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Daylight & Sunlight Assessments of a Proposed Hotel Development at Site D, Liffey Valley Office Campus, Dublin 22.

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1. Introduction

The proposed development is the construction of a 7 storey hotel building over 2 basement levels comprising of 254 bedrooms and 8 penthouse suites, reception, exercise room, bar and restaurant, staff facilities, outdoor plaza area, business / conference rooms, 148 car parking spaces and 36 bicycle parking spaces; Works to existing vehicular access at the north of the site and all associated site enabling and excavation works, ESB substation, plant, storage, hard and soft landscaping, green roofs and signage. together with all associated site development works.

1.1 Executive Summary

This report is prepared in response to the request for further information (Order Number 0237) from South Dublin County Council Reg. Ref.: SD23A/0001

> *1 (e) The applicant is requested to demonstrate through their building height contextual analysis that the proposed development has an acceptable impact on the adjacent commercial properties. The applicant is also requested to demonstrate that the proposed open spaces receive sufficient sunshine hours.*

This analysis is carried out based on the drawings of EMD Architects.

There will be negligible reduction to the available sunlight levels to the neighbouring properties. All areas assessed continue to meet or exceed the recommendations of the BRE guidelines (2022). .

The communal amenity space is well designed for sunlight with 90.8% of the area receiving more that 2 hours of available sunlight on the 21st March, which well exceeds the recommendations of the BRE guidelines (2022) .

2. Methodology

2.1 Notes on the use of BRE guidance document BR209 (2022 3rd edition) - Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight.

Building Research Establishment (BRE) BR209: 2022 "Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight" (Third edition) was released in June 2022 and supersedes BR209: 2011 (Second edition). It is intended to be used with the interior daylight recommendations of BS EN 17037 British Standard Daylight in Buildings. BR209: 2022 is a comprehensive revision of the 2011 edition of Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight.

BR209: 2022 sets out that "The guidance here is intended for use in the United Kingdom and in the Republic of Ireland, though recommendations in the Irish Standard IS EN 17037 may vary from those in BS EN17037."

EN 17037 is a unified daylighting standard published by the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) in 2018. It is applicable across all countries within the EU including Ireland with the Irish edition IS EN17037:2018. The standard is enacted in Britain under BS EN 17037:2018+A1:2021 with a UK National Annex for regional assessments. The daylight and sunlight assessment methods referenced in BR209: 2022 (third edition) for internal daylight and sunlight provision are common to both the Irish Standard Version and the UK version.

The UK National Annex (NA) provides further recommendations for daylight provision in the UK and Channel Islands. NA.1 states that the UK committee supports the recommendations for daylight in buildings given in BS EN17037:2018. The annex states that the daylight target levels in Clause A.2 may be hard to achieve in buildings in the UK and in particular dwellings in urban areas with significant obstructions or tall trees outside. NA.2 sets out minimum daylight provision to be achieved in UK dwellings.

BR209: 2022 updates guidance in two areas and they are summarised below:

Impact on daylight and sunlight to adjacent buildings.

This is broadly in line with the previous version of the BRE guidelines (2011) and the assessment methods contained within BR 209:2022. The metrics are the same for assessing impact in the areas of Daylight (VSC) and Sunlight (APSH) to adjacent buildings. Sunlight to adjacent amenity space is assessed through the measurement of sunlight availability on the 21st March. Clarity has been provided in a number of areas on the appropriate use of each assessment.

Interior daylight and sunlight to proposed buildings.

The BRE guidelines (2022) recommend the use of BS EN 17037:2018 for assessing the quality of interior spaces in proposed developments, this supersedes BS 8206-2:2008. BS EN 17037 sets out assessment methods for daylight provision and access to sunlight. The use of the Average Daylight Factor (ADF) assessment is no longer recommended. BS EN 17037 is based on the European standard EN 17037 and uses assessment methodologies not directly comparable to BS 8206-2.

The UK National Annex A1 sets out room specific minimum values to be achieved in the UK and Channel Islands. All the rooms achieve the minimum DF factor levels set out in A1 for Bedrooms (DF0.7%), Living Rooms (1%DF) and Kitchens and living spaces containing a Kitchen(1.3%). The Daylight Factor percentage values are derived from minimum room specific illiminance levels set out in NA+1 and the Median External Diffuse Illuminance ($E_{v,d,med}$) for Dublin from Table A.3 EN17037:2018. The illuminance levels and corresponding DF% are given in Table 5 below.

The Daylight and Sunlight assessments included in this addendum report demonstrates the level of compliance with the following documents:

- BR209 2022: Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight (Third edition).
- BS EN 17037:2018+A1:2021 Daylight in Buildings
- IS EN 17037:2018 Daylight in Buildings

The BRE guidelines (2022) state at the outset that "It is purely advisory and the numerical target values within it may be varied to meet the needs of the development and its location."

This is accordance with the most relevant S.28 Ministerial Guidelines including Section 6.6 of the Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments (2022), and Section 3.2 of the Urban Development and Building Heights Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2018).

Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments, Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2022) states that:

> *Planning authorities should avail of appropriate expert advice where necessary and have regard to quantitative performance approaches to daylight provision outlined in guides like A New European Standard for Daylighting in Buildings IS EN17037:2018, UK National Annex BS EN17037:2019 and the associated BRE Guide 209 2022 Edition (June 2022), or any relevant future standards or guidance specific to the Irish context, when undertaken by development proposers which offer the capability to satisfy minimum standards of daylight provision.*

That the recommendations of the BRE guidelines (2022) are not suitable for rigid application to all developments in all contexts is of particular importance in the context of national and local policies for the consolidation and densification of urban areas.

2.2 Daylight to existing dwellings

BRE guidance document (2022) "Site layout planning for daylight and sunlight" relates to daylight and sunlight to potential impact in neighbouring buildings. As set out above, this is broadly in line with the previous version of the BRE guidelines (2011). The metrics are the same for assessing impact in the areas of Daylight (VSC) and Sunlight (APSH) to adjacent buildings. Sunlight to adjacent amenity space is assessed through the measurement of sunlight availability on the 21st March. Clarity has been provided in a number of areas on the appropriate use of each assessment.

A proposed development could potentially have a negative effect on the level of daylight that a neighbouring property receives, if the obstructing building is large in relation to their distance from the existing dwelling. To ensure a neighbouring property is not adversely affected, the Vertical Sky Component (also referred to as VSC) is calculated and assessed. VSC can be defined as the amount of skylight that falls on a vertical wall or window.

BRE guidelines (2022) recommend that: *"Loss of light to existing windows need not be assessed if the distance of each part of the new development from the existing window is three or more times its height above the centre of the existing window."*
The diffuse light of the existing building may be adversely affected if part of a new building measured in a vertical section perpendicular to the main window wall of an existing building, from the centre of the lowest window, subtends an angle of more than 25º to the horizontal. If a window falls within a 45° angle both in plan and elevation with a new development in place then the window may be affected and should be assessed.

For loss of light the BRE guidelines (2022) recommends calculation of the Vertical Sky Component. This is the ratio of direct sky illuminance falling on the outside window, to the simultaneous horizontal illuminance under an unobstructed sky. The standard CIE Overcast Sky is used and the ratio is usually expressed as a percentage. The maximum value is just under 40% for a completely unobstructed vertical wall. The Vertical Sky Component on a window is a good measure of the amount of daylight entering it.

The BRE guidelines (2022) recommend one of two criteria is met when assessing for the Vertical Sky Component:
a) Where the Vertical Sky Component at the centre of the existing window exceeds 27% with the new development in place then enough sky light should still be reached by the existing window.

b) Where the Vertical Sky Component with the new development in place is both less than 27% and less than 0.8 times its former value, then the area lit by the window is likely to appear more gloomy, and electric light will be needed more of the time.

The BRE guidelines (2022) state that if the VSC is:

- At least 27%, then conventional window design will usually give reasonable results;
- Between 15% and 27%, then special measures (larger windows, changes to room layout) are usually needed to provide adequate daylight;
- Between 5% and 15%, then it is very difficult to prove adequate daylight unless very large windows are used;
- Less than 5%, then it is often impossible to achieve reasonable daylight, even if the whole window wall is glazed

This report assesses the percentage of direct sky illuminance that falls on the centre point of neighbouring windows that could be affected by the proposed development, The Vertical Sky Component (VSC) as per the methodologies contained in the BRE guidelines BR209:2022 (third edition).

2.3 Daylight and Sunlight to existing buildings

The BRE guidelines (2022) recommend assessing the main living rooms and conservatories if they have a window wall facing within 90° of due south. Kitchens and bedrooms are less important but care should be taken not to block too much sun. If the proposed development is fully north of the existing window then sunlight need not be assessed.

The Annual Probable Sunlight Hours (APSH) is used to assess the quantity of sunlight for a given location. This is the total amount of sunshine for a given location on an unobstructed horizontal surface taking cloud cover into account. Statistical data from the Irish Meteorological Service is used to assess the APSH and the Winter Probable Sunlight Hours (taken to fall between the 21st of September and the 21st of March). Table 1 shows the average sunlight hours for each month and the maximum possible without any cloud cover. This gives the factor of possible sunlight hours for each month.

Met Éireann Sunlight Hours Data Set 1981-2010													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Average Sunlight Hours/ Day	1:54	2:45	3:36	5:32	6:44	6:40	5:17	5:13	4:16	3:17	2:10	1:44	
Average Sunlight Hours/ Month	58:54	77:00	111:36	166:00	208:44	200:00	163:47	161:43	128:00	101:47	65:00	53:44	1496.25
Total Available Sunlight Hours	252	265	358	412	488	485	496	451	375	320	250	248	4383
Probable Sunlight Hours Ratio	23.37%	29.06%	31.17%	40.29%	42.77%	41.24%	33.02%	35.86%	34.13%	31.81%	26.00%	21.67%	34.14%

Table 1: Average monthly sunlight hours recorded at Dublin Airport - Data set 1981-2010

The BRE guidelines (2022) recommend that the centre of a window or 1.6m above ground for a door be assessed and receive at least 25% of the APSH and at least 5% during the period of 21st September to 21st March. If the available APSH is less than this then it should not be reduced below 0.8 times its former value or noticeable loss of sunlight may occur.

