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INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Blacklock



Proposed Brick Design Study

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1.0 Introduction

This document has been prepared by Other Side. The document is a description of the design process to accompany the drawings submitted. It is to explain the thinking behind the selection of the proposed brick slips.

2.0 Design Process

Blacklock and Other Side visited Cawarden Reclamation Yard to view a selection of reclaimed brick slips (*Figure 1*). The intention was to select a brick that closest matched the existing brickwork found on site, whilst also having as much character as possible to give the appearance, that when installed, the brick looks original. Cawarden was selected due to there extensive range of reclaimed bricks on offer.

Supplier Details:

Cawarden Reclamation Yard

<https://cawardenreclaim.co.uk>



Figure 1: Visit to Cawarden Reclamation Yard

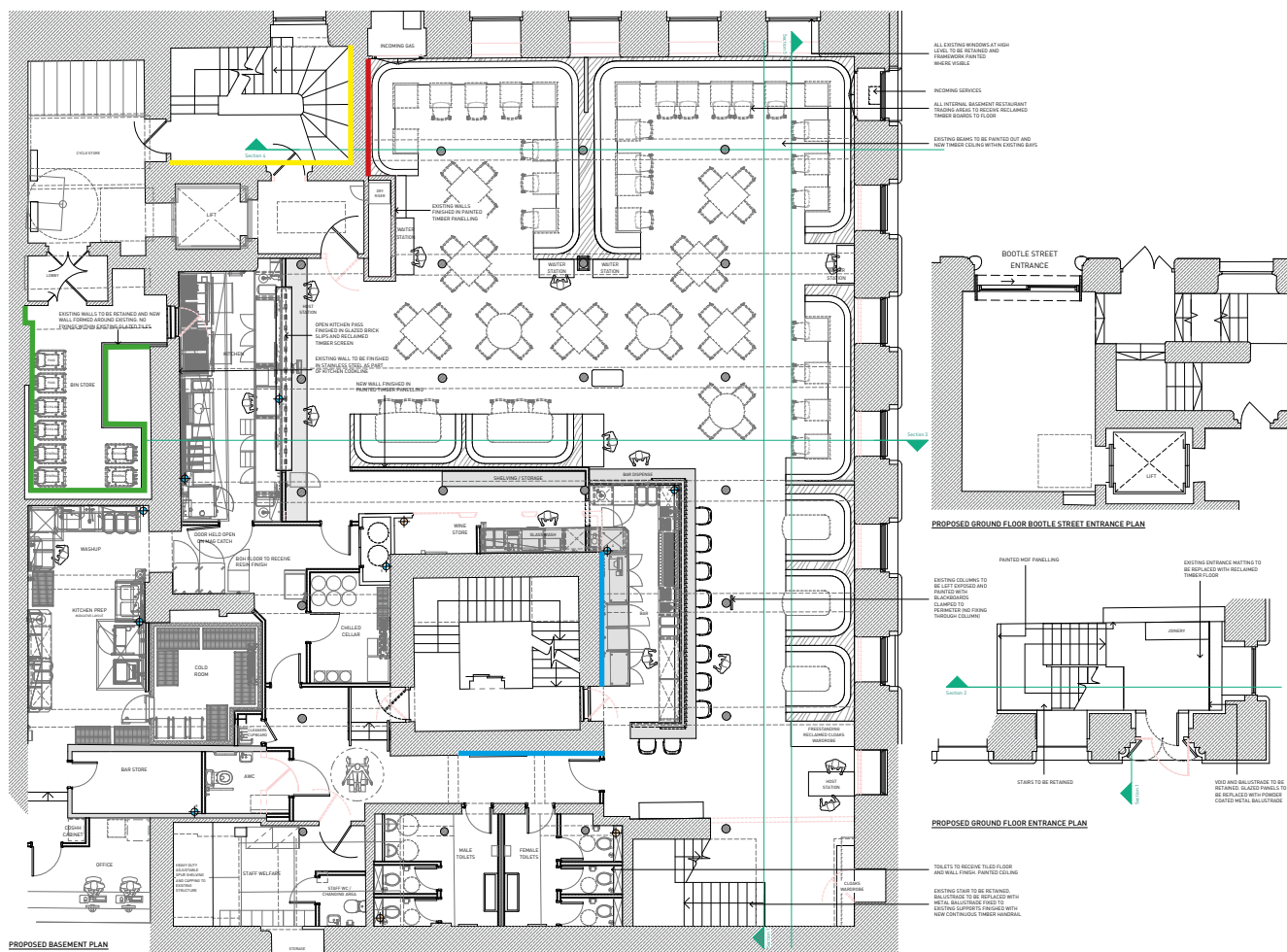


Figure 2: Proposed plan noting areas of existing brickwork

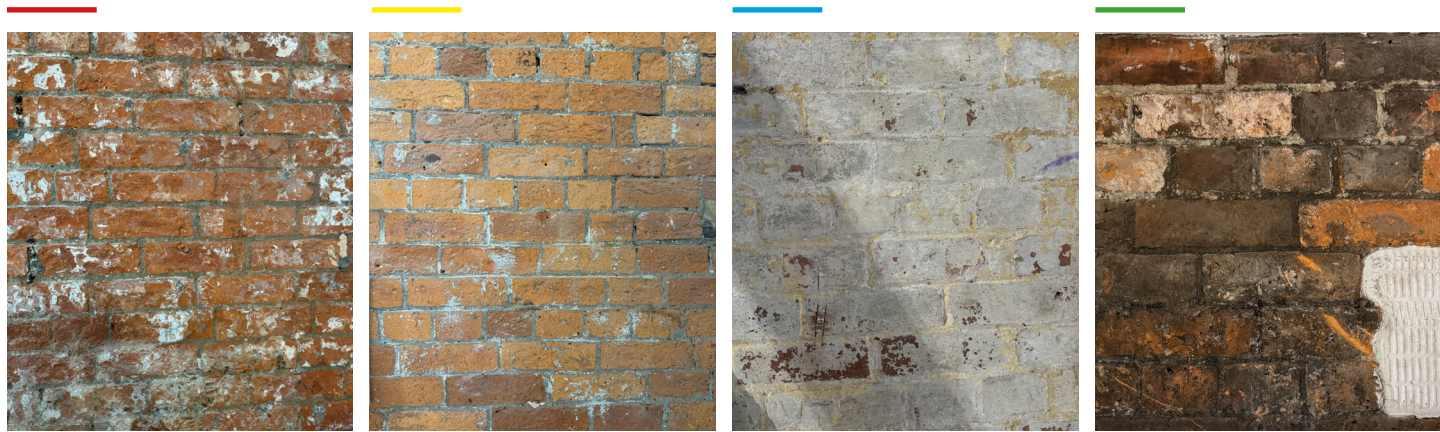


Figure 3: Existing brickwork on site

As seen in Figure 3, the appearance of the bricks both in terms of colour, finish, bond and general appearance varies significantly. A number of samples were taken and reviewed on site to then compare against the bricks on site (Figure 4). Following a team review, it was decided the Oldham brick (Figure 5) was the preferred and closest to the existing brickwork.



Figure 4: Existing brickwork on site with the proposed Oldham brick slip



Figure 5: Proposed reclaimed brick slip - Oldham

3.0 Summary

In conclusion, we feel that the most prominent brick wall is (Figure 6) as this will form part of our finished restaurant. We feel that the 'Oldham' reclaimed brick has the closest appearance to this. The brick location being close to Manchester was also part of our decision making.

We will try to replicate this finish (Figure 6) to the areas where we have proposed the brick slips.

The proposed brick is a reclaimed brick which is cut down to form thinner 'slips' which can then be fixed to the walls. This is both time consuming and more expensive than mass produced 'new brick slips' with a 'reclaimed' appearance. Typically these can look a little 'fake' and not something that suits the Blacklock brand.

The installation of hand fixing each brick, as opposed to using easier templates, also shows the lengths we are going to, to try and produce a finish, which is honest and authentic to the bricks we have exposed. It should be noted, as these bricks are reclaimed, the colour / finish will vary (as typical with a brick wall).



Figure 6: Existing brickwork on site

