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Date: 13 June 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

You are invited to the following meeting:

#### Planning Committee Auditorium, Shetland Museum and Archives, Hay's Dock, Lerwick Tuesday 20 June 2017 at 10am

Apologies for absence should be notified to Louise Adamson at the above number.

Yours faithfully

Executive Manager – Governance and Law

Chair: Mr T Smith Vice-Chair: Ms A Manson

#### AGENDA

- (a) Hold circular calling the meeting as read.
- (b) Apologies for absence, if any.
- (c) Declarations of Interest Members are asked to consider whether they have an interest to declare in relation to any item on the agenda for this meeting. Any Member making a declaration of interest should indicate whether it is a financial or non-financial interest and include some information on the nature of the interest. Advice may be sought from Officers prior to the meeting taking place.
- (d) Confirm minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2017 (enclosed).

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#### For Decision

1. 2016/387/LBC - To Increase Width of Existing First Floor Window, Hillswick Store, Hillswick by Mr Geoff Jukes



Meeting(s):	Planning Committee	20 June 2017
Report Title:	2016/387/LBC – To Increase Width of Existing First Floor Window, Hillswick Store, Hillswick	
Reference Number:	PL-01-17-F	
Author / Job Title:	Dawn Stewart, Planning Officer – Development I	Vanagement

#### **1.0 Decisions /Action Required:**

1.1 A decision on the listed building application is required.

#### 2.0 High Level Summary:

2.1 This application seeks to increase the width of an existing first floor window. The proposal has been found to be unacceptable when considered against the policies contained within the Shetland Local Development Plan (2014) and is recommended for refusal.

#### 3.0 Corporate Priorities and Joint Working:

3.1 A decision made on the listed building consent that accords with the development plan would contribute directly to the Single Outcome Agreement through the outcome that we live in well designed, sustainable places.

#### 4.0 Key Issues:

- Is the design change proposed in this instance acceptable?
- Does the Proposal accord with the Shetland Local Development Plan (2014)?
- Are there any other material considerations that would warrant the setting aside of current Planning Policies?

#### 5.0 Exempt and/or Confidential Information:

5.1 None.

## CO Implication

6.0 Implications:		
6.1 Service Users, Patients and Communities:	None.	
6.2 Human Resources and Organisational Development:	None.	
6.3 Equality, Diversity and Human Rights:	None.	
6.4 Legal:	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997(as amended).	
6.5 Finance:	None.	
6.6 Assets and Property:	None.	
6.7 ICT and New Technologies:	None.	
6.8 Environmental:	There are no adverse environmental impacts arising from this report.	
6.9 Risk Management:	If Members are minded to approve the application, it is imperative that clear reasons for proposing the approval of listed building consent contrary to the development plan policy and the officer's recommendation be given and minuted. This is in order to provide clarity in the case of a subsequent planning appeal or judicial review against the Planning Committee's decision. Failure to give clear planning reasons for the decision could lead to the decision being overturned or quashed. In addition, an award of costs could be made against the Council. This could be on the basis that it is not possible to mount a reasonable defence of the Council's decision.	
6.10 Policy and Delegated Authority:	The application is for listed building consent made under the terms of the Town and Country (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997. As the Appointed Person would propose to recommend refusal, the decision to determine this application is therefore delegated to the Planning Committee under the Planning Scheme of Delegations that has been approved by the Scottish Ministers.	
6.11	Not previously considered.	

Previously	
considered by:	

#### **Contact Details:**

Dawn Stewart, Planning Officer, Development Services Report Cleared: 12 June 2017

#### Appendices:

- 1. Report of handling on listed building consent application.
- 2. Site and Location Plan 413/P/001/A
- 3. Existing Plans, Section & Elevations 413/P/003
- 4. Photos of Existing Scheme 413/P/002
- 5. Existing Approved Scheme 413/P/010
- 6. Proposed Elevation 413/P/009
- 7. Proposed Floor Plans 413/004/B
- 8. Proposed Elevations & Sections 413/P/005/B

Background Documents: Shetland Local Development Plan (2014)

Planning Permission 2010/227/PCD Planning Permission 2016/069/PPF Listed Building Consent 2016/081/LBC

## Report of Handling

**Development:** Increase width of existing first floor window

Location: Hillswick Store, Hillswick, Shetland

By: Mr Geoff Jukes

#### Application Ref: 2016/387/LBC

#### 1. Introduction

This is an application for listed building consent which seeks to increase the width of an existing first floor timber window in the southern elevation of the Hillswick Store at Hillswick, which is a Category B listed building.

Planning permission (2016/069/PPF) and listed building consent (2016/081/LBC), covering the change of use of the building from a store to a studio/workshop and flat including conversion and refurbishment works to replace windows and doors, re-roof the building, undertake structural repairs and create a new opening on the ground floor, were granted in April 2016.

