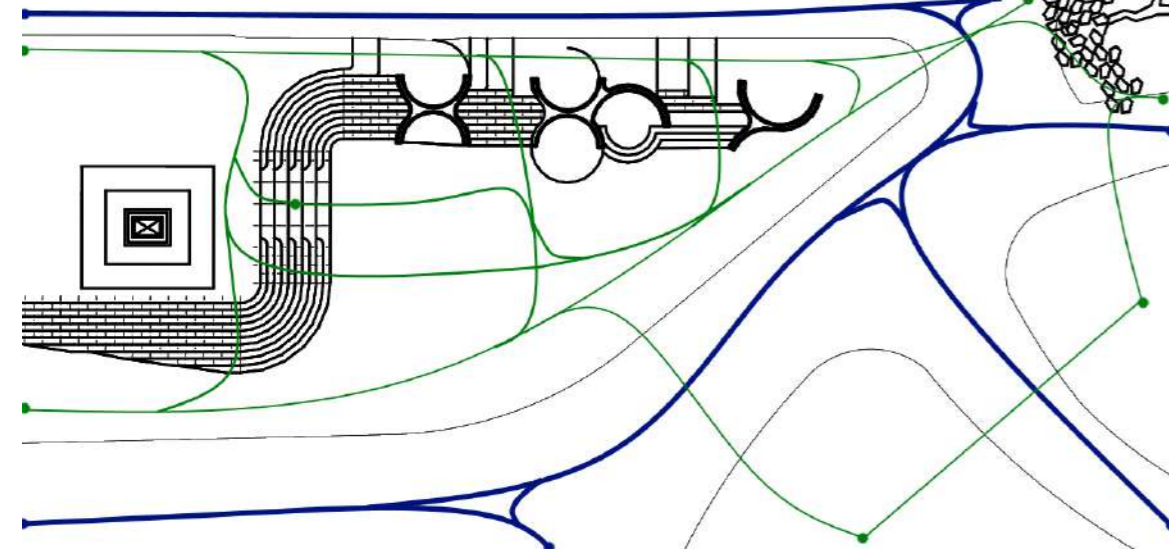
Through the **creation of focal points** for circulation as well as **implementing food/drink** and **restricting traffic**, there is a **greater sense of connection** to Chepstow, and that my **scheme is a focus for the town**.

# AT2 - Space planning, circulation, accessibility

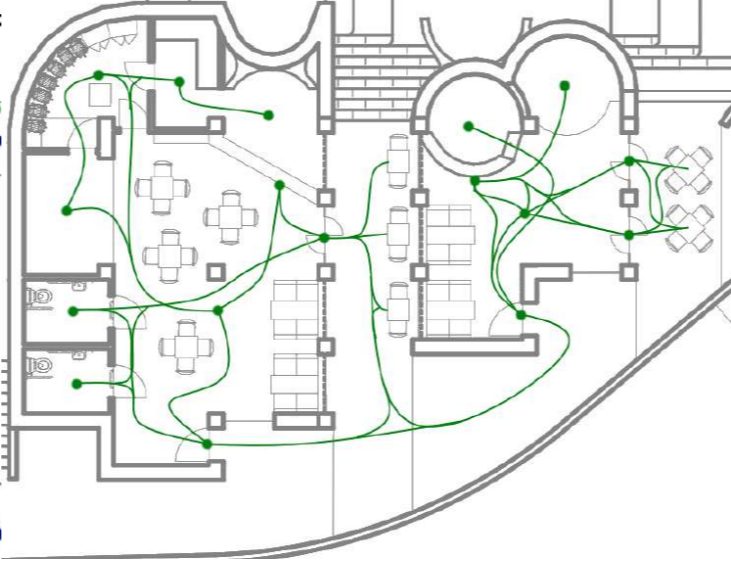
AIM - To create logically planned spaces that match and enhance the design narrative, while satisfying all concerned regulations

## Circulation

EXTERNAL CIRCULATION - CURRENT SITUATION



INTERNAL CIRCULATION - PROPOSAL



EXTERNAL CIRCULATION - PROPOSAL



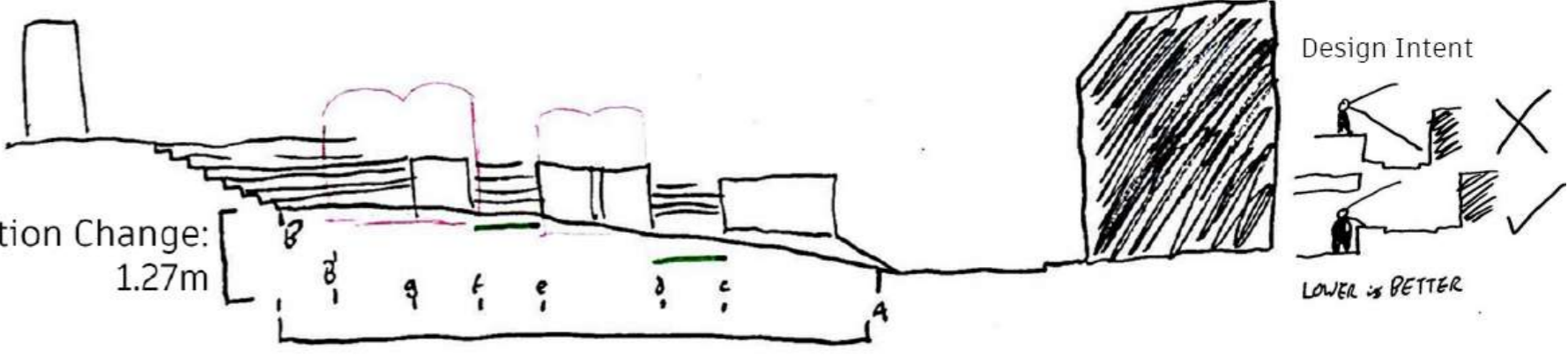
## Ramp Gradients in Scheme

AIMS: Satisfy Approved Document M, Vol. 2, Page 19

Match design intent

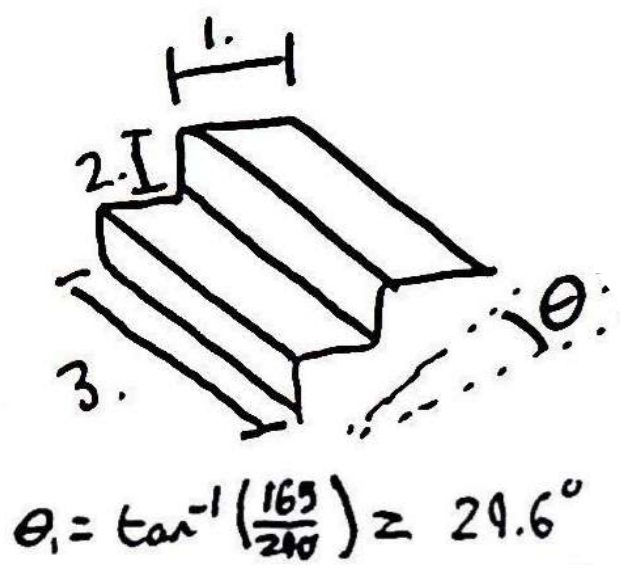
Ramped Zones:	Flat Zones:	For a going of:	The gradient must be:	So the rise is:
A-c = 4.92m	c-d = 2.31m	4.92m	1:14	351mm
d-e = 6.12m	e-f = 2.17m	6.12m	1:16	383mm
f-B = 9.68m		9.68m	1:19	509mm

There is a small difference (30mm) between the ramp elevation change and the natural elevation change - however, this is negligible and can be negotiated by increasing the length of ramp f-B to meet the pavement.



## Existing Stairs on Site

AIM: Satisfy Approved Document M, Vol. 2, Page 22



	Approved Document M	Existing	Compliant?
1. Going	280-425mm	290mm	✓
2. Riser	150-170mm	165mm	✓
3. Width	+1200mm	+2200mm	✓
θ. Angle	19.4-31.3°	29.6°	✓

## Toilets - Requirements for accessibility

AIM: Satisfy Approved Document M, Vol. 1, Page 44

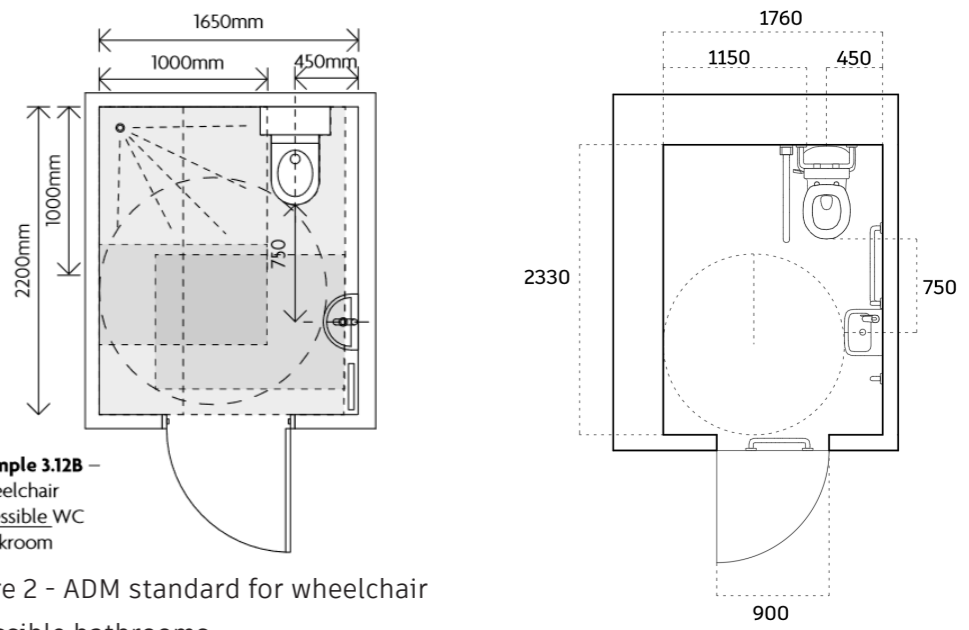


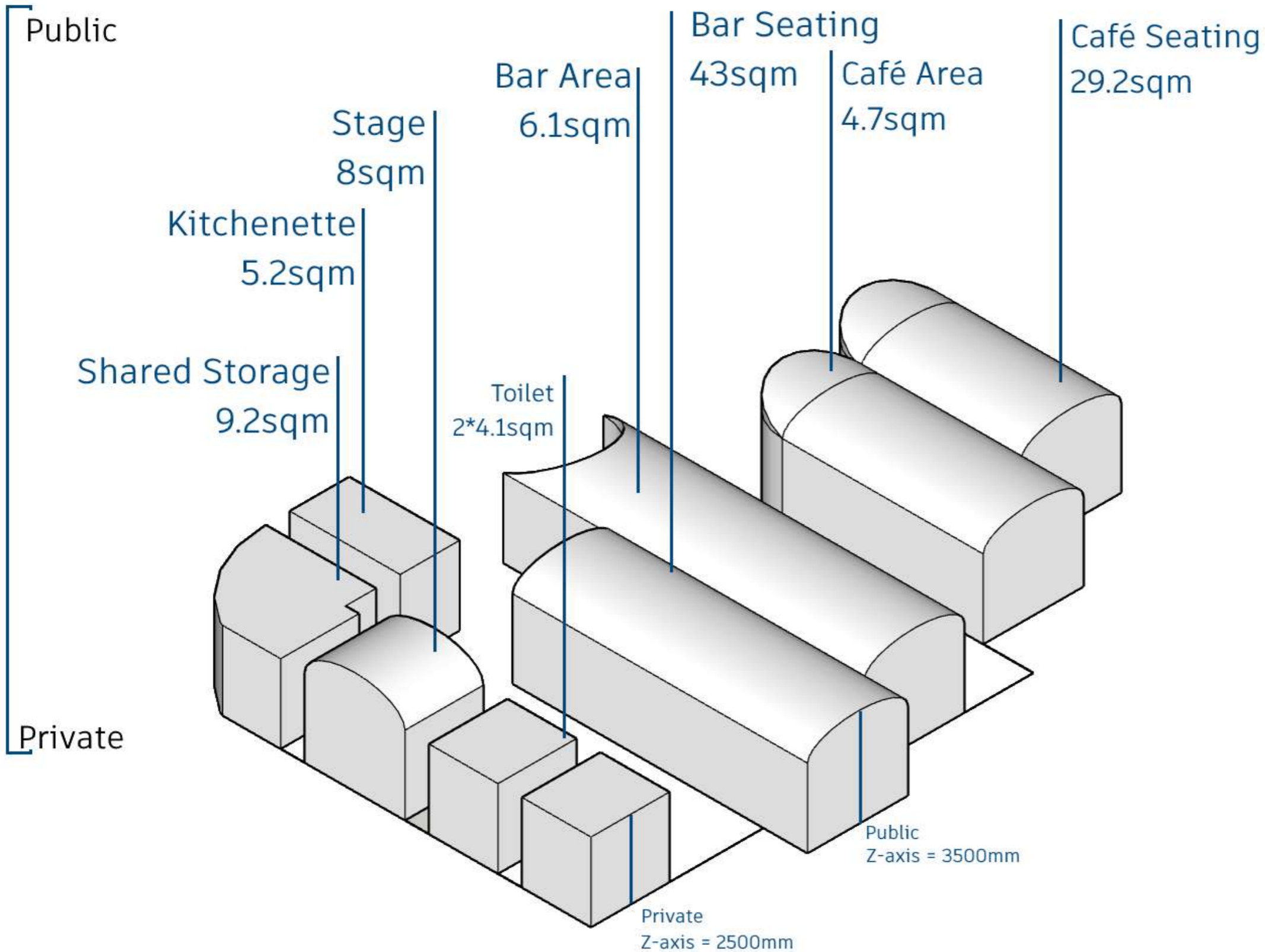
Figure 2 - ADM standard for wheelchair accessible bathrooms

1- Approved Document M, Volume 2, p19, 22  
2- Approved Document M, Volume 1, p44 (Figure 2 from Example 3.12B p44)

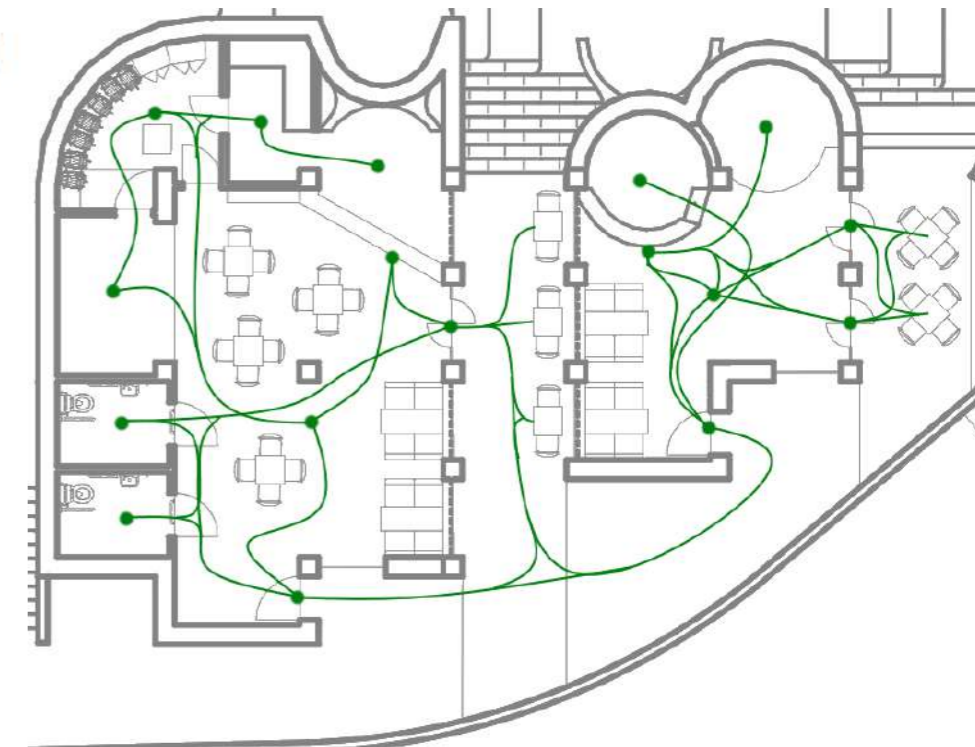
# Schedule of Accommodation

To separate the more public and more private zones, I will employ the Z-axis, or sense of volume.

Private areas will not feature barrel vaults and will instead feature a more intimate atmosphere to emphasise the threshold.



