

MANCHESTER ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

Design and Access Statement

in support of the **Additional 60 Place** development proposals

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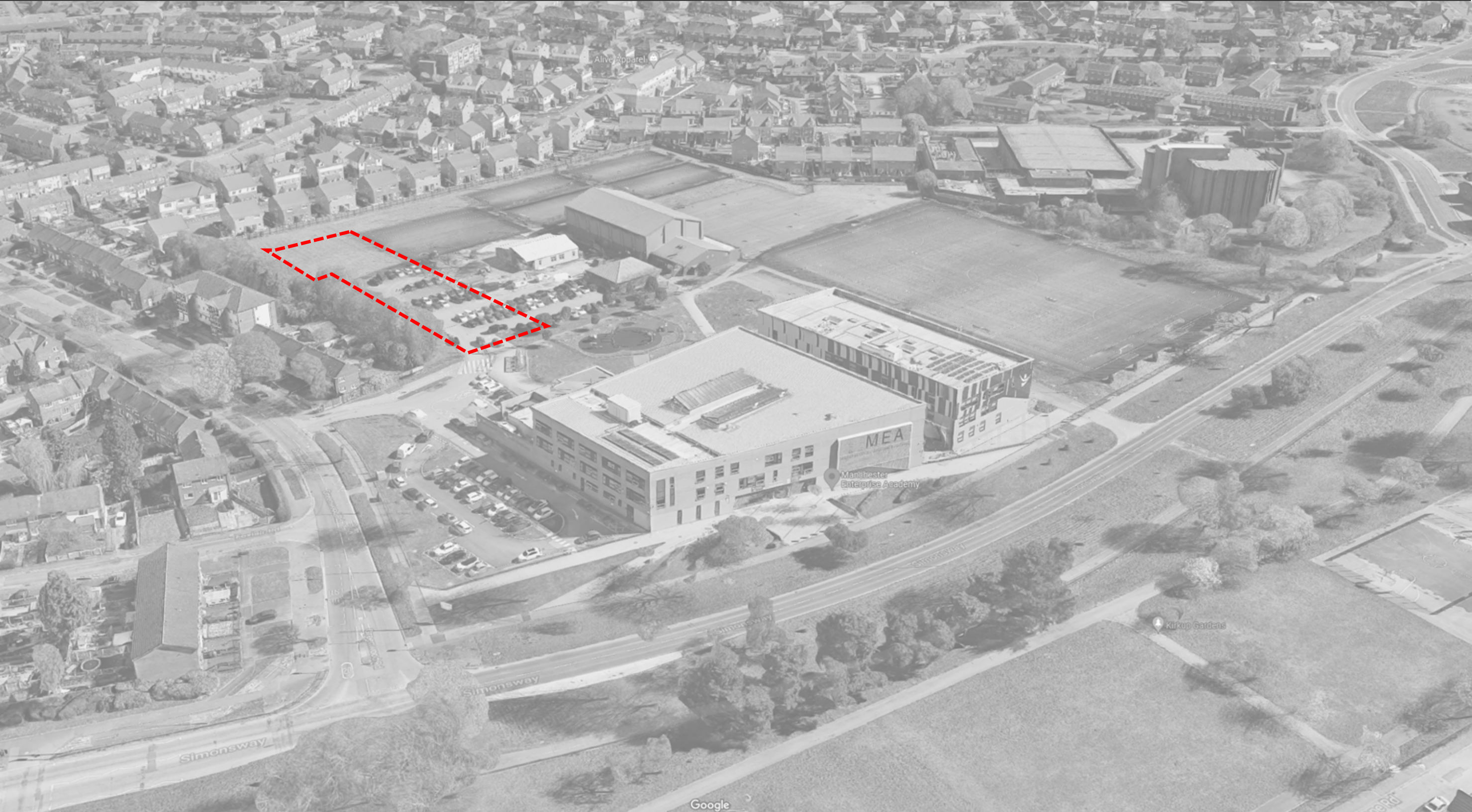
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This document is submitted in support of the Full Planning Application for development proposals at the Manchester Enterprise Academy.

The Academy is required to take 60 additional children on its Roll. The proposed development respond to the need to accommodate these additional pupils in the Academy.