2.4 Daylight in the Proposed Development.

BR209 (2022) Appendix C sets out interior daylight recommendations. The guideline sets out the that: "BS EN 17037 supersedes BS8206 Part 2 'Code of practice for daylighting' which contained a method of assessment based on Average Daylight Factor, which is now no longer recommended."

BS EN 17037:2018+A1 sets out two methods for assessing daylight provision in proposed buildings. One method is called the **Illuminance method**. This is based on Target illuminances for daylight to be achieved across specified fractions of a reference plane at working plane height (0.85m) for half the daylight hours in a year. The Illuminance Method requires the use of a suitable weather file local climate conditions and takes into account the orientation of the space.

The alternative method is called the **Daylight Factor Method.** This method is based on calculating the daylight factors achieved over specific fractions of a reference plane. The Daylight factor is the illuminance at a point on a reference plane in a space, divided by the illuminance on an unobstructed horizontal surface outdoors. This method uses an overcast sky for calculation and the assessment of the space is orientation independent. BS EN 17037 gives the Median External Diffuse Illuminance ($E_{v,d,med}$) for the capital cities throughout Europe to account for external local illuminance levels.

The UK National Annex (NA) sets out additional minimum room specific Target Daylight Factor values for the UK where the target values in A2 are hard to achieve. NA.2 sets out illuminance values to be exceeded over at least 50% of the points on a reference plane 0.85m above the floor for at least half the daylight hours. The UK committee formed the opinion that the Target Illuminance recommendations in Clause A.2 of BS EN 17037 may not be achievable for some buildings, particularly dwellings. The UK committee believes this could be the case for dwellings with basement rooms or those with significant external obstructions.

BR209 (2022) recommends surface reflectances should represent real conditions and where reflectance values have not been measured or specified default values are set out in Table C4 of the guidance document. The surface reflectances have been specified and are set out in Table 2 below. This table also shows the input values for material used and additional assessment model input parameters.

Input Values for Assessment Model			
Surface Reflectance			
Element	Reflectance	Transmittance	Material Description
Internal walls	80%	0%	White Painted Walls
Internal ceiling	80%	0%	White Painted Ceiling
Floor - light wood	40%	0%	Light wood Flooring
External walls - proposed development	50%	0%	Light yellow Brick
External walls - outside site	50%	0%	CIBSE
External ground	20%	0%	CIBSE
Glass		68%	Triple glazed clear glass
Maintenance Factor for Glass		Assessment Plane	
Suburban Vertical no overhang	0.96	Sensor Grid spacing	0.3m
Suburban Vertical sheltered by balcony or overhang	0.88	Sensor grid inset	0.35m
Framing Factor: Patio Doors	0.77	Minimum inset	0.3m
		Work plane offset	0.85m

Table 2: Surface reflectance parameters and input values for model calculations

The EN17037:2018 Standard deals exclusively with new developments and does not give guidance or metrics on loss of light or sunlight to existing properties. EN 17037:2018 sets out values for Minimum and Target levels to be achieved with a minimum, medium and high compliance level for each. The guideline recommends that the minimum level should be achieved but does not give guidance on the number of units or fraction within a multiple residential unit development that should achieve these values.

Additionally it does not differentiate between room use and weighted targets for rooms which would have a lesser requirement. The UK National annex sets out factors for UK specific settings where it is difficult to achieve natural daylighting.

The compliance calculation is based on an annual, climate-based simulation of interior illuminance distributions, BR209 refers to this method as the Illuminance Method. For each hour of the year, the percentage of the floor area achieving minimum and target illuminance thresholds are measured on a room-by-room basis. Two target types are set with the following criteria:

- Target Illuminance: 300 lux over 50% of floor area for at least 50% of daylight hours.
- Minimum Illuminance: 100 lux over 95% of floor area for at least 50% of daylight hours.

BS EN 17037 gives three levels of recommendation for daylight provision in an interior space: minimum, medium and high. BR209 (2022 3rd edition) Section C3 recommends for compliance with the standard a space should achieve the minimum level.

Daylight hours are defined as the 4380 hours with the most diffuse horizontal illuminance in the weather file. In addition to this baseline (Minimum) requirement, rooms can achieve Medium and High levels of compliance by meeting higher illuminance thresholds, as outlined in the table below:

Target Illuminance from Daylight over at least half the daylight hours		
Level of recommendation	Target illuminance E_T(lx) for half of the assessment grid	Target illuminance E_{TM}(lx) for 95% of the assessment grid
Minimum	300 lux	100 lux
Medium	500 lux	300 lux
High	750 lux	500 lux

Table 3: IS / BS EN 17037:2018 Target Illuminance from Daylight over at least half the daylight hours.

Target Daylight Factor (D) for Dublin		
Level of recommendation	Target daylight factor D for half of the assessment grid	Target daylight factor D for 95% of the assessment grid
Minimum	2%	0.7%
Medium	3.5%	2%
High	5%	3.5%

Table 4: IS / BS EN 17037:2018 Target Daylight Factor (D) for Dublin.

Target Minimum Daylight Factor (D) for Dublin based UN National Annex		
Room Type	Target illuminance E_T(lx) for half of the assessment grid	Target daylight factor D from Table A.3 EN17037 $E_{v,d,med}$ for Dublin -14,900
Bedroom	100 lux	0.7%
Living Room	150 lux	1%
Kitchen	200 lux	1.3%

Table 5: BS EN 17037:2018+A1:2021 Target Illuminance levels and Daylight Factor (D) for Dublin.

2.5 Sunlight to proposed developments

The BRE guidelines (2022) recommend that for large residential developments the overall sunlight potential can be initially assessed by counting the number of windows facing south, east and west and the aim should be to minimise the number of living rooms facing solely north, north-east or north-west unless there is some compensating factor such as an appealing view to the north. The guideline acknowledges in large developments it may not be possible to have every living room facing within 90° of south, it recommends maximising the number of units with a southerly aspect.

The BRE guidelines (2022) states that BS EN 17037 should be used to assess for interior access to direct sunlight. BS EN 17037 sets recommendations for access to sunlight in a range achieving compliance from Minimum to High. In dwellings at least one habitable room, preferably a living room, should achieve the minimum of 1.5 direct hours on a specified date between 1st February and 21st March, with a cloudless sky. This assessment uses the 21st March. The guidelines recommends a time step of 5 minutes or less for the assessment interval. The minimum level to achieve is 1.5, the medium level is 3 hours and the high level is 4 hours direct sunlight.

2.6 Sunlight to gardens and open spaces

For calculations of sunlight analysis it is general practice to use March 21st. The BRE guidelines (2022) states:

> *"It is recommended that for it to appear adequately sunlit throughout the year, at least half of a garden or amenity area should receive at least two hours of sunlight on 21 March. If as a result of new development an existing garden or amenity area does not meet the above, and the area which can receive two hours of sun on 21 March is less than 0.8 times its former value, then the loss of sunlight is likely to be noticeable. If a detailed calculation cannot be carried out, it is recommended that the centre of the area should receive at least two hours of sunlight on 21 March."*

2.7 Calculations of Trees & Hedges

Trees are not usually included in the assessments of impact on neighbouring properties, unless specified otherwise. In relation to the effects of trees and hedges the BRE guidelines (2022) states:

> *"It is generally more difficult to calculate the effects of trees on daylight because of their irregular shape and because some light will generally penetrate through the crown. Where the effects of a new building on existing buildings nearby is being analysed, it is usual to ignore the effects of existing trees. This is because daylight is at its scarcest and most valuable in winter when most trees will not be in leaf."*

BR209:2022 recommends that sometimes trees should be taken into account for the proposed development where the new development is proposed near large existing trees. This needs to be done by modelling a representative of the existing trees. Reflectance and transparency should be taken into account. Table G1 in BR209:2022 gives values for transparencies of tree crowns in summer and winter for deciduous trees, dense evergreen can be assessed as opaque. Table G2 gives general reflectance values for shades of trees.

2.8 BRE Guidelines (2022) Appendix H: Environmental Impact Assessment

The BRE guidelines sets out criteria for classification for assessment of impact where a new development affects a number of existing buildings or open spaces in relation to an Environmental Impact Assessment. The guide does not give a specific range or percentages but sets out parameters set out below.

> *"Where the loss of skylight or sunlight fully meets the guidelines in this book, the impact is assessed as negligible or minor adverse. Where the loss of light is well within the guidelines, or only a small number of windows or limited area of open space lose light (within the guidelines), a classification of negligible impact is more appropriate. Where the loss of light is only just within the guidelines, and a larger number of windows or open space area are affected, a minor adverse impact would be more appropriate, especially if there is a particularly strong requirement for daylight and sunlight in the affected building or open space.*
>
> *Where the loss of skylight or sunlight does not meet the guidelines in this book, the impact is assessed as minor, moderate or major adverse. Factors tending towards a minor adverse impact include:*
>
> - *only a small number of windows or limited area of open space are affected*
> - *the loss of light is only marginally outside the guidelines*
> - *an affected room has other sources of skylight or sunlight*
> - *the affected building or open space only has a low level requirement for skylight or sunlight*
> - *there are particular reasons why an alternative, less stringent, guideline should be applied.*
>
> *Factors tending towards a major adverse impact include:*
>
> - *a large number of windows or large area of open space are affected*
> - *the loss of light is substantially outside the guidelines*
> - *all the windows in a particular property are affected*
> - *the affected indoor or outdoor spaces have a particularly strong requirement for skylight or sunlight, eg a living room in a dwelling or a children's playground.*
>
> *Beneficial impacts occur when there is a significant increase in the amount of skylight and sunlight reaching an existing building where it is required, or in the amount of sunlight reaching an open space.*
>
> *Beneficial impacts should be worked out using the same principles as adverse impacts. Thus a tiny increase in light would be classified as a negligible impact, not a minor beneficial impact."*

A flexible approach should be taken when assessing the impact with daylight and sunlight being one of many factors that influence the environment when planning a new development.