## Internal Circulation diagram



## Maximum Occupancies

Space	Area (m2)	Max. Occupancy (Seated/Standing)
1a- Bar (Staff)	6.1	2
1b- Bar (Public)	43 (of which 16.2 is seated)	60 (26/34)
2- Kitchenette	5.2	1
3- Storage	9.2	3
4- Accessible WC	4.1	1 (2 total)
5- Stage	8	4
BAR TOTAL	75.6	70
6- Café (Staff)	4.7	2
7- Café (Public)	29.2 (of which 12.6 is seated)	41 (26/15)
CAFÉ TOTAL	33.9	43

# AT2 - Fire Safety

AIM - To comply with Approved Document B (2020 amendments, Wales)

## APPROVED DOCUMENT B KEY REQUIREMENTS

-The width of the escape route and exit must be >750mm when occupancy is <60. For >60, the minimum is 850mm.<sup>1</sup>

-For >60 occupants, 2 exits are required. Otherwise, one is sufficient.<sup>2</sup>

-The travel distance to the exit must be >18 metres.<sup>3</sup>

-Access must be provided to emergency vehicles within 45 metres of the building.<sup>4</sup>

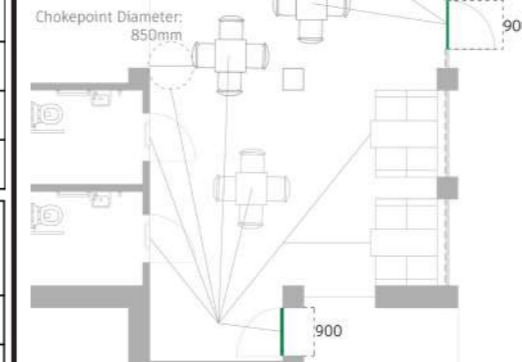
## UNIT CLASSIFICATIONS & OCCUPANCIES

Purpose Group: 4 (Commercial & Retail: Bar and Café)

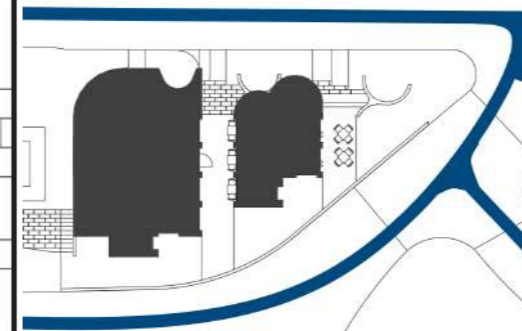
Space	Area (m2)	Max. Occupancy (Seated/Standing)	Subcategory of Space 1b	Area (m2)	Occupancy (per ADB Table C1)
1a- Bar (Staff)	6.1	2			
1b- Bar (Public)	43 (of which 16.2 is seated)	60 (26/34)	Seated	16.2	26
2- Kitchenette	5.2	1	Serving	3	10
3- Storage	9.2	3	Gen. Standing	23.8	24
4- Accessible WC	4.1	1 (2 total)			
5- Stage	8	4			
BAR TOTAL	75.6	70			
6- Café (Staff)	4.7	2			
7- Café (Public)	29.2 (of which 12.6 is seated)	41 (26/15)	Seated	12.6	26
CAFÉ TOTAL	33.9	43	Serving	4.4	15

## FIRE SAFETY MEASURES IMPLEMENTED

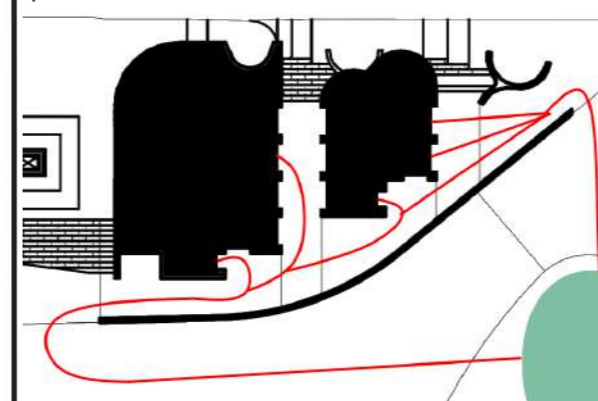
-2 exits of 900mm are provided for the bar, so there is adequate escape room if one exit is unavailable.



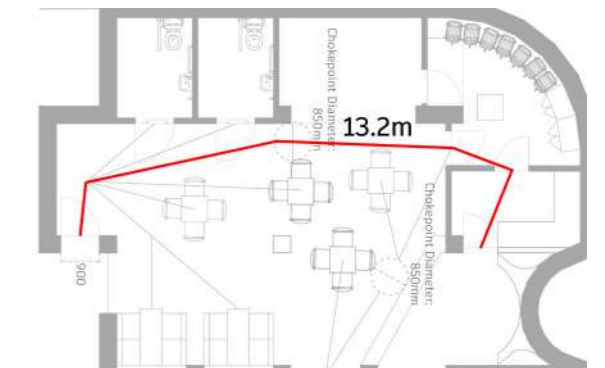
-Public roads flank the building on either side, allowing for emergency vehicle access.



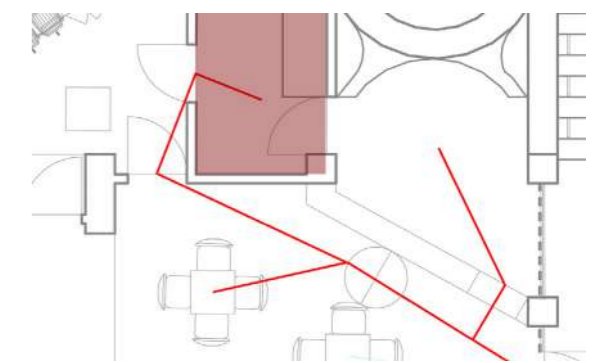
-Escape from the building's fabric entirely is accessible, and assembly points are situated at a safe distance.



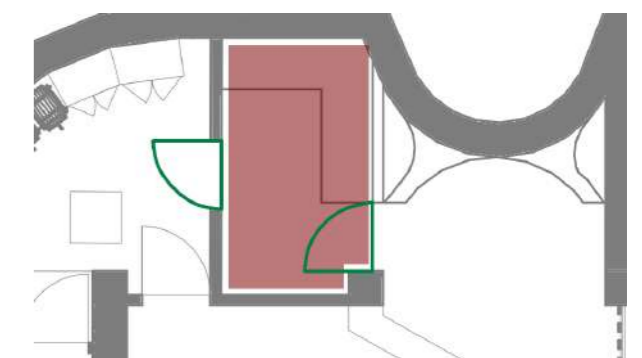
-The highest escape distance possible is 13.2 metres.



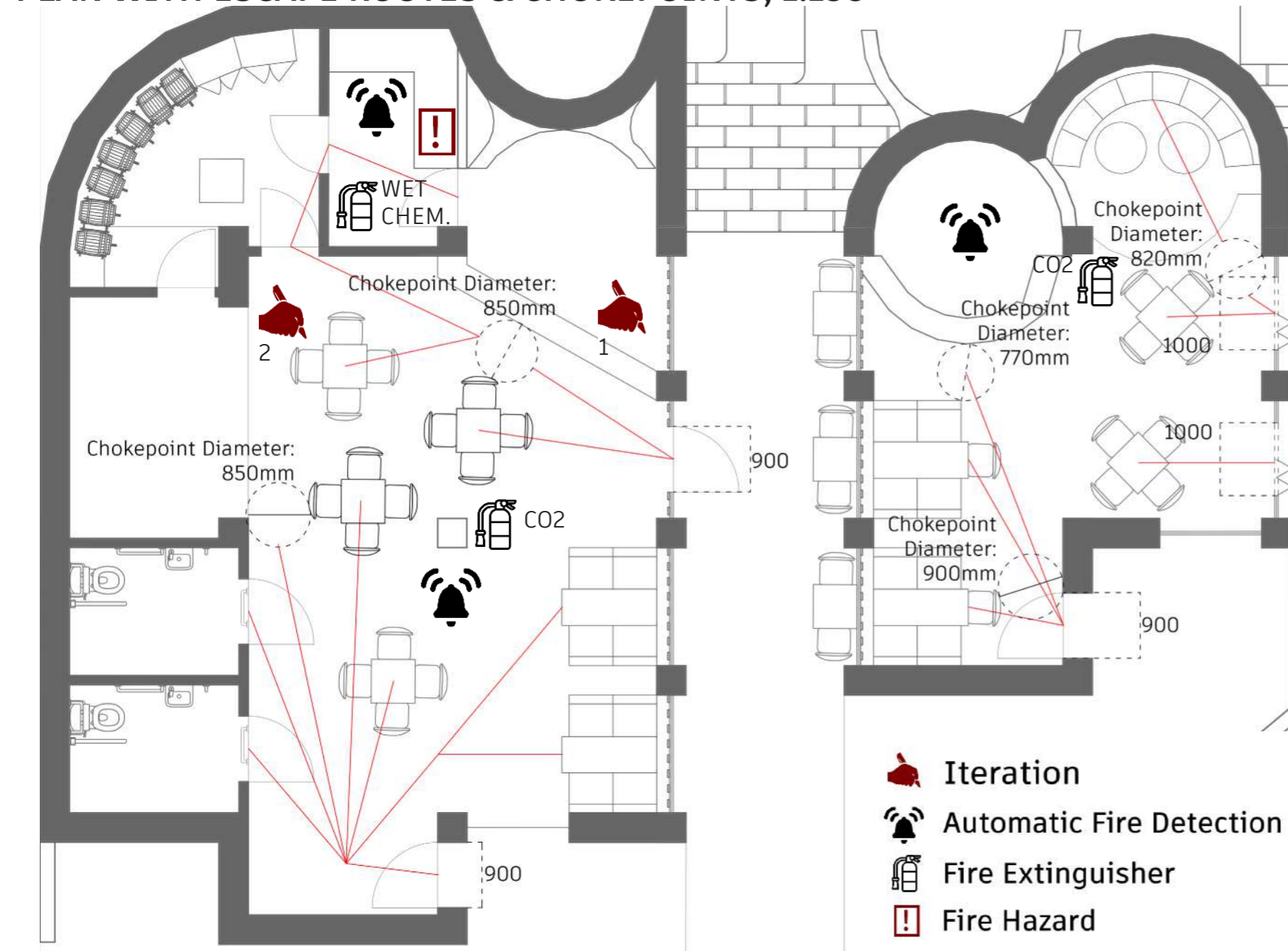
-Exits do not lead through hazard areas such as the kitchen.



-The area with the biggest fire hazard, the kitchenette, is behind fire doors.



## PLAN WITH ESCAPE ROUTES & CHOKEPOINTS, 1:150



### ITERATIONS-

1. To ensure safe escape, a door has been added to the bar to eliminate a dead end.
2. The table has been moved to the right to ensure all chokepoints are over 850mm.

1- Approved Document B Volume 2 2020 (Wales), Table 4, p59

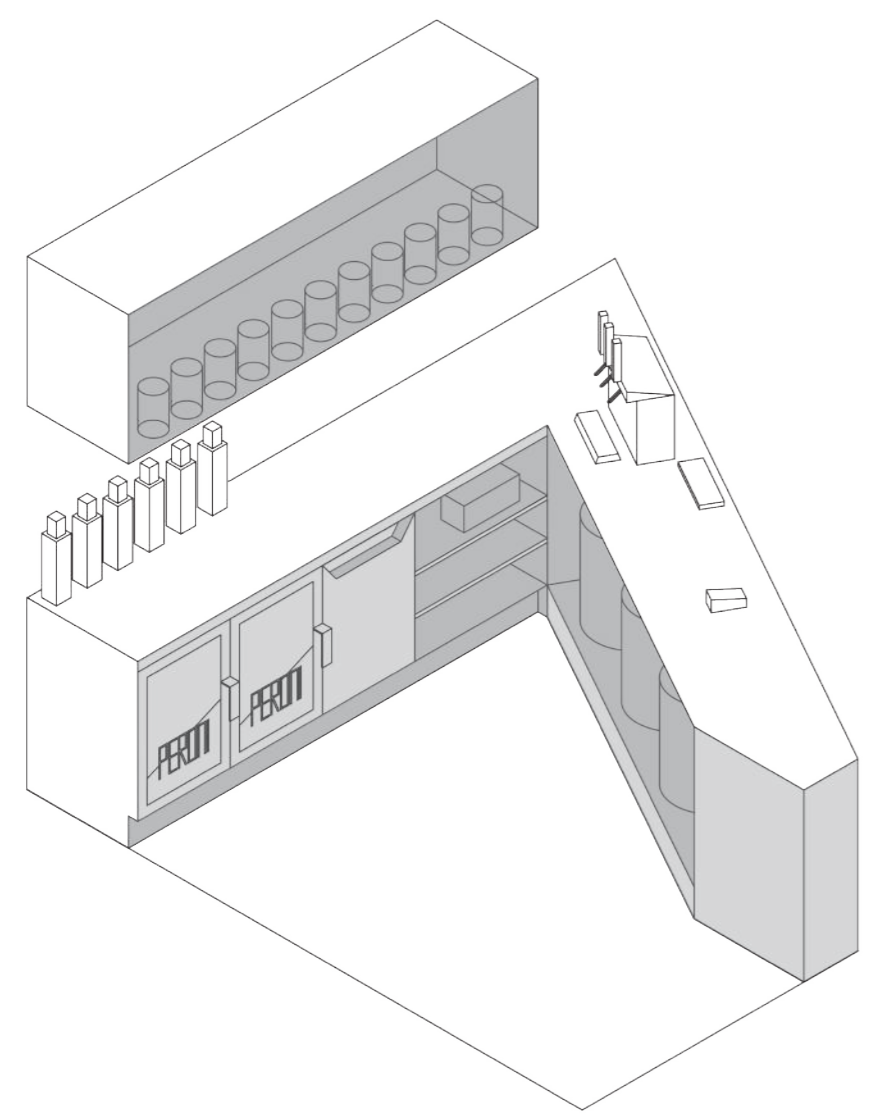
2- Ibid, Table 3, p55

3- Ibid,

4-Ibid, Paragraph 17.2b p. 178

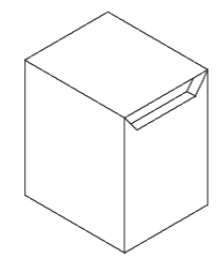
# Process - Café and Bar

## Bar

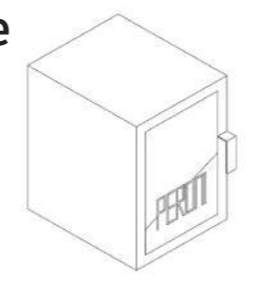


### Equipment:

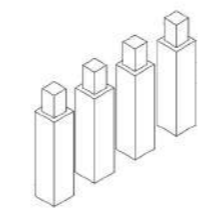
1. Dishwasher



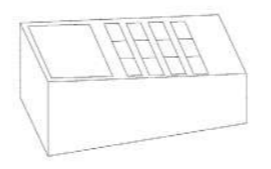
2. Drink Fridge



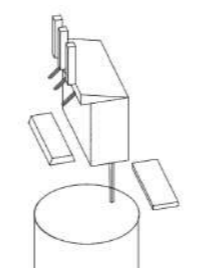
3. Assorted Spirits



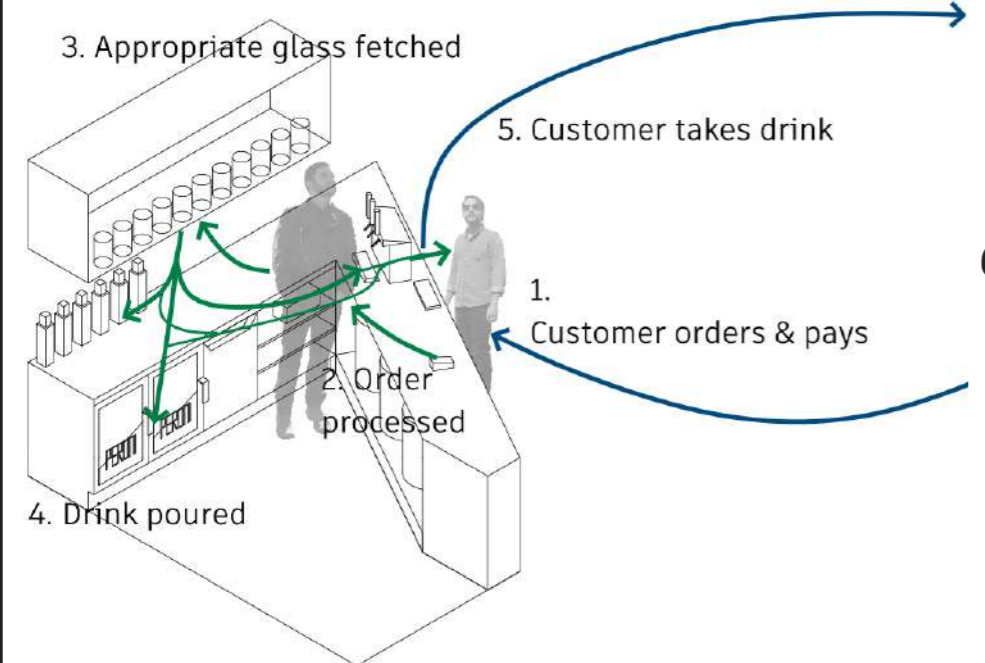
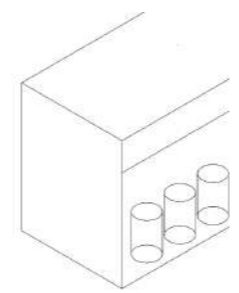
4. Point of Sale