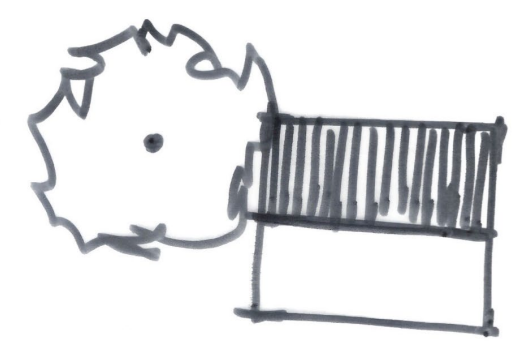
The proposed development consist of a stand alone building to expand the Alternative Provision (to support pupils with behavioural, emotional or social difficulties) currently delivered by The Hub, a new building approved under application number 127238/FO/2020.



----- Application site

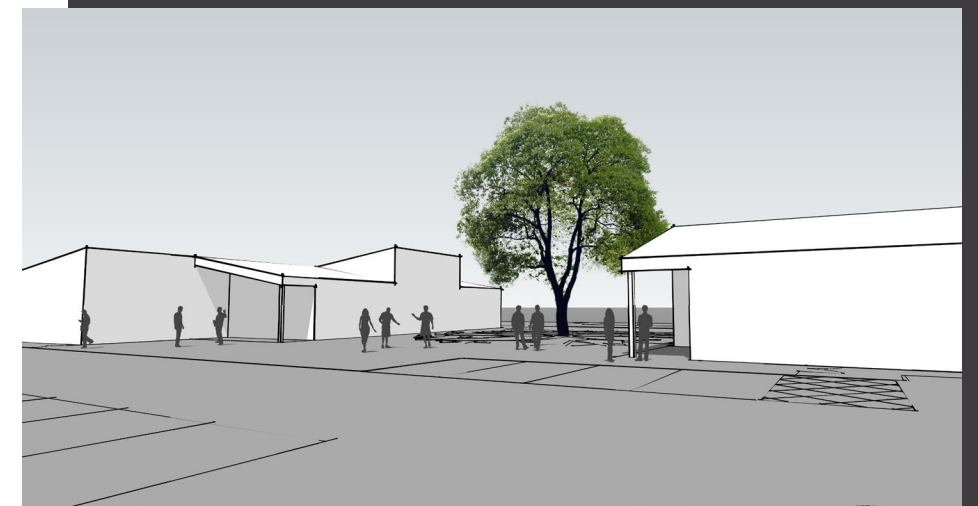
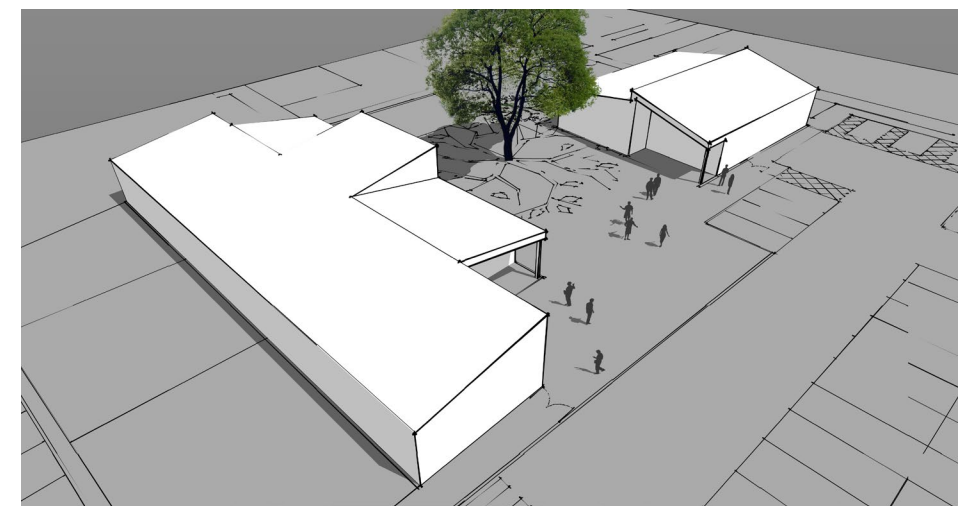
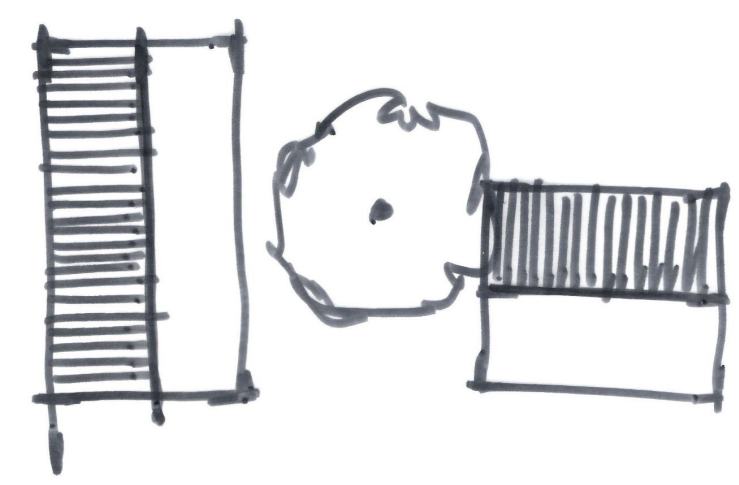
The position and orientation of the proposed new build is determined by the wish to create, with the arrangement of the buildings, a 'campus' feel.

