



CIS Tower,
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Manchester.
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CIS Tower Refurbishment.

Recording Strategy and Photographic Audit of internal & external features.

APPENDIX 1 – LEVEL B3 INTERNAL.

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FLOOR LEVEL B3. Lower Basement level.**Level B3. Context and general character.**

- i) Floor **level B3** (photographed on 18th September 2020) is the sub-basement, storage and plant area which is located under the tower at the northern end of the site. It includes fire-escape stairs and open-roofed plant within a 'moat' enclosing the tower structure.
- ii) The plant areas are functional and retain few significant features. The heating and electrical services plant has been subject to renewal since installation 1962 and is of no architectural or historic significance.
- iii) The floor plan has been altered from its original 1962 open-plan form by means of the movement and addition of office partitions.
- iv) The floor-coverings, ceilings, lighting, heating and ventilation have all been substantially altered from the original layout.
- v) The lift lobby retains original doors, although with upgraded fire-protection, but the lift cars are an early C21st replacement.
- vi) The original glazed control room survives with the original control panel and desk, although some of the desk controls have been replaced with modern equipment.
- vii) Refer to the below plan, Figure 1 (page 9) for the location and direction of views.



B3-01 Looking north-east towards the service lift.



B3-02 View looking east with the doors to each lift pit directly under the each lift above.



B3-03 View of the fire doors separating the lift core from the basement, which have been upgraded for fire protection and still operational.



B3-04 Original makers plate on the fire door of John Booth & Sons (Bolton) Ltd.



B3-05 View looking north east of one of the non-original offices that have been inserted into the basement.



B3-06 View of a steel staircase to one of the external fire exits.



B3-07 View east of the non-riginal plant equipment.



B3-08 Looking north-east to wards ventilation and heating plant, with the control room on the left hand side.



B3-09 View of the original control room with glazed partition.



B3-10 View of the original control room doors.



B3-11 The original control panel located within the control room.



B3-12 View looking north in the underground corridor that connected the CIS tower to New Century Hall and New Century House, now blocked off.



B3-13 Detail of the roller support to pipework that connected the plant of the CIS tower to New Century House.



B3-14 View looking south through the main plant room.



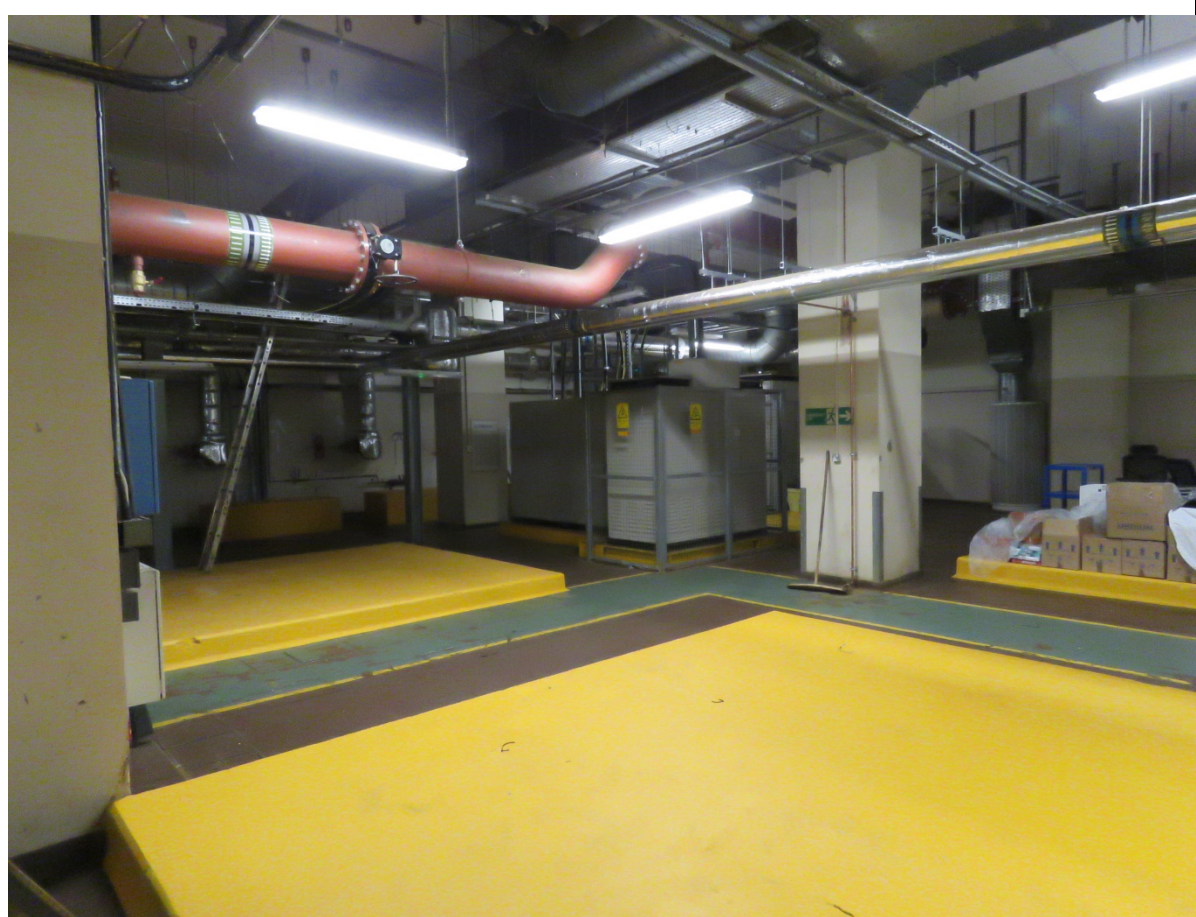
B3-15 View of original steel doors.



