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Heath Lane Academy - New External Entrance
Screen & Internal Safeguarding Works

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1 Introduction

1.1 The Application Site

- 1.1.1.1 The proposal is to replace the existing brushed aluminium entrance screen located at the main entrance of Heath Lane Academy, Heath Lane, Earl Shilton, Leicester, LE9 7PD. Associated work also includes the replacement of the existing school signage and the uPVC cladding located at roof level.
- 1.1.1.2 Minor internal safeguarding works are also proposed to the reception lobby as noted below.



Red line highlighting the location for the entrance screen replacement works and the blue arrow noting the access to the site. Yellow line indicates the reception lobby.

- 1.1.1.3 The existing external entrance screen comprises of brushed aluminium framing with two sets of double pivot swing doors providing entrance and access to the inner lobby. The entrance screen has solid panels at low level with clear double glazed panels to the doors and upper screen areas. The solid panels at low level have school signage provided to the external face. A number of the glazed panels to the upper screen are provided with an obscure film.
- 1.1.1.4 School signage is provided at first floor level between the upper and lower glazed entrance screen panels and over the uPVC cladding at roof level.
- 1.1.1.5 The proposal is to replace the existing entrance screen and doors with a new polyester powder coated glazed entrance screen. The entrance screen has been identified as '..long passed design life and are in poor condition' within a recent condition survey commissioned by the school's Academy Trust. The uPVC cladding at high level is noted to be damaged by numerous fixings. The school signage is also dated and shows the incorrect academy name.
- 1.1.1.6 The proposed entrance and exit doors to the new entrance screen are to be fully automatic sliding double doors. This will replace the manually operated swing doors and provide a fully accessible entrance to the school. The entrance screen will be polyester powder coated aluminium to be finished with an Anthracite Grey (RAL 7016) colour. This will match the new aluminium windows installed to the main building and provide a consistent finish and appearance for the main school building and the main entrance.
- 1.1.1.7 Glazing to the screen and sliding doors will be double glazed sealed units and will improve U-values to the main entrance area and therefore energy efficiency of the school. The glazing will be provided with SunGuard SuperNeutral SN75H coating to reduce solar gain.
- 1.1.1.8 Solar gain and glare is also an issue with the existing screen which has glazed panels at high level and faces south. The replacement screen proposes solid panels at high level to reduce solar gain and glare and the new glazing will also reduce solar gain. The sold panels will be finished with an Anthracite Grey (RAL 7016) colour to match the entrance screen frame and new windows to the main block.
- 1.1.1.9 The existing white uPVC shiplap cladding above the entrance screen will be replaced with new white uPVC shiplap cladding which will match the existing cladding both in terms of colour and detail.
- 1.1.1.10 The existing school signage will be replaced to reflect the change of the school to 'United Learning' and will be located in the same position as the existing signage. The new signage will be of composite aluminium.
- 1.1.1.11 Internally the proposed secure PPC aluminium sliding door to the top of the stairs at first floor level will be the same finish and colour as the new sliding doors to the entrance screen.
- 1.1.1.12 Internal work includes the installation of a new polyester powder coated aluminium sliding door to the top of the stair at first floor level and the provision of access control to three existing doors at ground floor level.

See Appendix B elevation drawings of the proposed design for reference.

2 Status

- 2.1.1.1 This area is not in a flood risk zone. See Design & Access Statement.
- 2.1.1.2 The building is not listed nor is it on the grounds of a listed building.
- 2.1.1.3 The site is not within a conservation area.
- 2.1.1.4 The surrounding area is mainly residential to the south, east and west with farmland to the north.



3 Planning History

3.1.1.1 Application Number: 24/00257/FUL

Replacement of windows.

Status: Granted with conditions 30 May 2024.

3.1.1.2 Application Number: 24/00824/FUL

Replacement roof to the main block and associated works.

Status: Granted with conditions 23 October 2024.

4 Alignment with National, Regional and Local Planning Policies

4.1.1.1 The proposed replacement of the entrance screen and the associated work is a relatively minor application. The Local Plan and National Planning Policies are emphasised toward the development of commercial and residential properties and developments. The Local Plan includes policies that cover new housing, employment, transport, parks and green spaces, community facilities, listed buildings and conservation areas, health facilities and leisure facilities. There is little specific guidance or context that can be applied to the proposed replacement entrance screen.

4.1.1.2 **Local Development Framework Core Strategy, Adopted December 2009.**

The Local Development Framework for Hinckley & Bosworth includes the Core Strategy which ‘..sets out the overarching strategy and core policies.’ but does not ‘...identify individual sites. unless they are specific in nature.’ This document notes that specific guidance is provided within Site Allocations and Generic Development Control Policies Development Plan Document.

4.1.1.3 **Local Plan 2006 – 2026, Earl Shilton and Barwell Area Action Plan**

4.1.1.4 Heath Lane Academy is referenced as EAR14 ‘William Bradford Community College, Heath Lane’, with Community Facility designation and Policy 24: Safeguarding Community Facilities and EAR 24, with Outdoor Sports Facility designation and Policy 25: Safeguarding Open Space, Sport and Recreational Facilities.

4.1.1.5 The Earl Shilton and Barwell AAP Policy 2 seeks to support and enable the enhancement or increased provision of community facilities within the existing settlements. Policy 24 seeks to safeguard existing community facilities, set how their loss will be resisted and where their loss will be accepted

4.1.1.6 As stated above the proposed replacement of the existing entrance screen is a relatively minor application and does to propose the loss of any community facilities but seeks to enhance and secure the existing school main entrance.

4.1.1.7 The proposed replacement of the entrance screen and associated work seeks to provide a secure and energy efficient glazed screen to the main school entrance. The proposed PPC aluminium entrance screen will provide fully automatic double sliding doors which will also improve accessibility to the school replacing the existing manually operated swing type doors.

