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Installing Sustainable Drainage and Heat Networks in the Urban Environment

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Municipal Action
Plan for SuDS



Guide to
retrofitting
sustainable
drainage systems
into urban areas

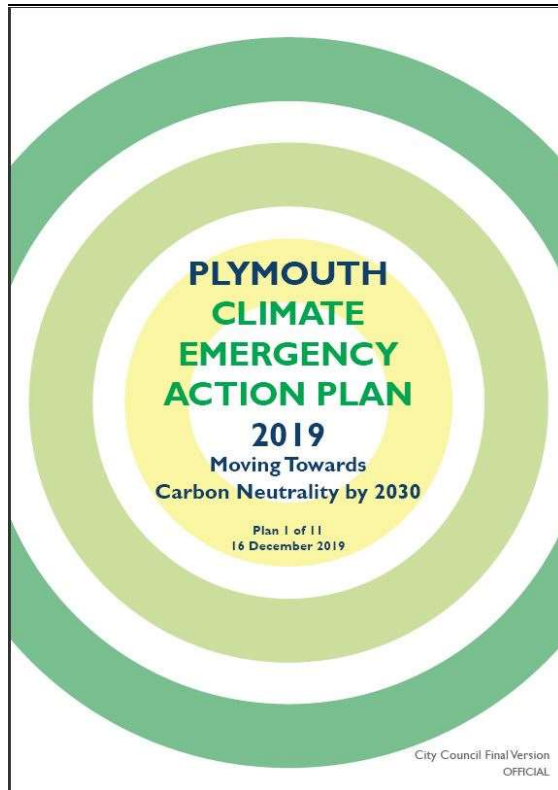


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Sustainable Drainage Systems

Action to tackle climate change



Pledge to make Plymouth carbon neutral by 2030

Climate Emergency Action Plan

Plymouth City Council's Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan

14:10 Plymouth's Local Flood Risk Management Strategy

Andy Cottam, Plymouth City Council

Anthony Raine, South West Water

John Yianni, Pell Frischmann

14:30 The challenges of delivering public realm improvements

Richard Bara, Plymouth City Council

14:45 Delivery of in ground infrastructure, including sustainable drainage, into Millbay Boulevard

Chris Yalden & Annabel Harris, AWP

15:00 Ground source district heating systems and wells in Millbay Boulevard and the Civic Square

Jon Selman, Plymouth City Council

15:15 Site visit practicalities

15:20 Site visit to the Millbay Boulevard development, via the wells in the Civic Square

16:00 Close

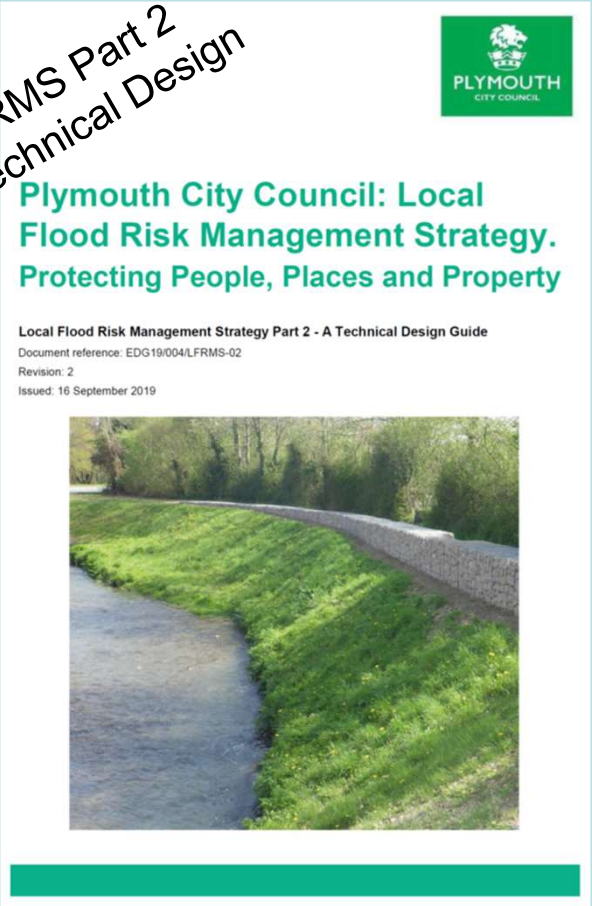
Plymouth Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (LFRMS)



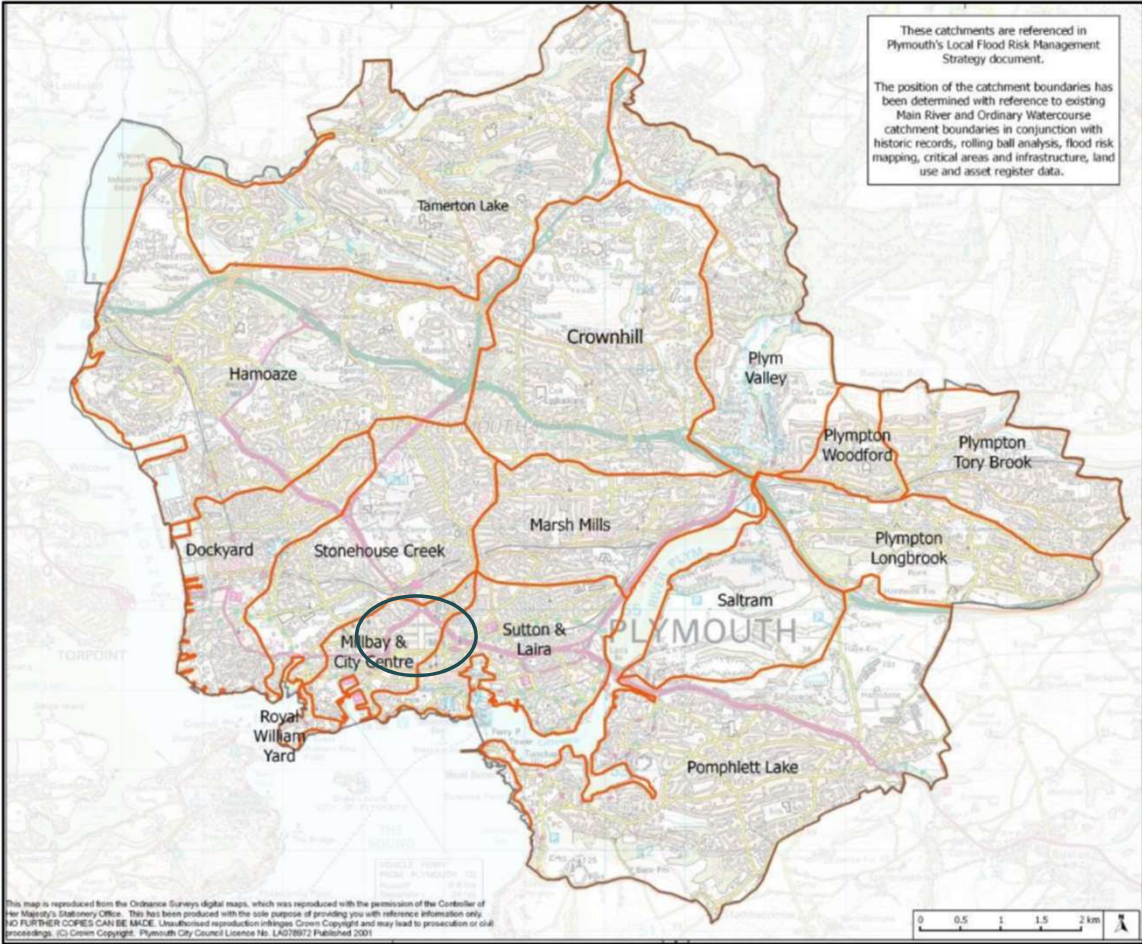
LFRMS Part 1
Non-Technical



LFRMS Part 2
Technical Design



Plymouth City Centre



LFRRS Outline

Plymouth divided into 16 hydrological catchments

Each catchment has Objectives and Strategy to address specific issues and flood risks in each catchment

The City Centre covers two catchments:

- Millbay & City Centre
- Sutton & Laira

Millbay & City Centre drains to the west
Sutton & Laira drains to the east

LFRMS Catchment Summaries



Millbay and City catchment

Millbay is a tidal inlet much of which has been reclaimed and now comprises the eastern end of Union Street and the Octagon area. It is very low-lying and sewers can become tide-locked preventing surface water from draining away during high tides.

There are areas of tidal flood risk in the immediate vicinity of the docks, the extent of which and the depth to which they flood will increase over time with sea level rise. The Plymouth Coastal Modelling Study indicates that any wave overtopping is likely to drain back to the sea without penetrating inland. Future sea level rise presents a risk of overtopping of sea defences leading to flooding in Bath Street, Martin Street, and Union Street/Octagon. This risk of tidal flooding has been mitigated with defences comprised of raised ground levels in connection with new developments in Millbay.

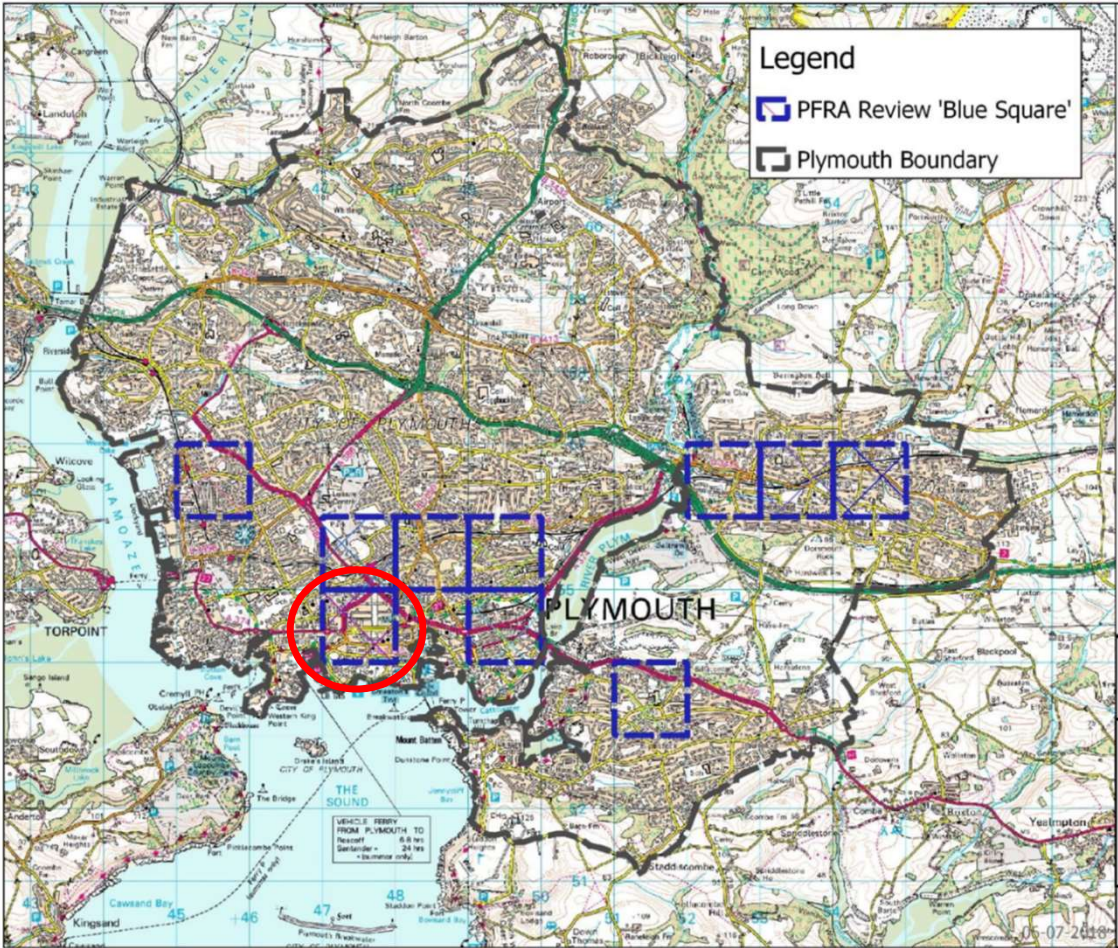
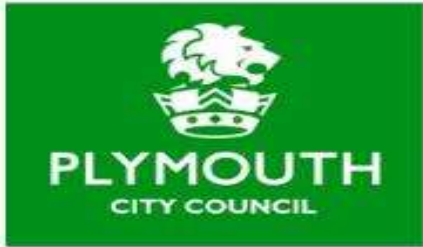
Sewerage capacity has been improved with improvement works on Millbay tanks, which increases the capacity to store surface water which cannot be discharged to the sea. Improved surface water sewer infrastructure is planned to improve the capacity of the sewers and to separate surface water from foul and combined sewers.

LFRMS Strategies



Millbay and City	
Key Issues	<p>Surface water flood risk around Union St and the Octagon, very low ground levels ~ 2m AOD.</p> <p>Some tidal flood risk around Millbay development areas. Possibilities to raise ground levels. Future tidal flood risk is an issue.</p> <p>Reduced capacity within surface water and combined sewerage systems.</p>
Objectives	<p>Reduce extent and frequency of surface water flooding.</p> <p>Increase sewerage capacity.</p> <p>Development opportunities for using storage and SuDS. Identify key developments to address flood risk holistically</p>
Strategy	<p>Improve capacity within combined sewerage and highway drainage systems.</p> <p>Manage interactions between sewerage and surface water systems and tidal influences. Minimise risk from future predicted tidal flooding.</p>
Delivery	<p>Western Approach and King Street IUDM</p> <p>Strategic Surface Water Drainage Corridors designated for City Centre.</p> <p>Regulation of surface water drainage for future developments through planning consultation with LLFA.</p> <p>Teats Hill slipway refurbishment</p>

Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA) Review



The PFRA Review identified areas at increased risk of flooding to properties and or local infrastructure.

These are within 'Blue Squares'.

The city centre is located within a Blue Square, reflecting the increased risk of surface water flooding.