#### 2. Statutory Development Plan Policies

#### Shetland Local Development Plan

HE1 - Historic Environment HE2 - Listed Buildings

#### 3. Safeguarding

National Scenic Area - National Scenic Area: 1

Listed Building - Listed buildings: HILLSWICK, HILLSWICK HOUSE, EAST WING Category of listing: B

Listed Building - Listed buildings: HILLSWICK, HILLSWICK HOUSE Category of listing: B

Listed Building - Listed buildings: HILLSWICK, HILLSWICK HOUSE, THE BOOTH Category of listing: B

30km Radius Scatsta - 30km Sumburgh Scatsta: 2

Scatsta 13km Zone - Scatsta 13km Zone: 13km Consultation Zone Bird Strike Zone

Core Paths - Core Paths: CPPN06

5m Contour Area - 5m Contour Area: 1

Landscape Character Assessment - Landscape Character Assessment: Farmed and Settled Voes and Sounds

#### 4. **Consultations**

Historic Environment Scotland was consulted on 11 November 2016. Their comments dated 21 November 2016 can be summarised as follows:

We have no comments to make on the proposals.

Our decision not to provide comments and not to object should not be taken as our support for the proposals. You are the primary decision maker and assess proposals against local and national historic environment policy and guidance.

This response applies to the application currently proposed, an amended scheme may require another consultation with us.

Further Information

We have a national remit for the historic environment, and we do not provide comments on every application.

Guidance about national policy can be found in our 'Managing Change in the Historic Environment' series available online at:

www.historicenvironment.scot/advice-and-support/planning-andguidance/legislation-and-guidance/managing-change-in-the-historic-environmentguidance-notes.

Technical advice is available on our Technical Conservation website at <u>http://conservation.historic-scotland.gov.uk/</u>.

#### 5. Statutory Advertisements

The application was advertised in the Shetland Times on 11.11.2016. The application was advertised in the Edinburgh Gazette on 11.11.2016.

A site notice was posted on 11.11.2016.

#### 6. **Representations**

None.

#### 7. Report

Section 25 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) states that:

Where, in making any determination under the Planning Acts, regard is to be had to the development plan, the determination is, unless material considerations indicate otherwise to be made in accordance with that plan.

There are statutory Development Plan Policies against which this application has to be assessed and these are listed at paragraph 2 above. The determining issues to be considered are whether the proposal complies with Development Plan Policy, or there are any other material considerations which would warrant the setting aside of Development Plan Policy.

As identified in the introductory section above, the proposed development seeks to increase the width of a timber window that is situated on the first floor of the southern gable of the Category B listed former store at Hillswick.

Shetland Local Development Plan (2014) Policy HE1 stipulates that the Council should presume in favour of the protection, conservation and enhancement of all elements of Shetland's historic environment, whilst Policy HE2 states that development affecting a listed building, or its setting, should preserve the building, its setting and any features of special architectural or historic interest that it possesses. As such, the layout, design, materials, scale, siting and use of any development should be appropriate to the character and appearance of the listed building and its setting.

Historic Environment Scotland were consulted on the proposed development given the Category B listed status of the building and responded with no comments, yet advised that their decision not to provide comments and not to object should not be taken as support for the proposals, as it is up to the Planning Authority as primary decision maker to undertake a formal assessment of the proposals against local and national historic environment policies and associated guidance.

Historic Environment Scotland's guidance document entitled 'Managing Change in the Historic Environment : Windows', states within it the following:

'The windows of a historic building form an important element in defining its character.';

'The contribution of the windows in a historic building to its character, must be understood before considerating alteration.';

'The size, shape and proportion of a window .../... contribute to the character of a historic window.';

'Windows make a substantial contribution to the character and physical integrity of most historic buildings and also to the character and interest of historic streets and places. The size, shape and proportion of the openings are significant, as are the form and design of the framing and glazing. Their style, detailing and materials help us to understand when a building was constructed or altered, its function and advances in related technology.';

'Window proportions and spacing frequently relate to other elements of the building, such as the overall dimensions of an elevation or other features (e.g. doorways).'; and

'In cases where the buildings forms part of a larger grouping, it may be necessary to consider the wider context of the group and the potential for a cumulative effect if similar work was undertaken on every building. The design of the new window must take account of the size, proportion, material and detailing of surrounding or nearby windows.'

The supporting information submitted with the application states that the increase of width of the timber window is required to improve daylight into and views from the living accommodation on the first floor. It is considered that daylighting into the property, as a result of the 6 replacement rooflights on the east elevation (including 2 larger than was originally the case) and 5 replacement rooflights on the west elevation, which were originally proposed and approved under the terms of the planning and listed building consents granted in 2016, will provide the converted first floor attic space with an acceptable level of daylight.

The central window opening on the southern gable of the first floor of the property was vertically emphasized, tall and narrow, which created a definitive visual harmony and balance to the wider vertically boarded doors that have been situated directly below on the ground floor. This can be seen from many of the photographs (c.1880 – present day) that are included in the supporting documentation provided.

As part of the approved details for planning consent 2016/069/PPF and listed building consent 2016/081/LBC, in the south elevation of the building a new timber window is to be inserted in the existing opening at first floor level, with new sliding full-length timber windows and louvred shutters replacing the former doors opening at the ground floor level. The scale, spacing and proportion of this first floor timber replacement window was reflective of the existing window style and form, as it also had a vertical emphasis which was considered appropriate to the building and overall setting of the area.

In consideration of setting and context therefore, and according to Historic Environment Scotland's guidance documentation 'the design of the new window must take account of the size, proportion, material and detailing of surrounding or nearby windows'. Given that the Hillswick Store forms part of the listing for Hillswick House, in conjunction with the gate piers, outbuildings, cottage, garden and boundary walls, this building proposed for development will be visually read in conjunction with the existing buildings on site. The windows contained on the first floor of the Booth (which also forms a part of Hillswick House) that is situated immediately to the west of the store, are tall and slim, symmetrically balanced and also with a vertical emphasis.