3. Daylight to adjacent buildings.

3.1 Site Overview

The proposed development is site bounded to the south east by the Fonthill Road and to the north by the access road to the Liffey Valley Office Campus. The site is adjacent to a 5 storey office building 'Block C'. Opposite the site to the south is the Liffey Valley Shopping Centre carpark. To the North of the site is an area of grassland and a 5 storey office building 'Block B'.

There are no residential dwellings in the zone of influence of the proposed development.

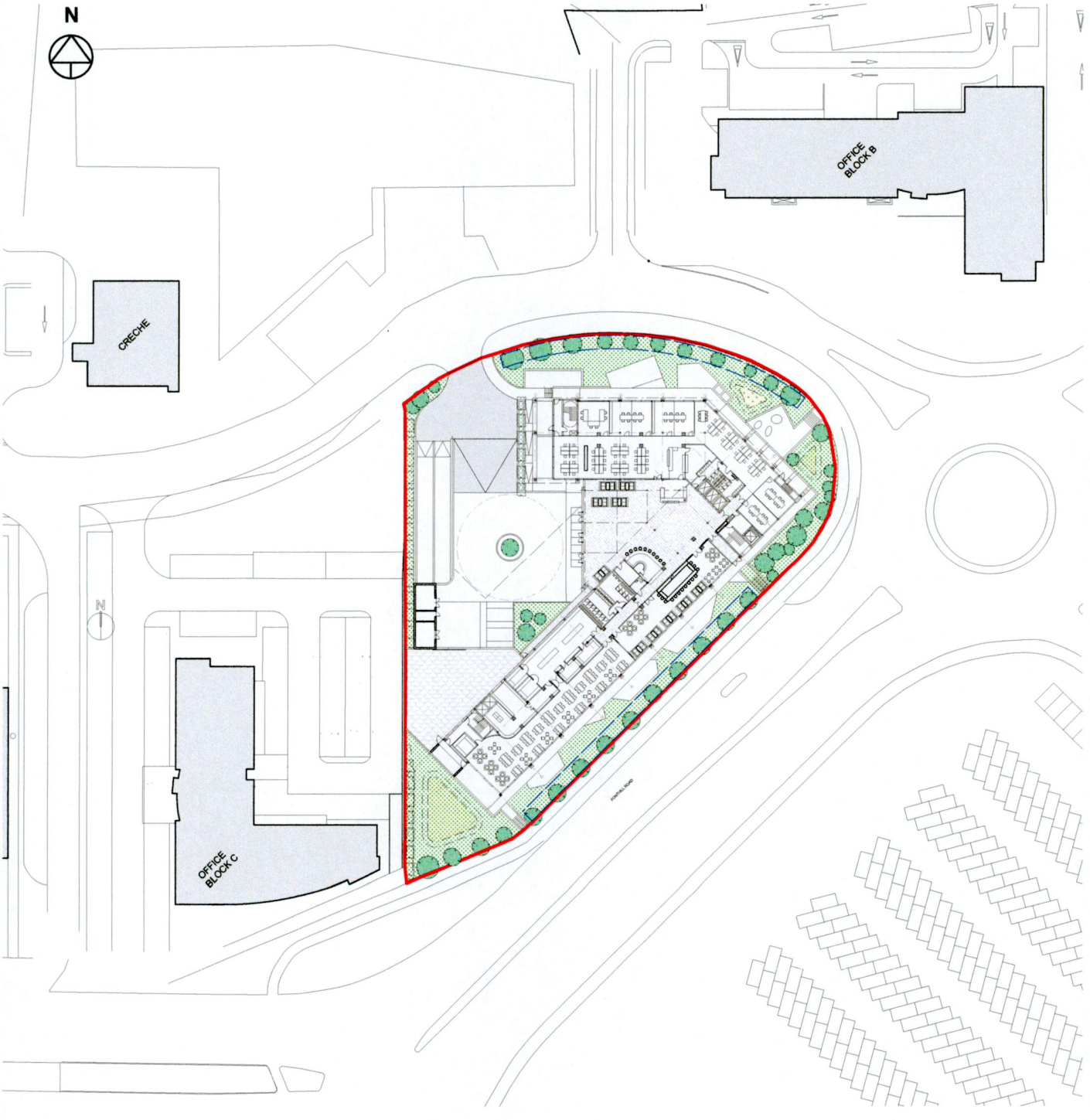

Figure 1: Site plan

4. Sunlight to gardens and open spaces

The BRE document indicates that for an amenity area to have good quality sunlight throughout the year, 50% should receive in excess of 2 hours sunlight on the 21st March. It also states that front gardens need not be assessed for sunlight.

4.1 Amenity space to neighbouring properties.

There are no residential buildings in this area. The open land to the north of the proposed development and the landscaped amenity of office block B were assessed for impact on their sun of the ground. The proposed generated analysis is shown in Figure 2, the results are shown in Table 6 below.

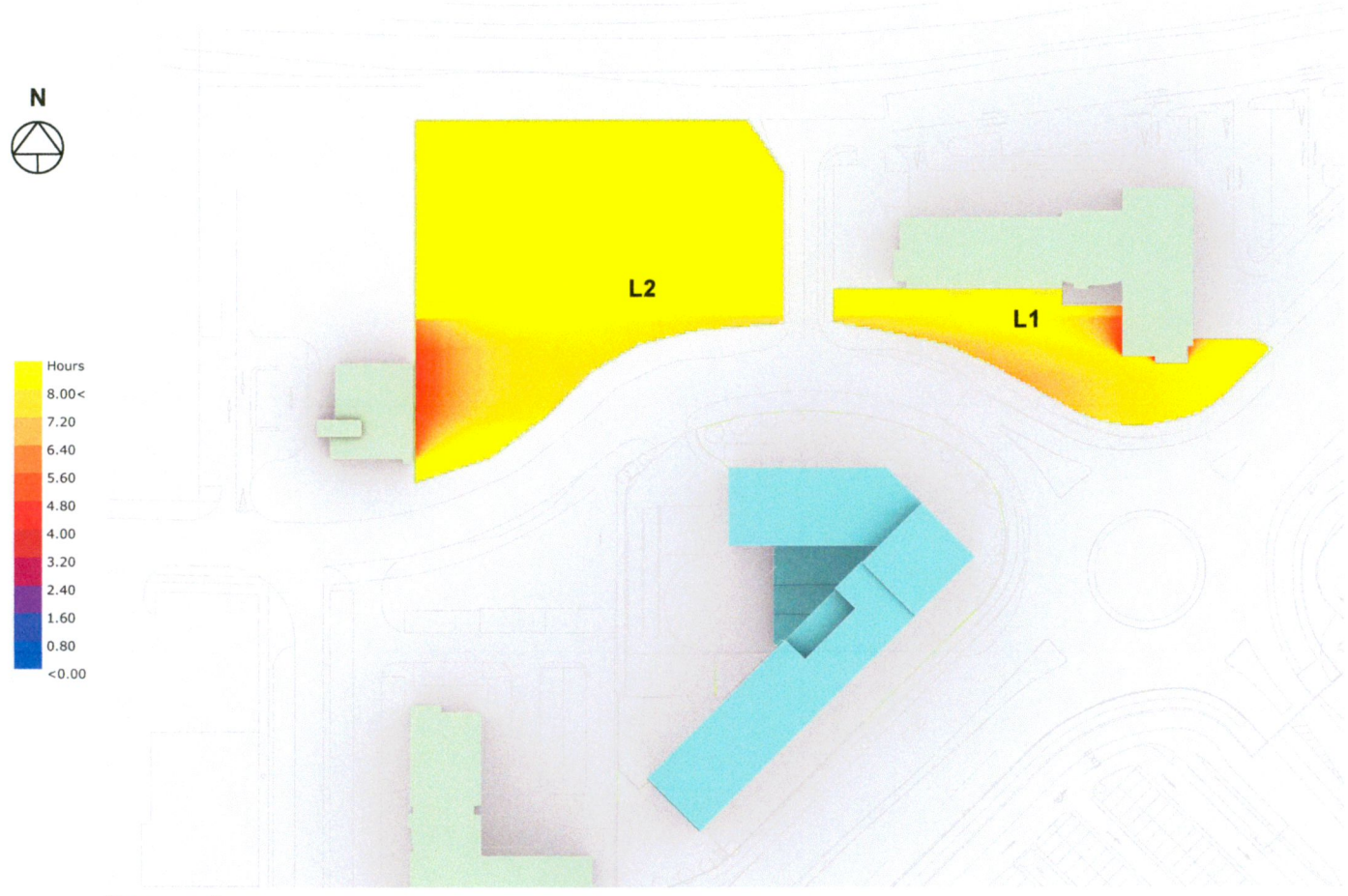

Figure 2: Proposed Radiation map of amenity areas, showing available sunlight on 21st March. The scale represents the percentage of daylight received from 0 - 8 hrs.

Sunlight on the ground - Adjacent properties					
ID	Location	% Area receiving 2 hours sunlight on 21st March		Ratio of Proposed: Existing	Meets criteria of >50% area Or if <50% then target >80% Existing Value
		Existing	Proposed		
L1	Office Block B	100%	100%	100%	Meets criteria
L2	Open land	100%	100%	100%	Meets criteria

Table 6: Calculation of Sun on the Ground to adjacent amenity areas

4.2 Conclusion on amenity space to neighbouring properties.

Any impact would be minimal perceivable to the amenity to the adjacent properties. The proposed development meets the recommendations of the BRE guidelines for gardens and open spaces. The 21st March is selected to assess the amenity spaces based on the equal length of day to night and there maybe some minor additional shading in the winter months.