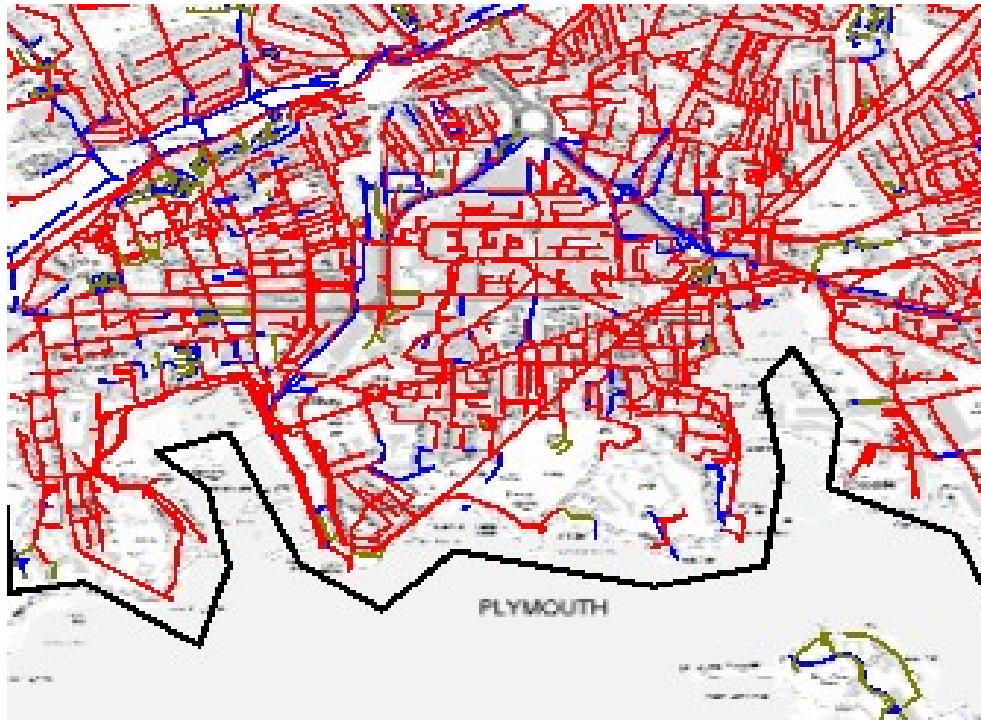
Strategic Surface Water Drainage Corridors



The Strategic Surface Water Drainage Corridors identify a surface water flow route through the city.

These will be implemented through raising awareness of drainage issues and the management of future development to facilitate improvements for the wider area

Surface Water Separation



A key strategy identified in the FRMS to reduce the risk of flooding is **surface water separation**.

The city centre drainage is dominated by combined sewers that carry surface water and foul water in the same pipe, which has a limited capacity.

By removing the surface water from these combined sewers, the capacity of the sewer is increased.

Surface water is then discharged to the sea, and foul water is treated accordingly

Surface water separation increases the capacity of the combined sewers reducing the risk of flooding due to surcharging during heavy rainfall.

Flood Risk Management in Plymouth



Co-ordinated Working

Flood risk management in Plymouth is managed by three Risk Management Authorities:

- LLFA (PCC)
- Environment Agency
- South West Water

The three organisations now work together to reduce and management flood risk from all sources, including drainage.

City Centre Strategic Drainage Corridors



- Flow direction
- Focal water feature
- Rain gardens
- Cascading rain gardens
- Bioretention rain gardens
- Bioretention swale
- Pervious surfaces
- Tree pit attenuation
- Wetland basin/storage
- Soft landscape basin/storage
- Rill
- Green + Blue roof



■ Better Places Programme

Area and Options: Western Approach



Proposal:

- Complete Surface Water Separation in the City Centre
- Rehabilitation of existing surface water sewers at Millbay
- New surface water pumping station at Millbay
- New surface water drainage network throughout City Centre
 - Including retrofitted SuDS and attenuation
 - Integration with Plymouth Better Places and Water Resilient Cities Interreg projects
- Reduce risk of flooding to 52 properties

South West Water Partnership



Benefits to Collaboration

- Cost effectiveness
- Support OFWAT's efficiency challenge
- Access to grant funding
- Development of one integrated Model
- Reduction of Urban Flood Risk
- Knowledge sharing
- Reduction in Combined Sewer Overflow spills and improved water quality



Plymouth Bathing Waters – Background (Central catchment)



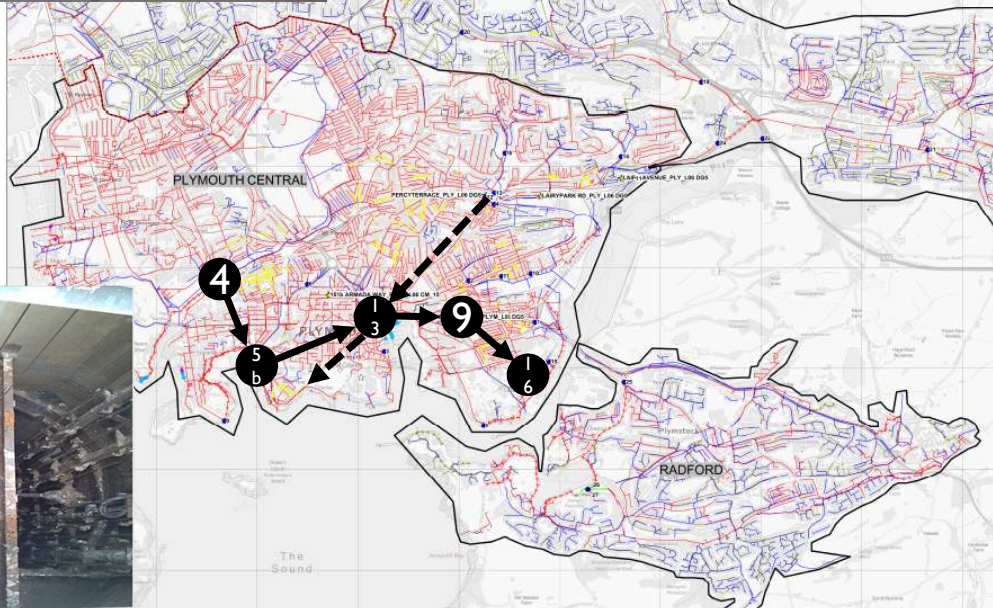
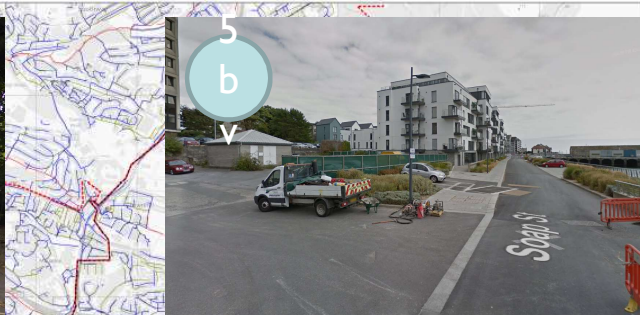
- Early 1990s all discharges were crude into various outfalls in Plymouth Sound – ebb tide release.
- 1995-2000 scheme introduced tunnel system, collection the crude outfalls to new STW at Central
- 2000-2005 included construction of 8,000m³ additional storm storage at Central STW and some CSOs had screening (Stonehouse)
- 2015-2020 NEP scheme to address CSOs across catchment. Subject to challenge using hydrodynamic modelling which resulted in Stormwater UV at Central STW CSO and ‘enhanced’ performance at fewer high-priority CSOs.
- Justification for stormwater UV required Defra approval and was contingent on a longer term strategy to reduce Central STW CSO spills towards 3 per BS. Agreed to target this over 3 AMPs. Notional storage 60,000m³ required.
- 2020-2025 includes Ph I of the long term strategy to provide equivalent benefit that 20,000m³ would provide.



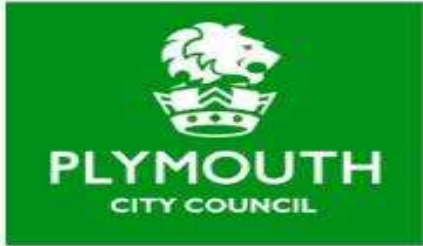
Tunnel System Location



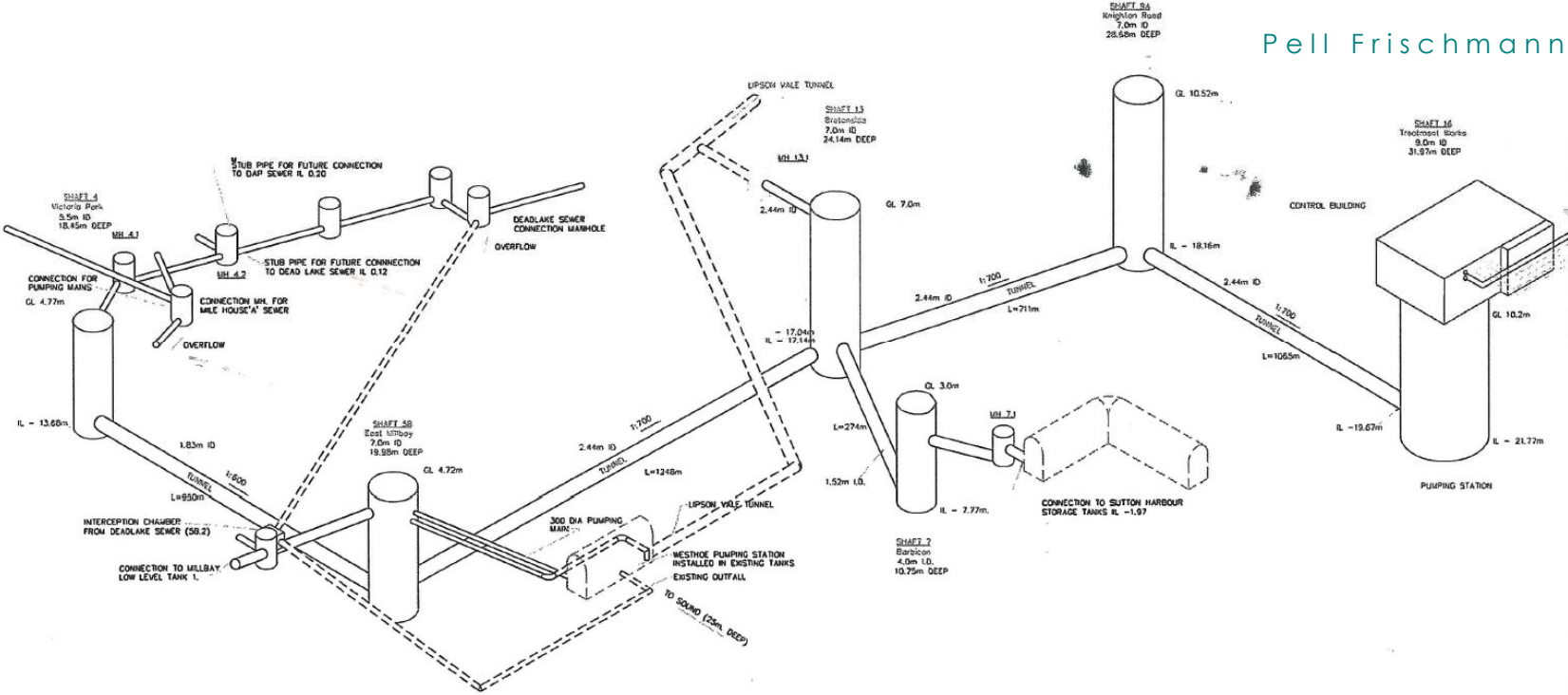
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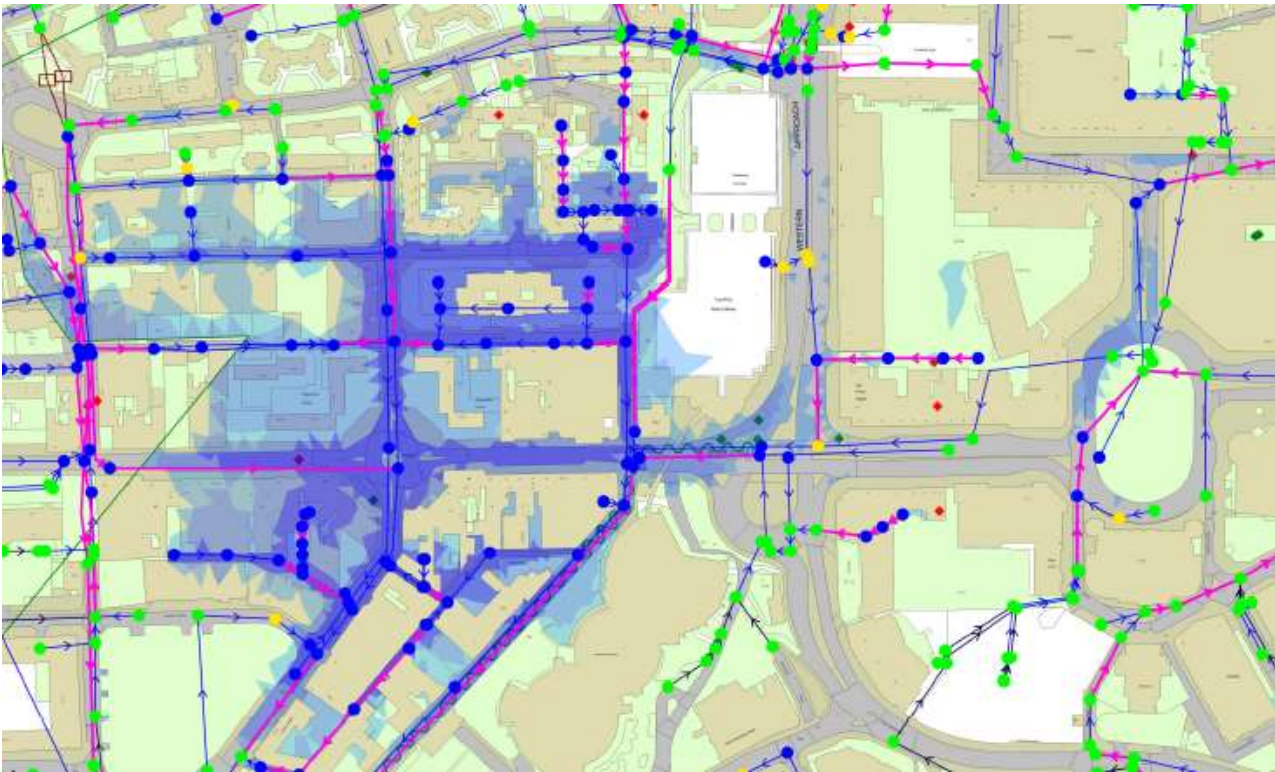
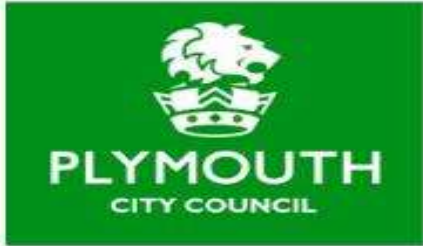
Tunnel System Schematic



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Western Approach Model Output



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- South West Water Framework Consultant since Privatisation
- Created IUDM from Bathing Water Model
- Coordinated and chaired stakeholder meetings
- Produced Municipal Action Plan
- Concept Surface water separation design in Plymstock
- Detailed surface water separation in Plympton
- Concept SUDs design.