B3-16 View of cabinet with Mulsifyre system components for fire fighting oil fires.



B3-17 Badge detail of cabinet.



B3-18 View west of plant space.



B3-19 View of the joinery workshop.



B3-20 View south looking at the lift door and shutter.

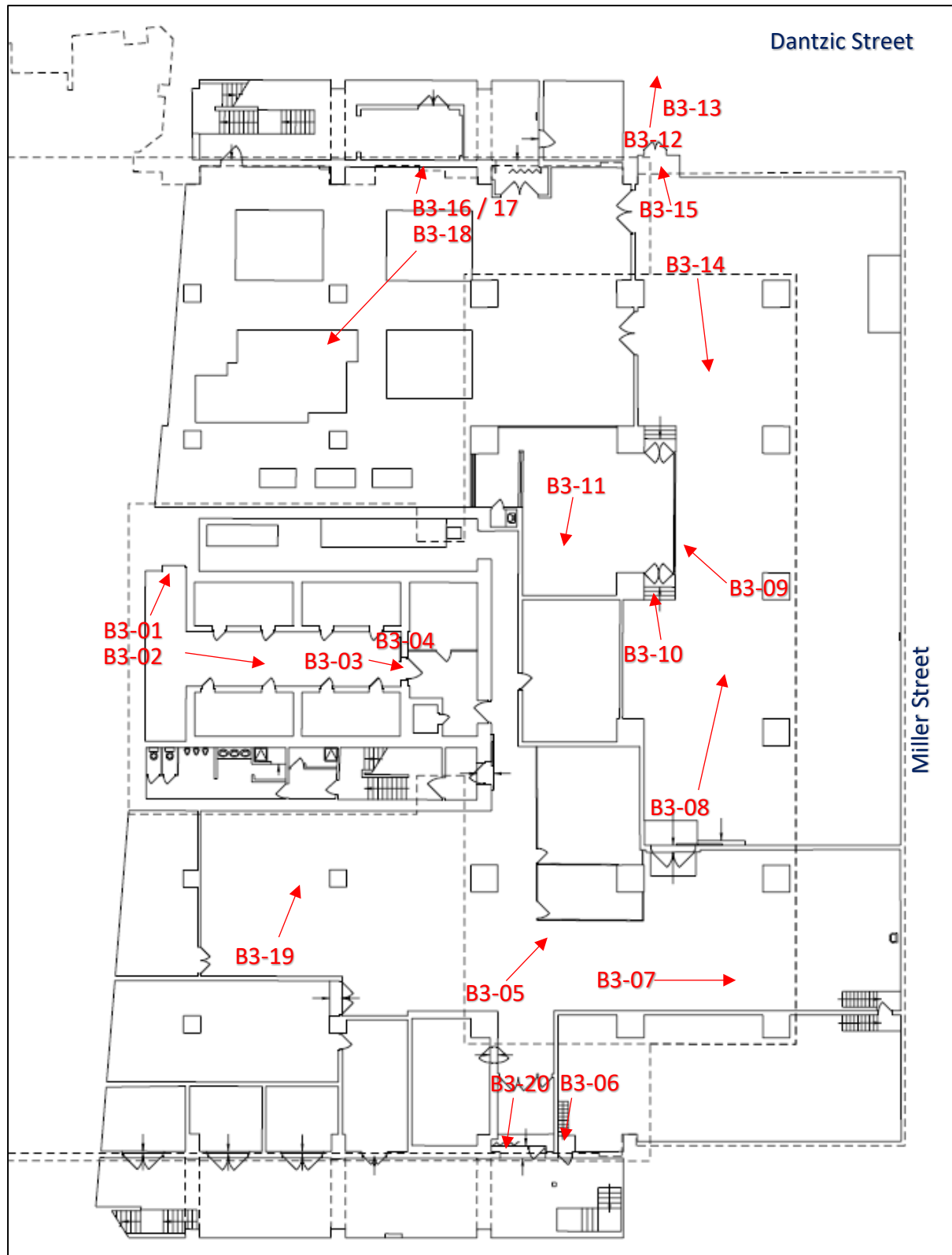