The two buildings pivot around the existing Oak, defining an external social area that amalgamates and gives identity to the Alternative Educational Provision within the Academy.



A stand-alone building, unconnected to its surroundings

EXISTING



A group, arranged around an existing tree. The creation of a Place

PROPOSED

The linear plan is organised along a north/south axis.

To the west, a row of classrooms open up to their own secure and secluded external areas.

To the east, the social/dining space opens up to the shared external social area.

Every room in the building is accessed from the heart of the building, resulting in maximum legibility and maximum passive supervision.



GIFA 350m2



2.3 Scale, Form, Appearance

The scale and form of the proposed building relate to the existing Hub.

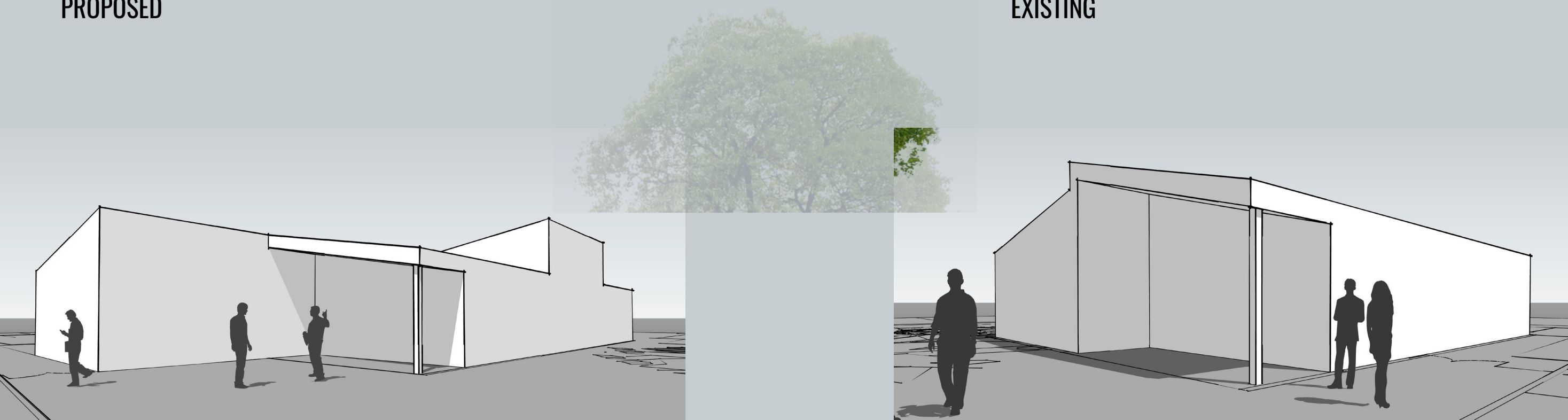
Height, roof slopes and cantilevers of the proposed building matches the height, roof slopes and cantilevers of the existing Hub.

SCALE



PROPOSED

EXISTING



PROPOSED

EXISTING

FORM

2.3 Scale, Form, Appearance

In addition to its Scale and Form, the proposed new build takes on from the existing building the materials and colour palette, as follows:

Roof and Rainwater goods: to match existing
Windows and Doors: to match existing

Walls

Cladding panels as per existing deployed in two complementary ways:

Large panels in the same wood effect as per existing, in lieu of brick

Narrow panels around the entrance as per existing, in dark grey

The overall result is two buildings belonging to a family, each with their own distinct motifs.