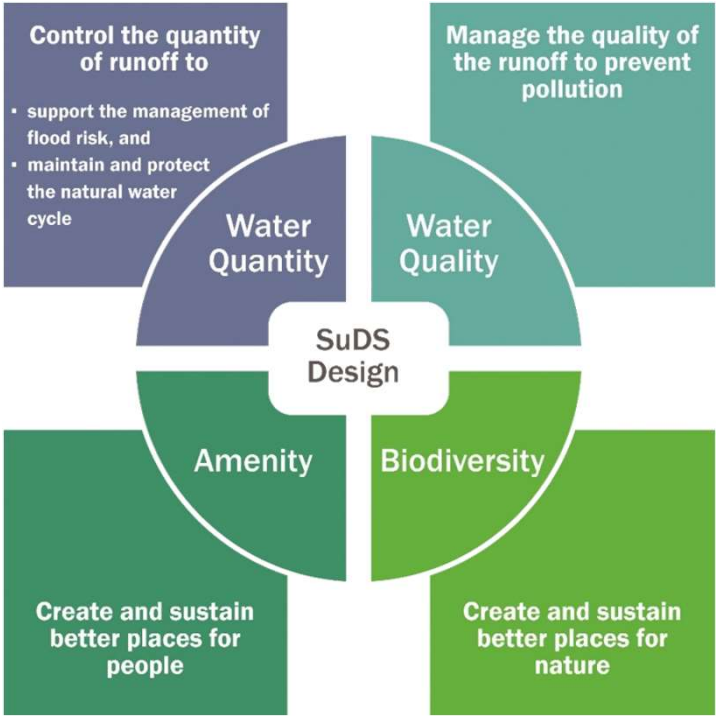


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Sustainable Urban Drainage



The Four Pillars of SUDs



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Sustainable Urban Drainage



SUDs Hierarchy

Most Sustainable	SuDS Technique	Flood reduction	Pollution reduction	Landscape & wildlife benefit
	Living roofs	✓	✓	✓
	Basins and Ponds	✓	✓	✓
	- Constructed Wetlands			
	- Balancing Ponds			
	- Detention basins			
	- Retention Ponds			
	Filter Strips and Swales	✓	✓	✓
Infiltration devices	✓	✓	✓	
- soakaways				
- infiltration trenches and basins				
Permeable surfaces and filter drains	✓	✓	✗	
- gravelled areas				
- solid paving blocks				
- porous paviers				
Tanked systems	✓	✗	✗	
- over-sized pipes/tanks				
- storm cells				
Least Sustainable				



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Challenges of Delivering Public Realm Improvements



Richard Bara Urban Designer, City of Plymouth Strategic Planning & Infrastructure



Challenges of Delivering Public Realm Improvements



New Public Realm schemes generally delivers on a myriad of benefits:

1. Urban Green Infrastructure – Trees and Plants,
2. Better Water Management – Use of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SuDs),
3. Provides routes for walking & cycling,
4. Space for people to meet and talk,
5. Space for recreation,
6. Space for markets and events,
7. Provides space for our essential infrastructure – power sewers and communications,
8. Space for new infrastructure like here in Plymouth with our new District Heating Network, and 5G,
9. Future infrastructure?
10. As well as providing beautiful spaces for people access and to enjoy.

Challenges of Delivering Public Realm Improvements



Challenges:

1. Limitations with existing underground infrastructure,
2. Limitations with the existing underlying ground conditions,
3. Finance and its timing,
4. Future proofing for the next generation.

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Public Realm Examples



Market Way



Civic Square



Old Town Street – New George Street East



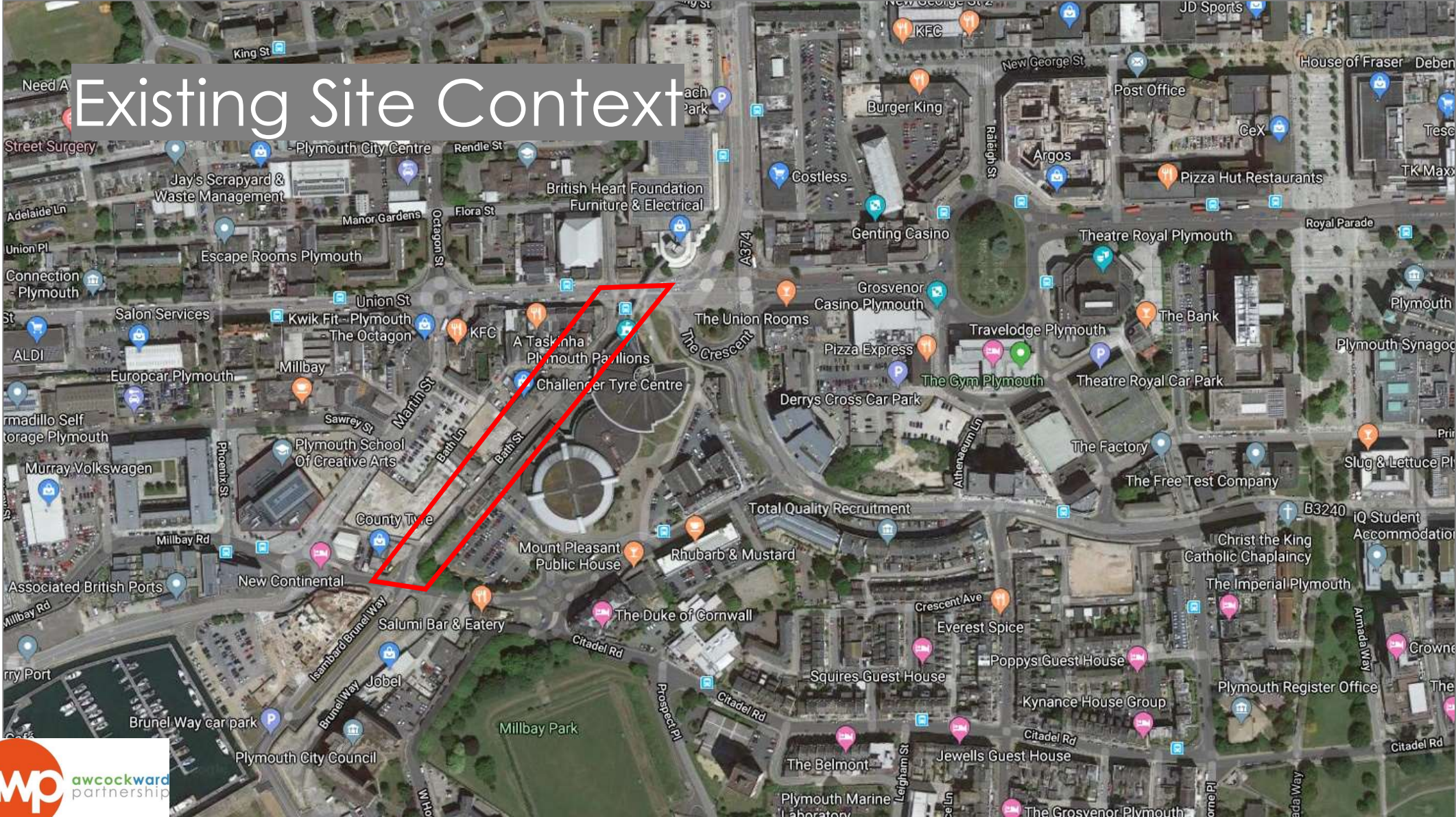
Millbay Boulevard

Delivery of in ground infrastructure, including sustainable drainage, into Millbay Boulevard

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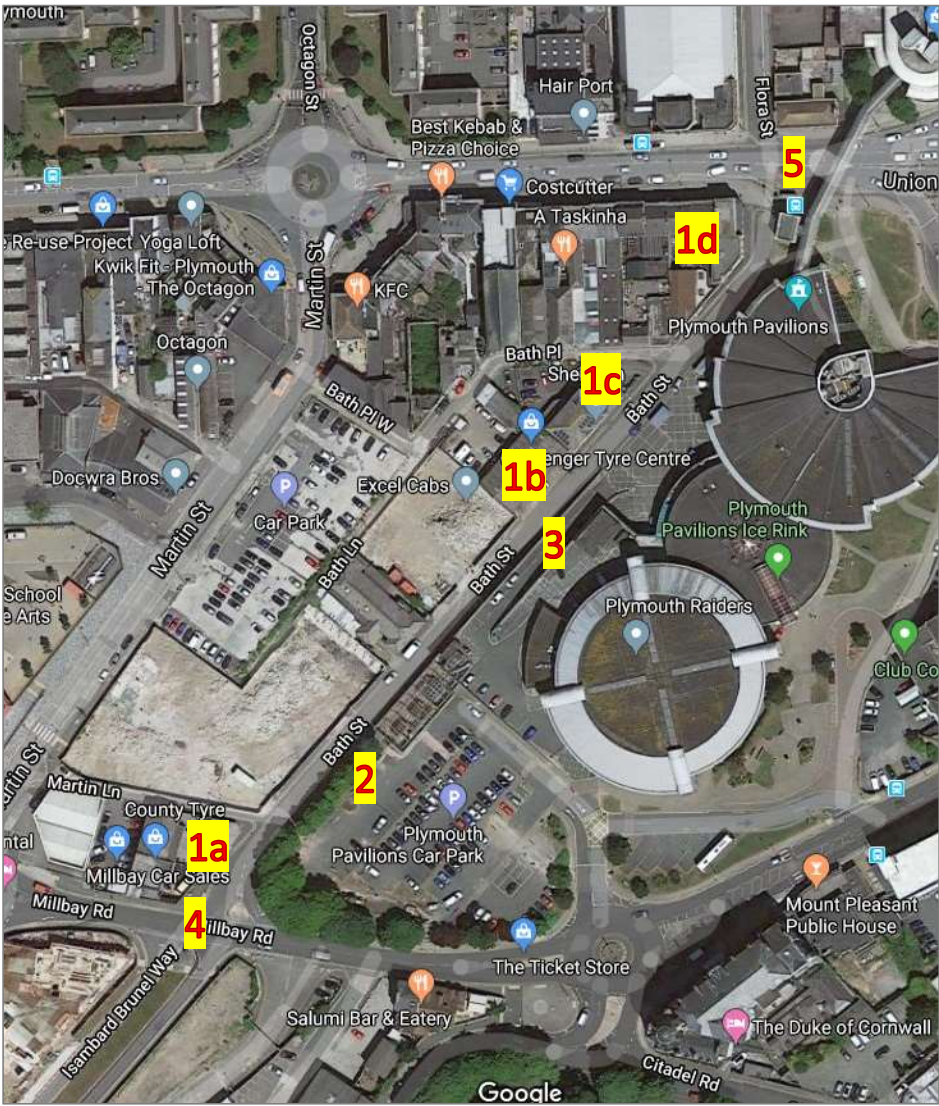


Existing Site Context



Existing Site Constraints

- 1. Adjacent businesses
 - a) County Tyres
 - b) Challenger Tyres
 - c) Shekinah Mission,
 - d) Jesters Nightclub
- 2. Proposed Hotel Development
- 3. Pavilions Ramp Demolition and Proposed Wall
- 4. Millbay Road
- 5. Union Street



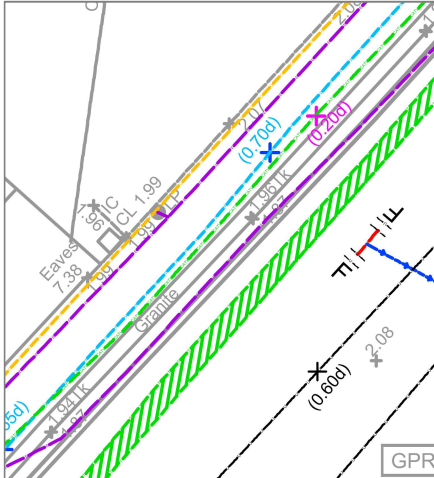
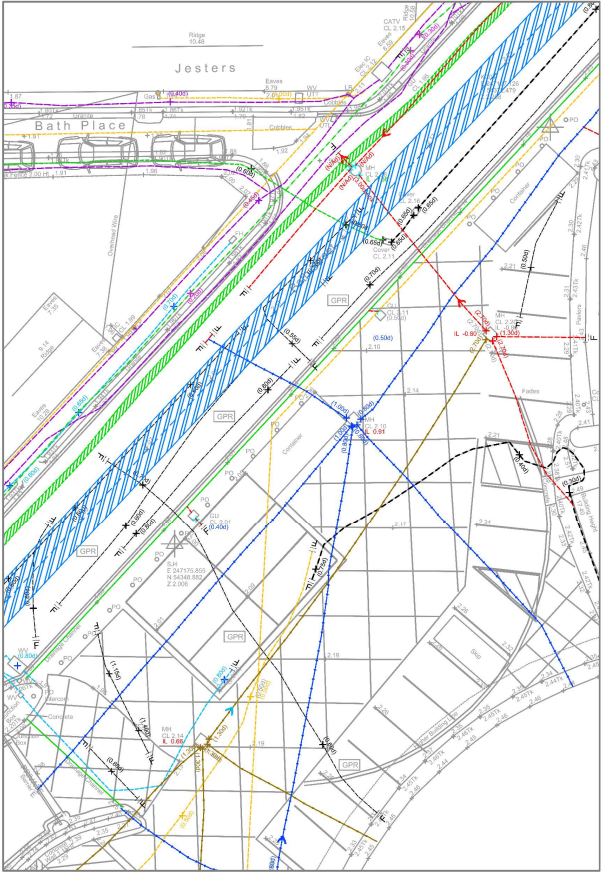
Existing Site Constraints

1. Utilities

- a) Gas
- b) Electric
- c) Water
- d) Virgin Media
- e) Vodafone

2. Drainage

- a) Highway System
- b) Foul Sewer
- c) Surface Water Sewer



New Infrastructure

- 1. Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems
- 2. Ground Source Heating System
- 3. EV Charging Points
- 4. Water bottle filling station
- 5. Events electrical supply
- 6. 5G Duct Provision
- 7. CCTV