4.1.1.8 The proposed materials will provide an attractive and durable finish which will enhance the aesthetic appearance of the school and the main entrance area whilst reflecting the existing appearance and safeguarding the school building.

5 Need

- 5.1.1.1 The proposal is to replace the existing entrance screen and doors with a new polyester powder coated glazed entrance screen. The entrance screen has been identified as ‘..long passed design life and are in poor condition’ within a recent condition survey commissioned by the school’s Academy Trust. The uPVC cladding at high level is noted to be damaged by numerous fixings. The school signage is also dated and shows the incorrect academy name. The school is now part of United Learning.
- 5.1.1.2 The proposed replacement of the entrance screen and associated works form part of a longer term plan of upgrading works to the school which includes the replacement of the existing aluminium windows to the main building which has been commenced and as approved under planning application reference 24/00257/FUL.
- 5.1.1.3 The existing manually operated entrance and exit doors will be replaced with new fully automatic double sliding doors which will provide a fully accessible main entrance to the school.
- 5.1.1.4 Internal works include the formation of a secure reception lobby to prevent unauthorised access into the access corridors and other areas of the school. This includes the provision of a new secure PPC aluminium sliding door to the top of the stairs at first floor level and new access control systems to three sets of double doors within the reception lobby.
- 5.1.1.5 Glazing to the screen and sliding doors will be double glazed sealed units and will improve U-values to the main entrance area and therefore energy efficiency of the school. The glazing will be provided with SunGuard SuperNeutral SN75H coating to reduce solar gain.
- 5.1.1.6 Solar gain and glare is also an issue with the existing screen which has glazed panels at high level and faces south. The replacement screen proposes solid panels at high level to reduce solar gain and glare and the new glazing will also reduce solar gain. The solid panels will be finished with an Anthracite Grey (RAL 7016) colour to match the entrance screen frame and new windows to the main block.
- 5.1.1.7 Please refer to the photographic reference contained within this document.

6 Proposed Option - Appearance

- 6.1.1.1 The proposed entrance screen will be of polyester powder coated aluminium with colour and finish to match that of the new PPC aluminium windows recently installed to the adjacent main building as approved under planning application reference 24/00257/FUL. Colour to be RAL 7016 Anthracite Grey.
- 6.1.1.2 The existing uPVC shiplap cladding at high level above the entrance screen is to be replaced with new uPVC white shiplap cladding to match the existing detail and arrangement.
- 6.1.1.3 The existing school signage will be replaced to reflect the change of the school to ‘United Learning’ and will be located in the same position as the existing signage. The new signage will be of composite aluminium.

Appendix A: Photographs





Image 01: Main school entrance showing the existing glazed screen with entrance and exit doors.



Image 02: Existing school signage at first floor level and above the upper glazed screen to be replaced with new signage. Existing white uPVC shiplap cladding above the upper screen (behind the signage) to be replaced with new white uPVC shiplap cladding to match the existing.



Image 03: Existing manually operated entrance doors to be replaced with new fully automatic sliding doors.



Image 04: Existing manually operated exit doors to be replaced with new fully automatic sliding doors.



Image 05: Existing white uPVC shiplap cladding damaged by numerous fixing holes to be replaced with new white uPVC shiplap cladding to match the existing. The school signage is to be replaced to reflect the change from 'The Midland Academies Trust' to 'United Learning'.



Image 06: Existing white uPVC shiplap cladding damaged by numerous fixing holes to be replaced with new white uPVC shiplap cladding to match the existing. The school signage is to be replaced to reflect the change from 'The Midland Academies Trust' to 'United Learning'.



Image 07: Typical image showing the new windows installed to the ground floor of the main block. The proposed entrance screen will match the colour and finish of the new windows, RAL 7016 Anthracite Grey.



Image 08: Existing internal door to reception area to be provided with access control.



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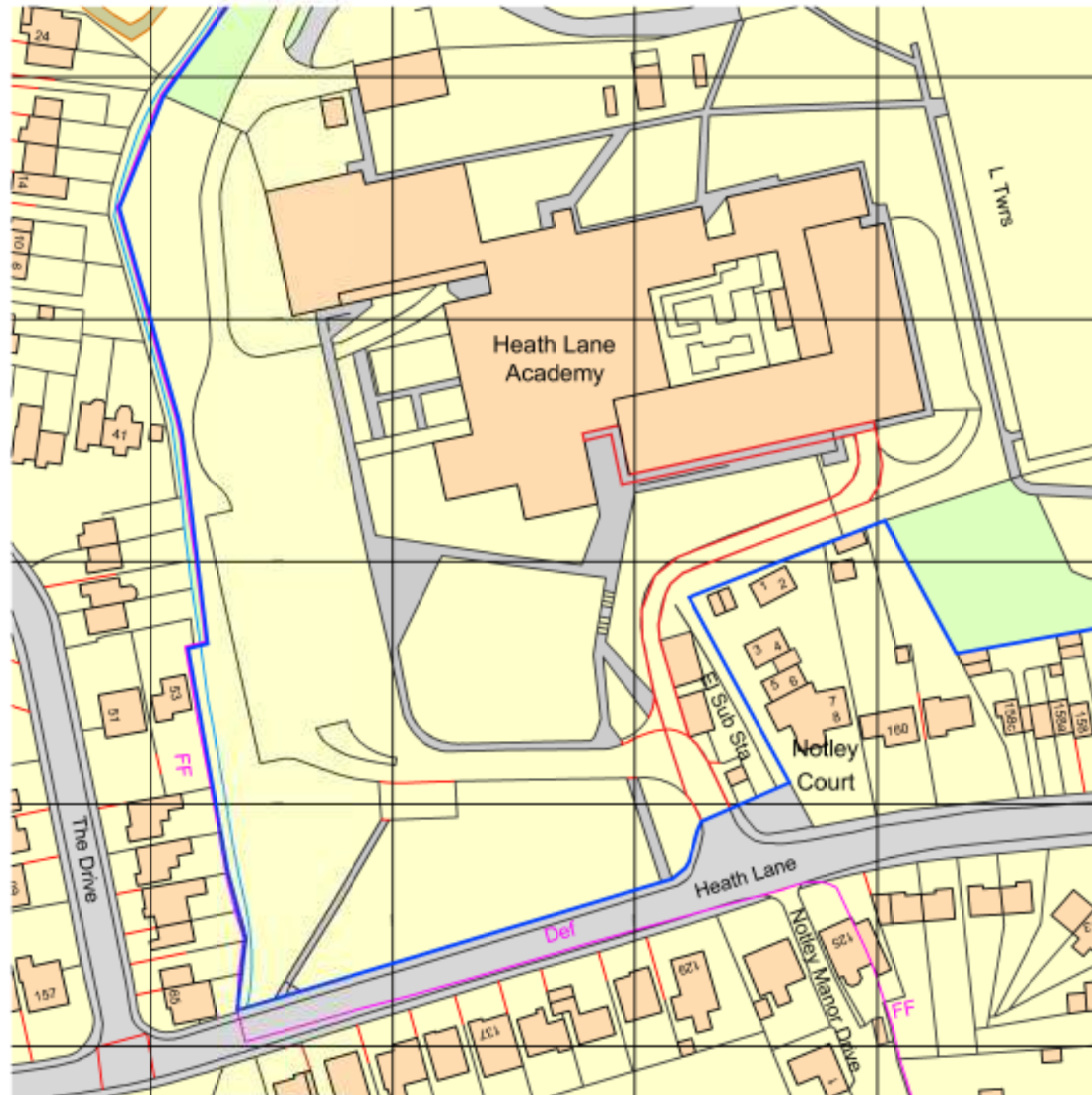