Whilst the proposed wider window at first floor would provide the building's occupants with a wider aspect and more of a link to the outdoor environment at first floor level, it is considered that a proposed change to the symmetry of this prominent gable end of the Hillswick Store as a result of a widening of this aperture will upset the visual balance and create a significant change in the overall appearance of the property and surrounding built heritage. The building itself would also tend to be visually read more as a domestic property, rather than being viewed with regard to its historic function and importance to the area as an integral part of this historic grouping.

As a result, there would be a loss of character and integrity which would affect the visual appearance of the overall setting of this historic group of buildings, thus the proposal is contrary to the policies outlined at section 2 above and therefore recommended for refusal.

#### 8. **Recommendation**

Refuse listed building consent.

#### Reasons for Council's decision:

The proposed increase in the width of the window aperture in the first floor of this prominent south gable end of the building would upset the balance and symmetry that currently exists, thereby adversely affecting its visual appearance and appeal, and would result in a loss of the building's character, integrity and functionality as an integral part of this historic group of buildings. Therefore, the proposal is contrary to Shetland Local Development Plan (2014) Policies HE1 and HE2.

#### 9. List of refused plans:

Site and Location Plan 413/P/001/A	7 November 2016
Existing Plans, Section & Elevations 413/P/003	7 November 2016
Photos of Existing Scheme 413/P/002	7 November 2016
Existing Approved Scheme 413/P/010	7 November 2016
Proposed Elevation 413/P/009	7 November 2016
Proposed Floor Plans 413/004/B	7 November 2016
Proposed Elevations & Sections 413/P/005/B	7 November 2016

#### 10. Further Notifications Required

None.

#### 11. Background Information Considered

Planning Application 2010/227/PCD – Install temporary roof covering by Northmavine Community Development Company. Approved on 22 December 2010.

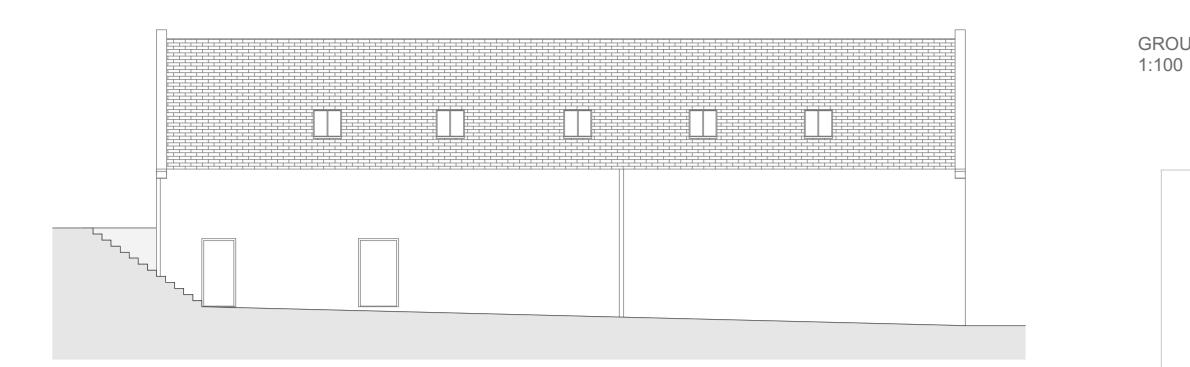
Planning Application 2016/069/PPF – Change of use from store to studio/workshop and flat including conversion and refurbishment, Hillswick Store, Hillswick by Mr G Jukes. Approved on 15 April 2016.

Listed Building Application 2016/081/LBC – Conversion and refurbishment to studio/workshop and flat including replacement windows and doors, re-roofing, structural repairs and new opening on ground floor, Hillswick Store, Hillswick by Mr G Jukes. Approved on 14 April 2016.

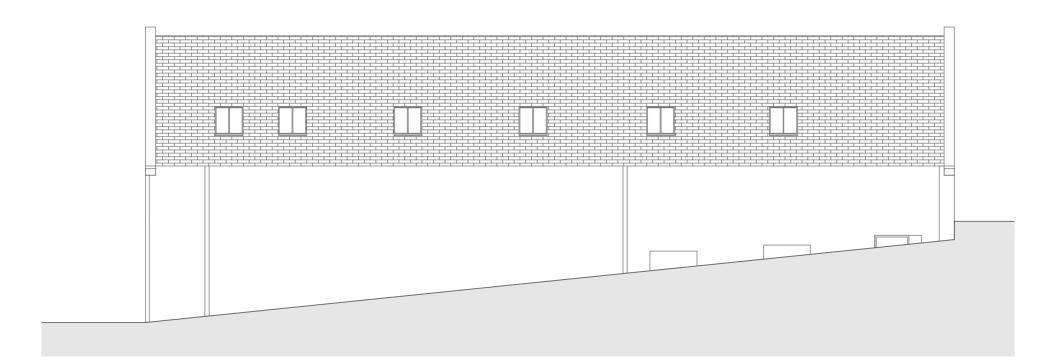
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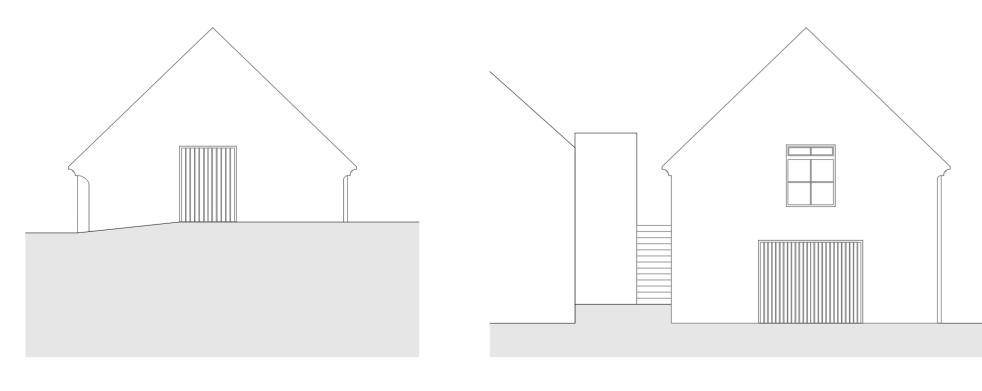
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EAST ELEVATION 1:100