Proposed Infrastructure Solution

Drainage

1. Rain Gardens
2. Attenuation Tanks
3. Tree Pits

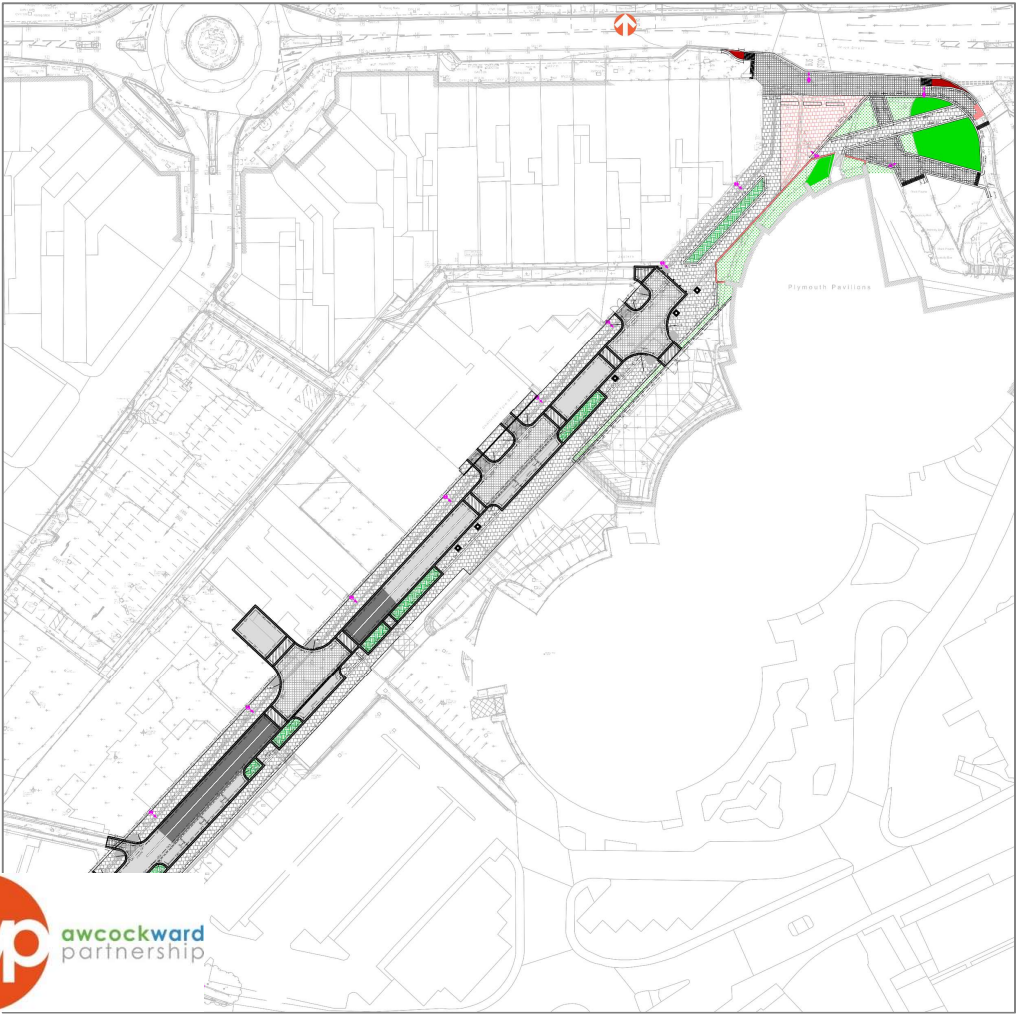
Ground Source District Heating

1. 2 x 300mm Spine Pipes
2. 125mm Distribution Network
3. 2 x Borehole Wells
4. Ducting (LV and Telecoms Connections)

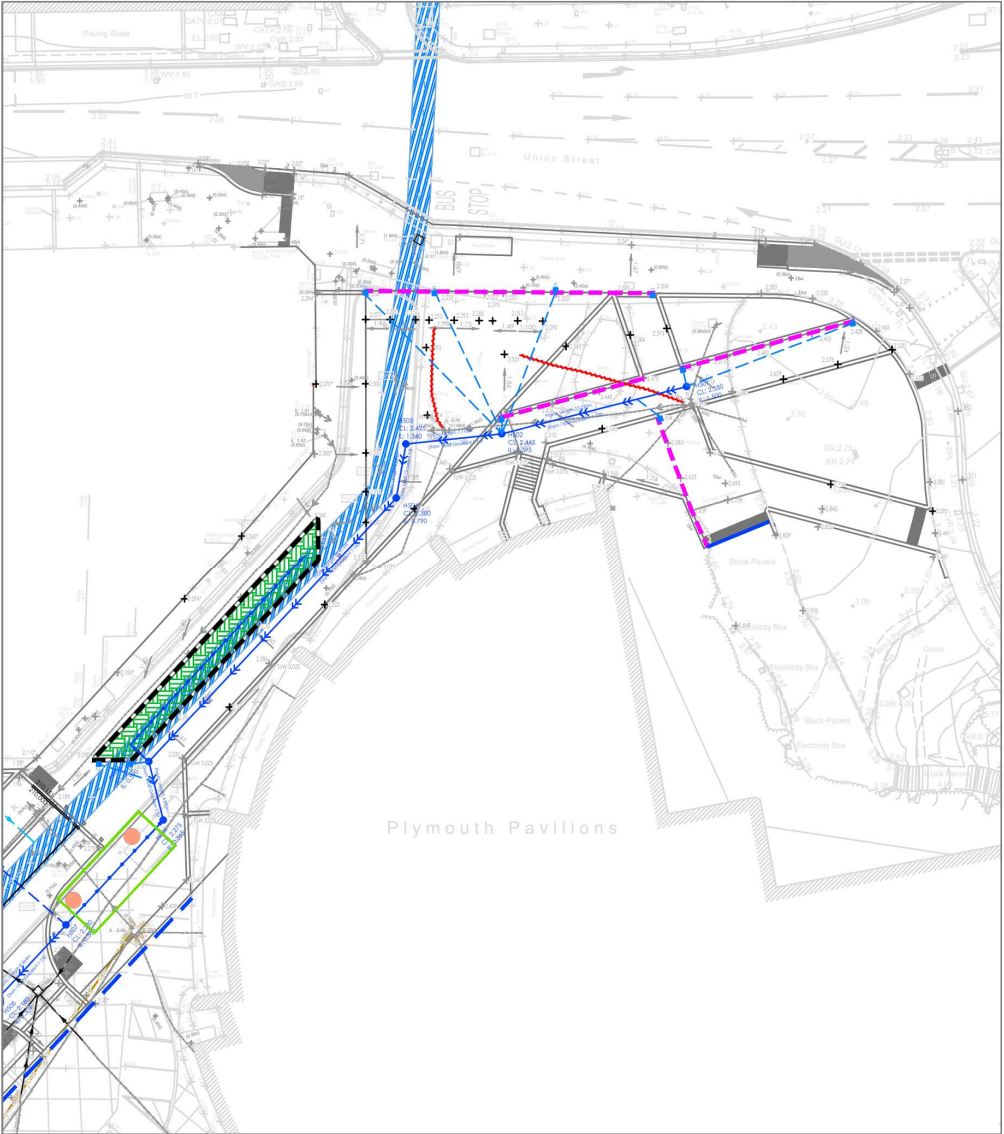
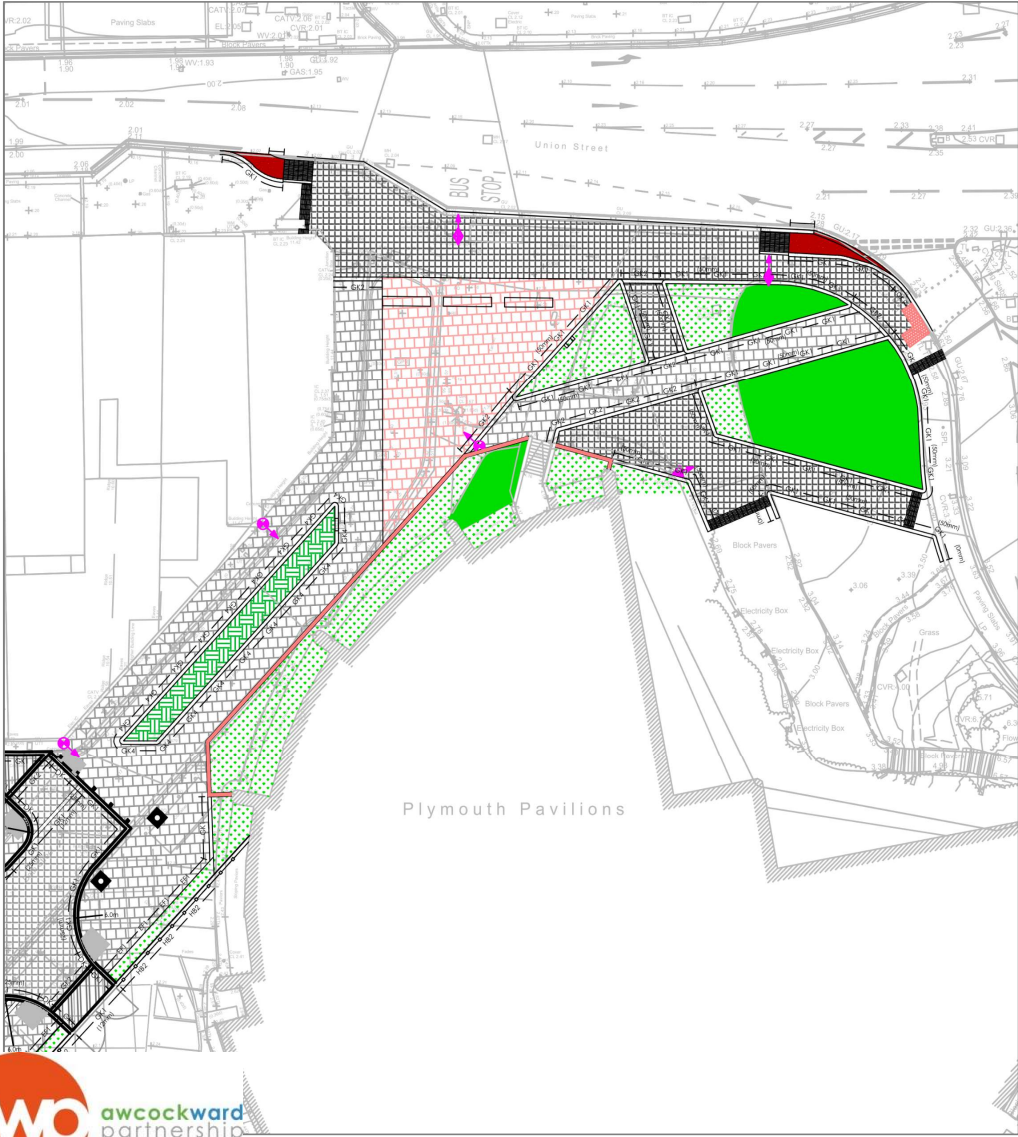


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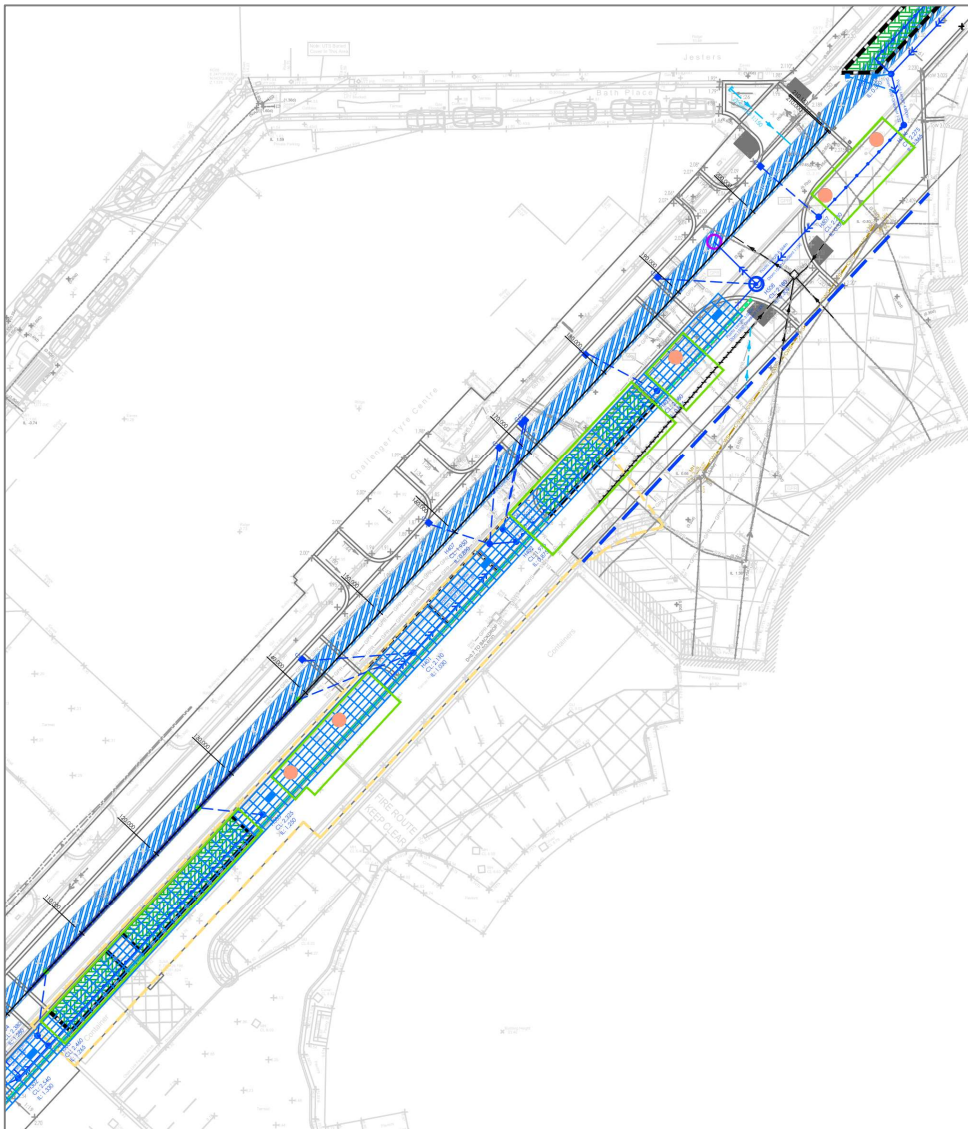
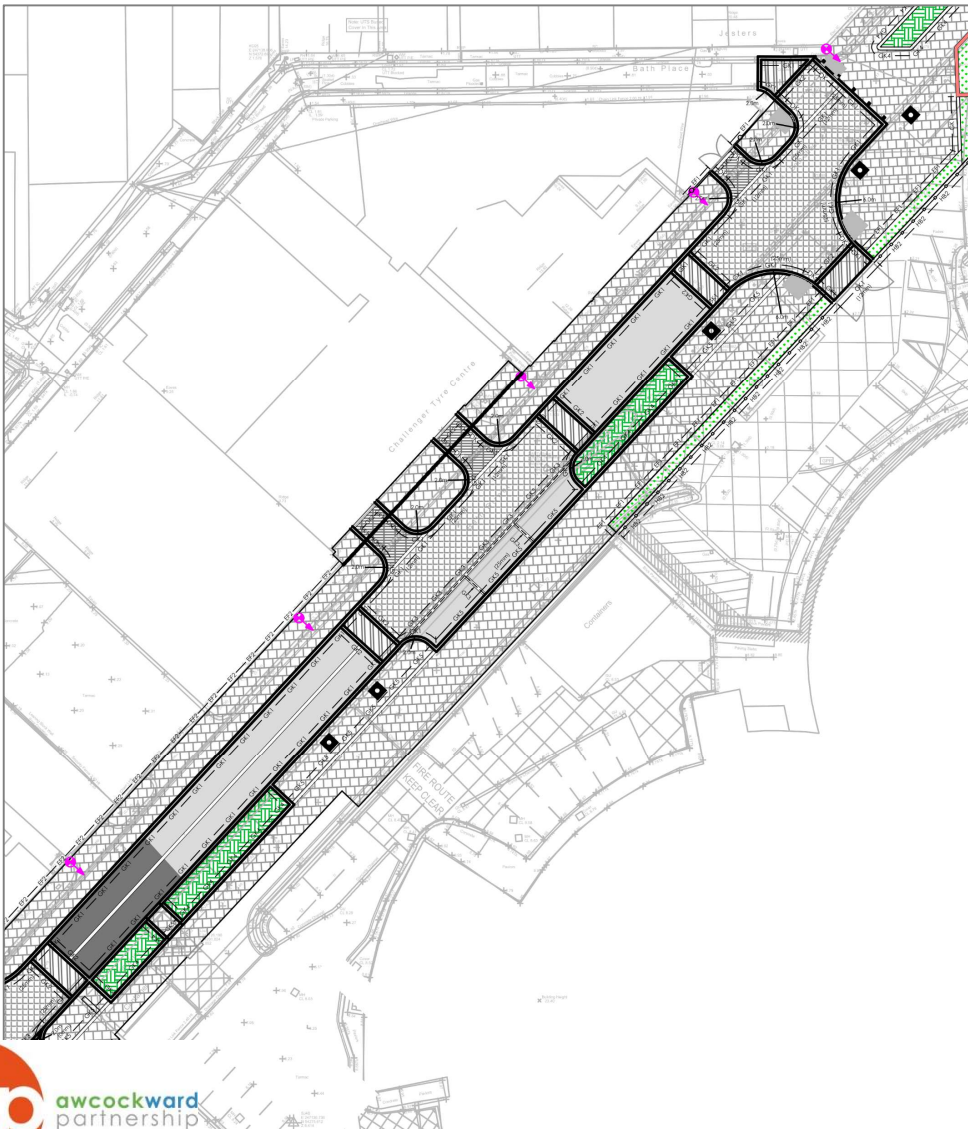
Overview of Proposed Scheme