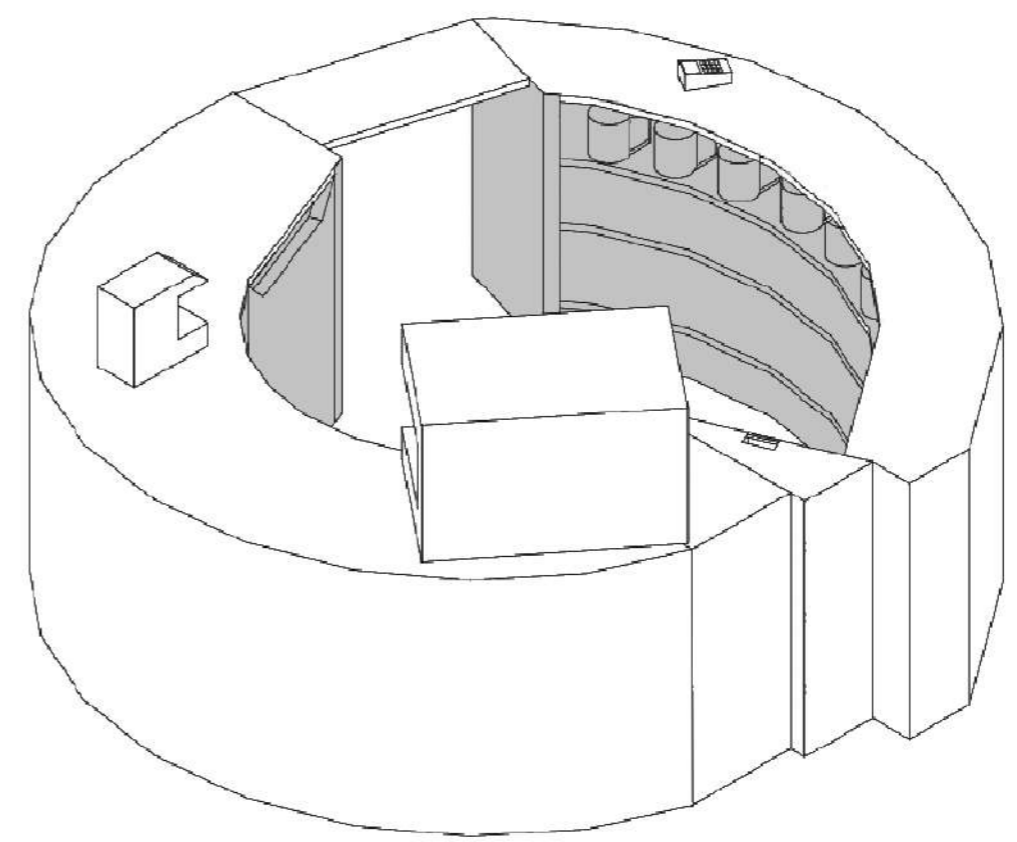
5. Taps & Kegs



6. Glass Storage

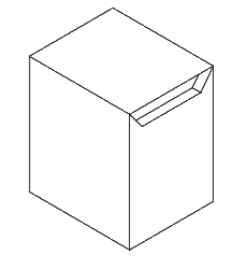


## Café



### Equipment:

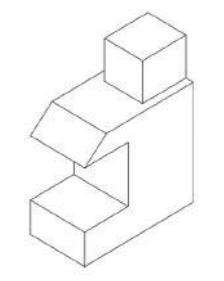
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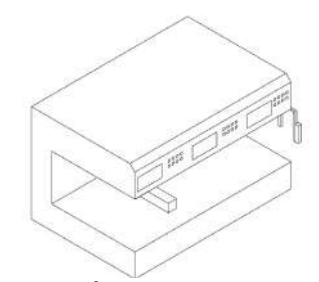
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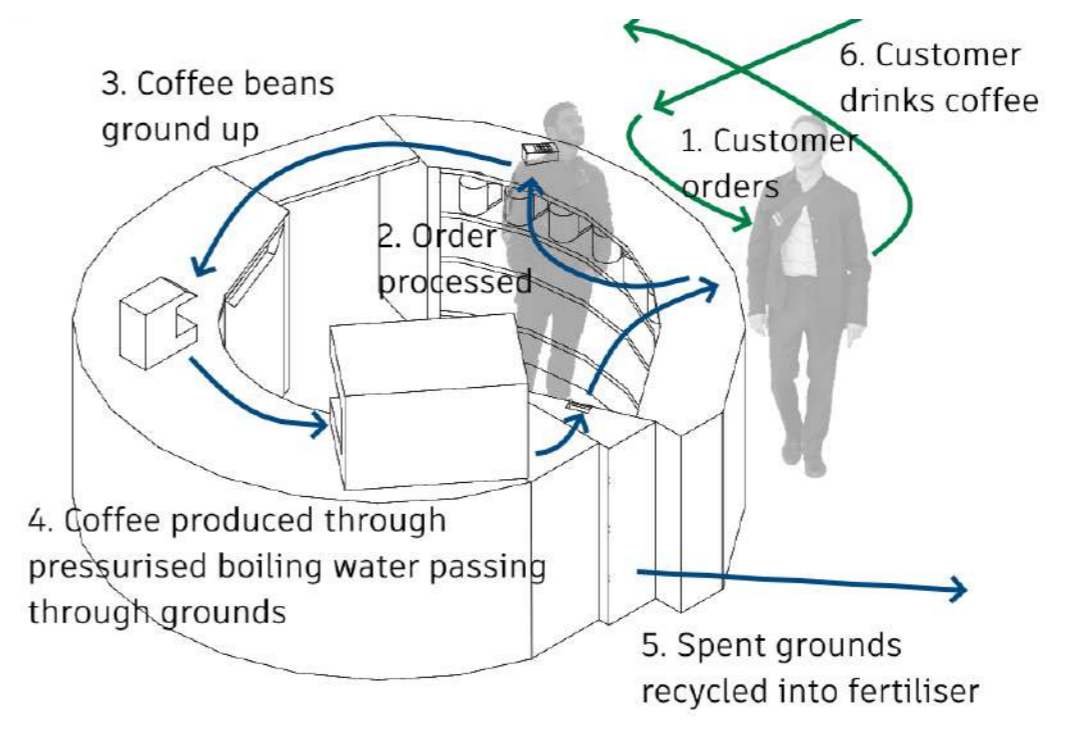
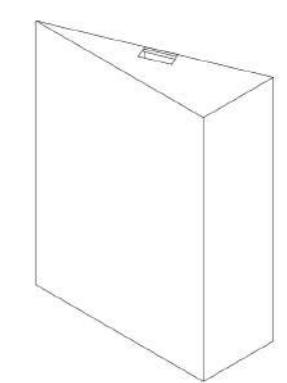
3. Bean Grinder



4. Espresso Machine



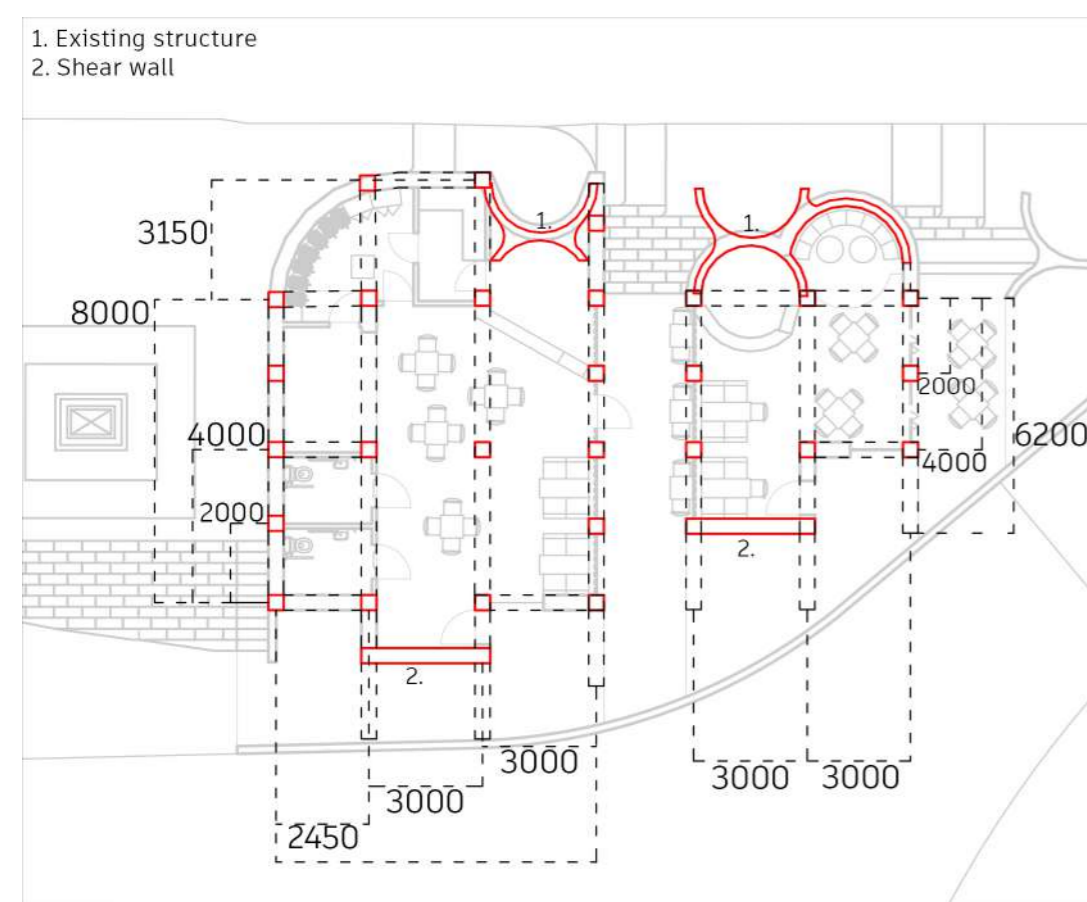
5. Disposal



# AT2 - Structures

AIM - To create a structure that supports my design intent, is sustainable, and to determine the requirements for foundations based on ultimate load.

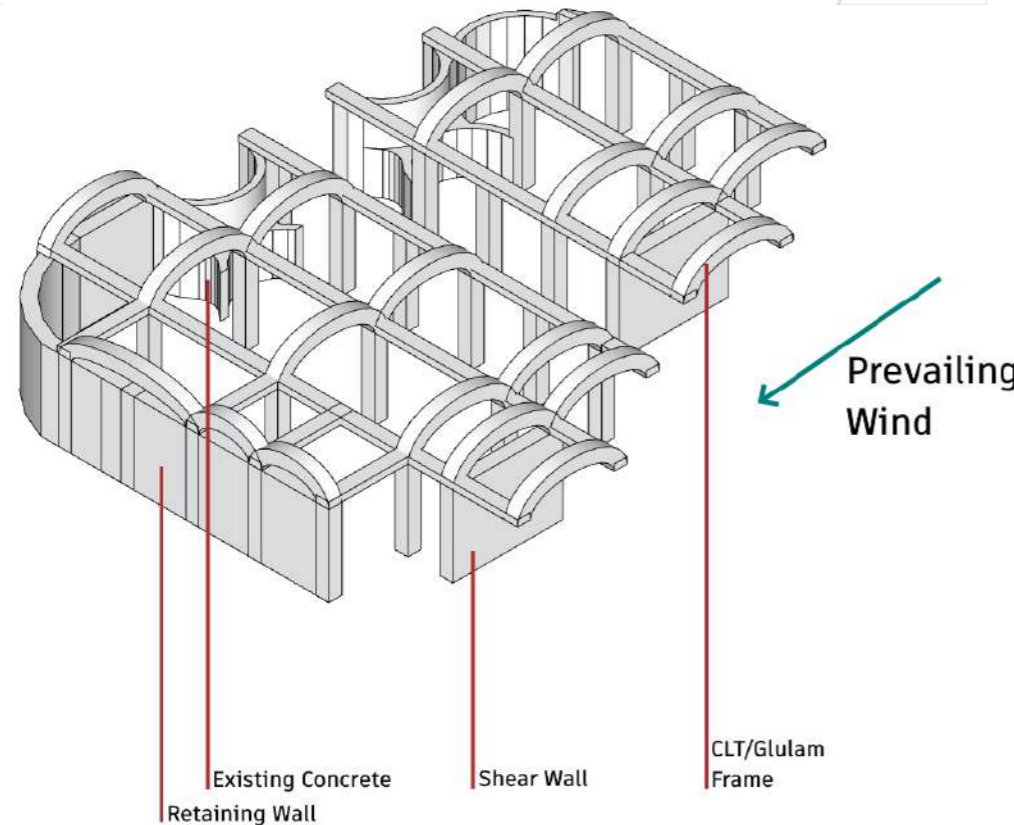
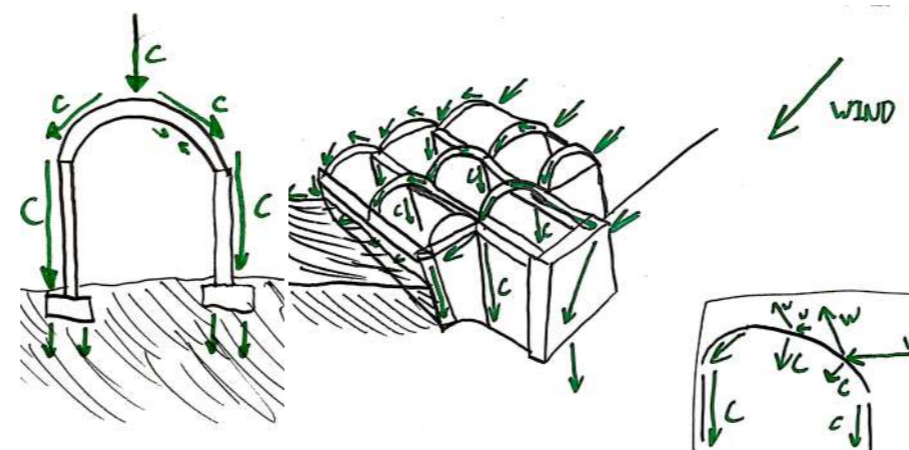
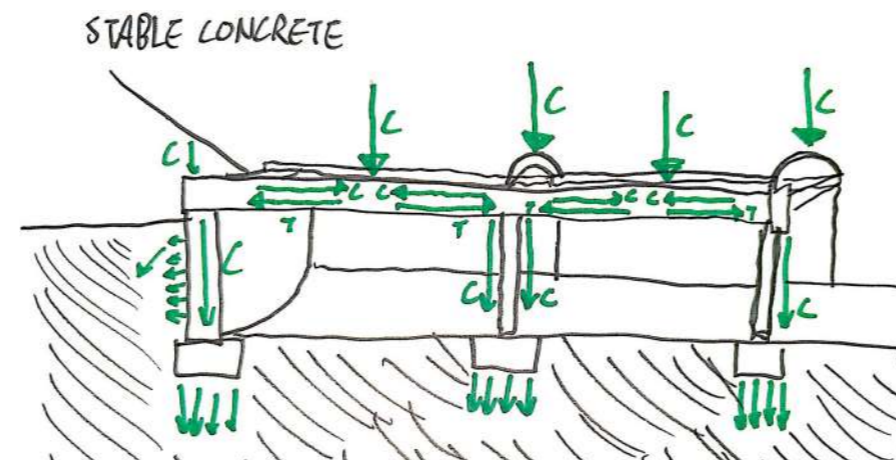
## Overview - Diagrams



My structure will make use of a Glulam frame - this is because:

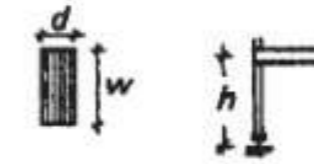
- It is sustainable** - Glulam is **timber-based**, and so fabricated from a **renewable** material. At the end of its' life it can be **recycled** and **used to manufacture synthetic boards**.
- Its' properties** - Relative to **softwood** and other timbers, it has **high bending strength** and so can **withstand a heavy material** such as **brick** without **buckling**.
- How it is manufactured** - Glulam is based on **laminating timber layers**, and so can be **formed into curves** to match my design narrative.