Image 09: Existing internal doors to reception area to be provided with access control.



Image 09: Existing opening to the top of the stairs at first floor level to be provided with new secure PPC aluminium sliding door.

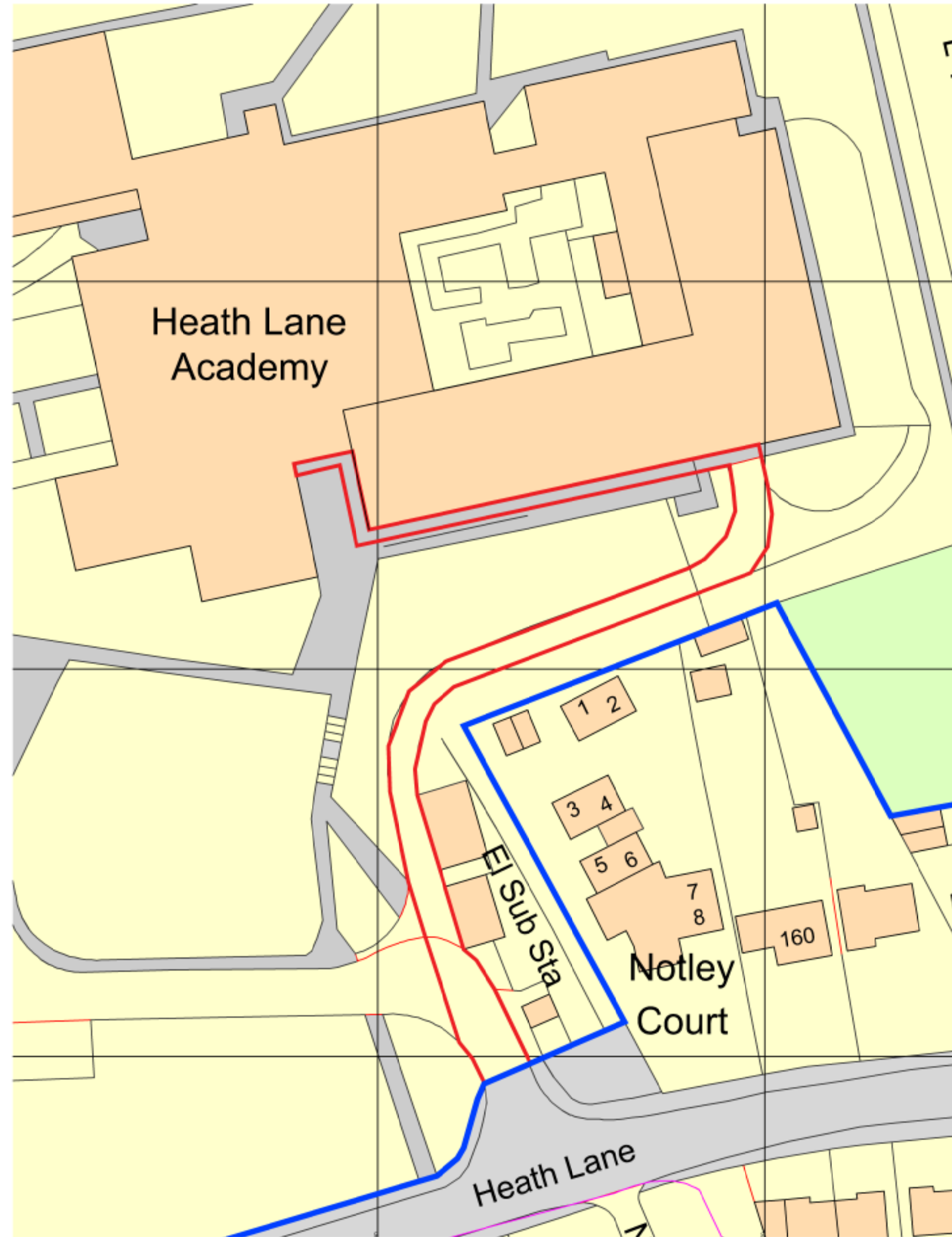
Appendix B: Existing & Proposed Drawings



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- Site boundary (582.29m²).
- Ownership boundary.