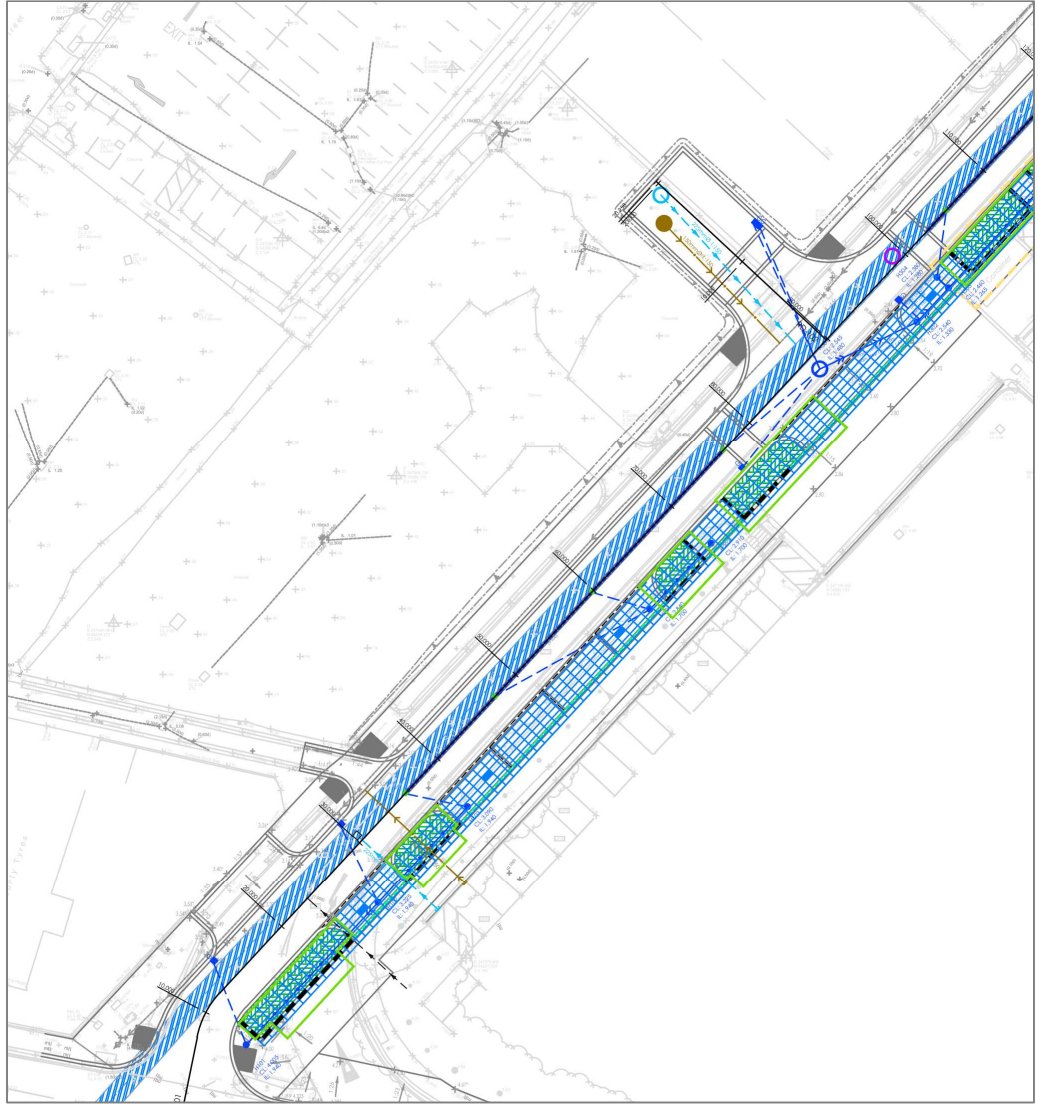
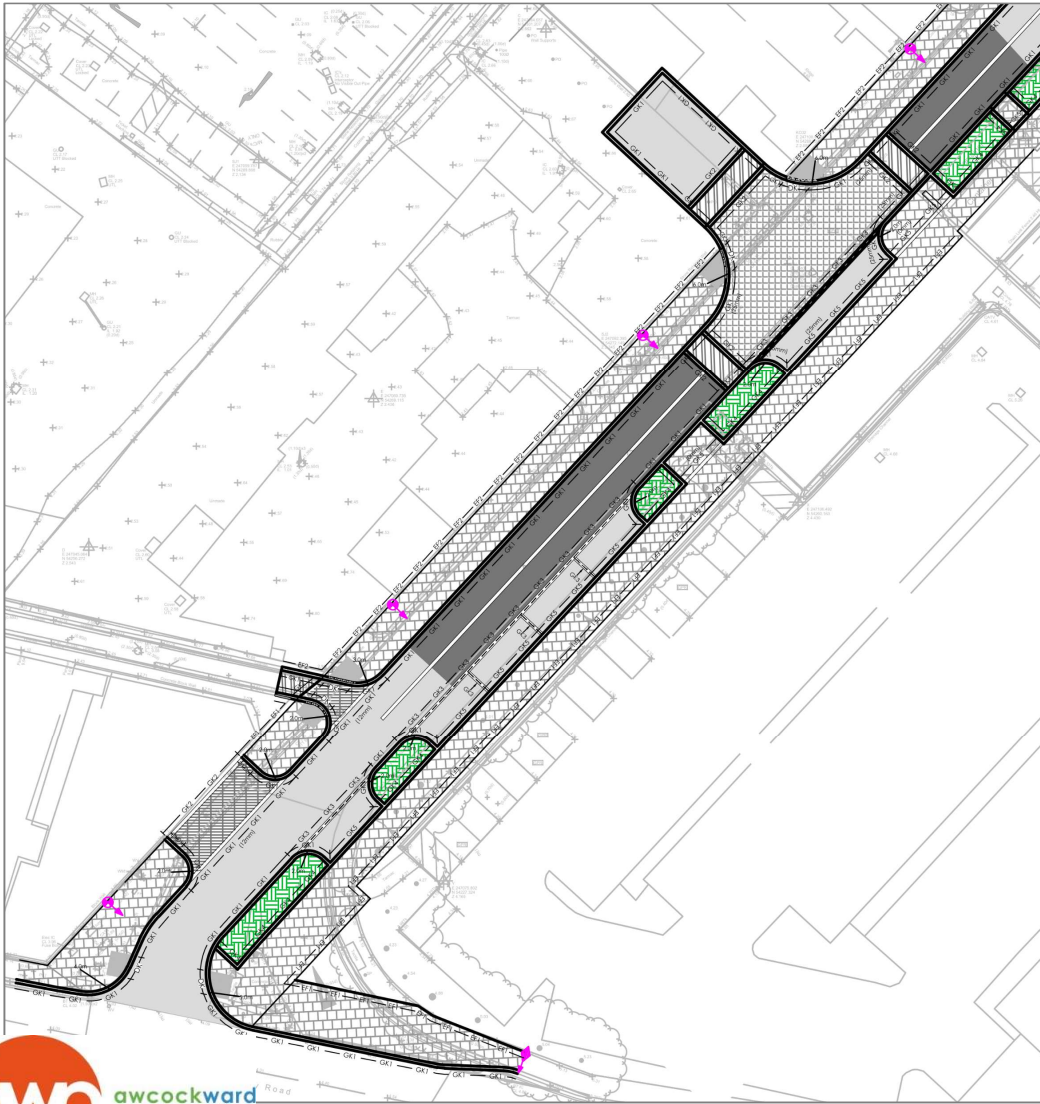
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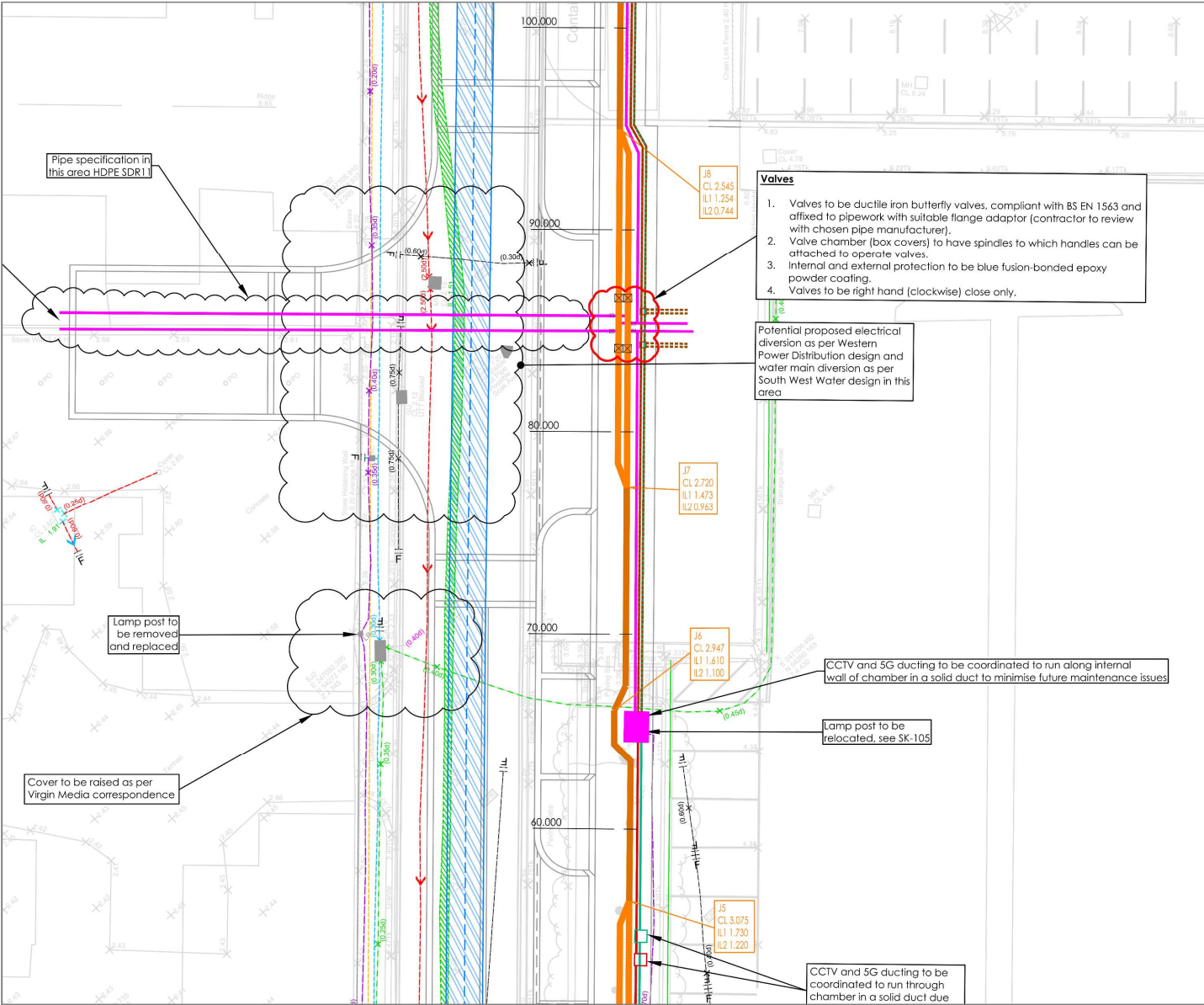