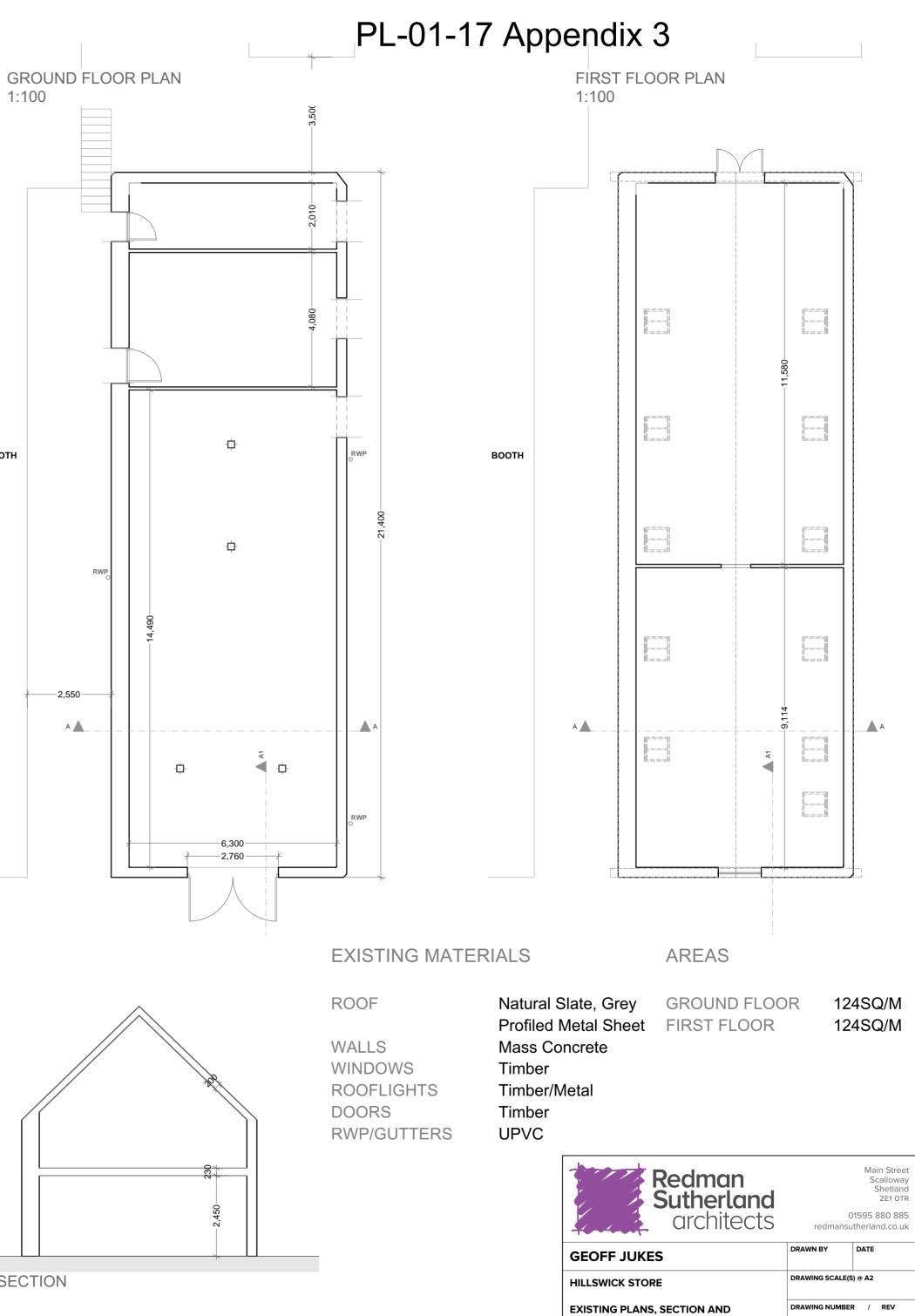
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BOOTH

EXISTING BUILDING SURVEY



ELEVATIONS

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VIEW ALONG WATERFRONT TO EAST