### Load paths



## Span/depth Calculations

### COLUMN



Typical h = 2-4m  
Typical h/d = 15-30  
Typical w/d = 2-3

h = 2.5m  
d<sub>MAX</sub> = 199mm  
w = 400mm  
h/d = **12.6**  
w/d = **2.01**

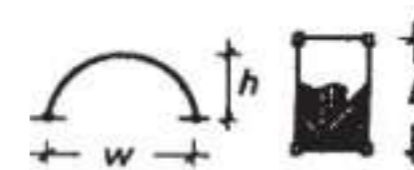
### BEAM



Typical d = 180-1400mm  
Typical L = 5-12m  
Typical L/d = 14-18

L<sub>MAX</sub> = 3000mm  
d = 199mm  
L/d = **15.1**

### BARREL VAULT



Typical w/h = 2-4  
Typical L = 9-30m  
Typical L/w = 4-8

L<sub>MAX</sub> = 15.0m  
w = 3.00m  
L/w = **5**  
w/h = **3**

## Ultimate Load Calculation

CATEGORIES OF USE:

- Bar - C5 [Live Load = 5kN/m<sup>2</sup> over 75.6m<sup>2</sup>]
- Café - D1 [Live Load = 4.5kN/m<sup>2</sup> over 33.9m<sup>2</sup>]

Average Imposed/Live Load = 4.85kN/m<sup>2</sup>

Floor Area = 109.5m<sup>2</sup>

Wall Mass/metre = 694kg/m

Roof Mass/m<sup>2</sup> = 2,760kg/m<sup>2</sup>

**Average Dead Load = 15.9kN/m<sup>2</sup>**

Ultimate Load = 28.7kN/m<sup>2</sup>

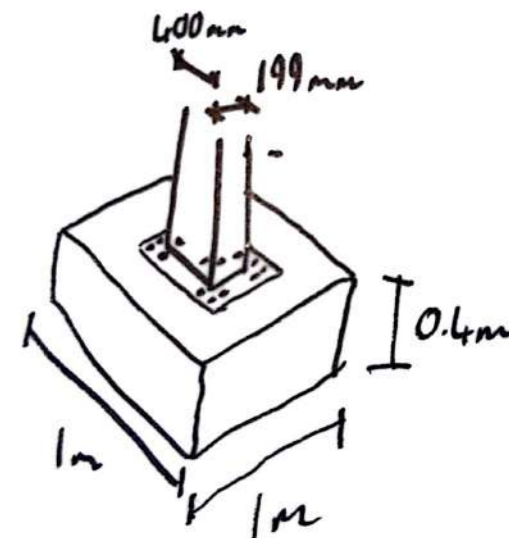
## Foundation type

The ground near my scheme is **20m thick limestone**<sup>4</sup>, which can support the load, distributed by **pad foundations**.<sup>5</sup>

Total Foundations = 18

Area Supported/foundation = 6.08m<sup>2</sup>

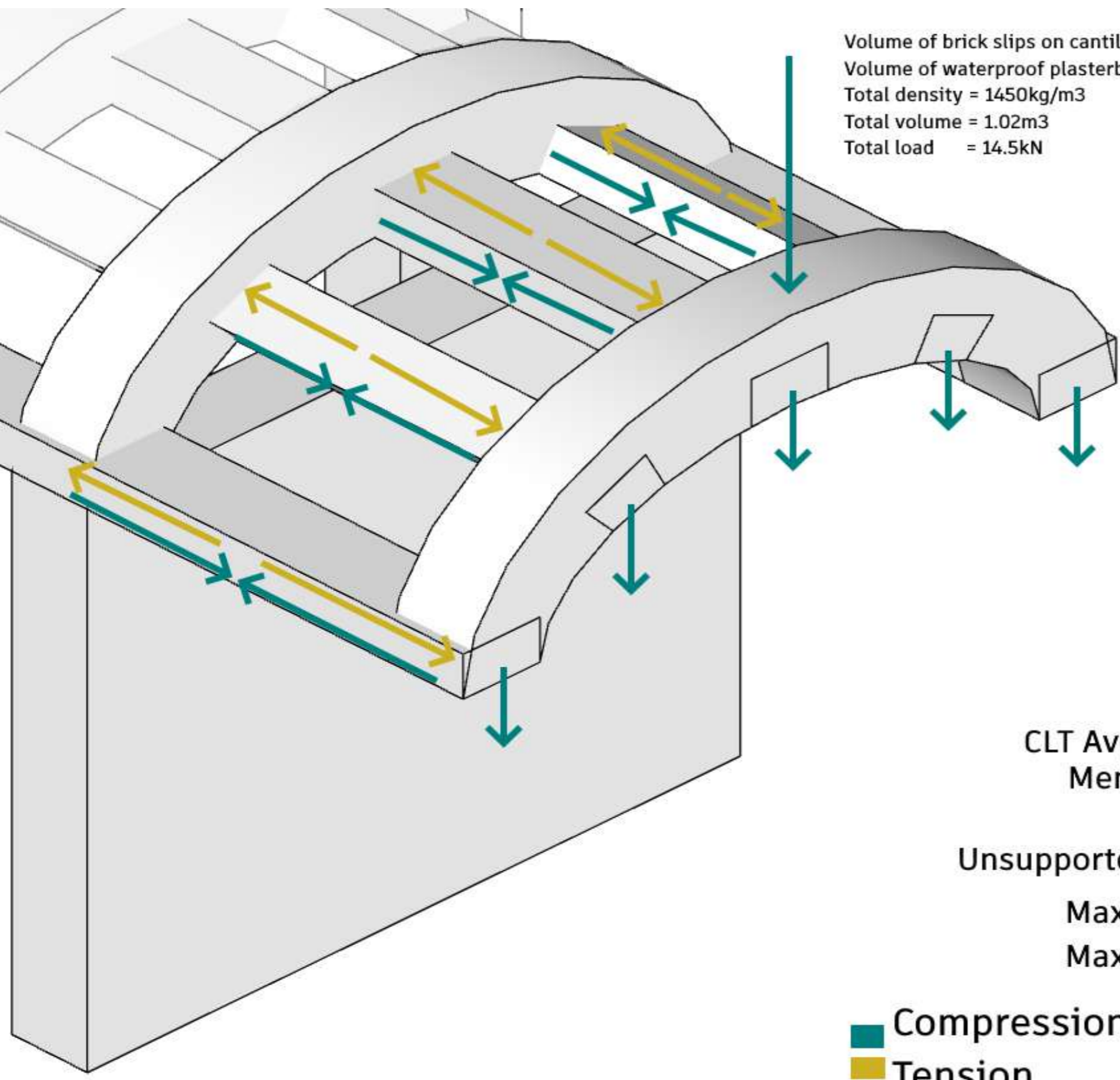
Pad dimensions = 1.0x1.0x0.4m



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5. Conclusion drawn from information obtained in Structural Guidance for Architects provided by CARDIFF UNIVERSITY and MANN WILLIAMS, p49

# AT2 - Structures

AIM - To ensure that my structure can withstand the cantilevering demands of my roof.



Volume of brick slips on cantilever = 0.68m<sup>3</sup>  
Volume of waterproof plasterboard = 0.34m<sup>3</sup>  
Total density = 1450kg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Total volume = 1.02m<sup>3</sup>  
Total load = 14.5kN

Backspan Range:  
6.83-12.8m

Cantilever Length:  
2.00m

Cantilever Ratio:  
0.29 - 0.16

Moment = Load \* Distance

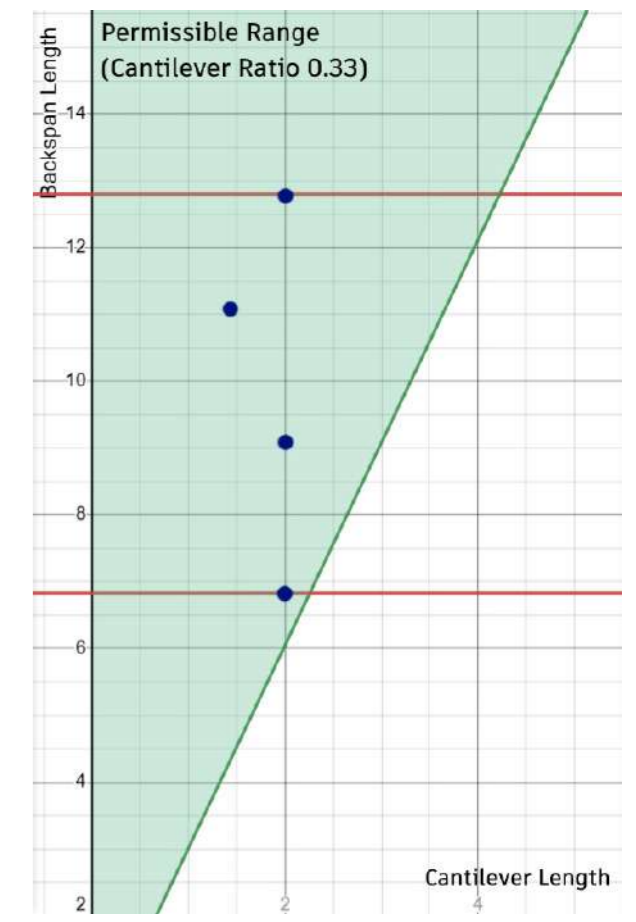
Load = 14.5kN (2.9kN/member)  
Distance = 2m

Moment = 29kNm  
Moment/Member = 5.8kNm

CLT Avg. Tensile Strength = 50kN/m<sup>3</sup>  
Member Cross Section = 0.08m<sup>2</sup>  
Cantilever Length = 2m  
Unsupported Member Volume = 0.16m<sup>3</sup>

Max. Load per Member = 8kN  
Max. Total Load = 40kN

■ Compression  
■ Tension





## From Strategic Concept to Detailed Strategy

1. The wine cellar language was far better reflected for making my scheme follow the natural gradient.

2. This iteration increases the amount of shelter in my scheme, and places greater emphasis on the stage.

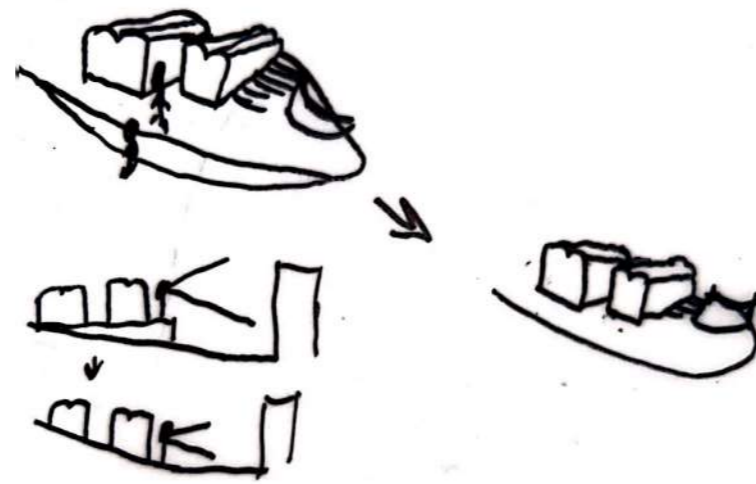
3. By adding small market stalls at the back, there is consequently a greater relationship to the town on all sides.

4. By clearing the north-east entrance, a sense of shelter and a clearer threshold is developed.

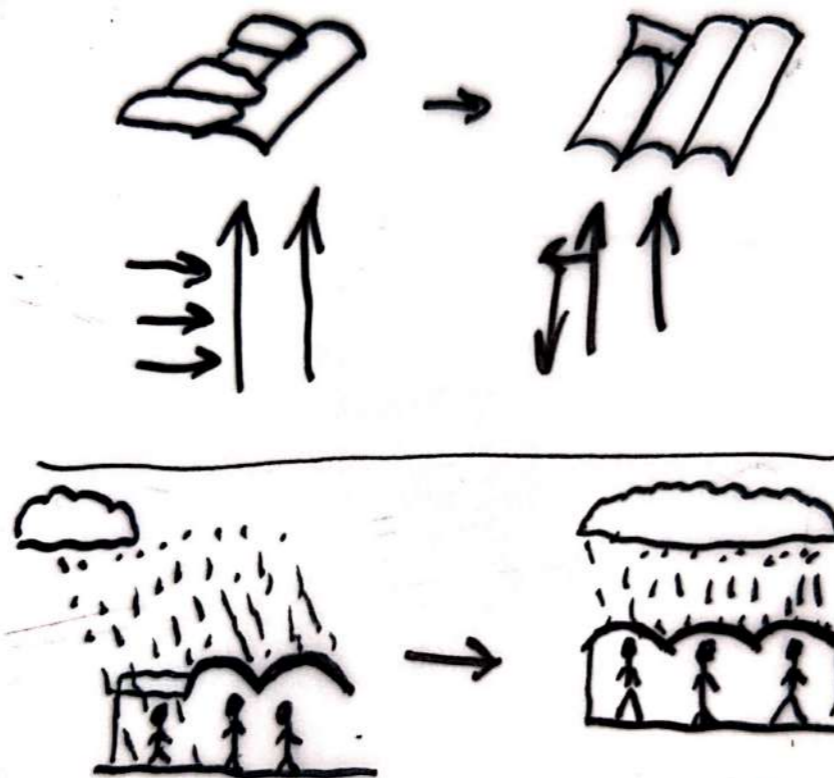
5. By opening up key parts of the boundary wall, the scheme is better connected to Chepstow and provides better circulation.

6. By adding seats to the shear walls, more positive moments are added to the in-between spaces, and they are less of a basic thoroughfare.