4.3 Sunlight to amenity within the proposed development

The amenity within the proposed development was assessed through the calculation of sun on the ground on the 21st March as set out in the BRE guidelines. The result is shown in Table 7 and a radiation map of generated analysis are shown in Figure 3 below.

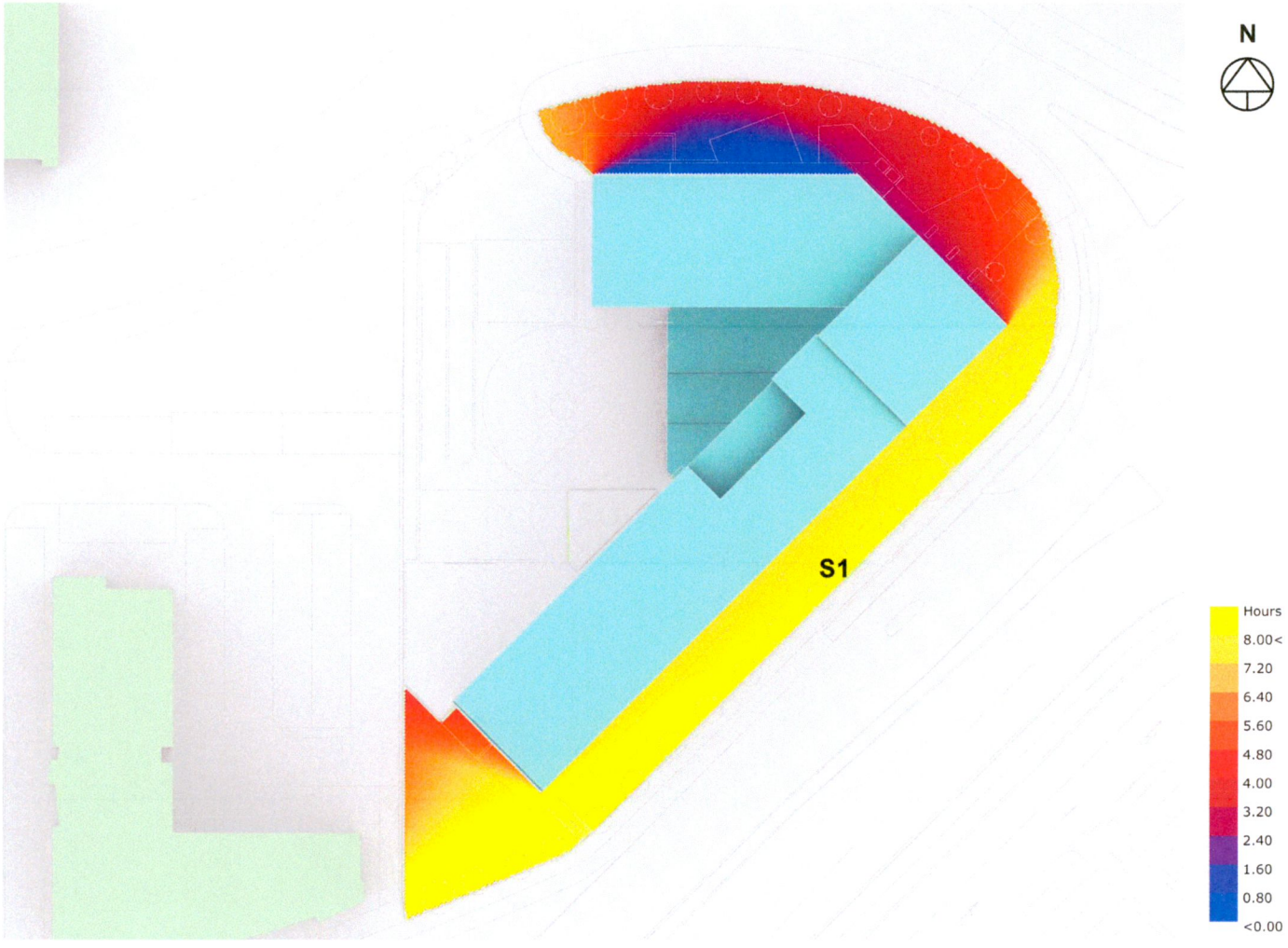

Figure 3: Radiation map of amenity areas, showing available sunlight on 21st March. The scale represents the percentage of daylight received from 0 - 8 hrs.

Sunlight on the Ground - Proposed Development			
Location ID	Description	Proposed: % Area receiving 2 hours sunlight on 21st March	Meets criteria if >50% area receives 2 hours sunlight on 21st March
S1	Public Open Space	90.8%	Y

Table 7: Calculation of Sun on the Ground to public amenity spaces within the development

4.4 Comment on the assessment of Sun on the Ground to communal amenity.

The landscape amenity is well orientated for sunlight. The BRE recommends that 50% of the area receive more than 2 hours of sunlight on the 21st March. The proposed development meets and exceeds the criteria set out in the BRE guidelines for gardens and open spaces.

5. Shadow Diagrams

5.1 BRE Guidance on Shadow Studies

Shadow diagrams are a visual aid to understand where possible shading may occur. The BRE guidelines recommend using the March Equinox due the equal length of the day and night time. It states:

"If a space is used all year round, the equinox (21 March) is the best date for which to prepare shadow plots as it gives an average level of shadowing. Lengths of shadows at the autumn equinox (21 September) will be the same as those for 21 March, so a separate set of plots for September is not required."

The shadows cast on the September equinox are the same as the March Equinox. They are included here with the Daylight Saving Time (UTC+1) applied, as with the Summer Solstice diagrams.

June 21st and December 21st are provided below for information but it should be noted that the summer solstice is the best case scenario with shadows at their shortest. In Winter even low buildings will cast long shadows and it is common for large areas of the ground to be in shadow throughout the day especially in a built up area and sun barely rises above an altitude of 10° during the course of the day. The guidelines recommends that Sunlight at an altitude of 10° or less does not count. Below are the times for the Equinox and Solstice that the sun is above 10° altitude rounded to the nearest half hour.

Equinox: between 8:30 and 17:30
Summer Solstice: Between 6:30 and 20:00
Winter Solstice: Between 10:30 and 14:00

Section 5.2 shows the existing and proposed shadow diagrams for the Equinox on the 21st March at 2 hourly intervals during the day between 09:00 and 17:00.
Section 5.3 shows the existing and proposed shadow diagrams for the Summer Solstice on the 21st June at 2 hourly intervals during the day between 09:00 and 19:00.
Section 5.4 shows the existing and proposed shadow diagrams for the Equinox on the 21st September at 2 hourly intervals during the day between 09:00 and 17:00.
Section 5.5 shows the existing and proposed shadow diagrams for the Winter Solstice on the 21st December at 2 hourly intervals during the day between 09:00 and 15:00.

As the development site is currently vacant there is no shadow generated from this plot. Shadow diagrams are a visual aid to understand where possible shading may occur. The use of shadow diagrams as an assessment method should be taken over the course of the day and not a specific time due to the transient nature of the sun and the shade caused by obstructions.

5.2 Shadow Casting diagrams March Equinox

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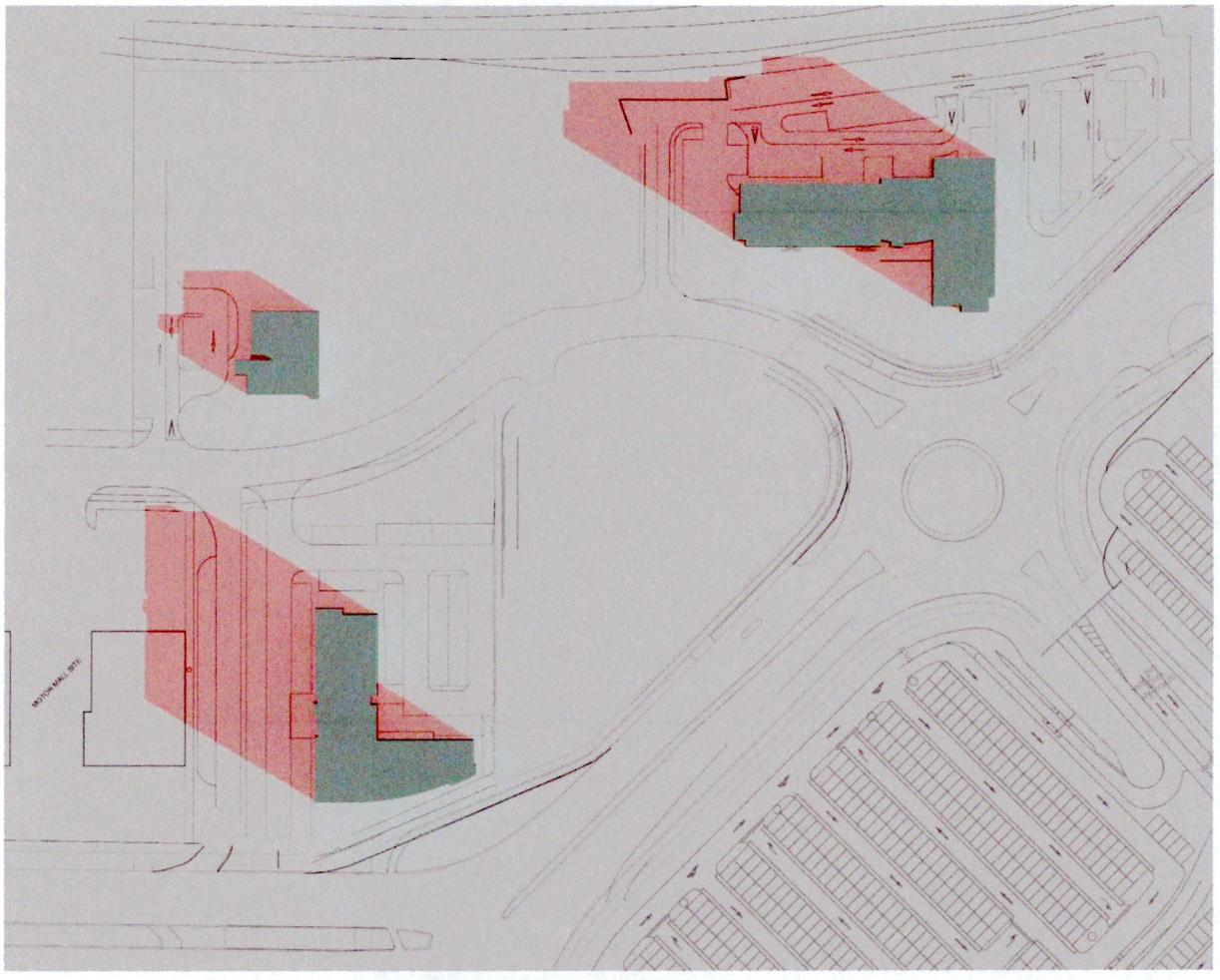

