

The Laurus Trust
Didsbury High School Extension
Relationship to MUGA - Additional information

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The following document has been prepared by Wilson Mason in response to the Planning objection received from Sport England and should be read in conjunction with the separate planning statement prepared by Smith Love.

- 1.0 Location**
- 2.0 Robustness**
- 3.0 Bounce Back**

1.0

Location

1.0 | Location

1.1 | Location on site

The location of the proposed extension has been carefully considered, with various other options explored during the initial feasibility phase. The final location is deemed to be the only appropriate location for the reasons listed below.

All extension options need to be located above ground level as outdoor amenity space is limited in all areas of the site.

- ① Area occupied with Mature Trees
Major Gas Main below, with associated encasement
- ② Main entrance to School
All 'drop-off' and emergency vehicle movements in this area
Close to neighbouring property
- ③ Main outdoor amenity space for years 7-11
Windows and vents along length of this elevation
- ④ Adjoined to sports hall only
No connection back to main school circulation - new stairs, lift and WC required which would be too large and prohibitively expensive.



2.0

Materiality

2.0 | Robustness

2.1 | Materiality

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Brick Facade

The building facade is built up of a robust solid clay facing brick system.

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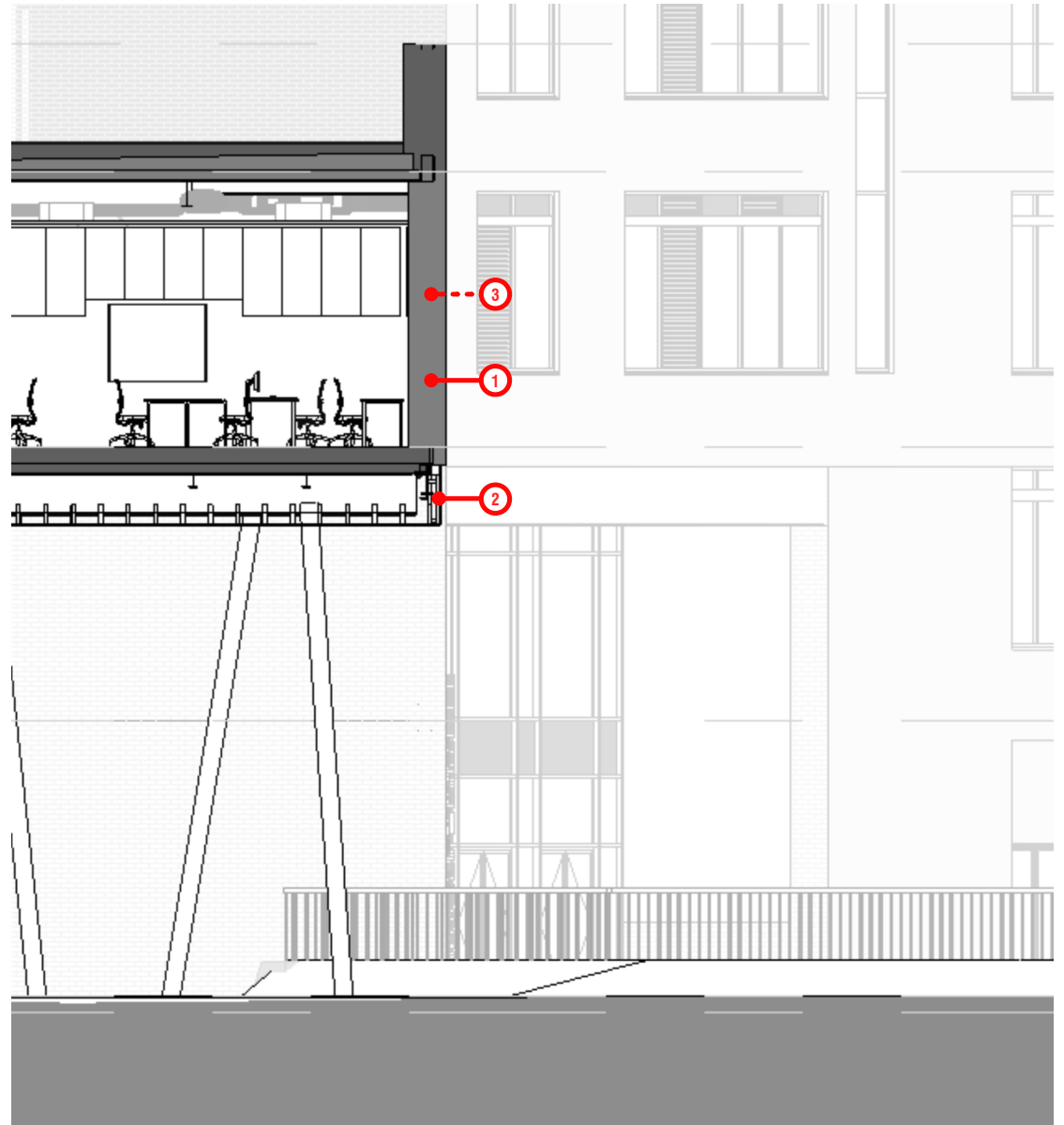
Robust Soffit Cladding

Robust Rockpanel compressed rock fibre cladding supported with mechanical fixings.