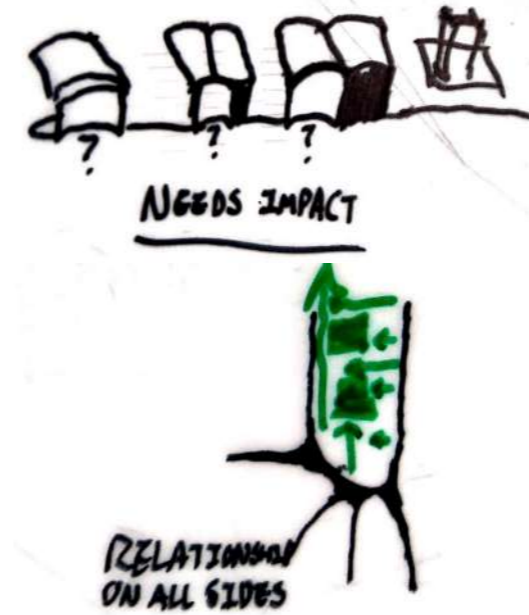
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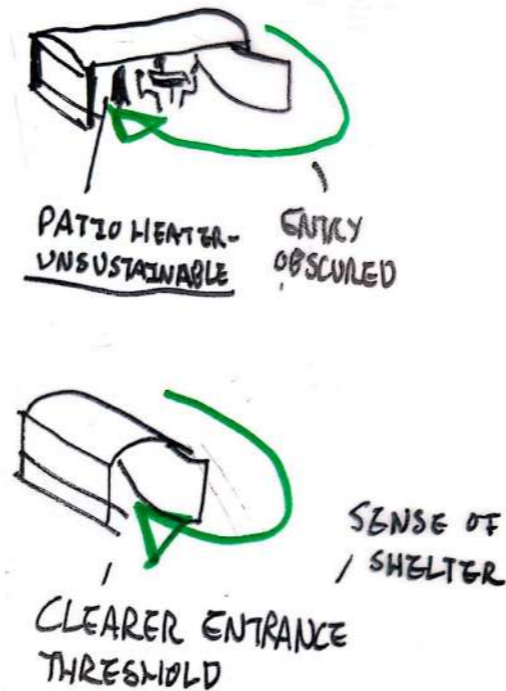
### 2. Roof Strategy



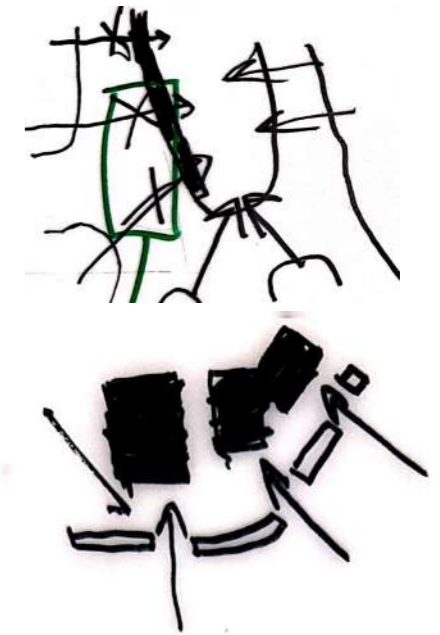
### 3. Markets



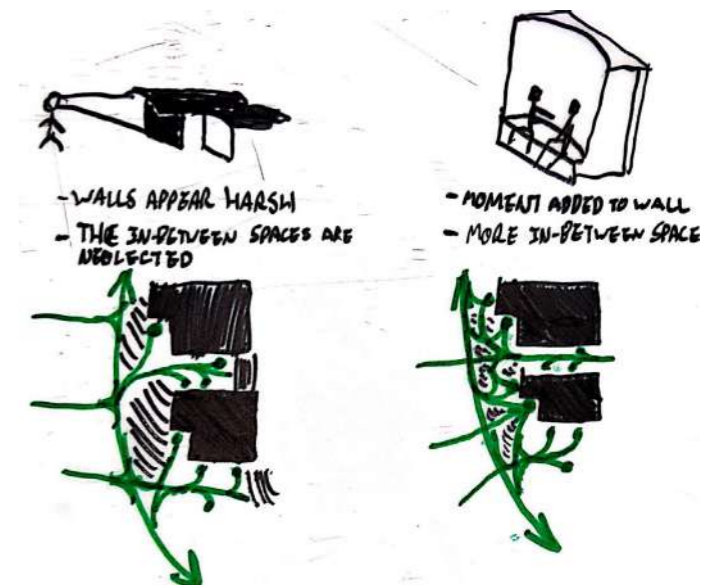
### 4. Entrance



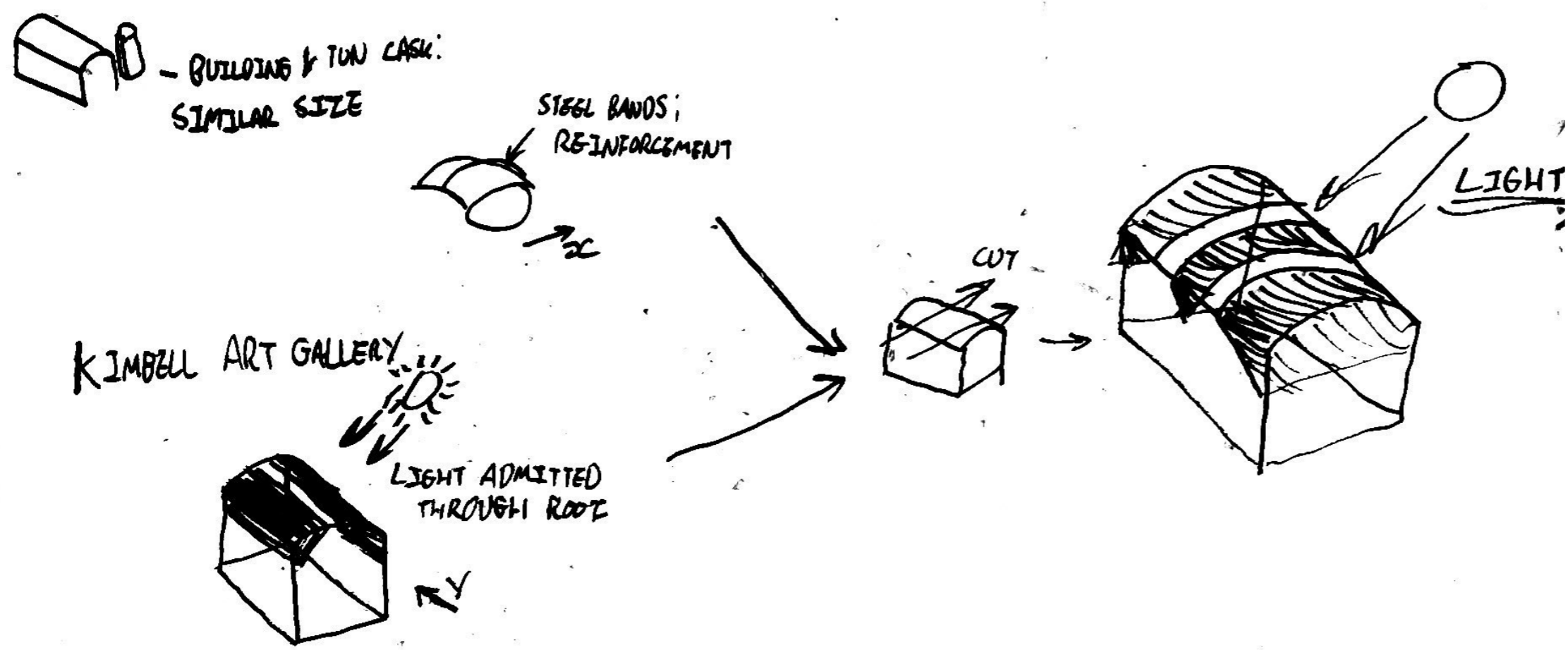
### 5. Boundary Wall



### 6. Seats on Shear Walls



# Further Precedent Study - Kimbell Art Gallery & Wine Barrels



To reinforce my design intent, I studied the form and standard sizes of wine barrels.

I discovered that they range from a size tailored for sale and small storage (Firkin, 40 litres), to a scale closer to a building (Tun Cask, 1000 litres).

The steel reinforcement can be mirrored in my design's roof, akin to the way that the Kimbell Art Gallery admits light subtly through its' roof.

This creates a sense of isolation from the world and safety while satisfying daylighting requirements.

# LIGHTING STUDY - PHYSICAL MODEL & TESTING

To put my initial concept for a public space for my project to the test, I created a conceptual model in 1:20, based on my first ideas for the space.

Key points for my lighting study include:

-There must be a **language of porous brickwork**, and the way this interacts with light is **paramount to the experience** of my space.

-There must be **sufficient lighting throughout** to conform to **EN 17037**, with specific minima being:

**DA100 of over 95% for half of the daylight hours**

**DA300 of over 50% for half of the daylight hours**

-The daylighting **should not make the space too open** to its' surroundings, as my **design language will focus on the language of a wine cellar**. This means that a **sheltered and protected atmosphere is best**.

## CONCEPT MODEL - PHOTOGRAPHS



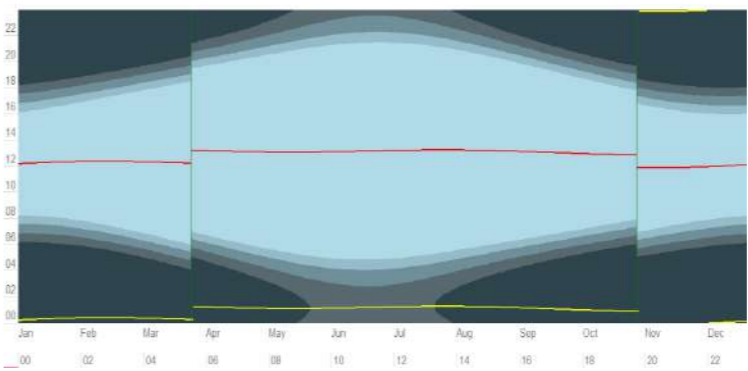
## ESSENTIAL SITE INFORMATION

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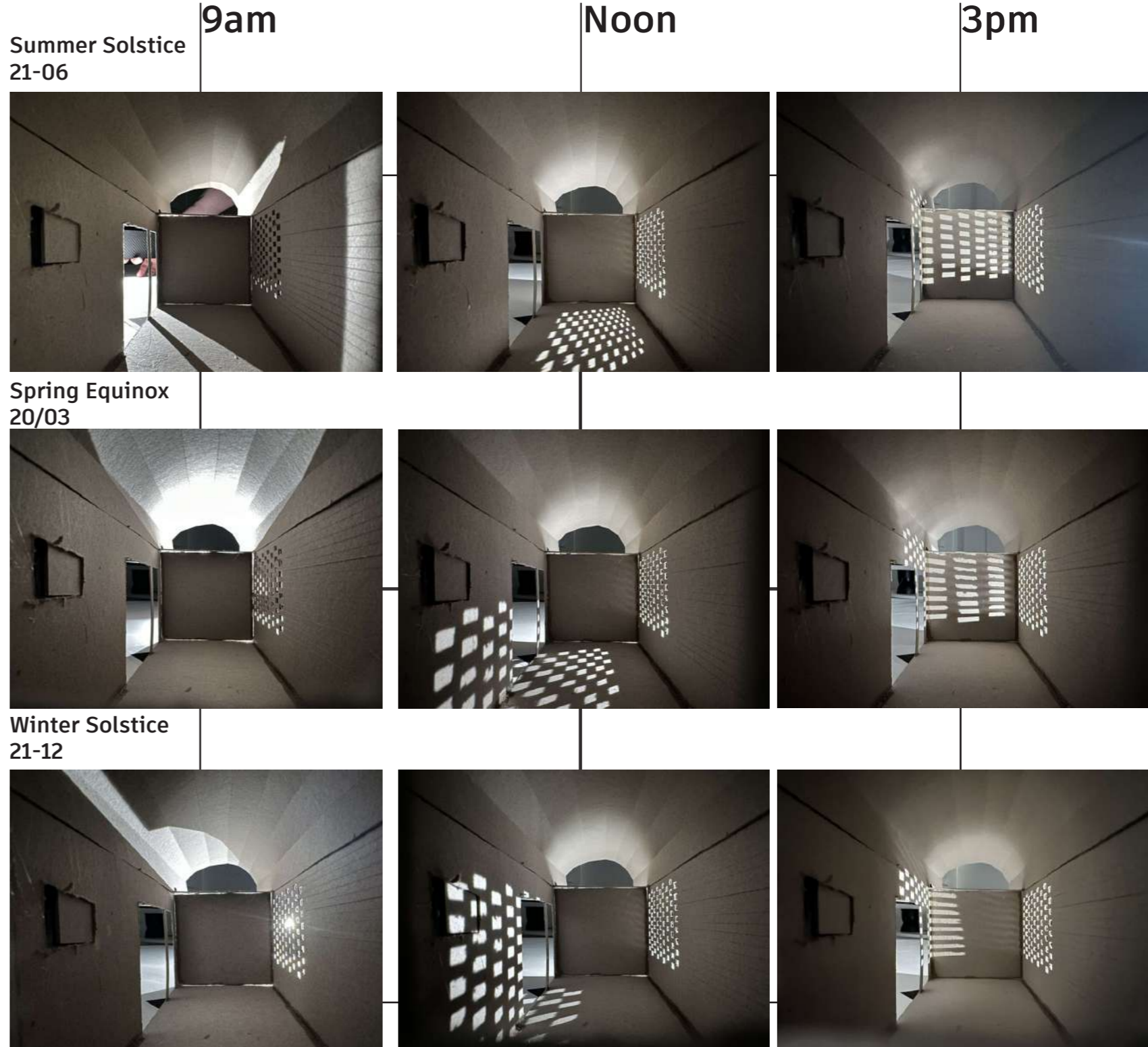
Longitude | -2.6750

Sunrise 21-06 | 3:53 AM  
Sunrise 21-12 | 8:14 AM

Sunset 21-06 | 8:32 PM  
Sunset 21-12 | 4:03PM



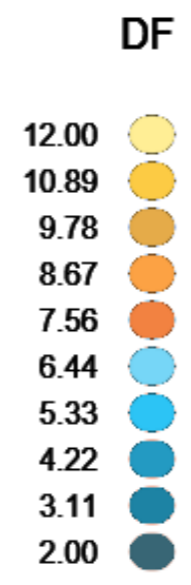
AZIMUTH (Winter-Summer Solstice)  
Sunrise: 132.57 - 48.84  
Noon: 178.00 - 173.96  
Sunset: 231.59 - 311.17



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# LIGHTING STUDY - DIGITAL MODEL

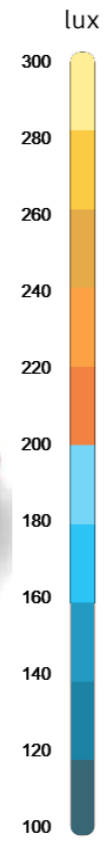
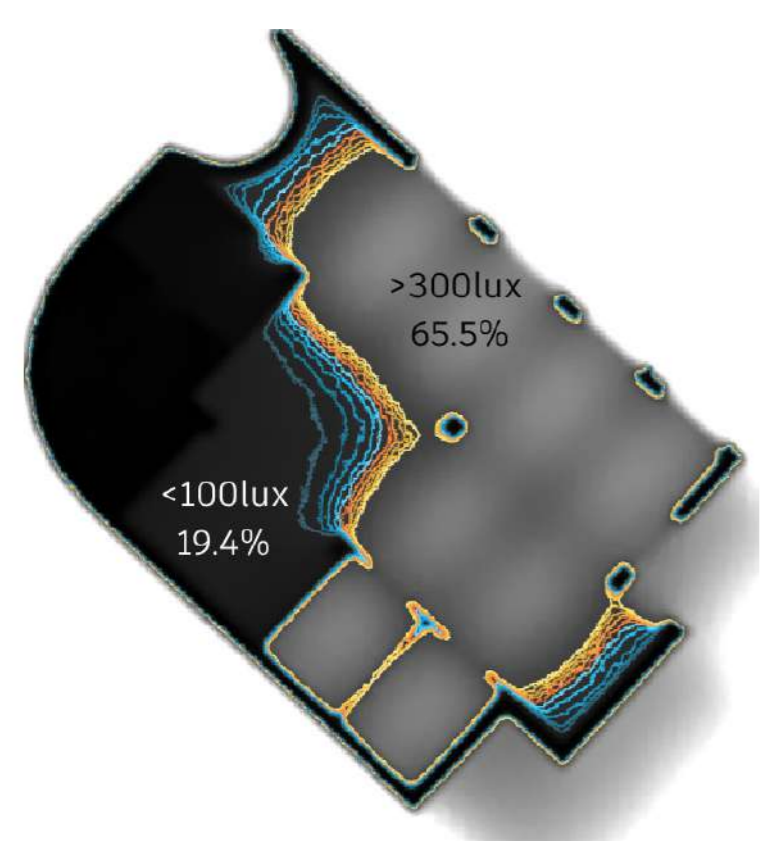
## DAYLIGHT FACTOR IN PLAN