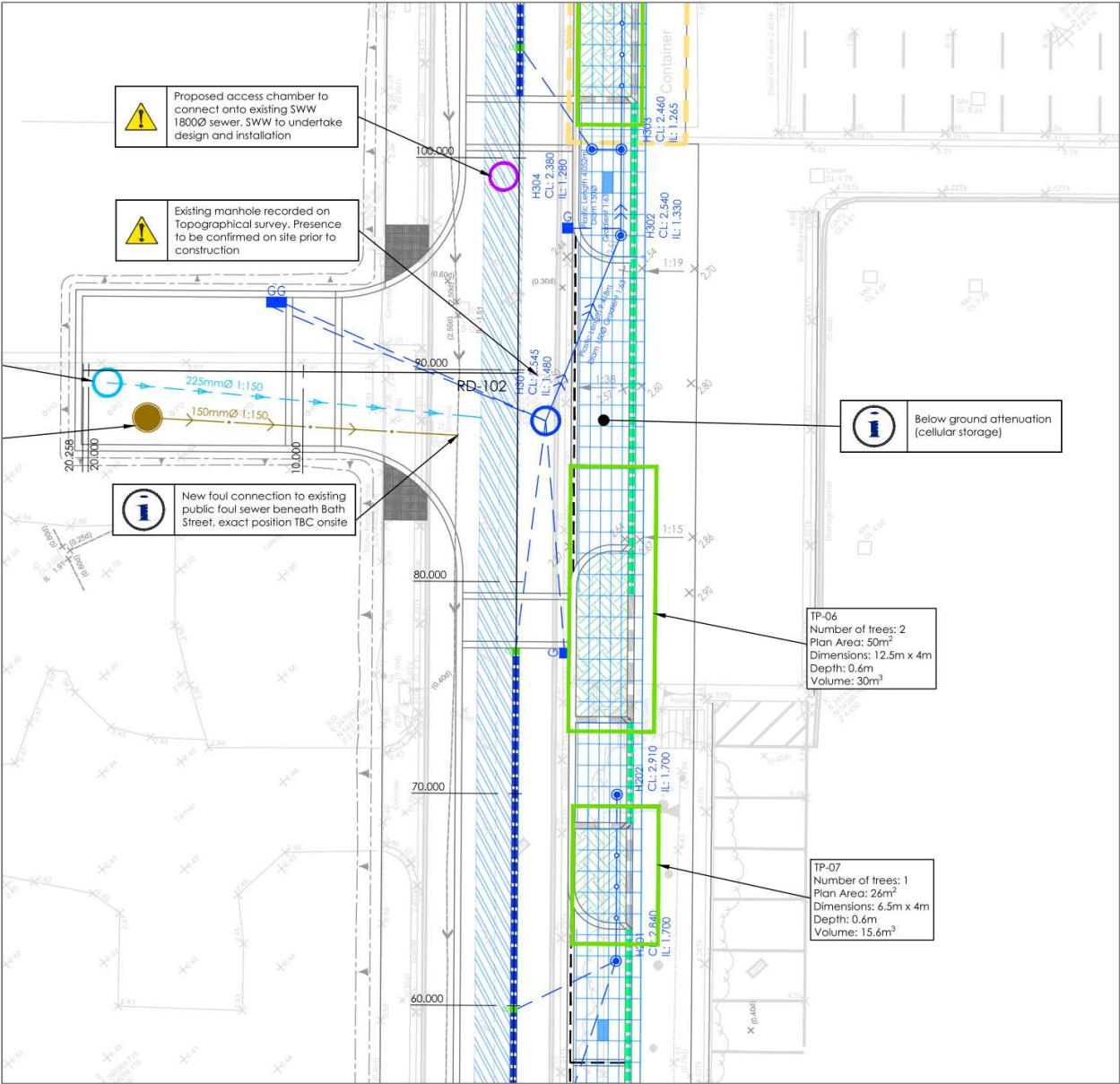
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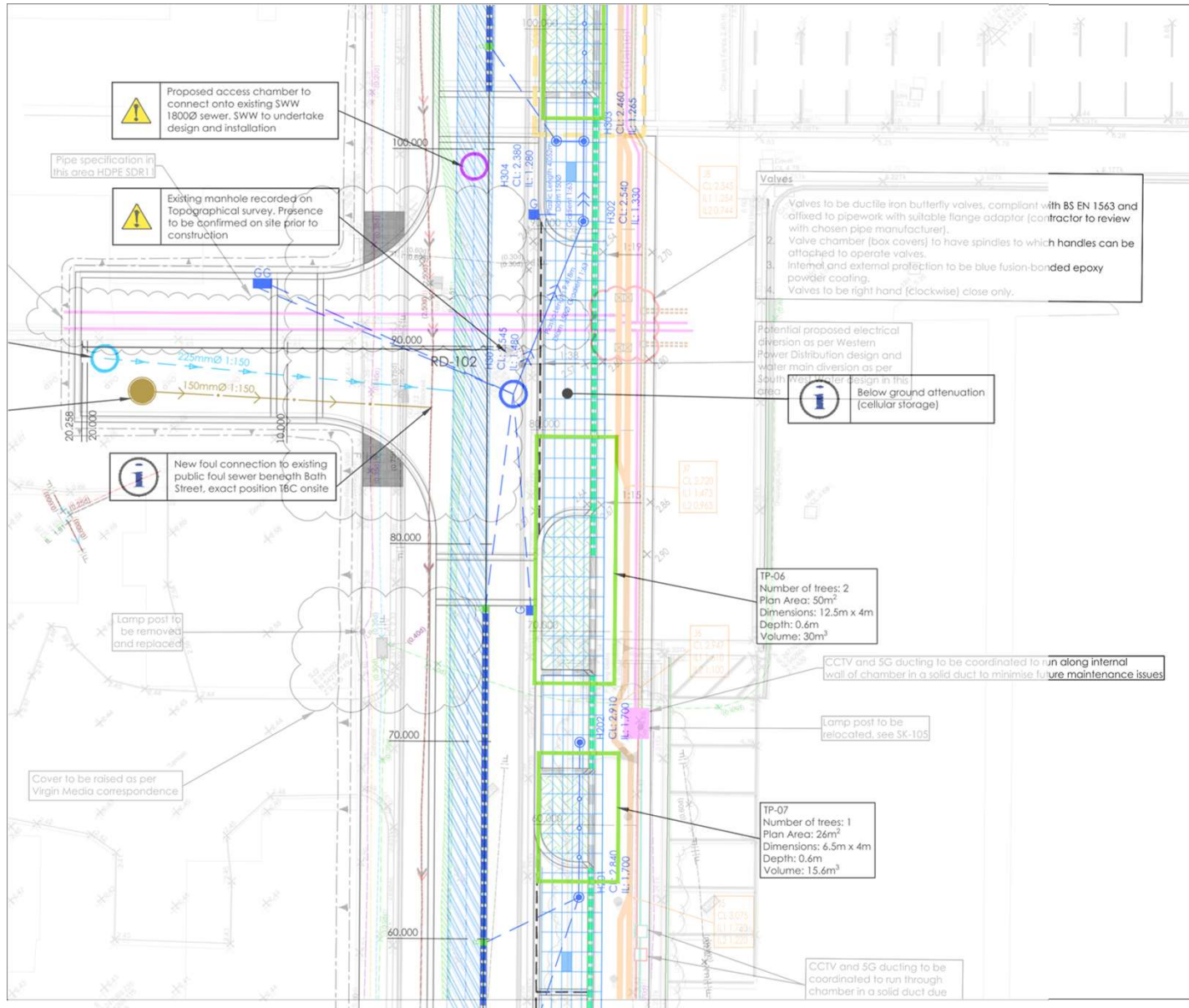


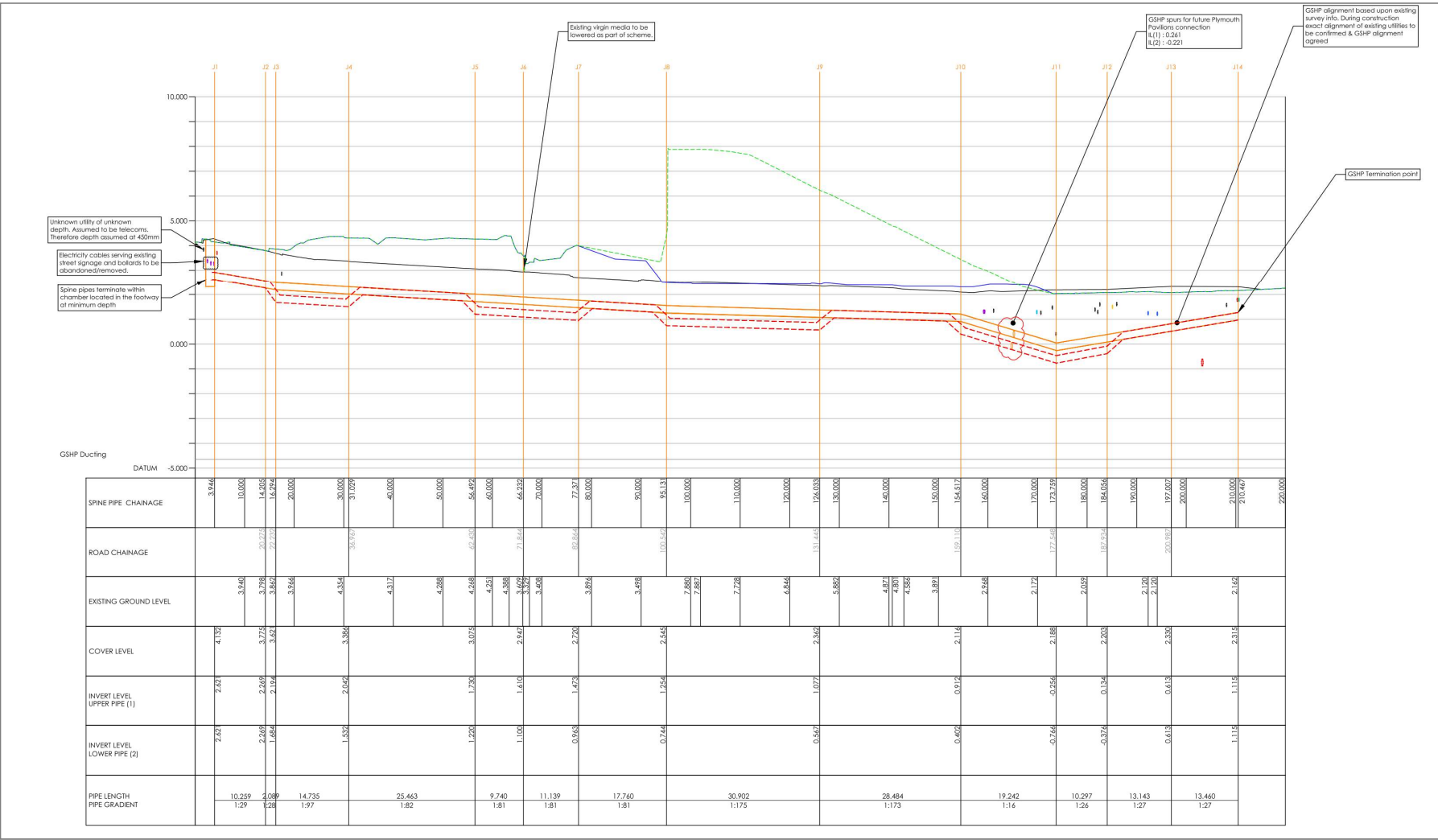
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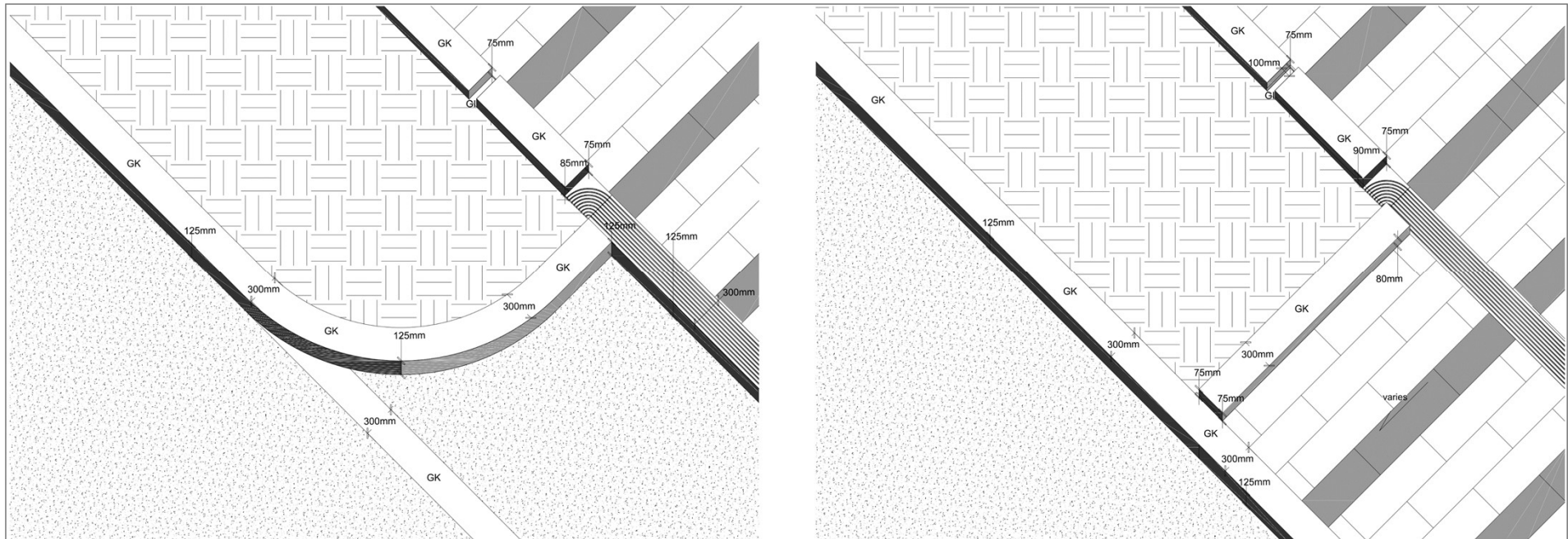