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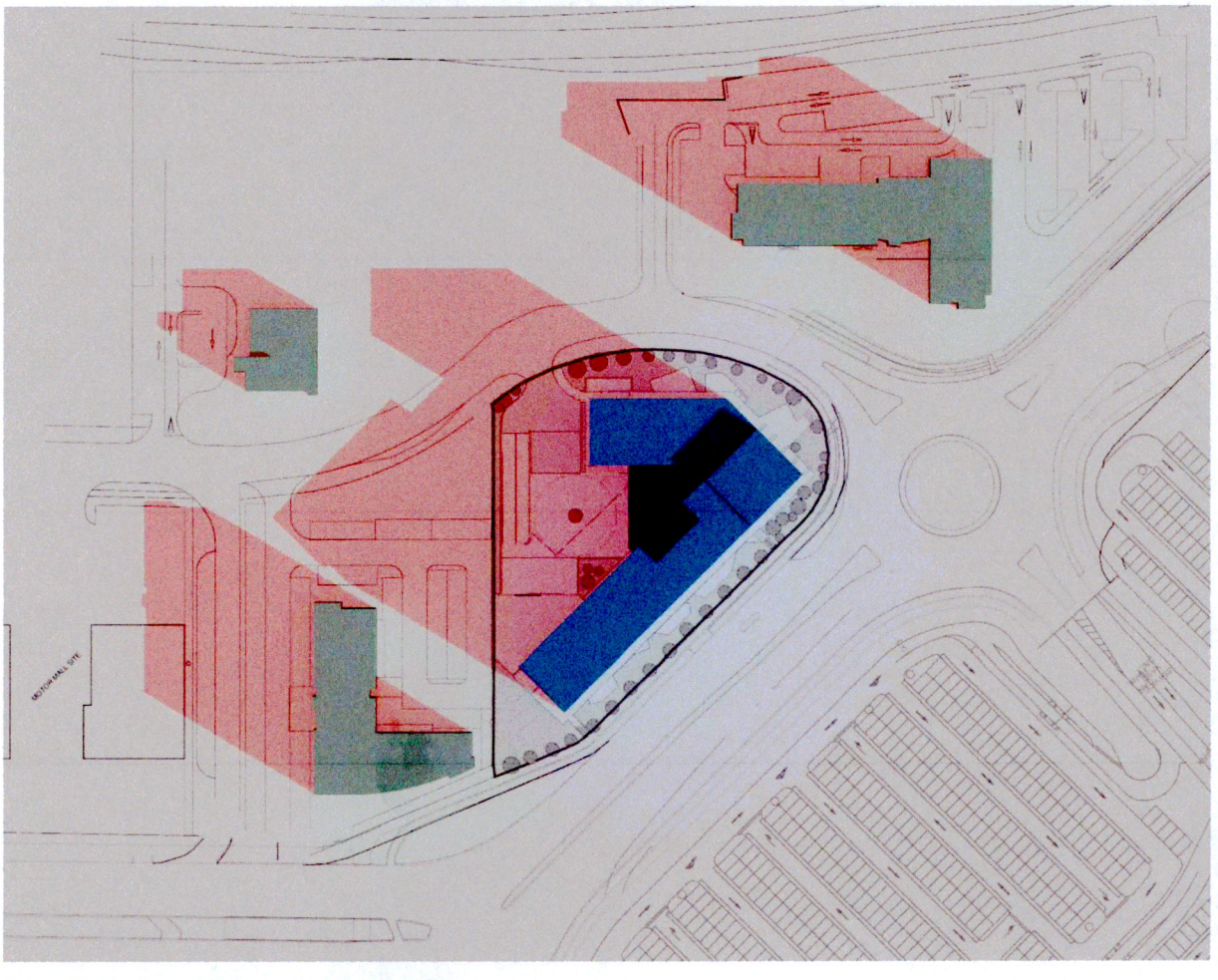

Figure 4: Shadow diagrams 21 March 09:00 UTC

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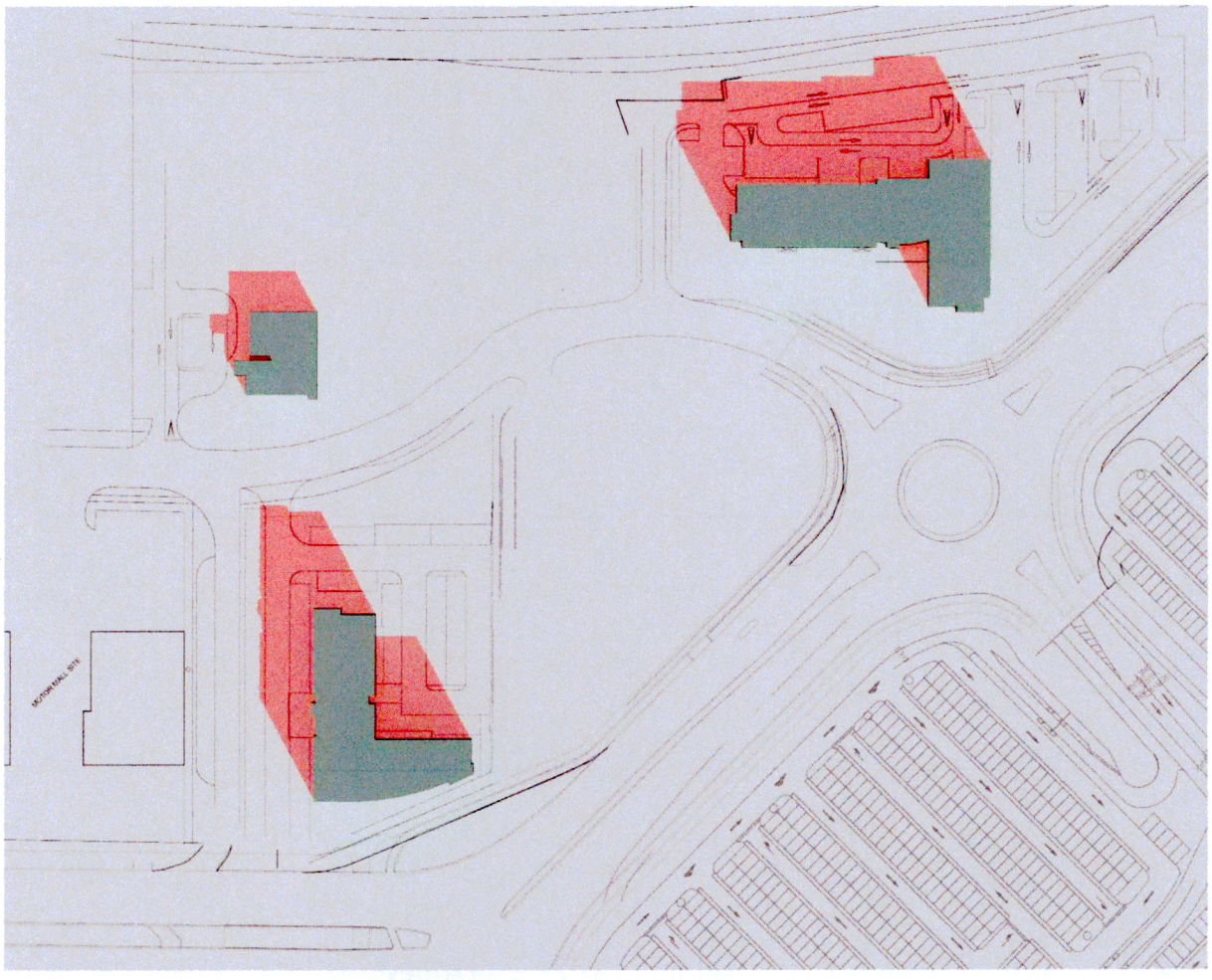