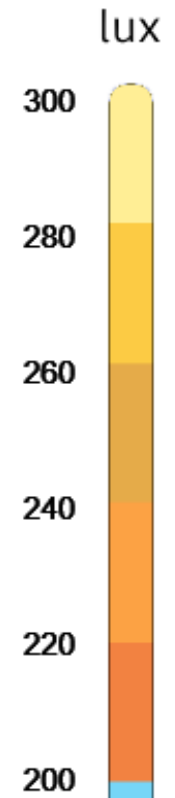
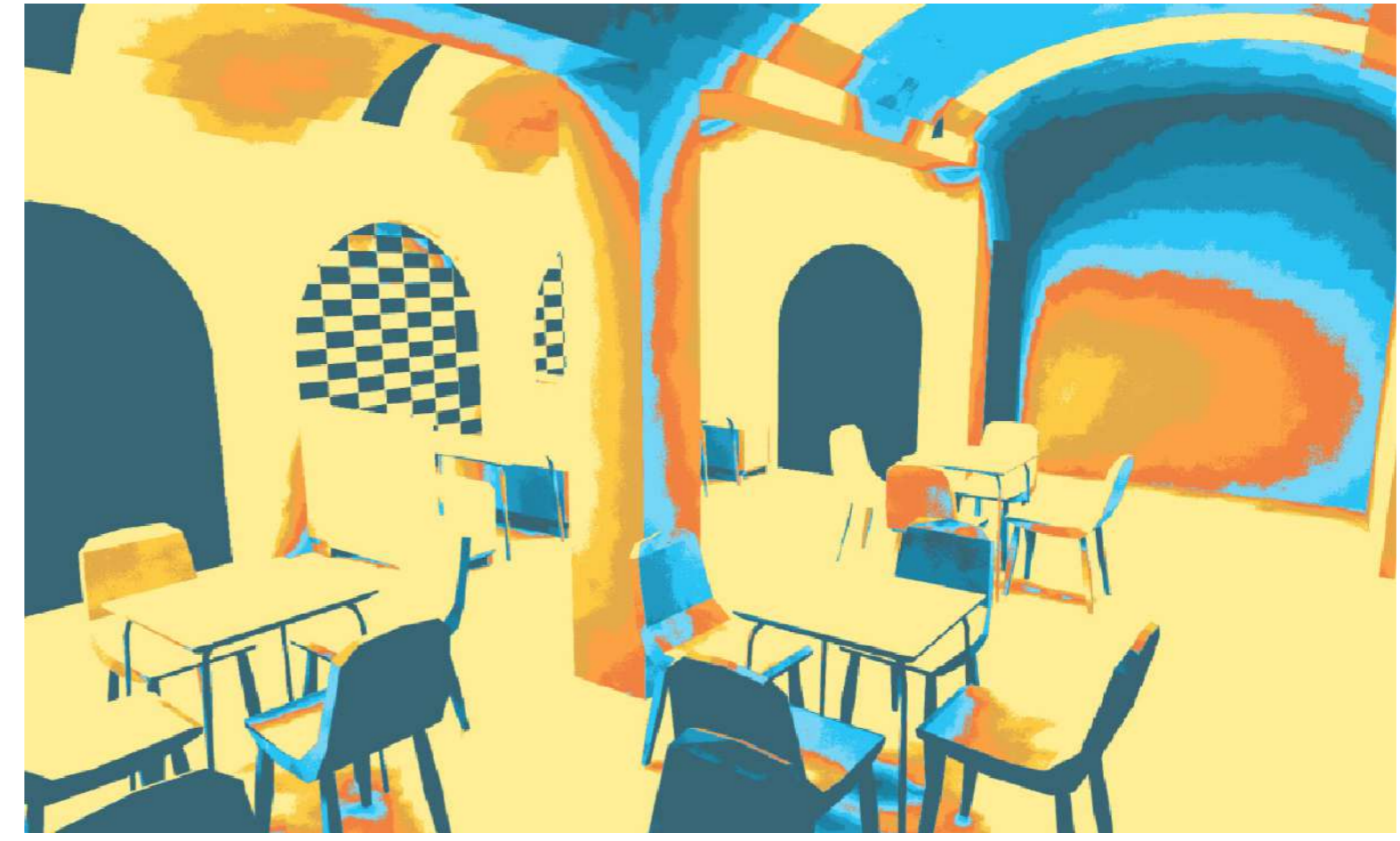
Where DF is under 2, artificial lighting is required.

Where DF is over 5, the space is considered day-light autonomous.

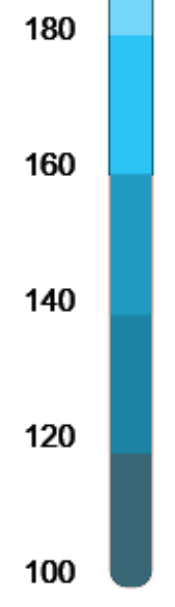
## LUX LEVELS IN PLAN



## 3D RENDERS Quantitative

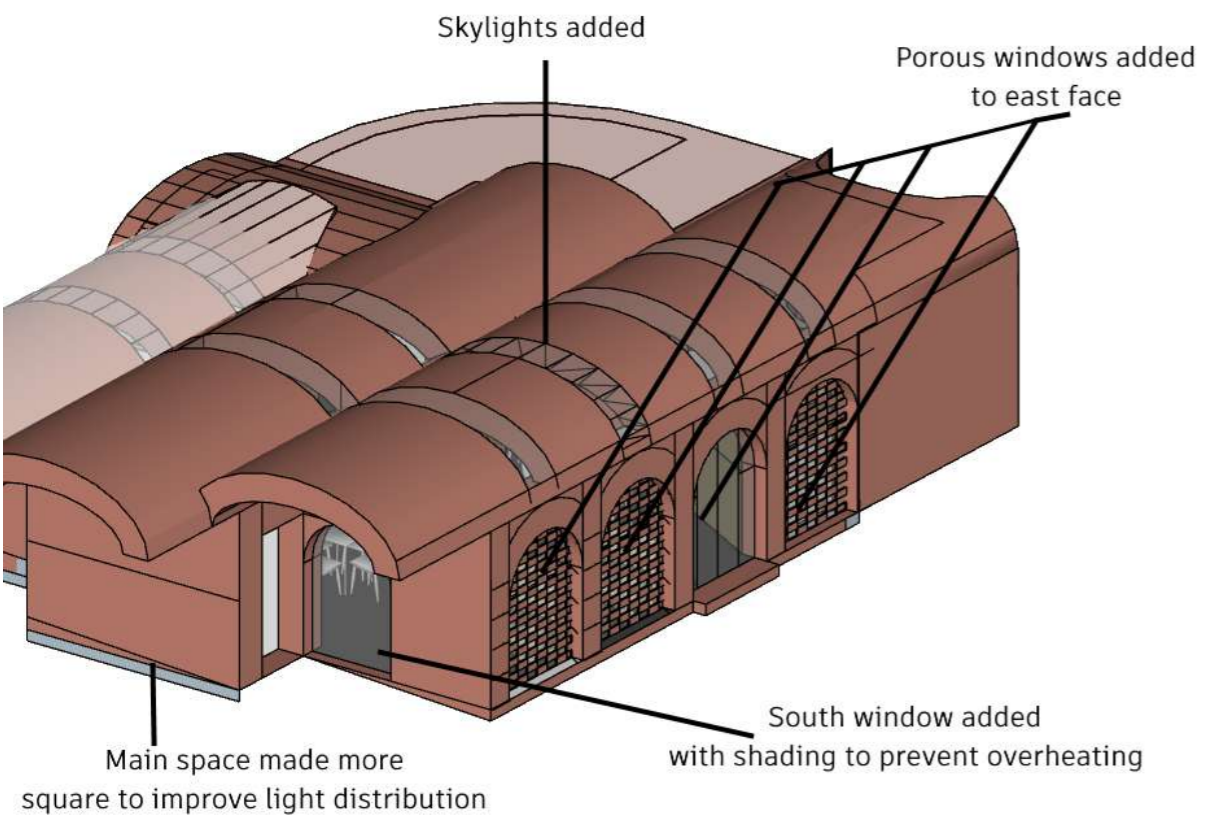


## Qualitative

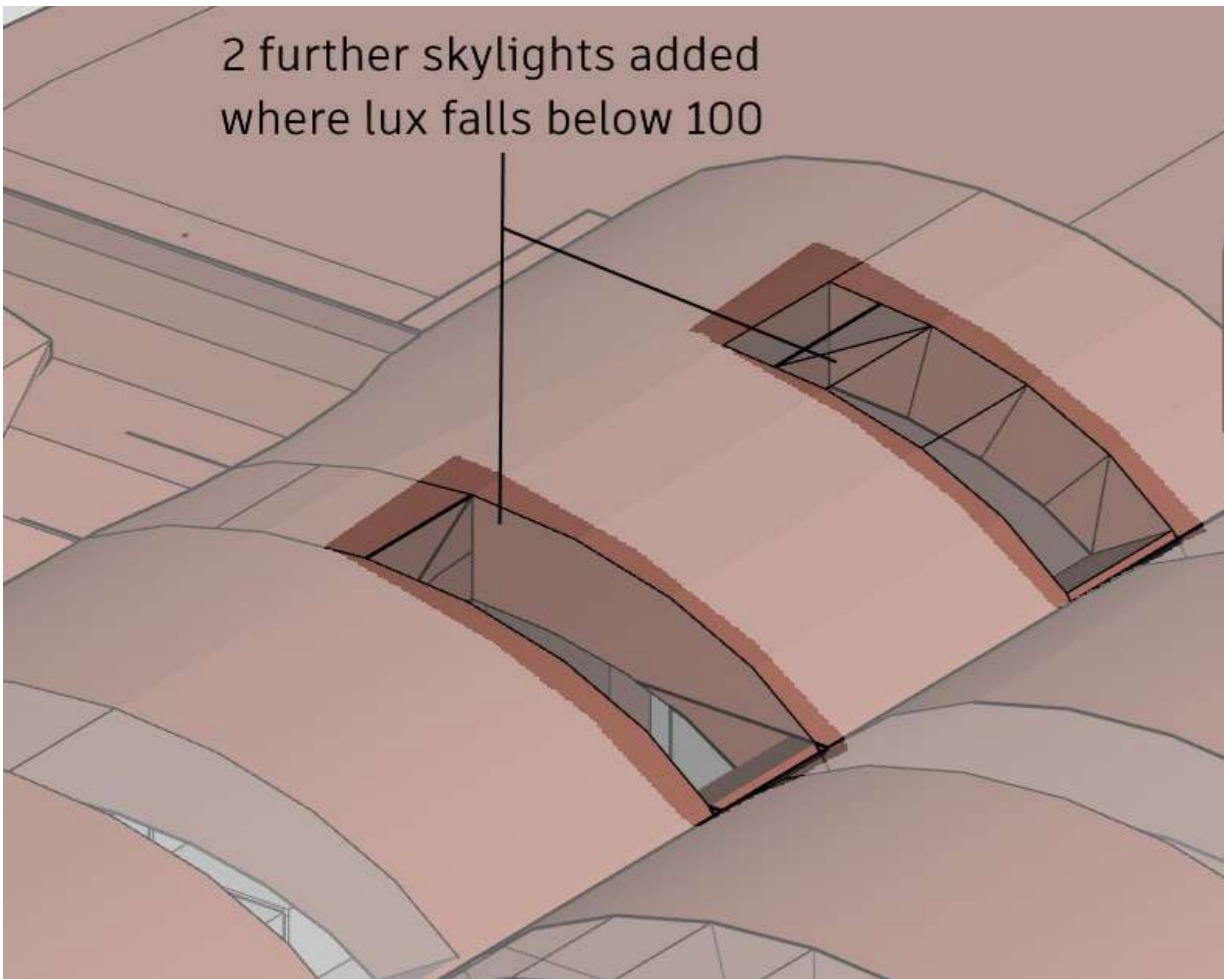


# LIGHTING STUDY - SUMMARY

## Iterations following physical model



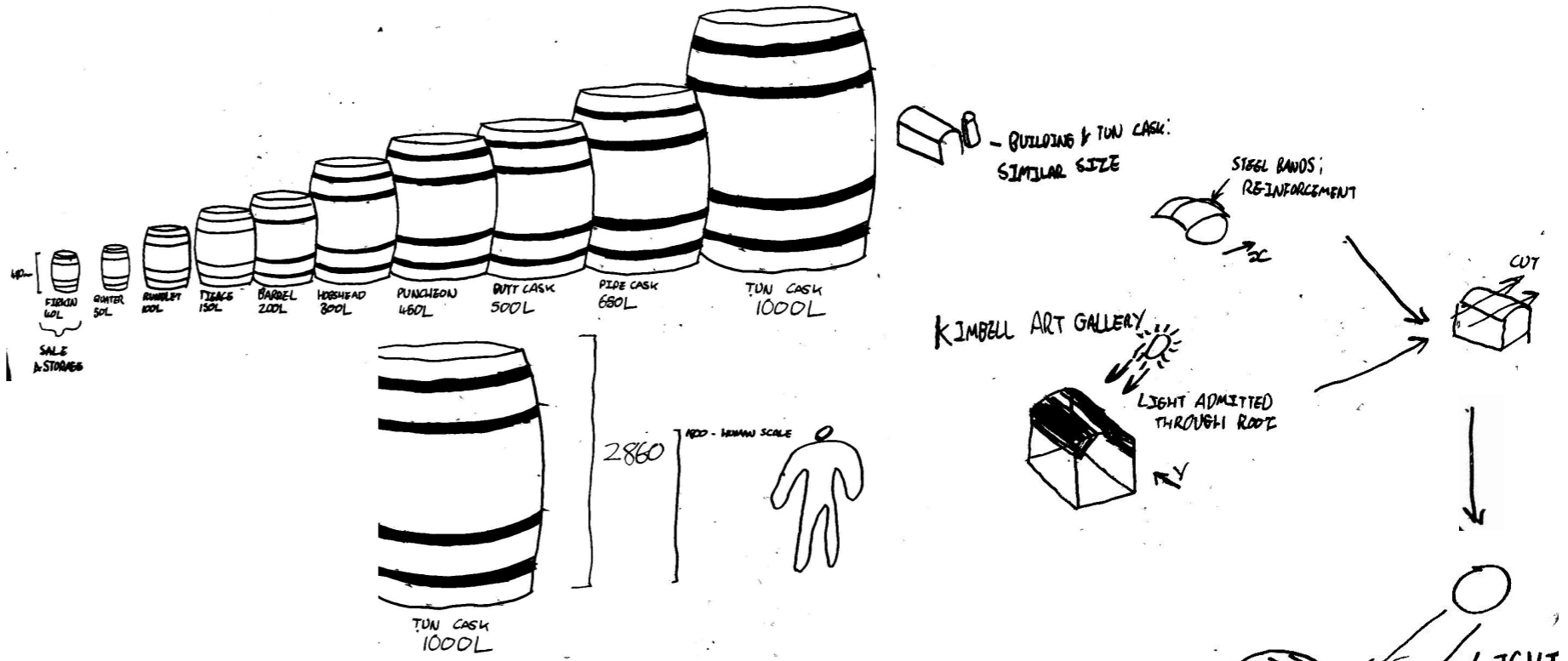
## Iterations following digital model



## PRECEDENT USED - KIMBALL ART GALLERY

Louis Kahn, 1972

### Design Language - Wine Barrels



## INSIGHTS INTO DESIGN FROM LIGHTING STUDY

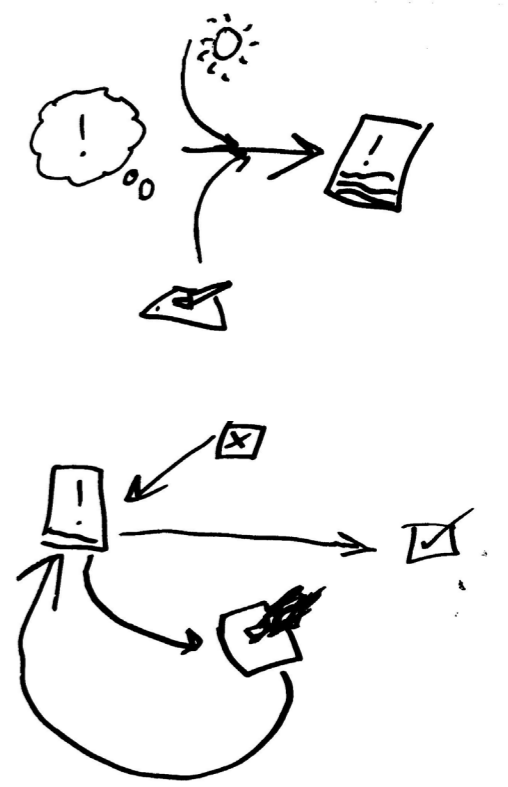
The lighting study allowed me to observe how an initial concept idea would perform when put to the test in terms of lighting - and enabled initial design ideas to be converted into working concepts.

It enabled me to tactically place different ideas for windows in the places they would be best suited for ideal lighting conditions.

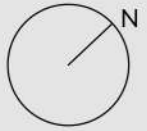
## HOW THE STUDY SUPPORTS MY DESIGN

By testing my design digitally and physically, and making iterations according to issues, I can improve my design and allow it to conform to standards.