APPEARANCE

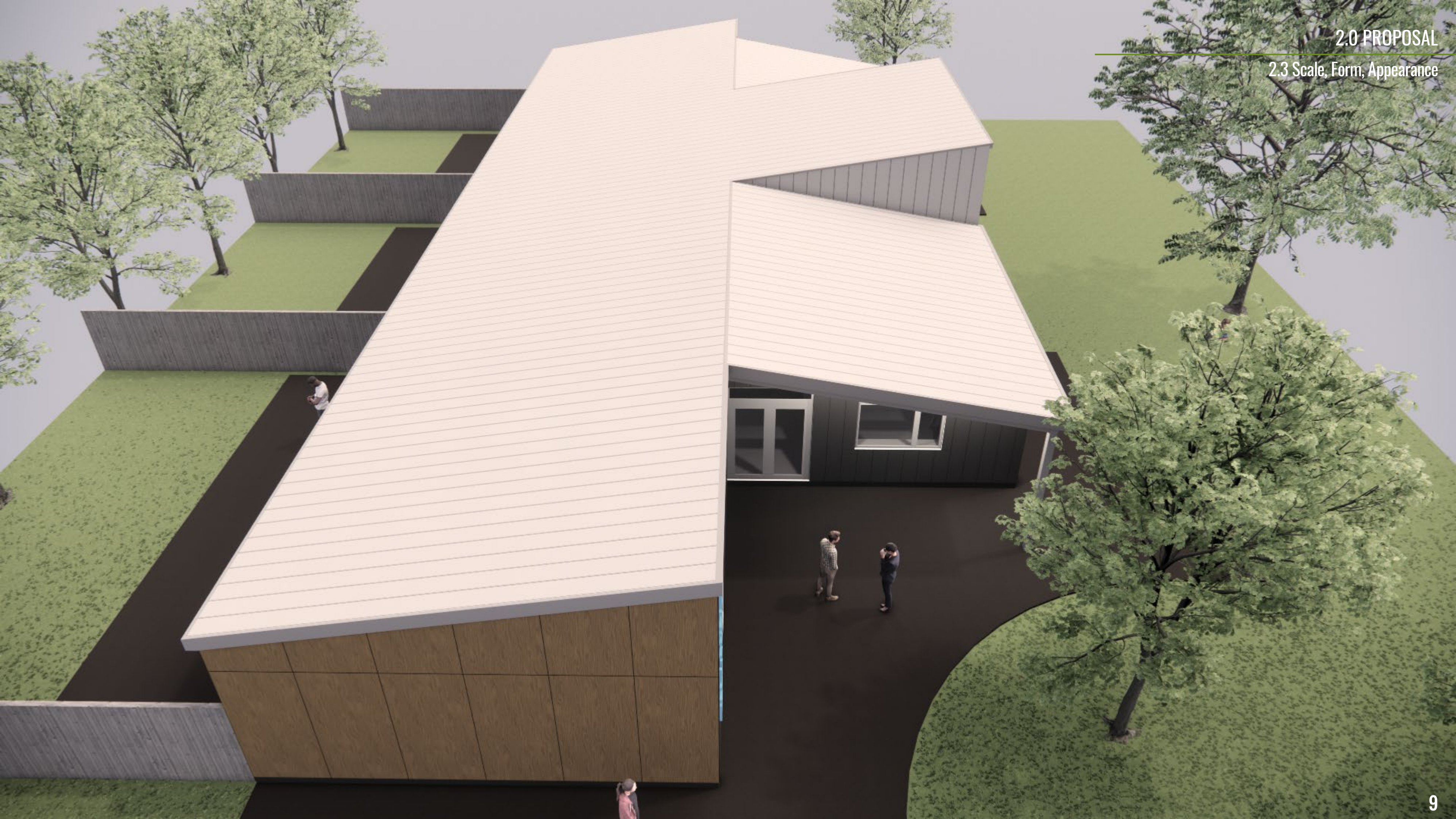


PROPOSED



EXISTING







Roof 'wrap-around'



Timber 'outer skin'

Black to 'cut-outs'

Due to the behavioural, emotional and/or social difficulties the pupils attending the Alternative Provision have, the 'campus' would be a secure environment, separate from the rest of the school.

A mixture of solid and wire-mesh fence enclose the campus, providing different levels of privacy/seclusion for its external areas.

These external areas are of different size and purpose to cater for the broad range of pupil's needs.

1. Grass
2. Tarmac
3. Solid timber fence
4. Wire-mesh fence



Vehicular and pedestrian access to the site remains as per existing.

Overall car park spaces remains as per existing.

Car park spaces on the application site remain as per existing, including number of accessible car spaces.