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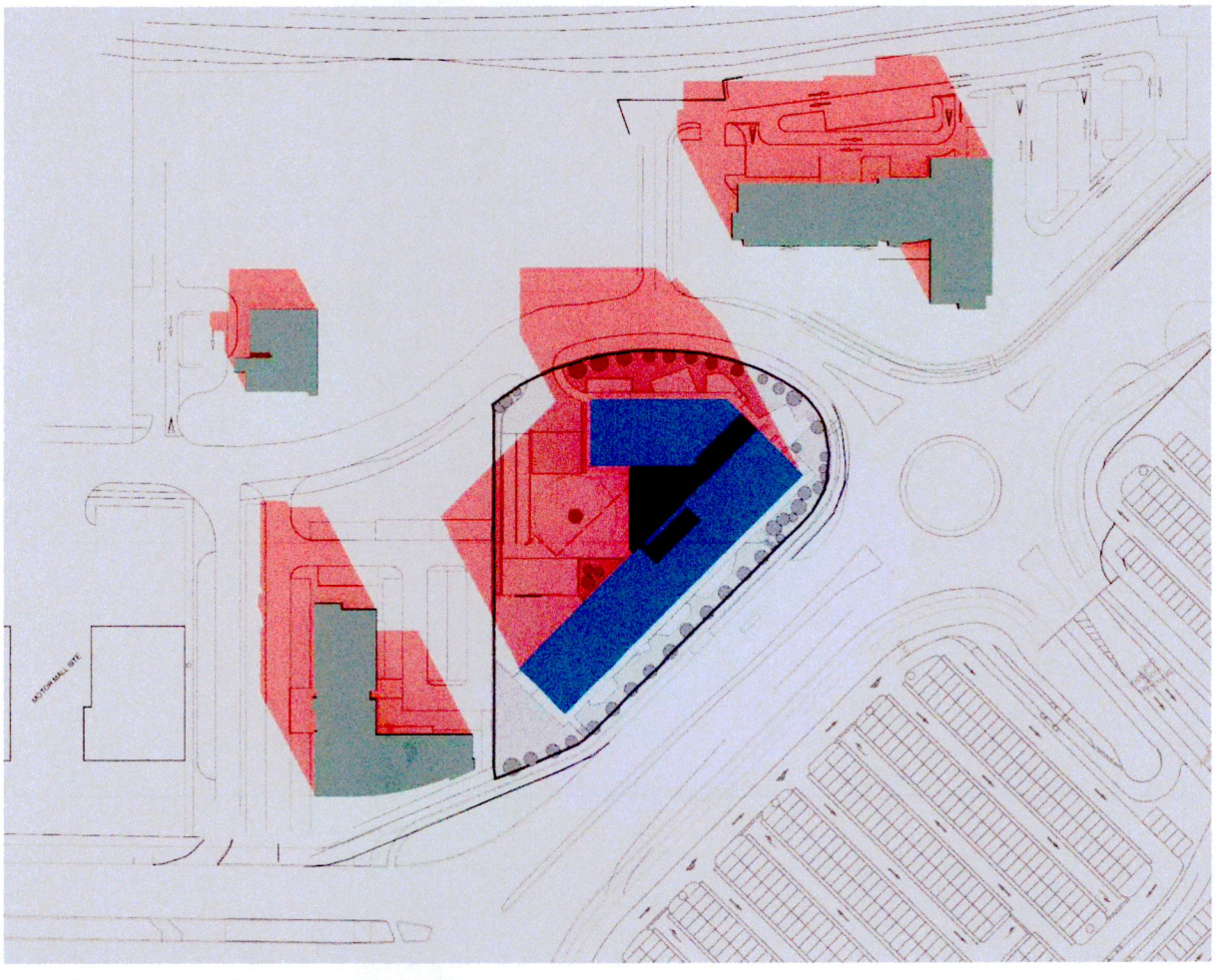

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Figure 5: Shadow diagrams 21 March 11:00 UTC

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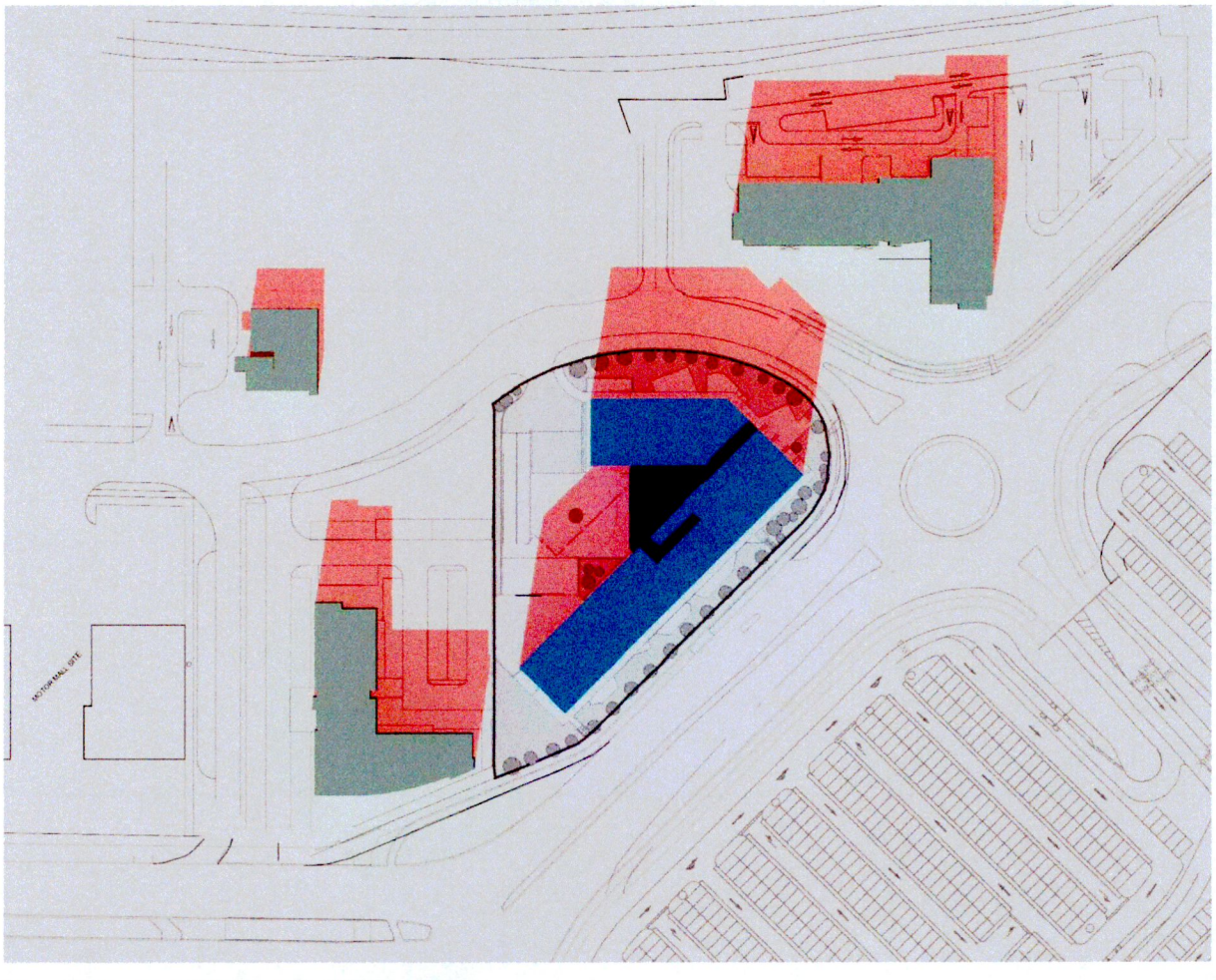

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Figure 6: Shadow diagrams 21 March 13:00 UTC

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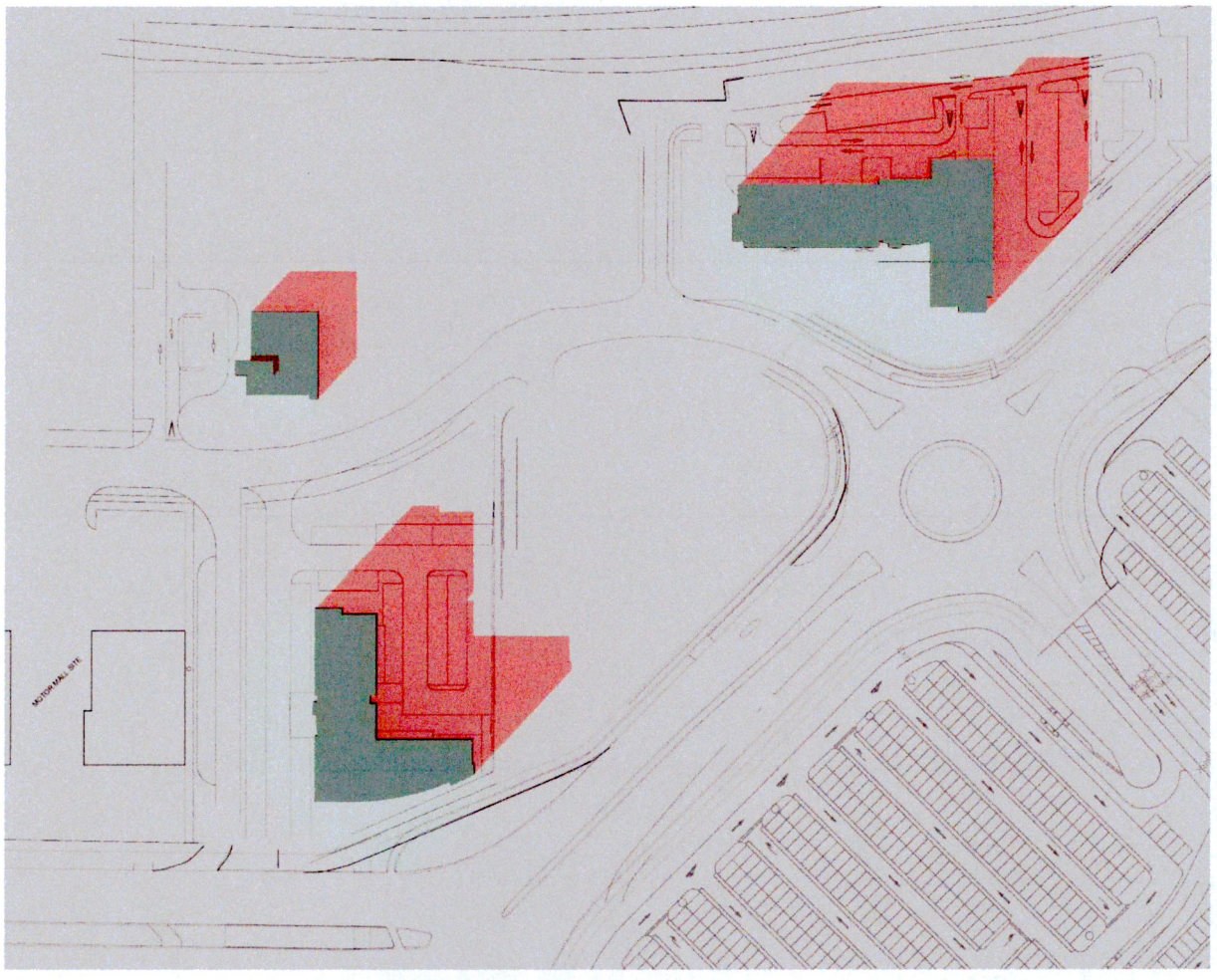