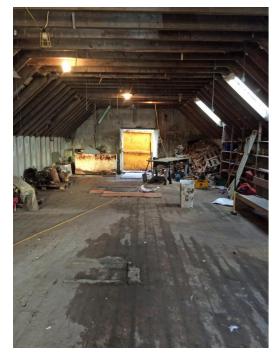
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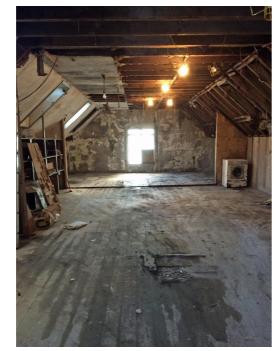
WEST ELEVATION



NORTH GABLE



FIRST FLOOR -VIEW NORTH



ROOF STRUCTURE



LANE TO THE WEST



SOUTH GABLE



**GROUND FLOOR STORE** 



TIMBER COLUMNS



roof structure



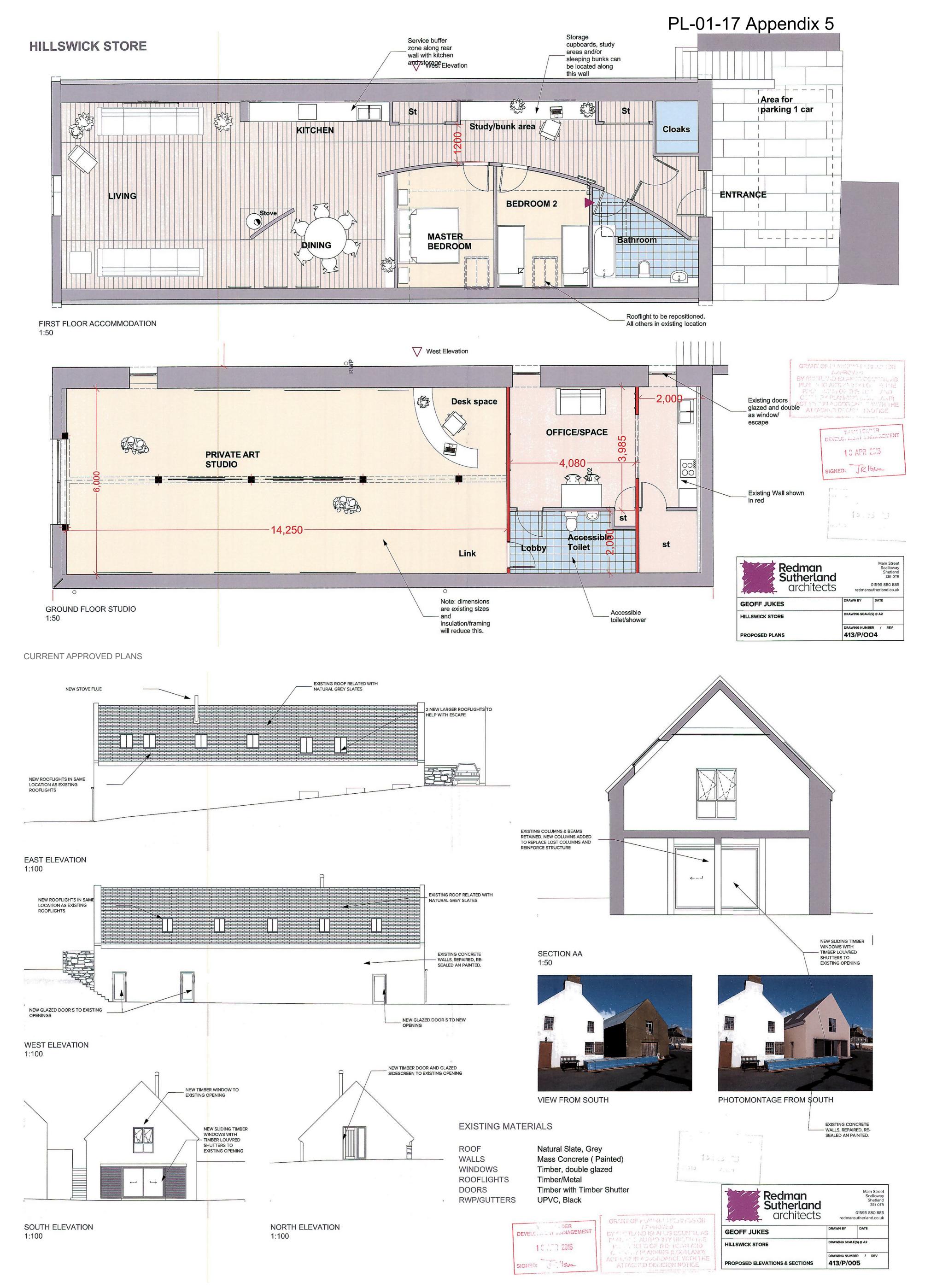
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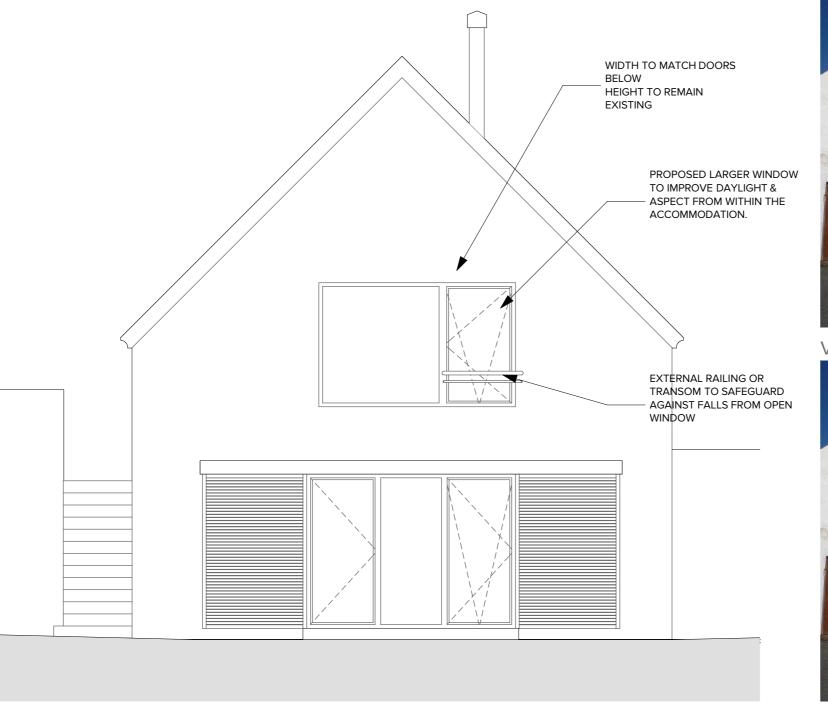
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## HILLSWICK STORE