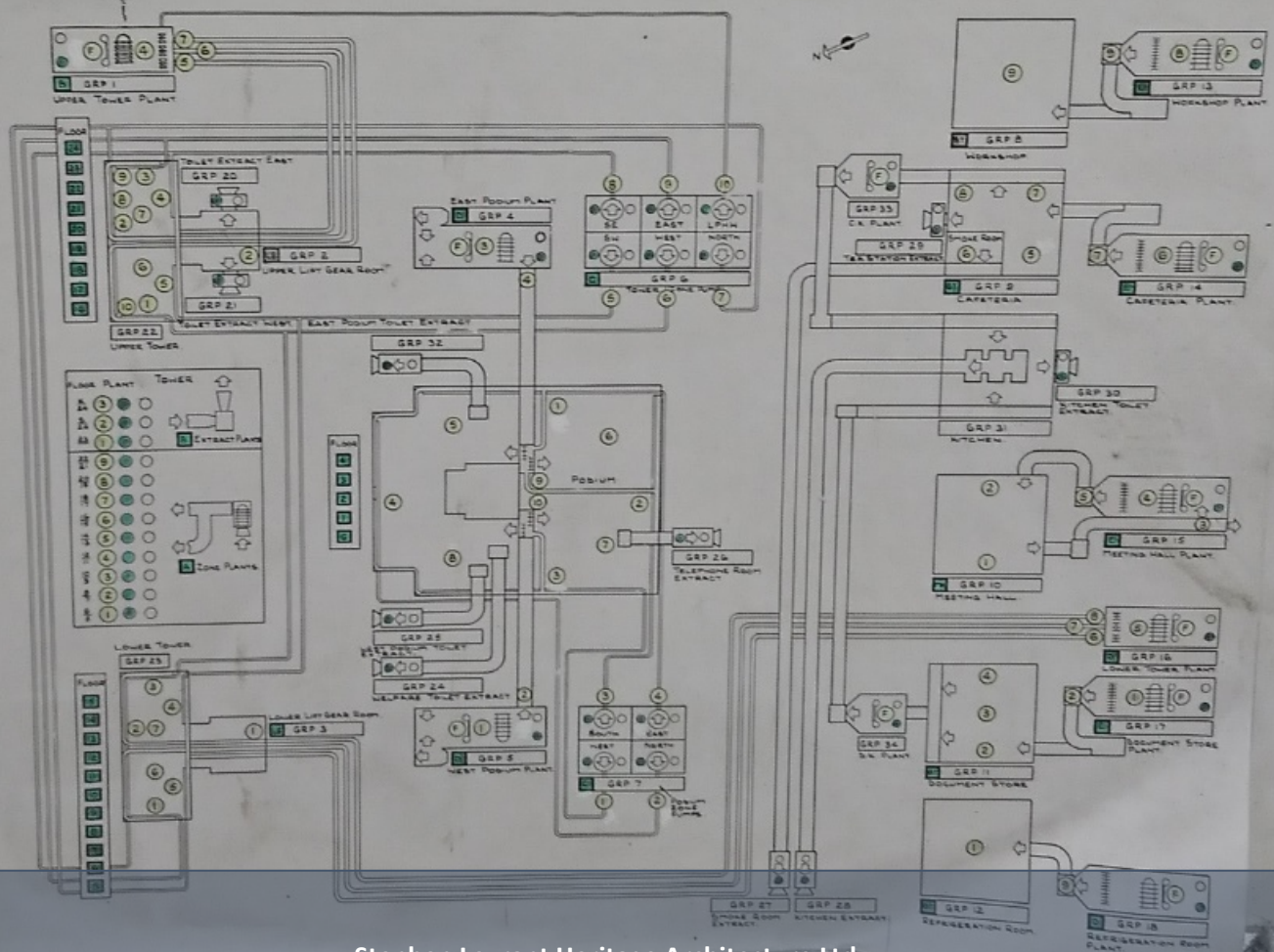


Figure 1. Location and direction of Level B3 views. Extract from Simpson Haugh drg.no.: 10246-SHP-Z1-B3-XP-A-G200-001

CIS Control Room Mimic Panel October 1962



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