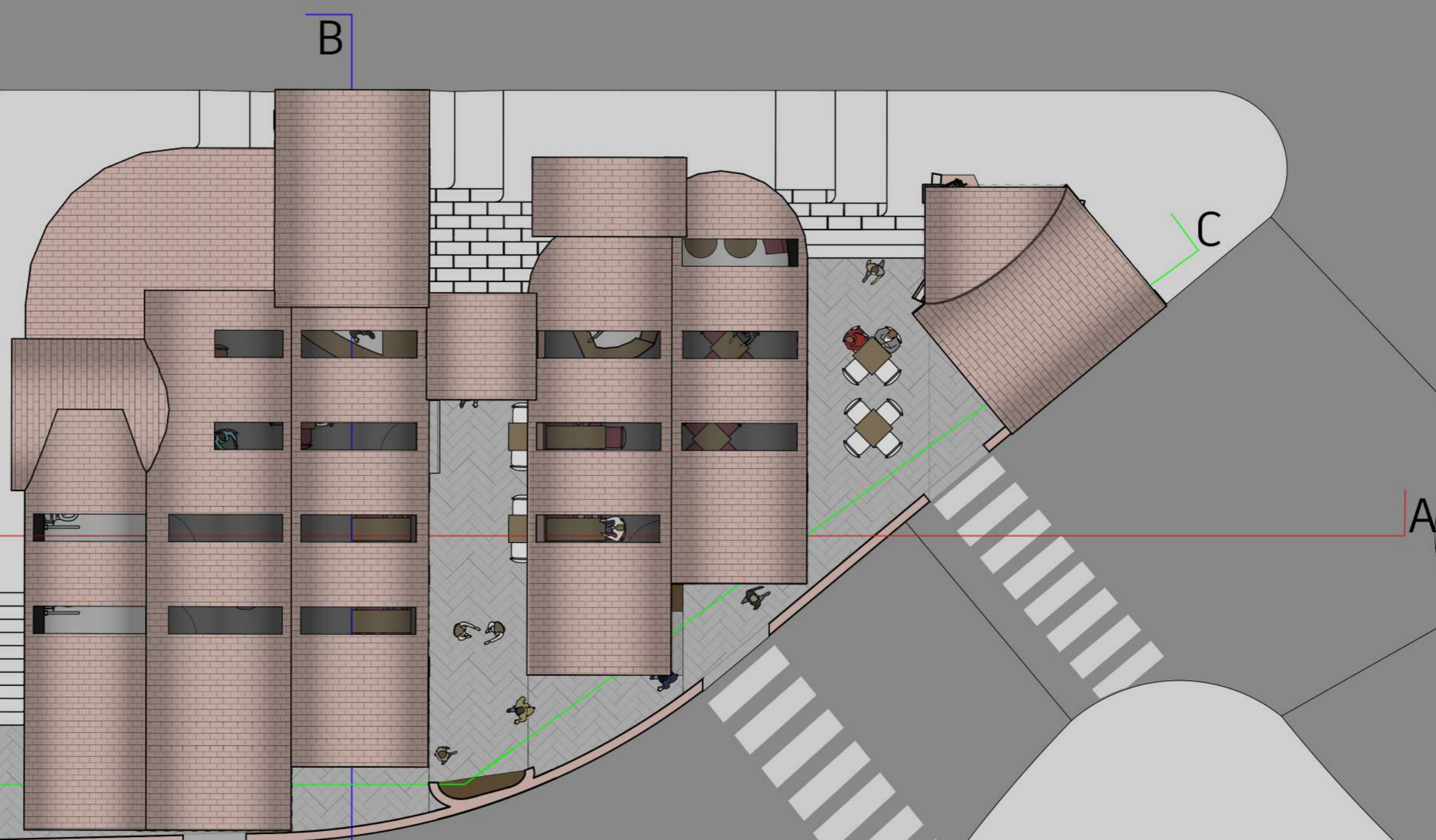
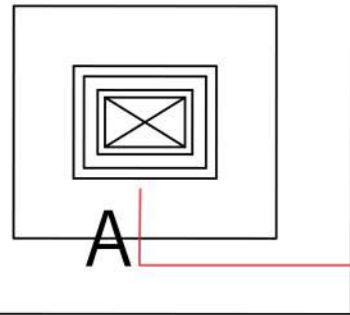
Many organisations such as CIBSE and BSI stress the importance of good lighting in buildings, therefore the lighting study aids my design in conforming to the standards set.



Roof Plan 1:100



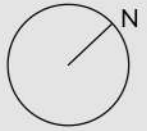
0m 1m 2m 3m 4m 5m



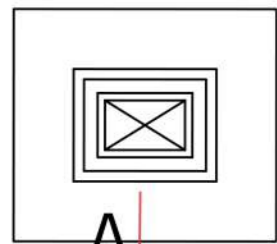
To Greggs and High St.

To Coffee #1, Henry's, Pitchers Sports Bar etc.

Floor Plan 1:100



0m 1m 2m 3m 4m 5m



A

B

C

A

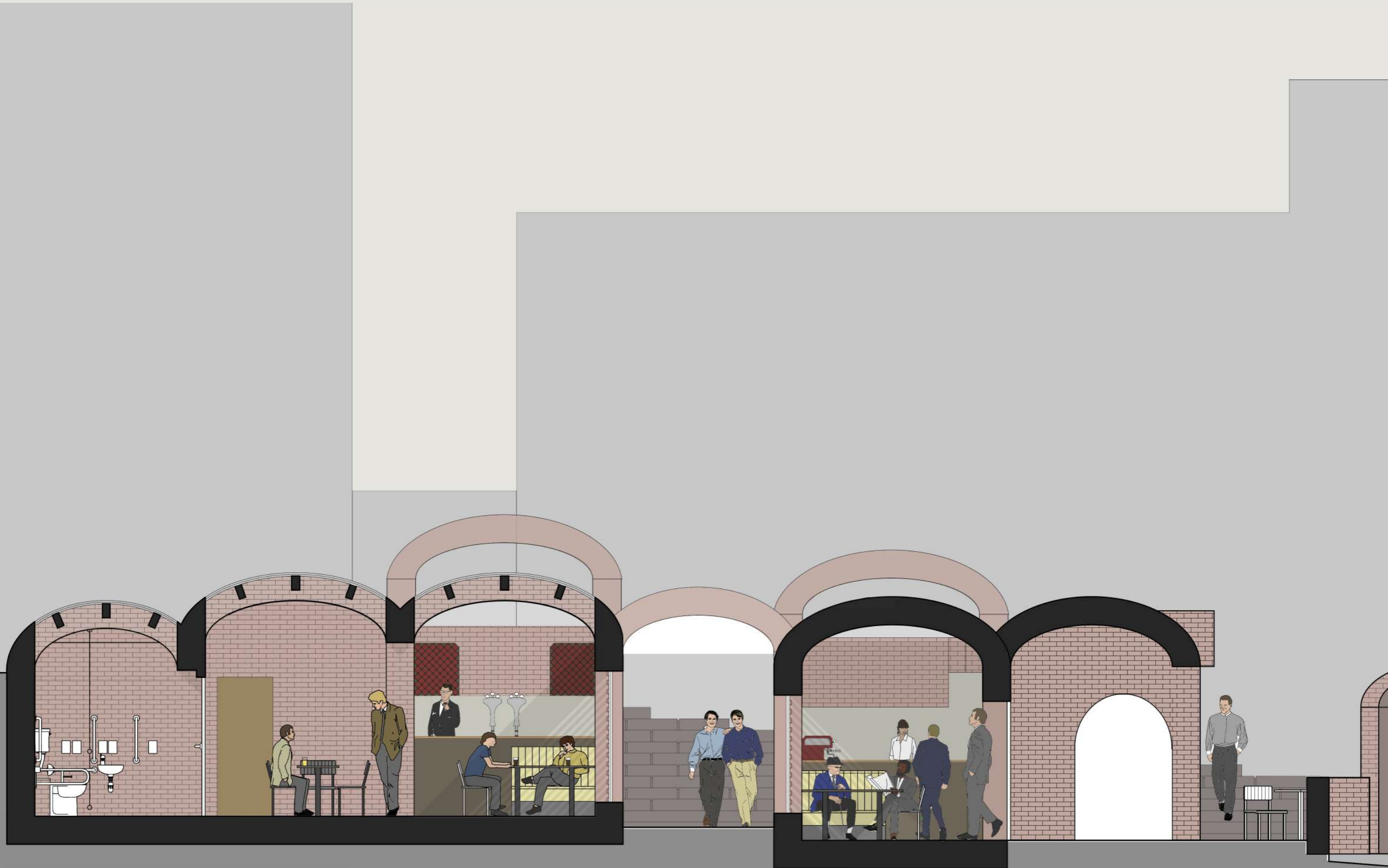
C

To Greggs  
and High St.

B

To Coffee #1, Henry's,  
Pitchers Sports Bar etc.





SECTION A-A | 1:50





Section B-B 1:50





Section C-C 1:100

0m 2m 4m 6m 8m 10m

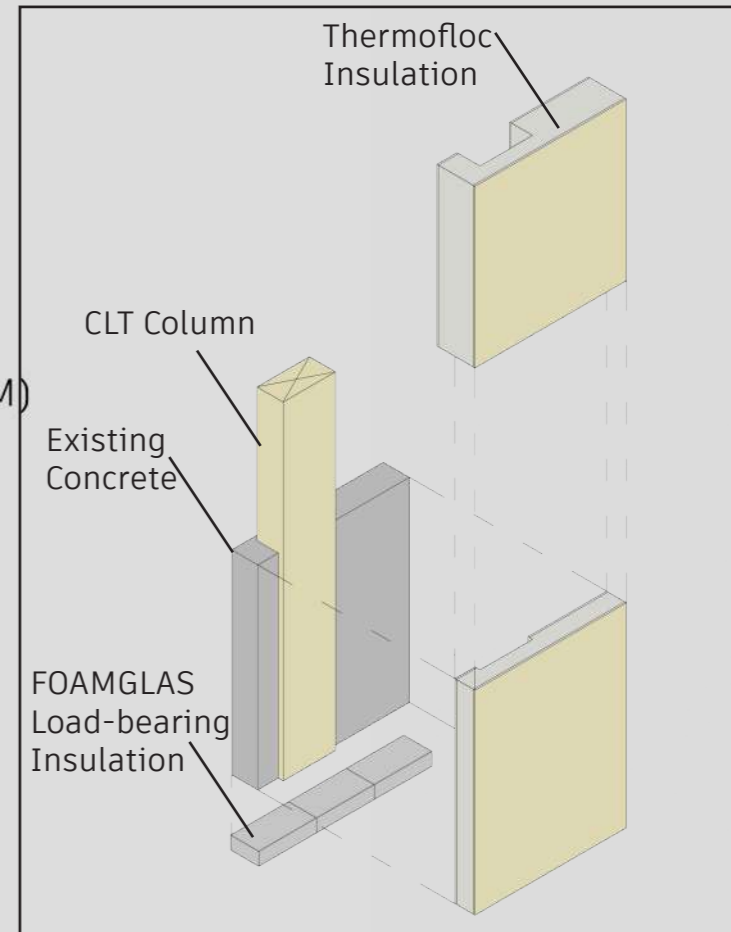
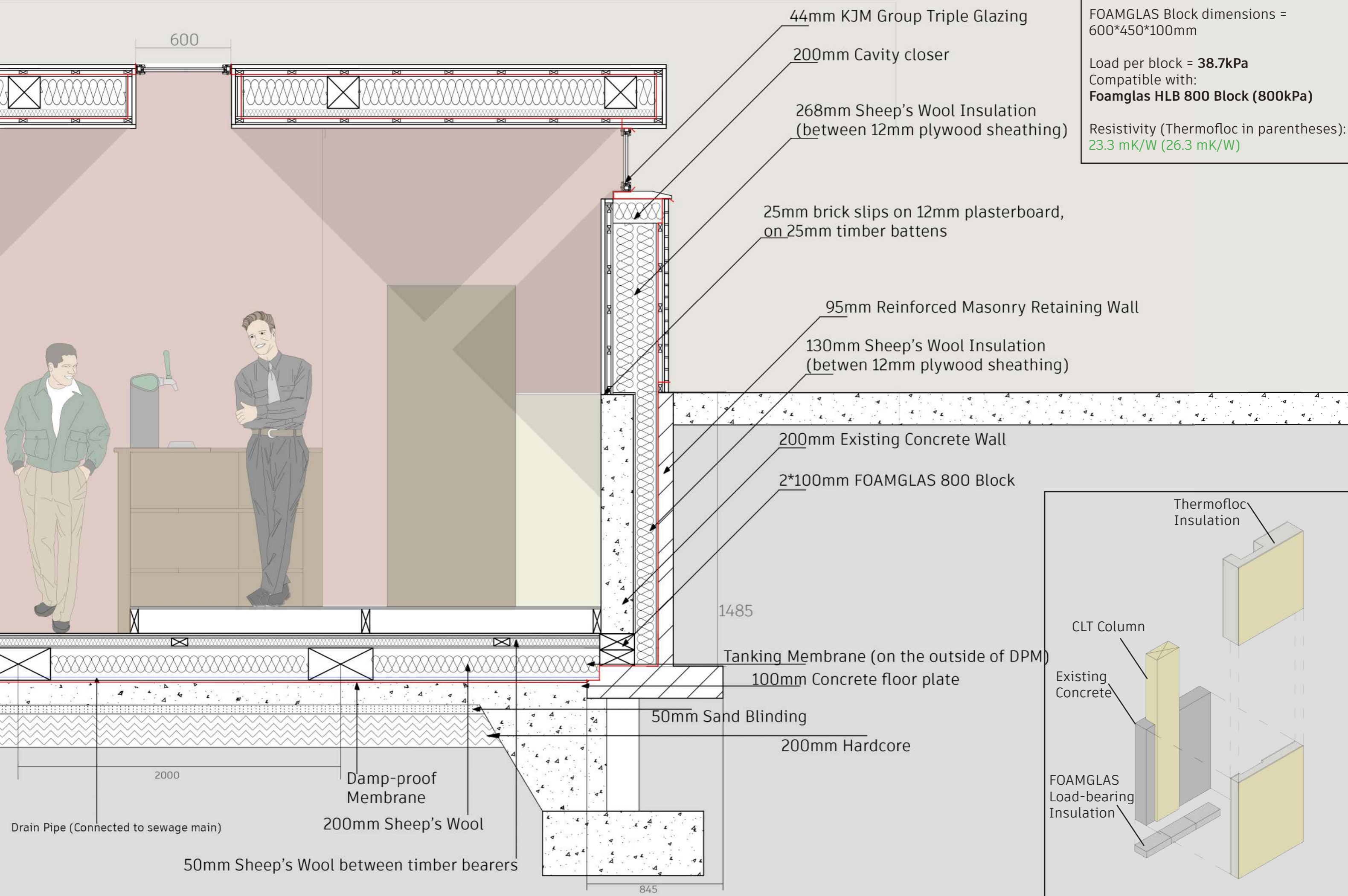
# AT2 - Section B-B Detail 1:20

Ultimate Load = 28.7kN/m<sup>2</sup>  
 = 28.7kPa/m<sup>2</sup>

FOAMGLAS Block dimensions =  
 600\*450\*100mm

Load per block = 38.7kPa  
 Compatible with:  
**Foamglas HLB 800 Block (800kPa)**

Resistivity (Thermofloc in parentheses):  
 23.3 mK/W (26.3 mK/W)