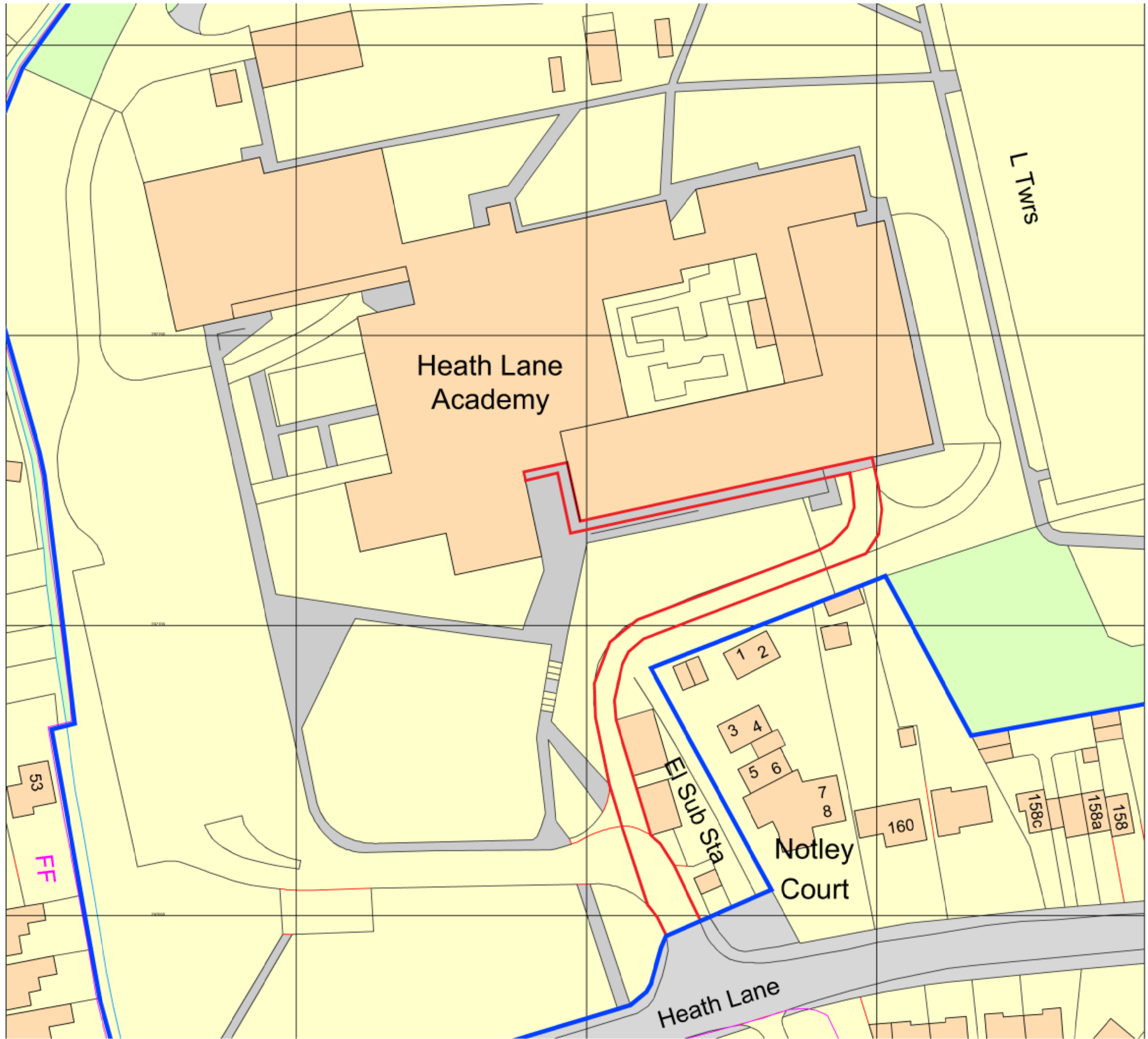


Block Plan
Scale - 1:500

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Site Plan
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Scale 1:500
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Site Plan - Parking Provision
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Existing parking provision within the main school car park.
80no. parking spaces, including 2no. disabled parking
spaces.
NOTE: Parking provision will not be affected by the
proposed entrance screen replacement works.