PLANNING REFERENCE NUMBER : 2016/069/PPF LISTED BUILDING REF NUMBER : 2016/081/LBC APPROVAL : APRIL 2016

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VIEW FROM SOUTH



PHOTOMONTAGE FROM SOUTH

GEOFF

HILLSWIC

SOUTH E WINDOW

SOUTH ELEVATION 1:50

**REV A** - FIRST FLOOR WINDOW INCREASED IN WIDTH

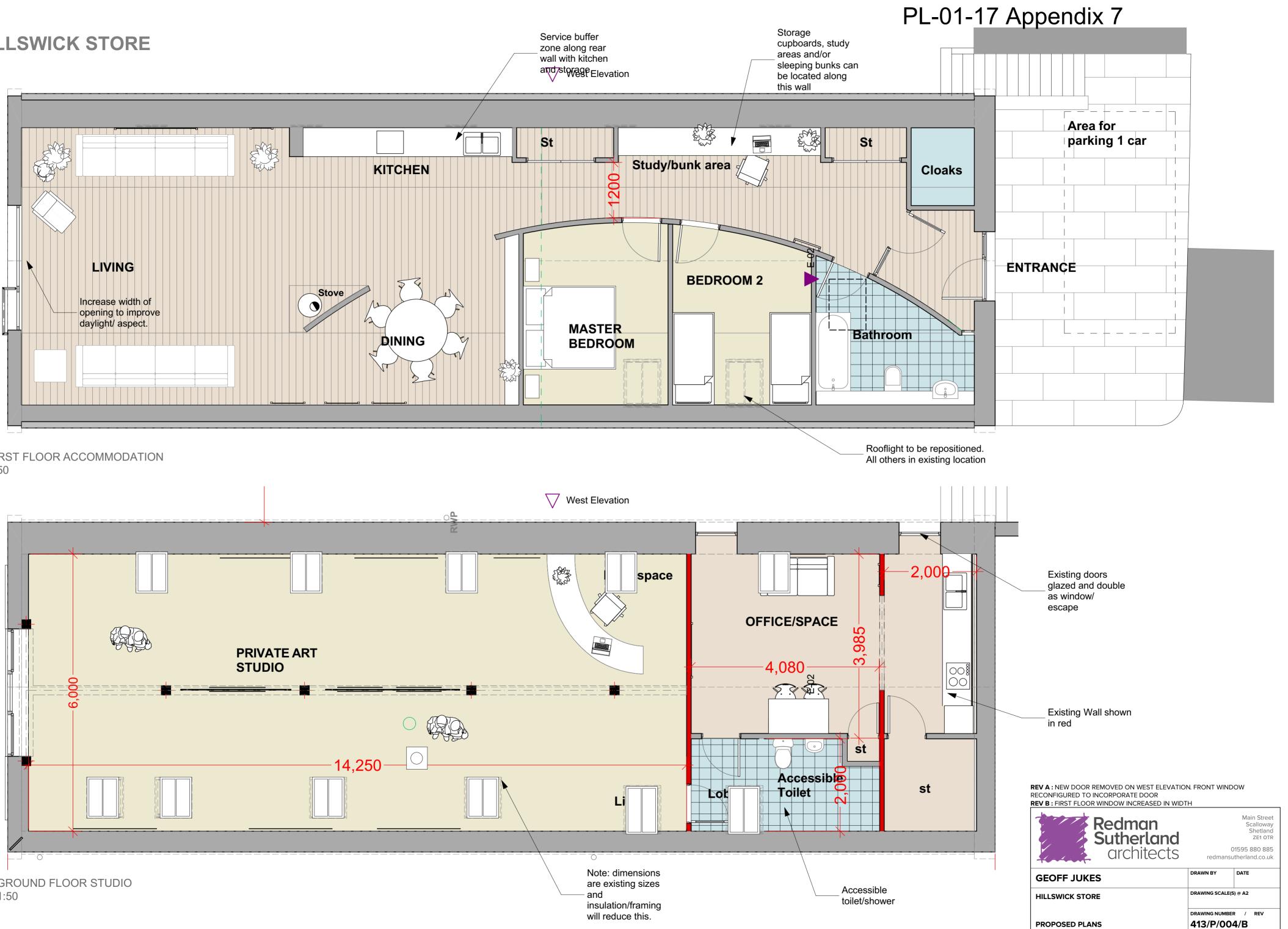