# AT2 - Building Services

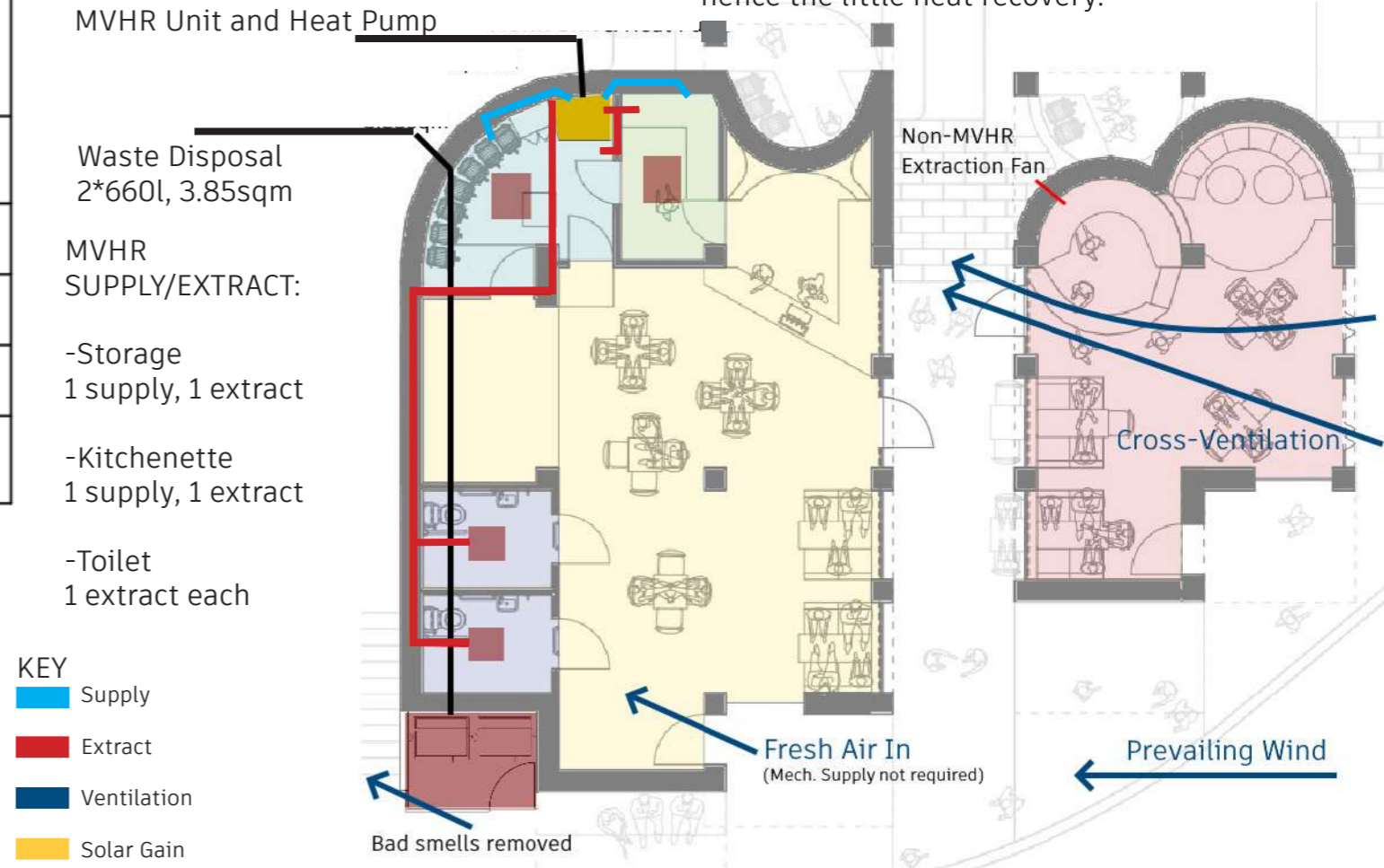
## Heating demand per space

Room	Winter avg. temp (C)	Winter comfort temp (C)	Winter heating hours	Summer avg. temp (C)	Summer comfort temp (C)	Summer heating hours
Bar – General Area	7.7	20-22	3342hrs	13.2	22-25	919hrs
Bar – Kitchenette	7.7	15-18	2847hrs	13.2	18-25	813hrs
Bar – Storage	7.7	19-21	3252hrs	13.2	21-25	884hrs
Toilet (total)	7.7	19-21	3252hrs	13.2	21-25	884hrs
Café – General Area	7.7	20-22	3342hrs	13.2	22-25	919hrs

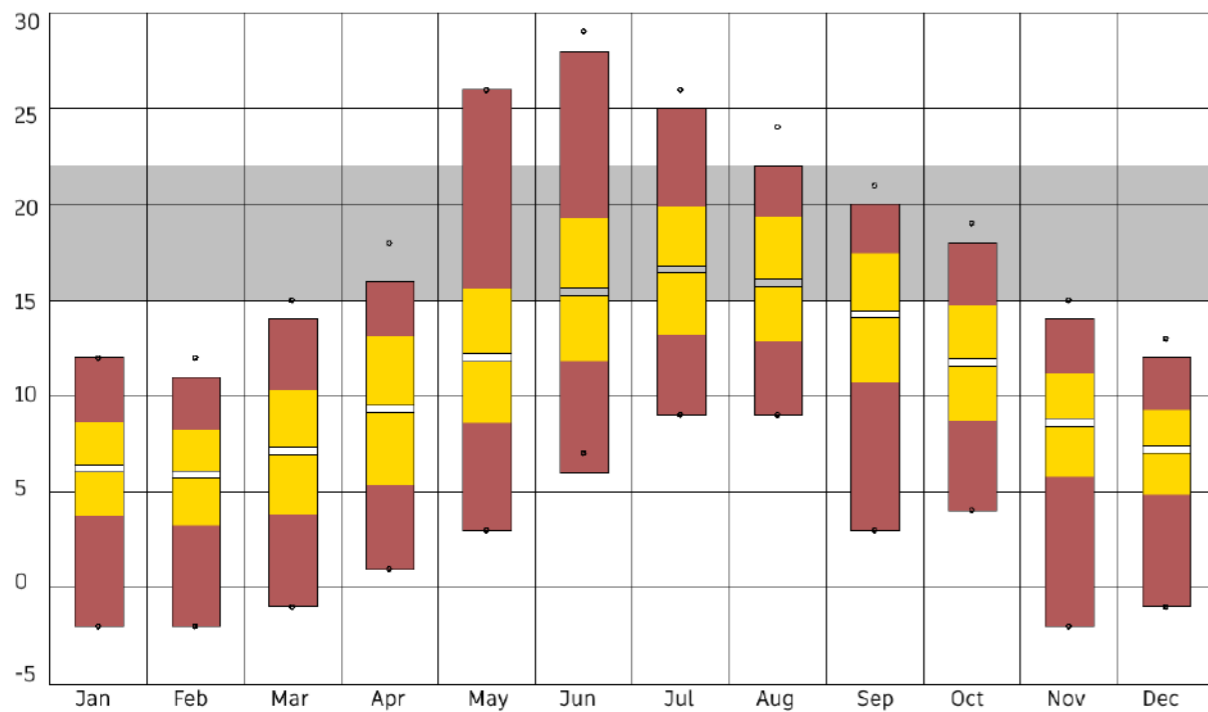
**No active cooling** is required in my project - if the room begins to overheat, then **purge ventilation is available** in every room (or its' neighbouring room) to **regulate the internal environment**.

## Plan with services highlighted

The café does not have MVHR, as the cost would not justify the little mechanical ventilation it needs and hence the little heat recovery.

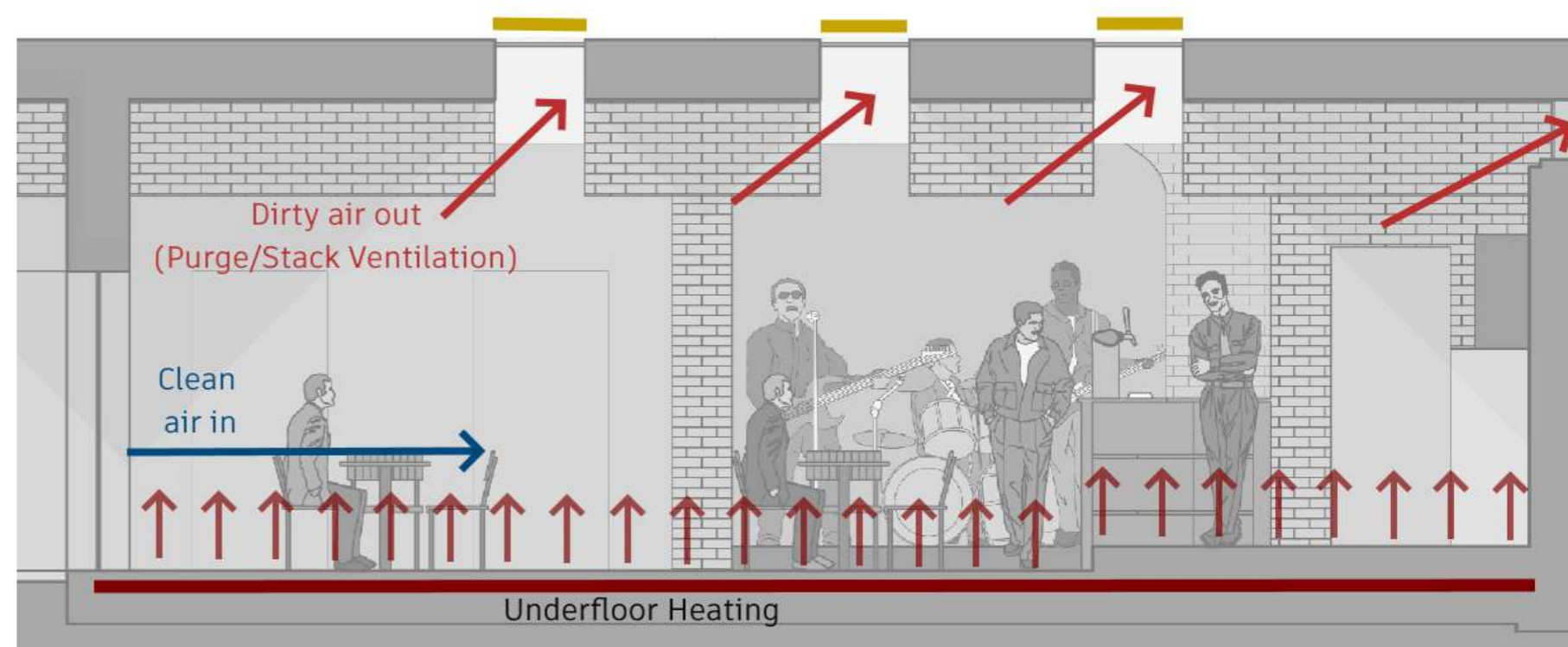


## Dry bulb temperature graph & comfort temperature



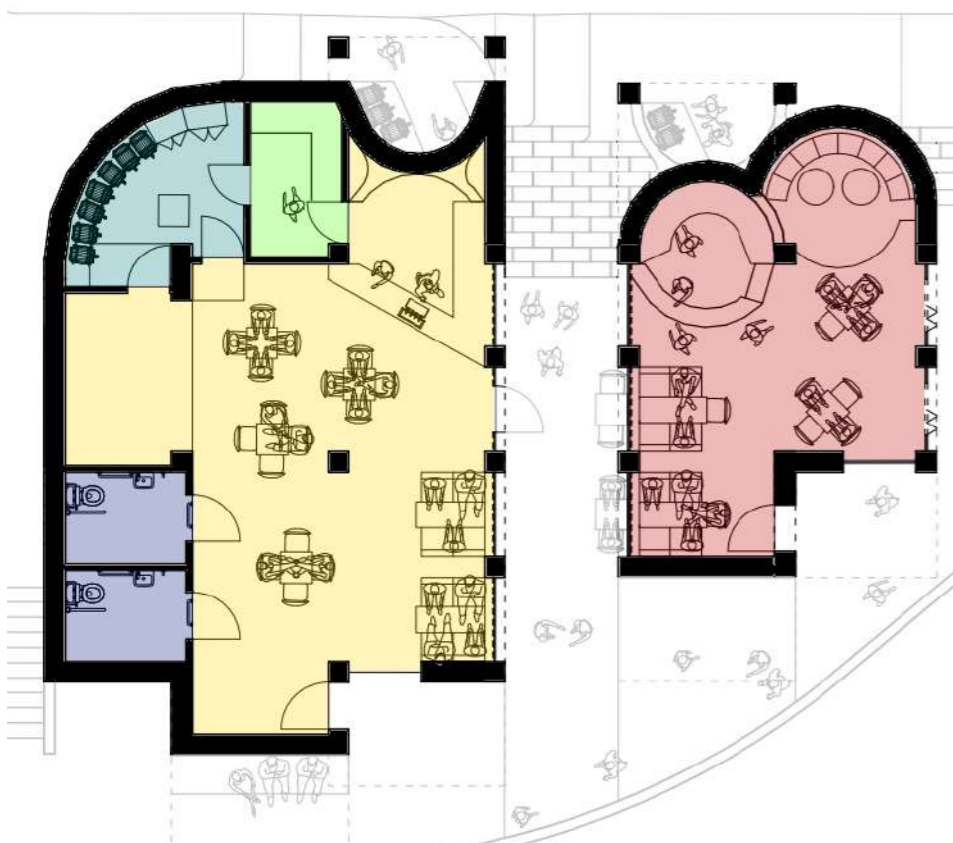
## Section B-B with services highlighted

Solar gains occur for most of the day on skylights



# AT2 - Energy Balance

AIM - To meet the RIBA 2025 Challenge for energy balance



## Overall Comfort Temperature & Occupancy

Room	Volume	Max. Occupancy	Winter avg. temp (C)	Winter comfort temp (C)	Summer avg. temp (C)	Summer comfort temp (C)
Bar – General Area	169m3	66	7.7	20-22	13.2	22-25
Bar – Kitchenette	13.1m3	1	7.7	15-18	13.2	18-25
Bar – Storage	23.1m3	3	7.7	19-21	13.2	21-25
Toilet (total)	20.5m3	2	7.7	19-21	13.2	21-25
Café – General Area	97.7m3	43	7.7	20-22	13.2	22-25

## Ventilation Requirements

Room	Volume	Usual Occupancy	Suggested air supply (L s-1)	Air changes per hour (ach)	Avg. dT (Summer) (C)	Avg. dT (Winter) (C)
Bar – General Area	169m3	30	300	6.39	10.3	13.3
Bar – Kitchenette	13.1m3	1	4.19	1.15	8.3	8.8
Bar – Storage	23.1m3	3	30	4.68	9.8	12.3
Toilet (total)	20.5m3	2	-	5	9.8	12.3
Café – General Area	97.7m3	28	280	10.3	10.3	13.3

$$Q_{mec} = Q_f + Q_v - Q_s - Q_{int} - Q_{pv}$$

$Q_f = \text{Avg. U-value} \times \text{Fabric Area} \times \text{Temp. Change}$

Avg. U = 0.173 W/m2K  
 $Q_f = 0.173 \times 489.546 \times 10.85$   
 $Q_f = 0.919 \text{ kWh} = 3350 \text{ kWh/yr}^*$

$Q_v = \text{ACH} \times \text{Volume} \times \text{Temp. Change} \times 0.33$   
 $= (4.21 + 0.043 + 0.394 + 0.374 + 3.92)$   
 $= 8.94 \text{ kWh} = 27,900 \text{ kWh/yr}^*$

$Q_s = \left( 871.7 \cdot \left( \frac{24.54}{58.55} \right) \right) + \left( 828.9 \cdot \left( \frac{6.03}{58.55} \right) \right) + \left( 556.2 \cdot \left( \frac{18.1}{58.55} \right) \right) + \left( 9.88 \cdot \left( \frac{9.88}{58.55} \right) \right) \times 58.55 \times 0.609$

GIA = 120sqm  
 Café open from 0900hrs - 1900hrs (10hrs/day, 3650hrs/yr)  
 Bar fully open from 1500hrs - 2200hrs (7hrs/day, 2555hrs/yr)  
 Toilets open from 0900hrs - 2200hrs

$Q_{int}$ :  
 1met = 17.5W  
 Avg activity gains/person = 1.3 MET | 5.25W  
 Total activity gains = 0.336kWh  
 Activity gains/yr = 1230kWh/yr\*

Use fCO2	Material	Volume in Scheme (m3)	Density (kg/m3)	Mass (kg)	A1-A3 tCO2e	Transport fCO2	Distance (km)	A4 tCO2e	Total tCO2e
0.213	Brick Slips	17.9	1700	11,678.15	6.48	0.0005	5km (LOCAL CLAY)	Negligible	6.48
0.437	CLT	25.4	720	18,293.76	7.99	0.16	1500km (DE)	2.93	10.92
0.072	Retaining Wall (75% GGBS)	13.3	2447	32,427	2.33	0.032	300km (UK)	1.03	3.36

Embodied Carbon: 6.48 + 10.92 + 3.36 = **20.76tCO<sub>2</sub>e**  
 Carbon Sequestration by Timber: 1.64 \* 18,293.76 = **-30.0tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

**Avg. Mechanical Energy Required: 64.3kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/yr**

**Overall Embodied Carbon: -9.24tCO<sub>2</sub>e**

\*These values are based on opening hours, as these will be the only hours that require mechanical ventilation and heating. 10hrs/day has been used for Qf and Qint.





“Products produced in and local to Chepstow need a place to be amplified - so far, there isn’t really that opportunity at all.”



“Somewhere to relax with friends on the rare occasion that the sun comes out would be fun.”



“Work events such as wine tasting would be fun to have in Chepstow, to keep its’ economy going and to promote local products.”



“When I visit my father in Chepstow there’s not a lot to do. It’d be nice to spend more time in the town centre somewhere a bit more memorable.”

17:00



"I always feel sluggish after work. A coffee with my friends would be just the right medicine."

17:00



"There's nothing better after a hard day of work, than going to the local and seeing a familiar face."

20:00



"Chepstow feels depressing and sometimes scarily quiet to walk through at night."

20:00



"In Bristol there's all sorts of places to watch talented people perform in the evenings. Chepstow doesn't have that. It's sad."



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