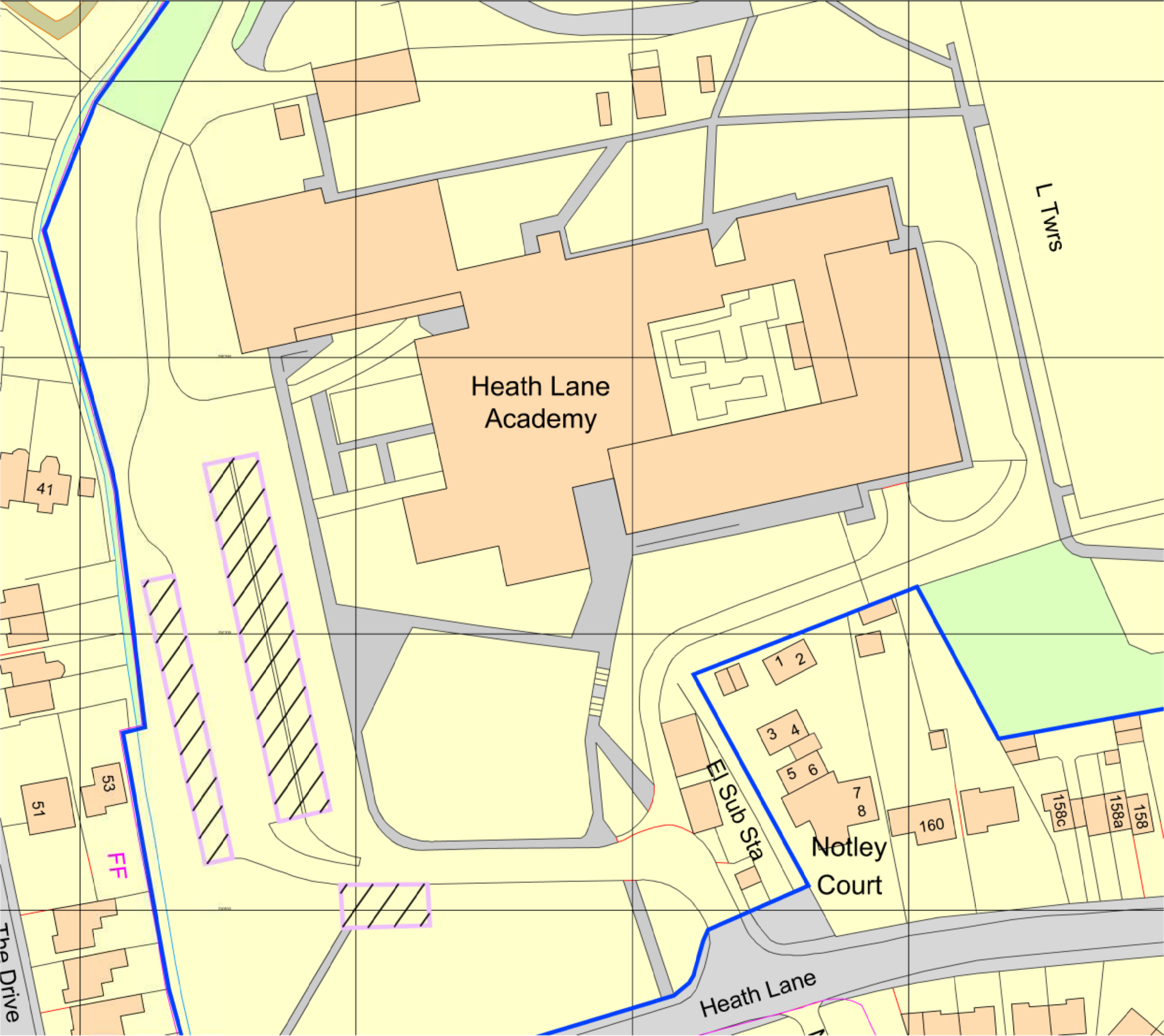
Site Plan - Image Showing Existing Landscaping.

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NOTE: The proposed entrance screen replacement
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80no. parking spaces, including 2no. disabled parking spaces.
NOTE: Parking provision will not be affected by the proposed entrance screen replacement works.



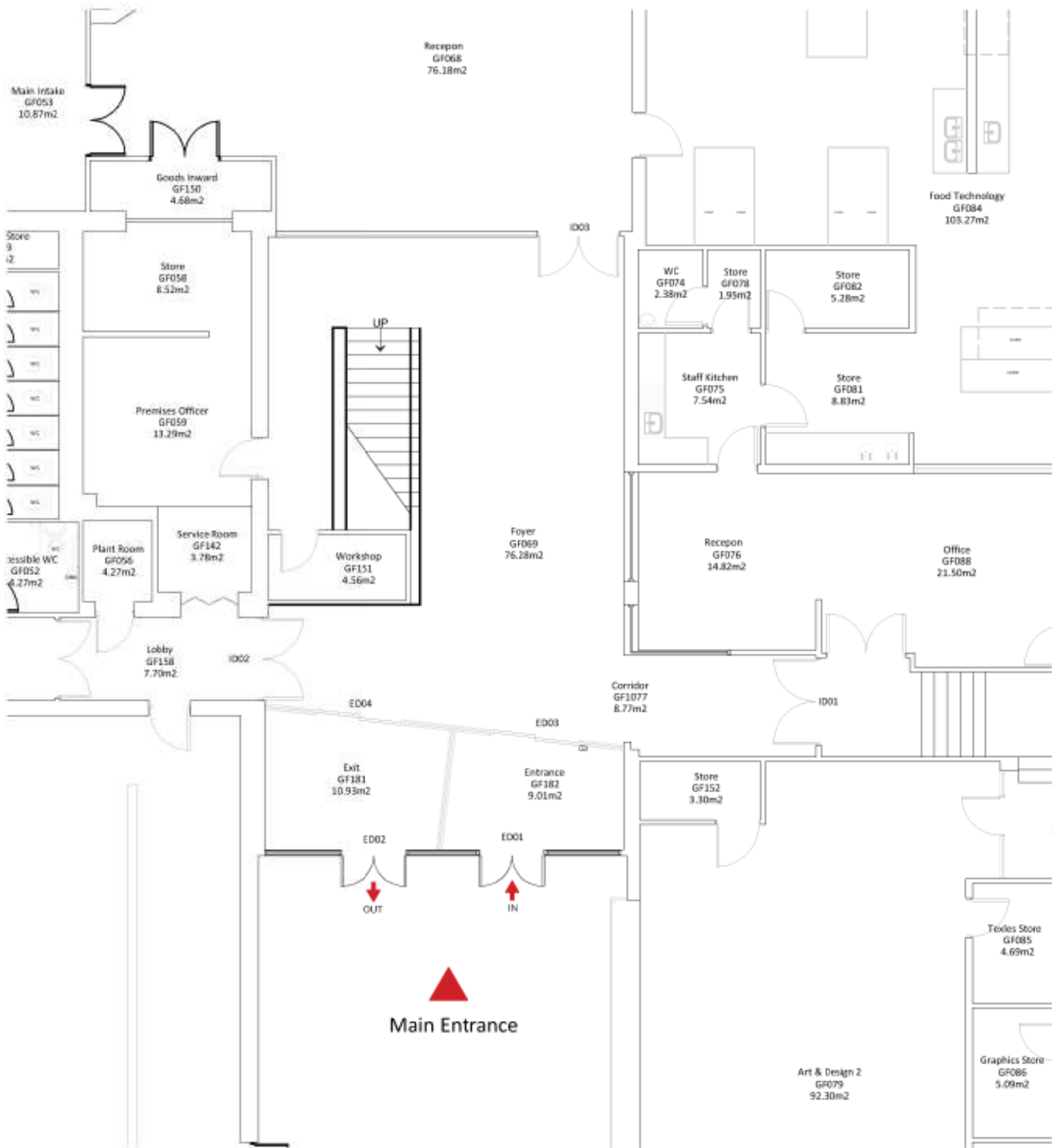
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GROUND FLOOR