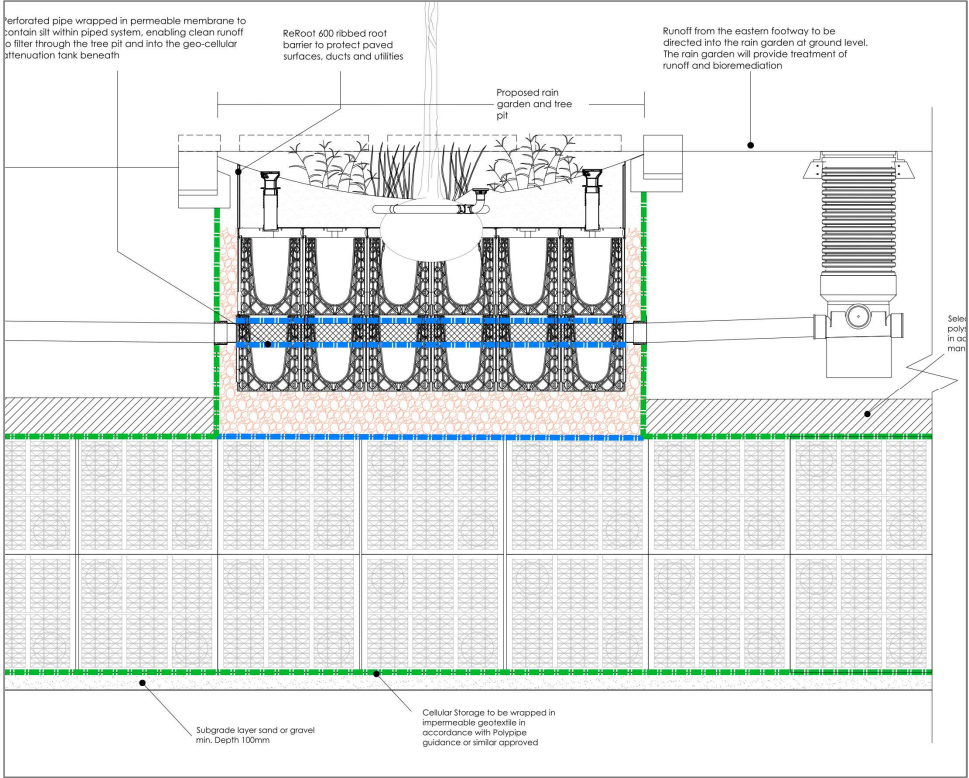
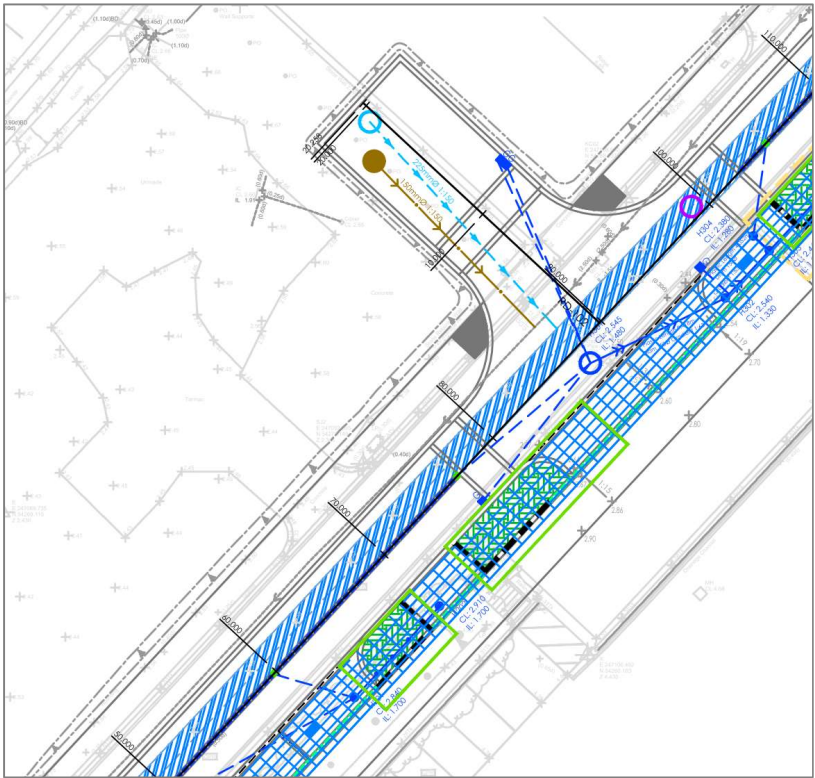
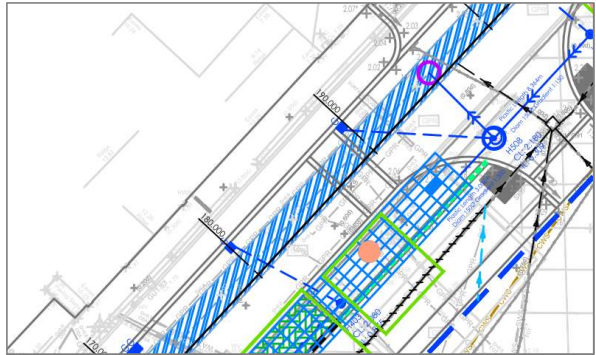
Technical Details

- Getting Water into the System



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- Maintenance Aspects



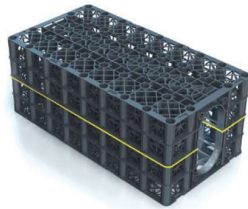
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Polystorm Access

Polystorm Access provides a 1m x 0.5m vertical shaft within a Polystorm geocellular structure to enable surface access for remote camera inspection and maintenance activities such as flushing and rodding.

2B



Polystorm Inspect

Product code: PSM4

Polystorm Inspect provides a tunnel along the length of a fully installed Polystorm system to enable horizontal access for inspection and maintenance. It can also be used in conjunction with Polystorm Access.

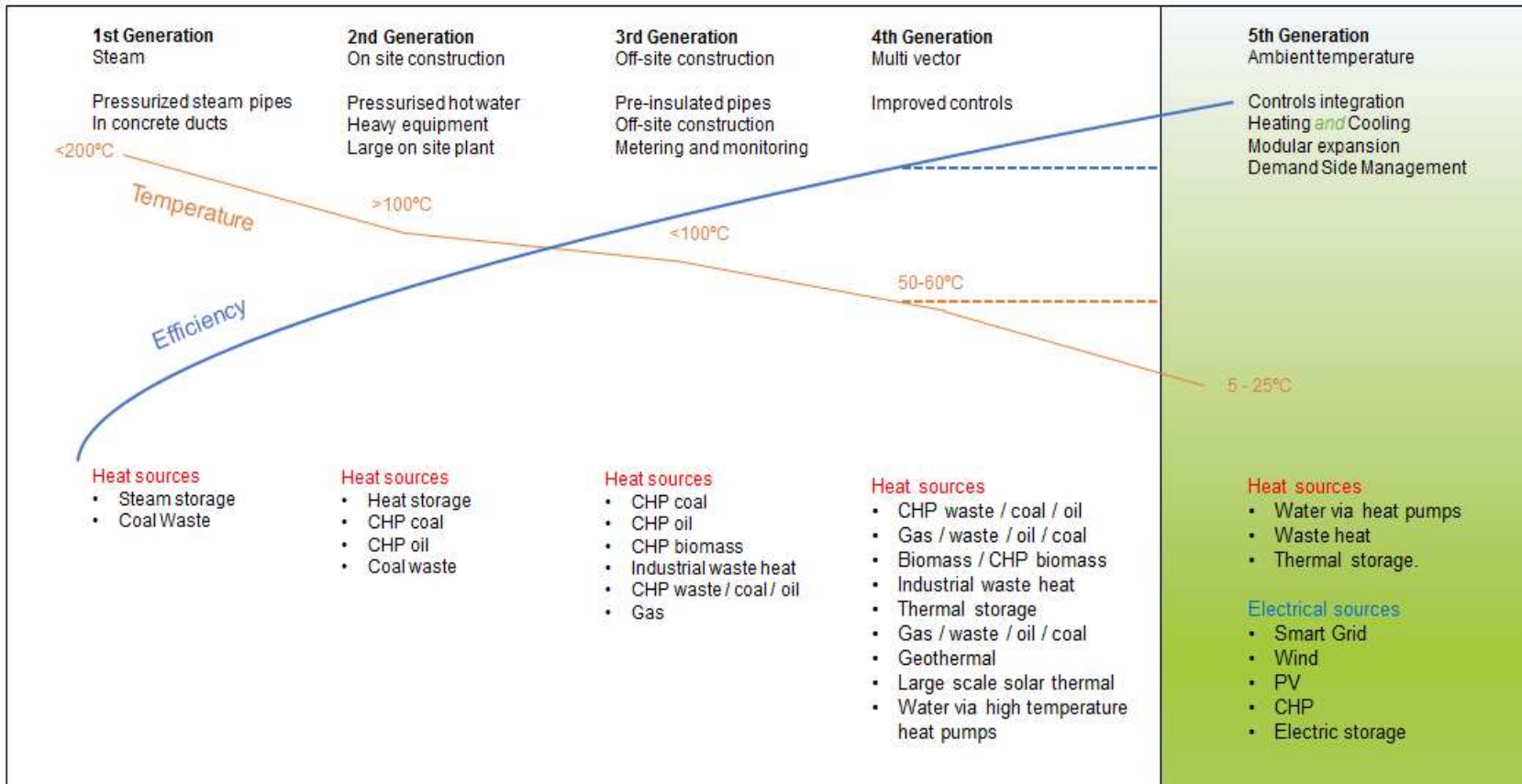
Site Progress



Plymouth Heat Network

- Heat and transport next big challenges in decarbonisation, following electricity.
- Generating heat represents the biggest energy use in the UK so, to meet our targets, we will have to decarbonise nearly all heat generation in buildings.
- Currently 70% buildings (80% homes) heated by gas.
- Heat networks have a role to play, combined with heat pumps (electrification of heat), as well as heat pumps for individual buildings.

Heat Networks transition

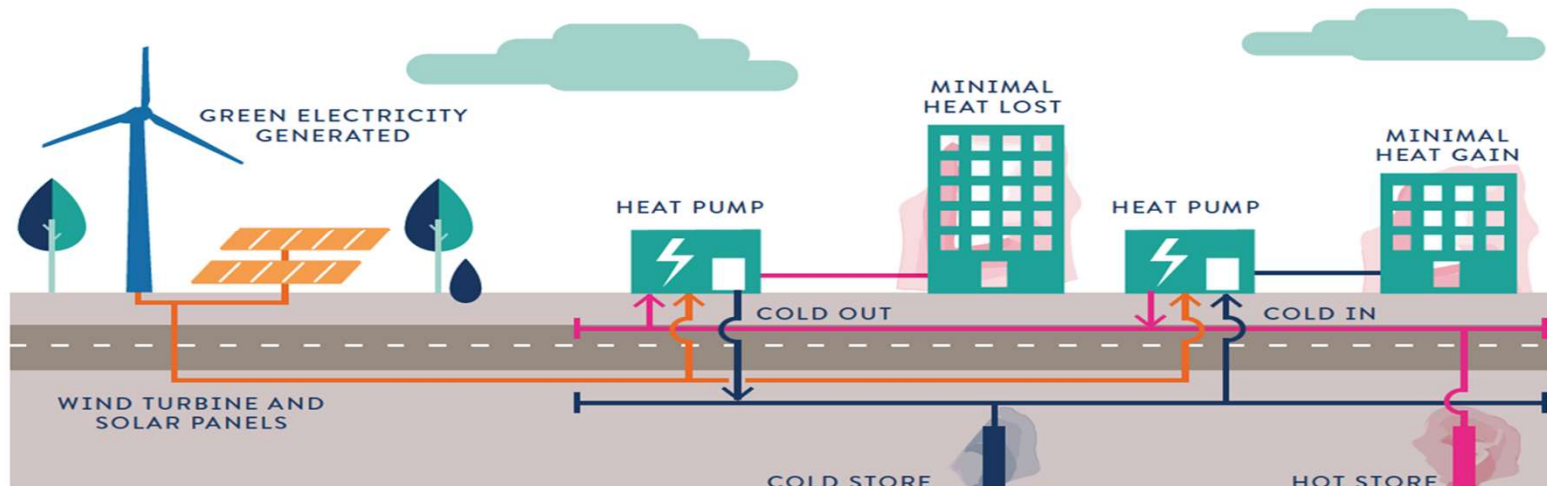


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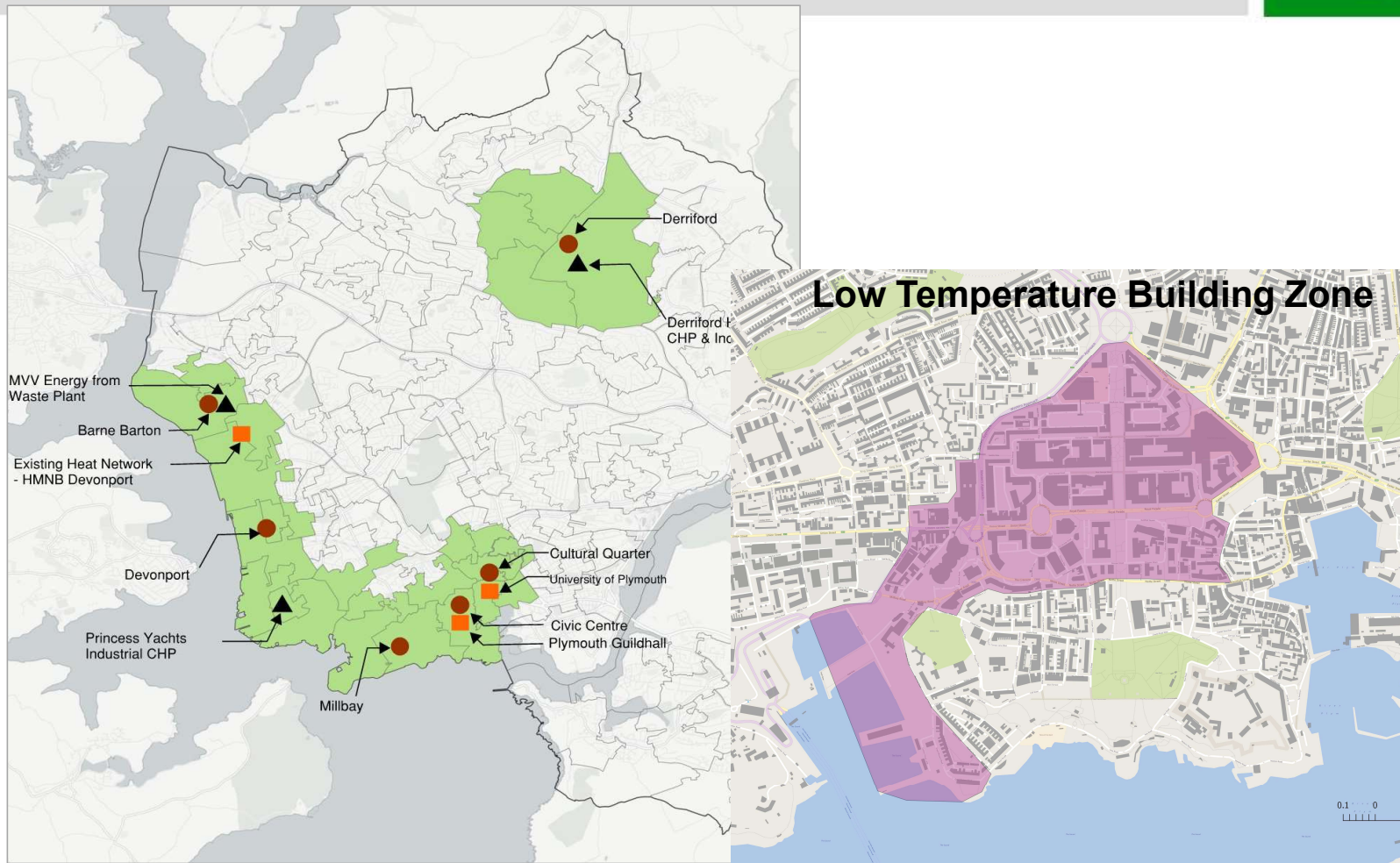
Heat network trends to lower distribution temperatures and higher efficiency