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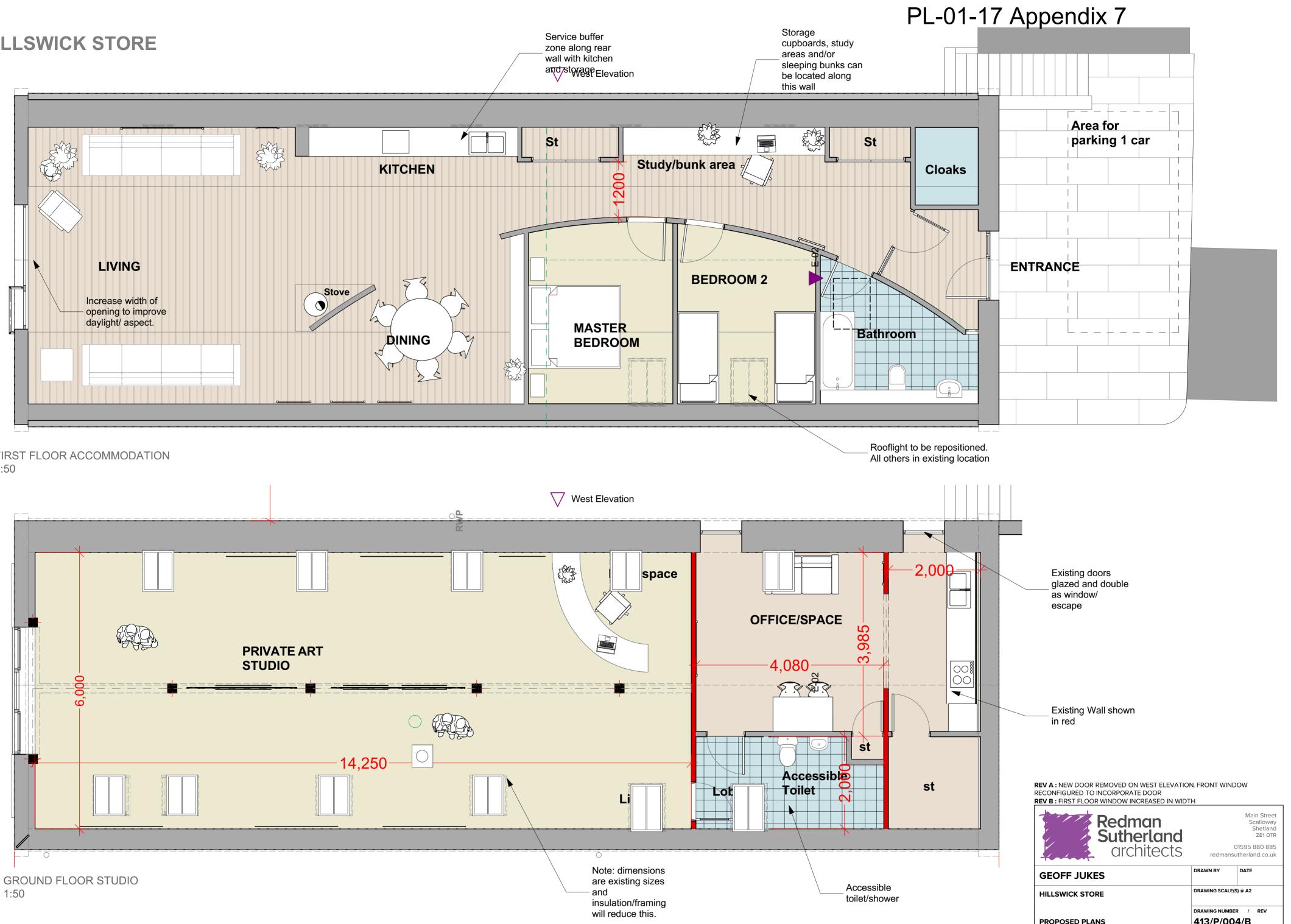
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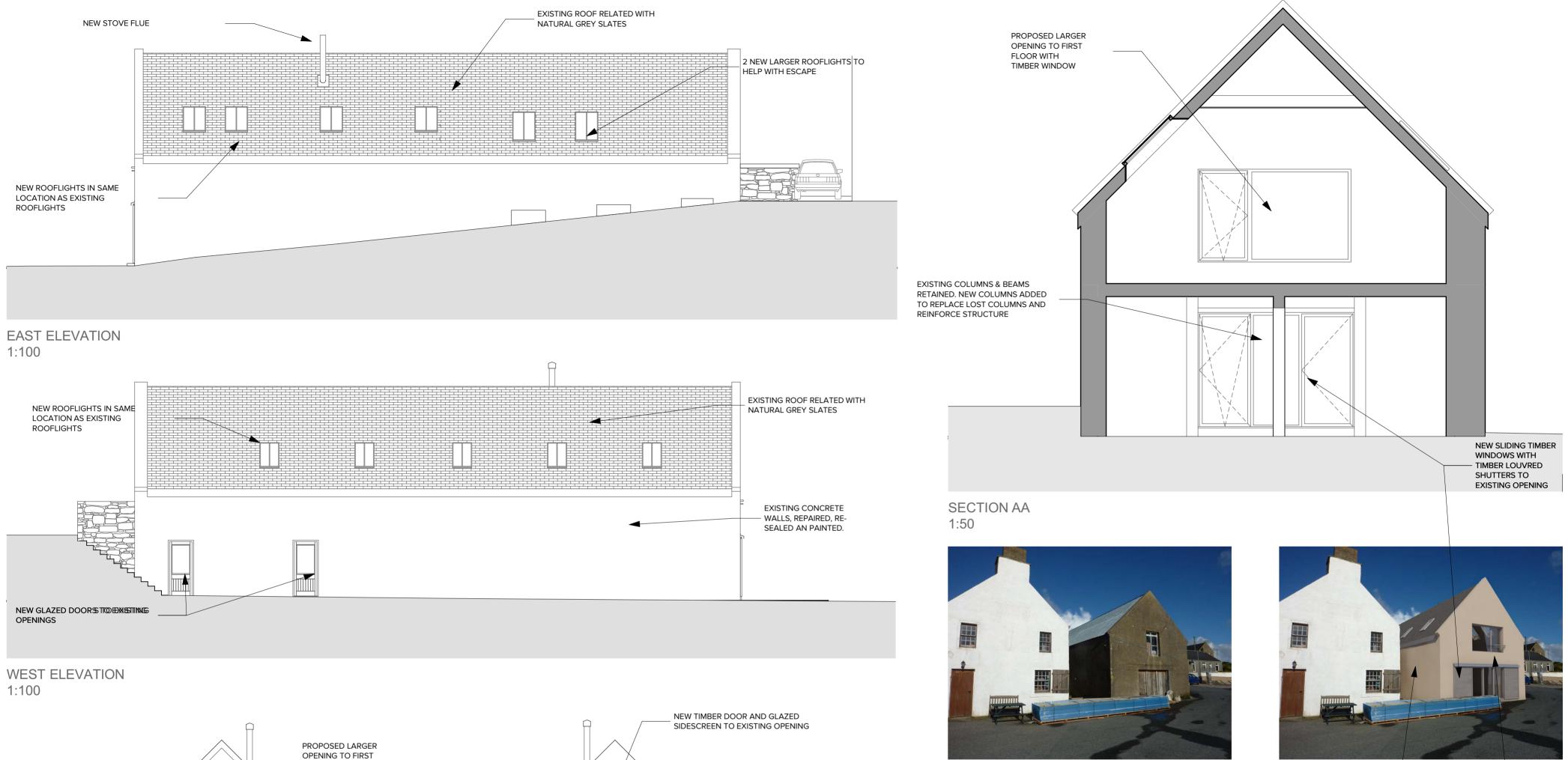
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# **HILLSWICK STORE**