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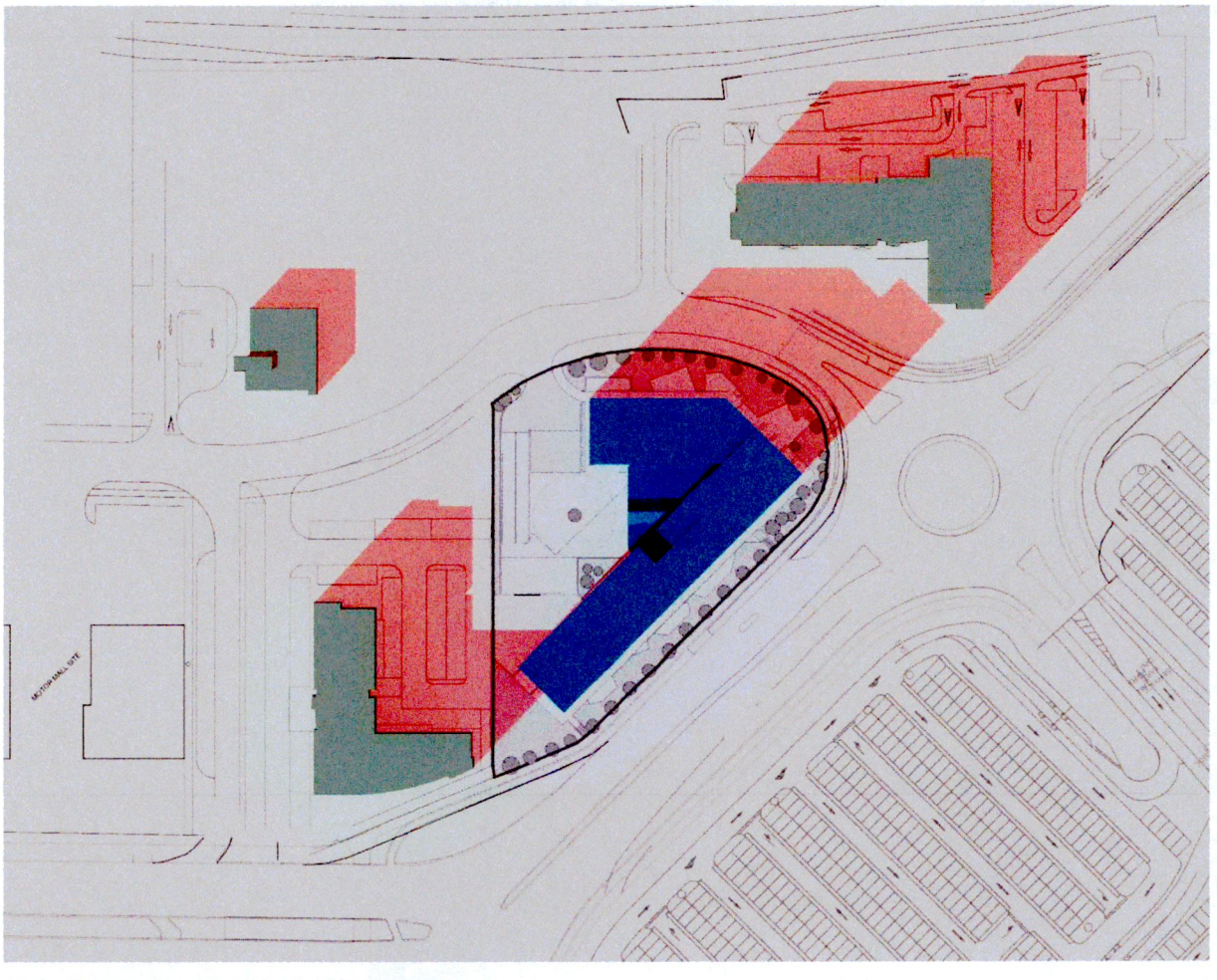

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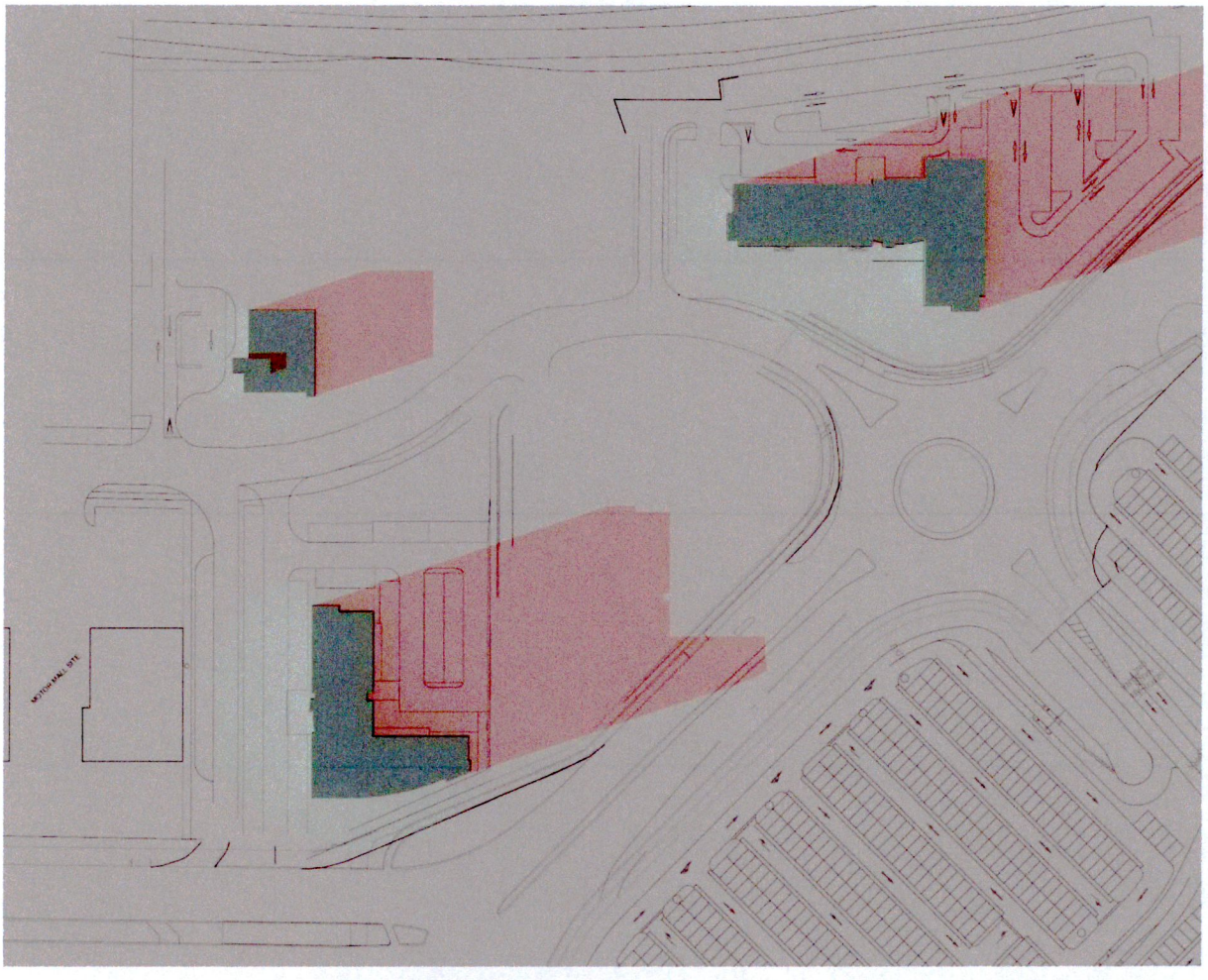