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Glazing

Toughened safety glass provided to all external windows.



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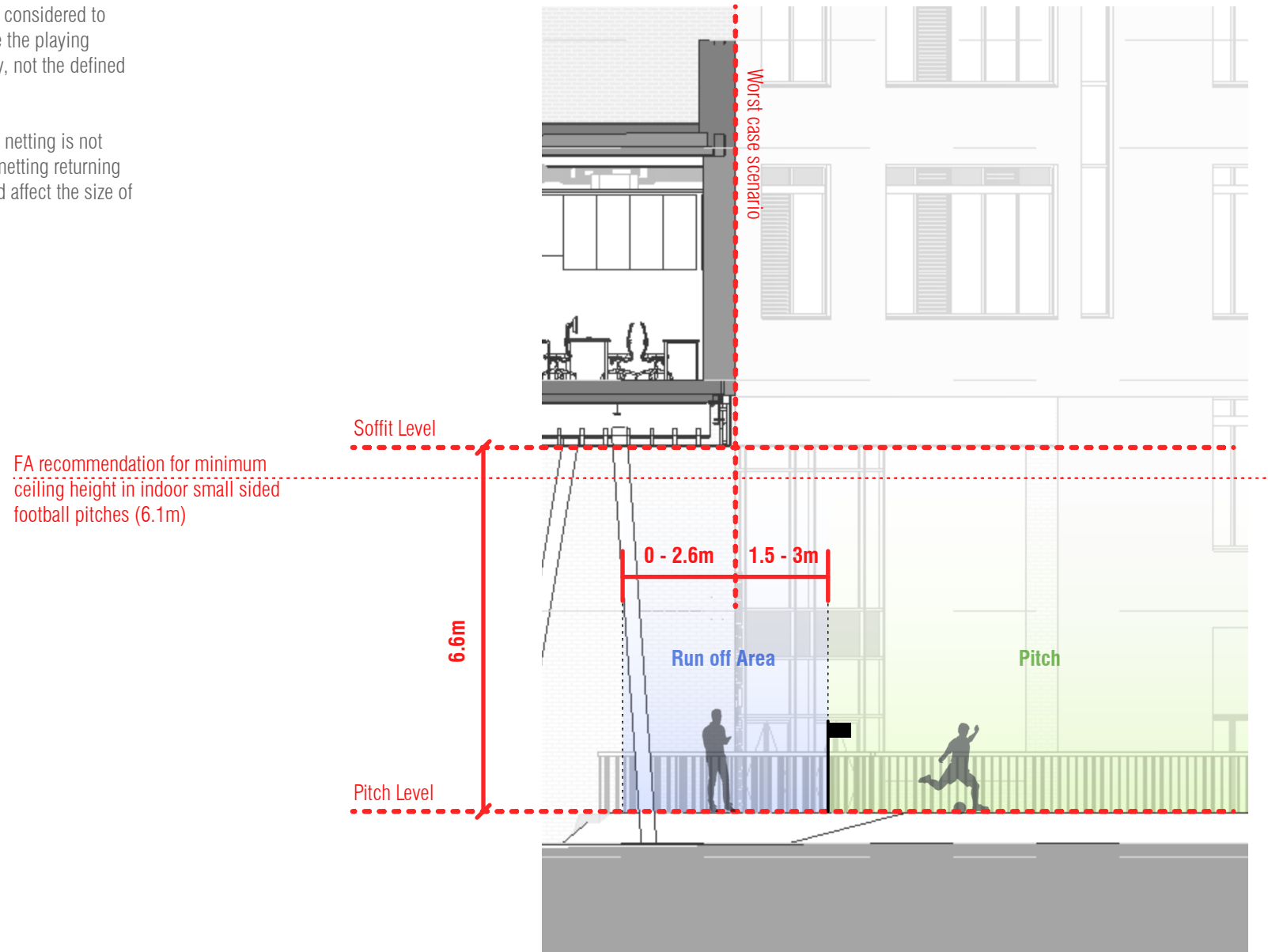
Bounce Back

3.0 | Bounce Back

3.1 | Design Considerations

The soffit height of the extension has been carefully considered to minimise impact on the pitch, sitting at 6.6m above the playing surface, and over sailing part of the run off area only, not the defined pitch area.

Due to the overhanging nature of the extension, ball netting is not thought to be feasible in front of the facade, as any netting returning vertically to ground level would terminate within and affect the size of the run off zone.



3.0 | Bounce Back

3.2 | Visualisation





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