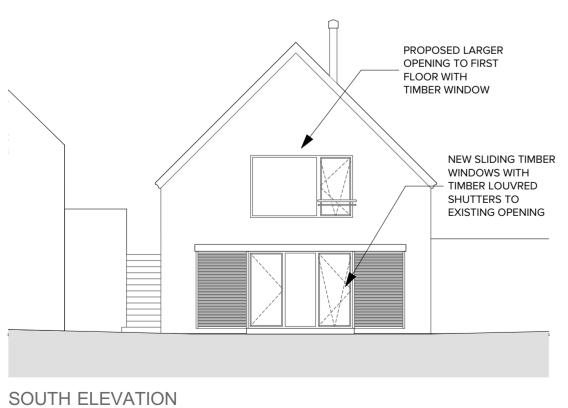


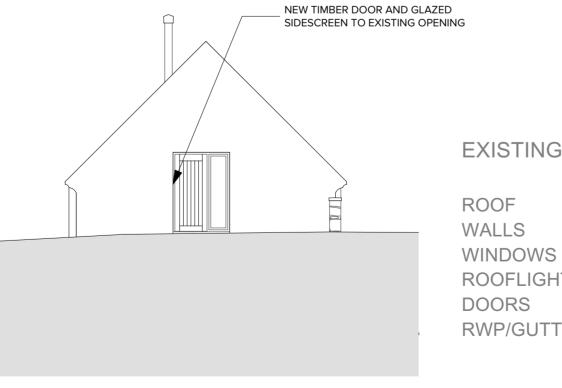
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NORTH ELEVATION 1:100

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VIEW FROM SOUTH

# **EXISTING MATERIALS**

ROOFLIGHTS **RWP/GUTTERS**  Natural Slate, Grey Mass Concrete (Painted) Timber, double glazed Timber/Metal Timber with Timber Shutter UPVC, Black

PHOTOMONTAGE FROM SOUTH EXISTING CONCRETE WALLS, REPAIRED, RE-SEALED AN PAINTED. PROPOSED LARGER OPENING TO FIRST FLOOR WITH TIMBER WINDOW

**REV A** - NEW DOOR REMOVED ON WEST ELEVATION. FRONT WINDOW RECONFIGURED TO INCORPORATE DOOR **REV B** - FIRST FLOOR WINDOW INCREASED IN WIDTH