5th generation benefits


- Resilient to climate change- cooling and heating
- Rejected energy recovered and shared, reducing primary energy
- Helps buildings achieve future compliance
- No flues or emissions- air quality benefits
- Flexible- plug and play (decentralised)
- Allows greater use of renewable energy and waste heat sources
- Opportunity to offer 'grid services' to electricity network

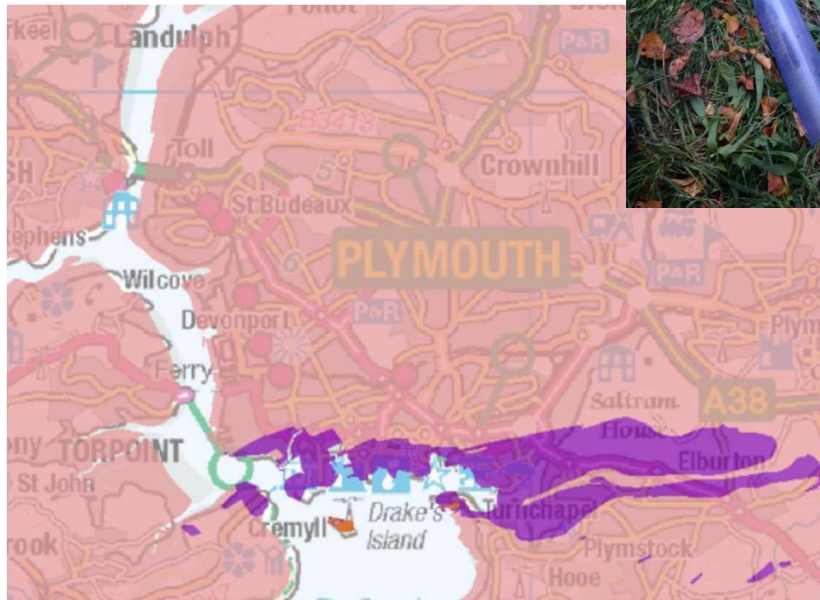


District Energy Opportunity Areas

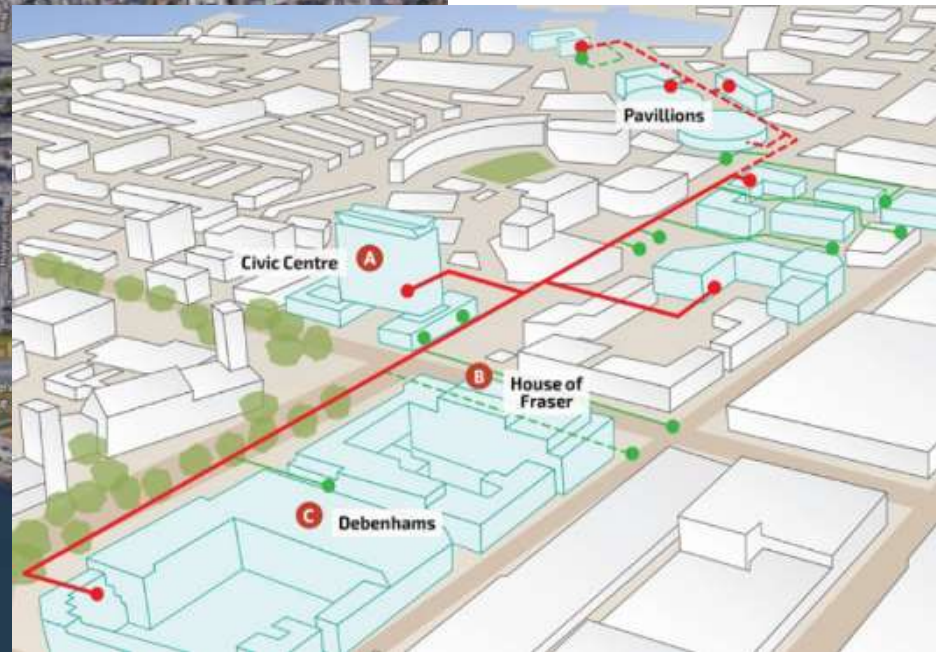
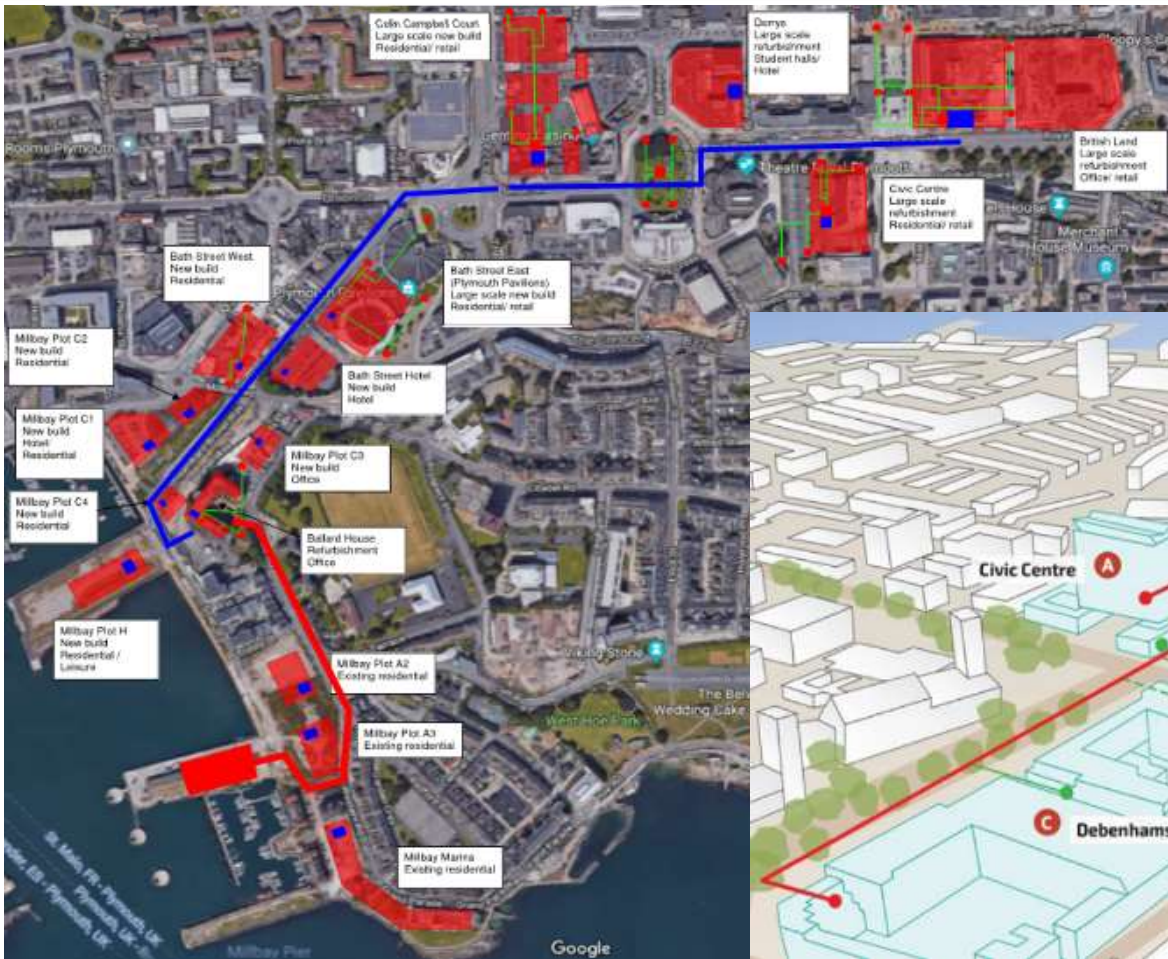


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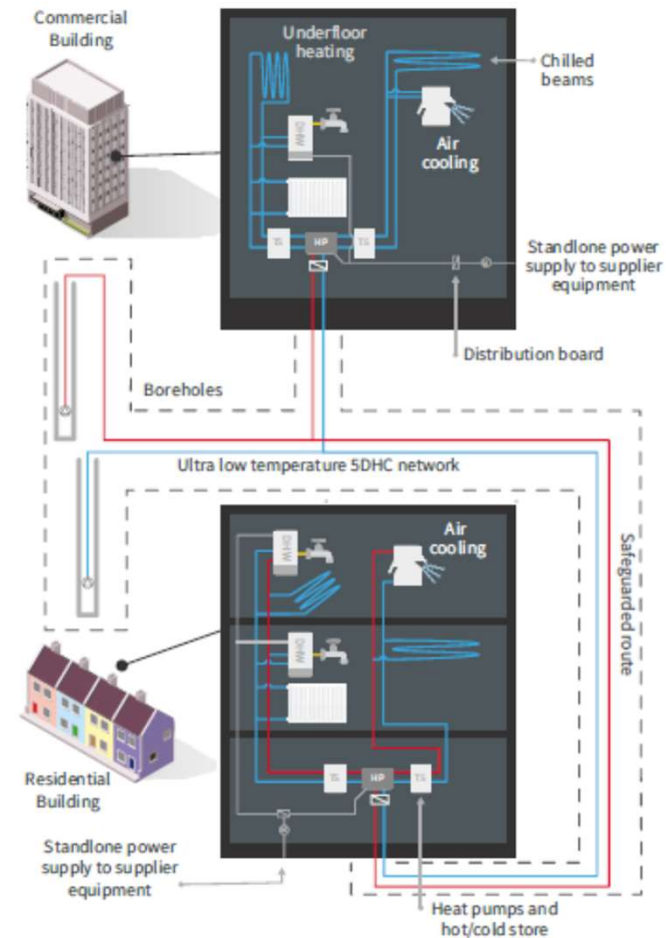
-  Principal
-  Secondary A
-  Secondary B
-  Secondary (undifferentiated)



City Centre scheme



- EU HeatNet Interreg project is funding new wells and enabling infrastructure.
- Using a combination of ground source heat pumps (utilising principal aquifer in underlying limestone), and in future Marine heat pumps.
- Potential links to electricity network/ flexibility markets through use of heat pumps and storage.








Civic Centre wells






Connecting to the Plymouth 5DHC Network

Part I
a guide for developers, building owners and architects

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Part 2 – a technical guide for designers of building services

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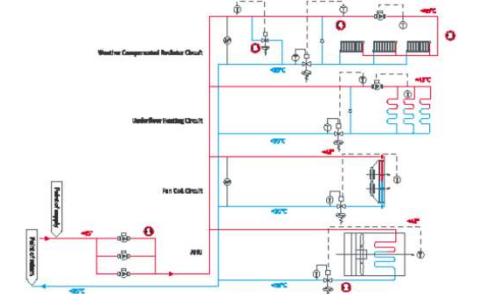
3.3 Space heating – commercial new build

This section covers commercial applications for space heating requirements. Although the principles are the same for commercial and residential heating, there are further considerations and practices for residential buildings that are covered in Section 3.2.

Space heating requirements should be met using low temperature emitters. It is critical that emitter design allows individual units to be commissioned accurately to ensure flow rates are regulated through each emitter (see Section 13.3). Careful design and specification is required to ensure constant low return temperatures are achieved at all rates

of thermal demand. There may be rare occurrences where low flow loads require flow rates that are lower than the minimum pump flow rate and it may be necessary to install a bypass. Any bypass will negatively affect the ability to maintain consistent low return temperatures and therefore must be small bore and controlled to open and bypass the minimum flow needed only when the smallest pump is at minimum flow rate.

Priority should be given to selecting pumps that have a greater turndown, or even overload protection built in.



- Multiple staged variable speed pumps with differential pressure control – secondary system pumps should be controlled to maintain differential pressure across one or more circuit inlets runs. Using multiple pumps in a parallel arrangement will allow greater range of modulation while maintaining them at their optimum duty point.
- Two-part differential pressure control – control of supply flow rates and temperatures for each heating circuit will be achieved using a two-part control methodology.
- Zoning and balancing flow rates – heat emitter strips should be subzoned and balanced when applying return temperature limiting control.
- Variable temperature/weather compensation – the secondary flow temperature should be varied as ambient temperature conditions increase or heat loads decrease.
- 'Keep warm' bypasses – the use of uncontrolled bypasses and/or low flow headers should be avoided. If there are zones that require a 'keep warm' function, then small bore temperature controlled bypasses can be used to maintain a minimum heating set point around the circuit.

3.2 Heat Pump and Network Interface

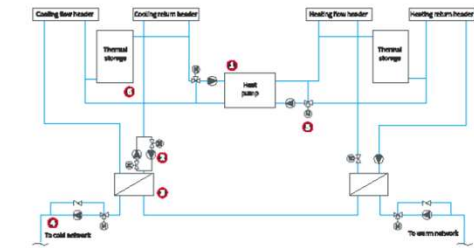
The supplier will own the heat pump and network interface, which is the energy exchange equipment between the network and the secondary side equipment.

The equipment includes heat exchangers, control valves, heat pumps and thermal storage that will be maintained by the supplier. The interface can include two or more PHEs depending on the site, turn-down and redundancy required.

Typically two PHEs in parallel for each network interface point, each installed at 50% of peak load provides a full thermal range, and some redundancy to permit service and maintenance periods. Larger interfaces may include more

than two PHEs. There are two sets of plate interfaces, one with the warm side of the pump and the 5DHC network, and one with the cold side. The schematic is for guidance only and final selection of the equipment will be made in agreement with the developer. Only the key functional features are shown in the simplified schematic below. Details such as flushing valves, drains, full sensor suites are as per best practice mechanical design.

The delivered package will include means of flow measurement and test points on both sides for commissioning purposes; filtration to protect the heat exchangers; flushing, filling and draining details; pressure relief control and instrumentation to allow the supplier control and monitor of the supply of heat.



- Heat Pump Plant** – One or more heat pumps served by the heat intake or cool intake plate heat exchangers, specific arrangement via the headers allows for simultaneous heating and cooling from a standard heat pump unit; allows the development to operate as an island from the network if the loads are balanced at a point in time.
- Pumps** – pumping arrangements ensure either side of the heat pump can be used as a heat source/air end; allows reversible flow through the cooling intake heat exchanger; which is necessary to benefit from free cooling.
- Plate Heat Exchangers** – cold and warm network plate heat exchanger interface to allow for heat abstraction/rejection.
- 5DHC mains network** – network incoming to platform from horizontal main 5DHC spine.
- Isolating Valves** – in place to balance temperature fluctuations onto the heat pump plant.
- Thermal Storage** – storage on the hot and cold systems to provide peak demand loading capability and maximize utilization of the heat pump plant.

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Thank you!

Site visit to Millbay Boulevard

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- Groups of 20
- 6 group leaders in hi-viz jackets
- Departing from the entrance
- We are not coming back here
- Please take your belongings
- Annabel Harris, AWP
- Headley Martin, South West Highways
- John Yianni, Pell Frischmann
- Jon Selman, Plymouth City Council
- Mick O'Connor, South West Highways
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