Image 01: Existing school entrance screen & signage to be replaced.



FIRST FLOOR



Image 02: Proposed location of automatic powered sliding door to first floor level at top of stairs. Sliding door to open back in front of the existing timber glazed screen.



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ACCESS CONTROL & PAXTON NET2 SYSTEM

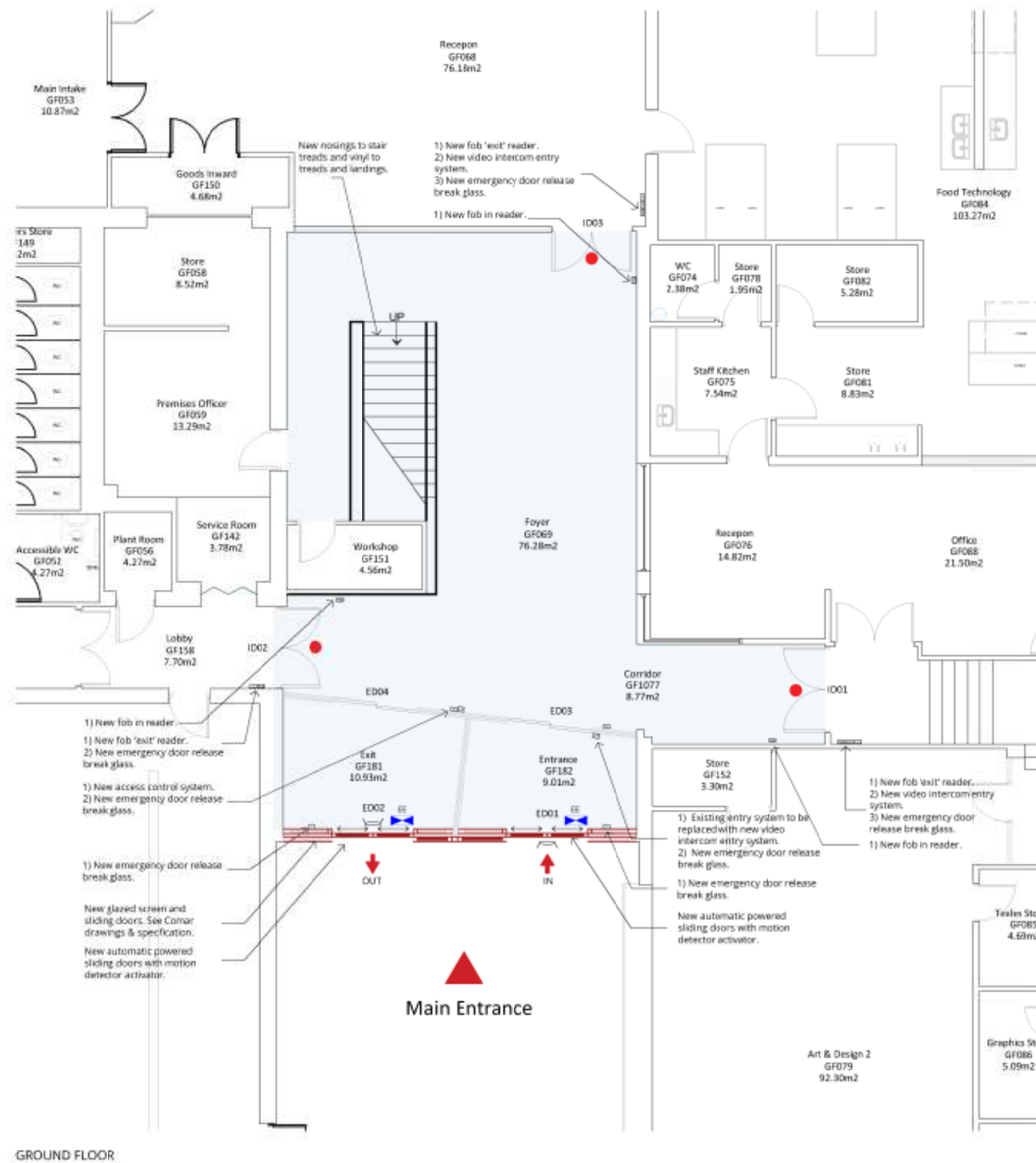
GENERALLY:
The new access control units to the internal doors and internal lobby entrance door are to be linked back to the existing Paxton Net 2 access control system located within the Reception Area.
Include for the new access control to interface with the fire alarm system to ensure doors release in the event of fire alarm activation.
Provide emergency opening device in case of fire alarm activation to ensure the electrically controlled doors are open during fire alarm condition.
All doors forming the proposed work shall be connected to a fire alarm interface unit to ensure all access door are not locked in case of fire alarm activation.
Include for all power supplies from local distribution boards to all systems.
Allow to isolate, disconnect and remove the existing fire exit signage from the existing entrance screen and refit onto the new glazed entrance screen.