Car park layout on the application site is amended to accommodate the proposed new building.

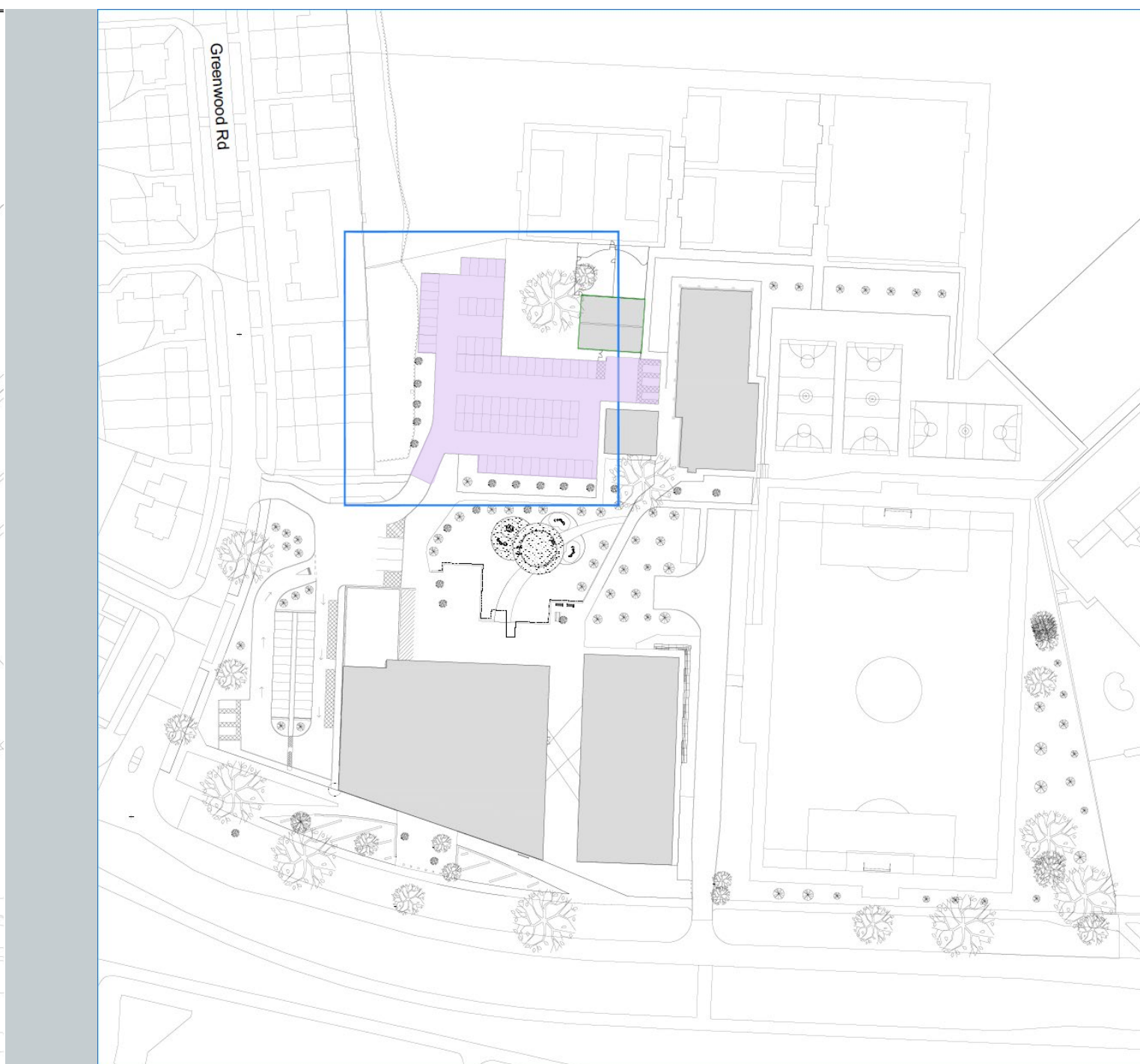
2.6 Access

Externally, all pedestrian routes will be level, with DDA compliant kerbs and surfacing.

Internally, the new building has level access throughout and has an accessible toilet.



PROPOSED



EXISTING

The Academy is required to provide 60 additional pupil places. The proposal responds efficiently to the need of additional space by creating a compact development that gives structure and a ‘sense of place’ to an area of the school grounds currently undefined and underutilised.

It is considered that the proposal is acceptable in principle, and it is hope that the LPA grants permission for this much needed development.



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