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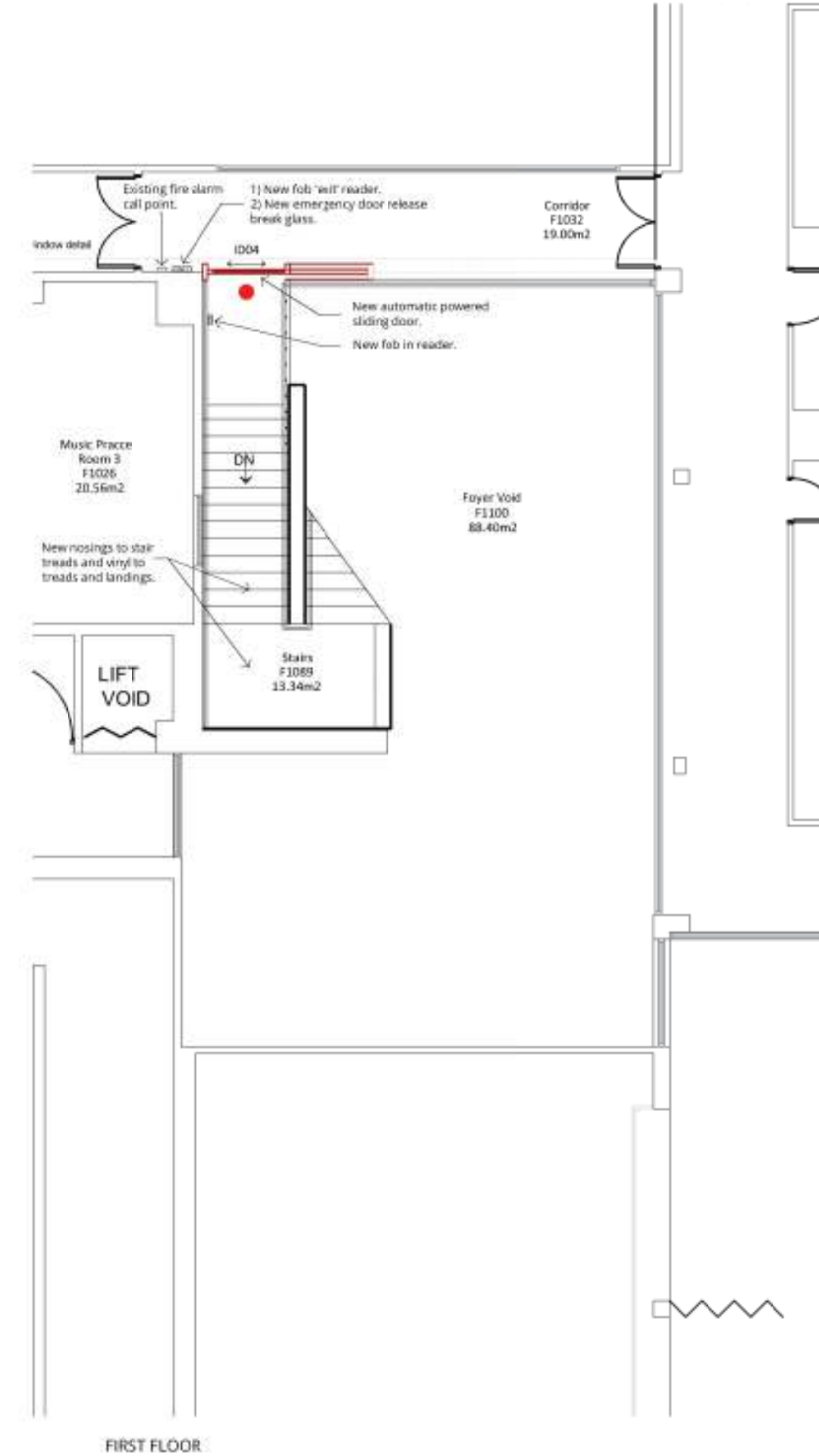
- Secure lobby
- Existing double doors & new door at first floor to be provided with new access control / mag locks.
- ED01 New automatic powered sliding entrance doors with motion detector activator.
New emergency door release break glass.
- ED02 New automatic powered sliding exit doors with motion detector activator.
New emergency door release break glass.
- ED03 New video intercom panel linked to reception.
New emergency door release break glass.
- ED04 New access control system linked to reception.
New emergency door release break glass.
- ID01 & ID03 New mag lock to existing doors.
New video intercom panel linked to reception.
New fob in & out reader.
Emergency door release break glass.
- ID02 New mag lock to existing doors.
New fob in & out reader.
Emergency door release break glass.
- ID04 New automatic powered sliding door.
New fob in & out reader.
Emergency door release break glass.
- EE Existing emergency exit signage to be removed from existing entrance screen & refitted to new glazed screen.



GROUND FLOOR



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FIRST FLOOR



Image 02: Proposed location of automatic powered sliding door to first floor level at top of stairs. Sliding door to open back in front of the existing timber glazed screen.

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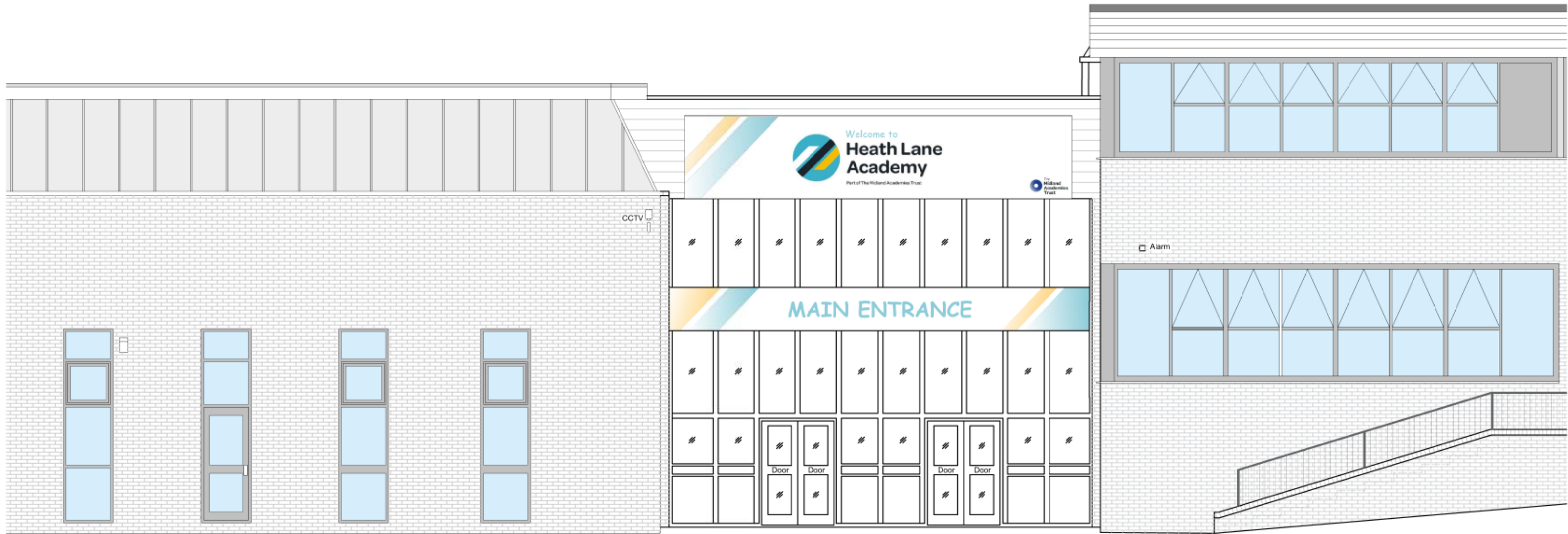
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Existing Elevation
(from measured building survey)



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NOTES:

- ED01 New automatic powered sliding entrance doors
with motion detector activator.
ED02 New emergency door release break glass.
New automatic powered sliding exit doors with
motion detector activator.
New emergency door release break glass.

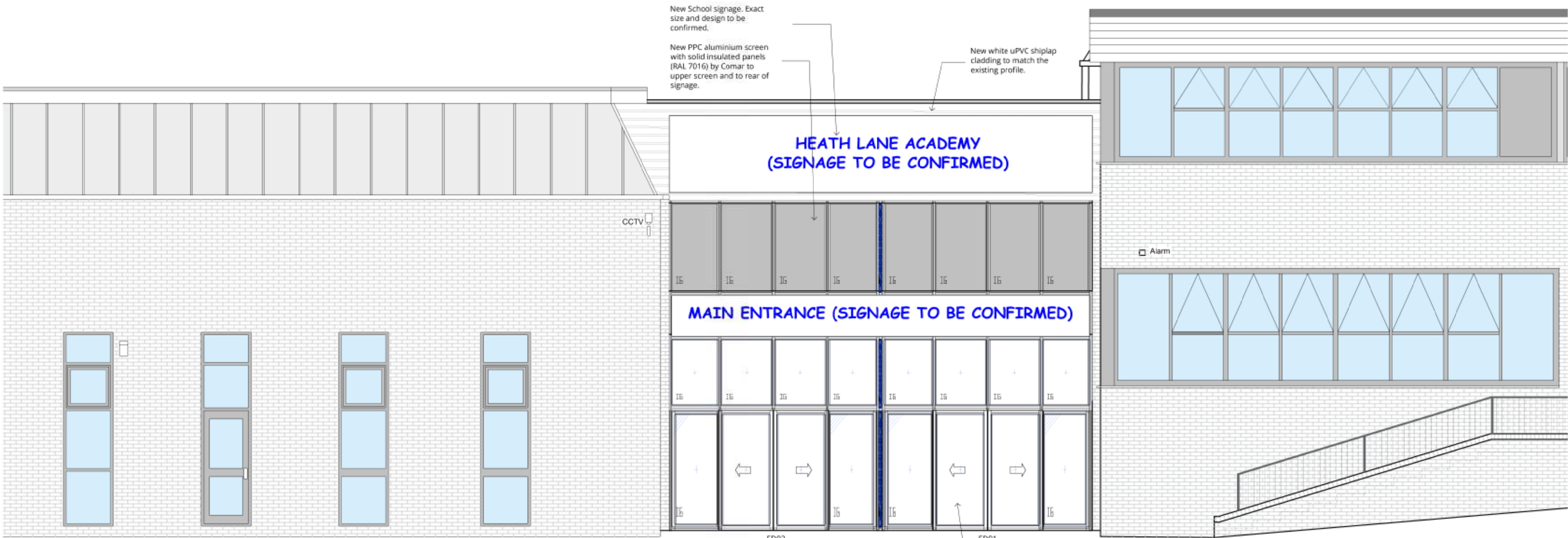
Window Walling and Entrance Doors

Please refer to the Comar drawings and specification
document.
For main entrance screen and upper screen use:
• Comar 5P1, 120mm, Ladder Frame High Performance
Framing System with Thermal Foam.
• 100mm wide section to allow for the pockets screens
to sit correctly see section detail drawing.
• Entrance Doors - Comar 7P1 CD (Auto Slide) Polyamide
Thermally Broken Door with pocket screens.
• Solid insulated panels to upper frame.
• Window walling and solid panel colour to be RAL 7016
(Anthracite Grey).

Please note: Glazing manifestation (two rows of 75mm
diameter solid white circles) to be provided to glazing to
comply with Part K of Building Regulations.

Signage

Two new school signs to be provided above top screen &
above glazing above sliding doors. Size and design of
screens to be confirmed.



Proposed Elevation
(from Comar specification drawing)

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