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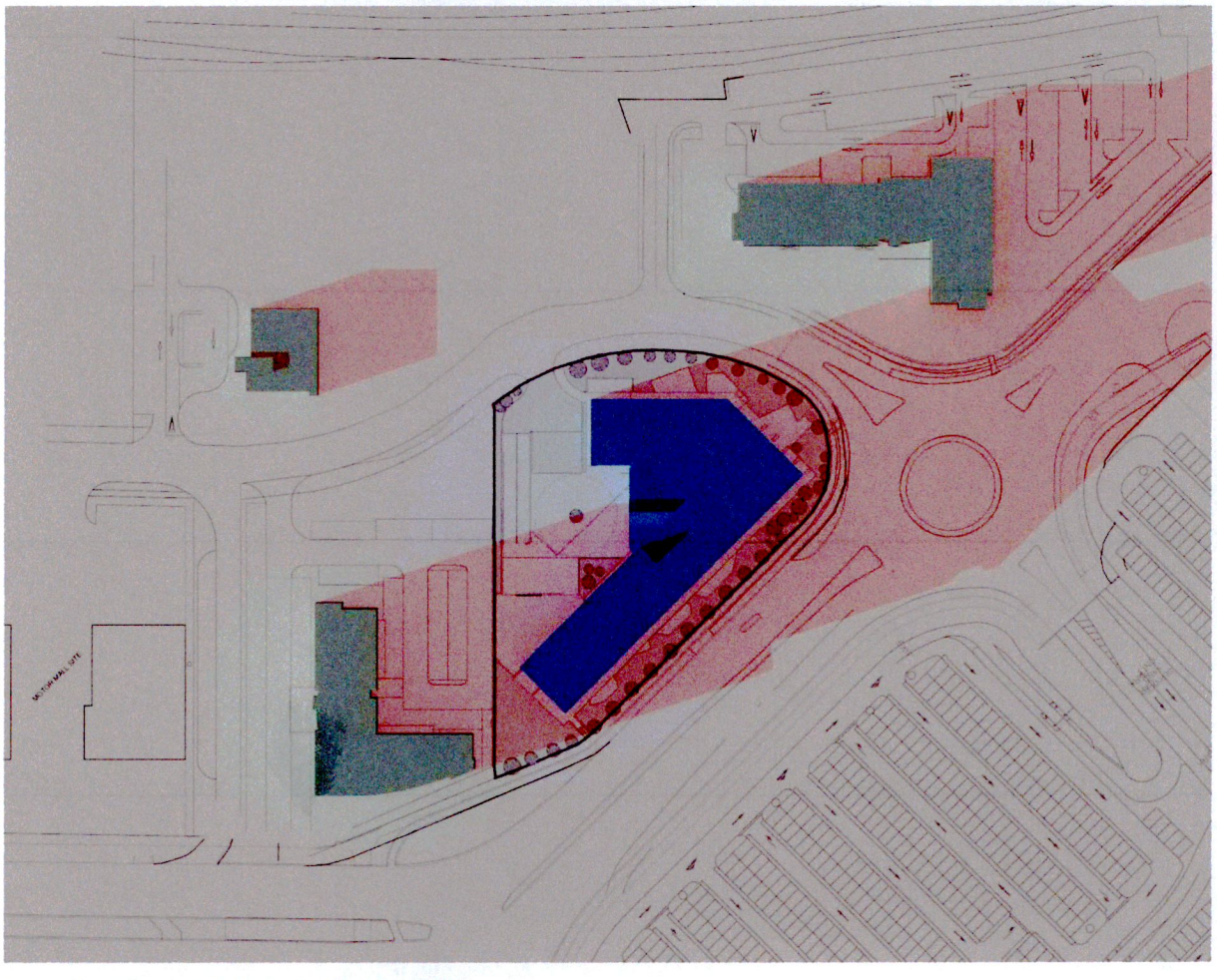

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Figure 8: Shadow diagrams 21 March 17:00 UTC

5.3 Shadow Casting diagrams June Solstice

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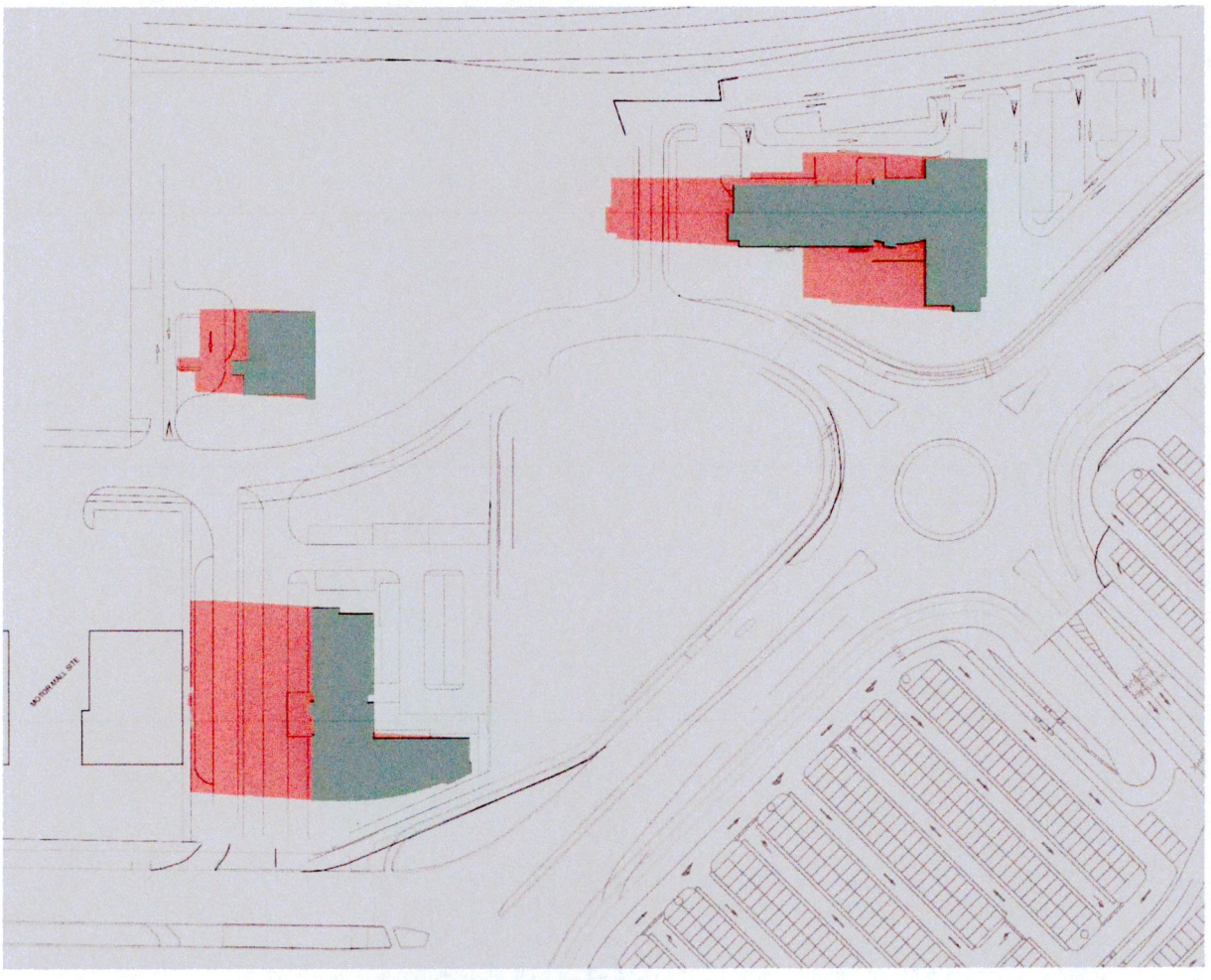

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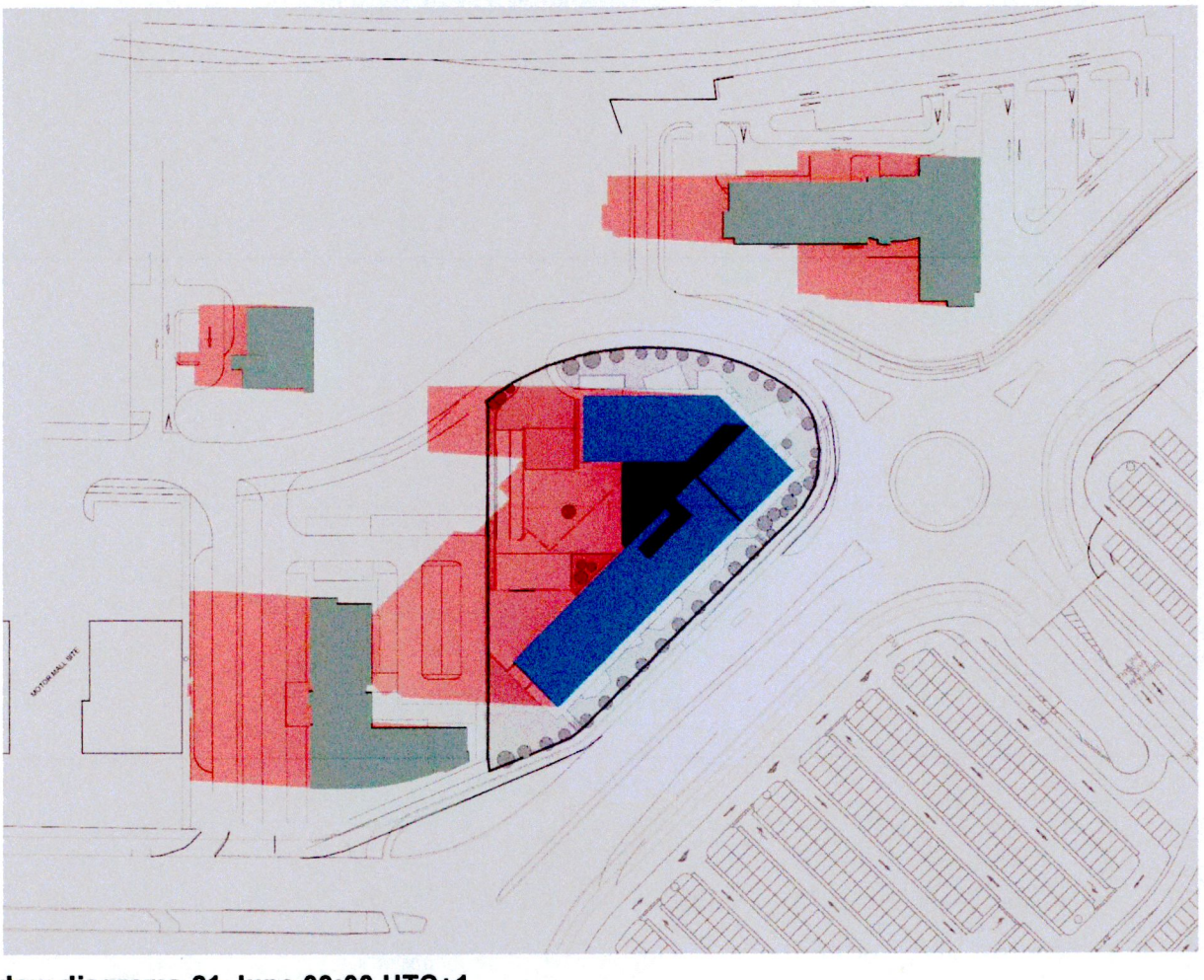

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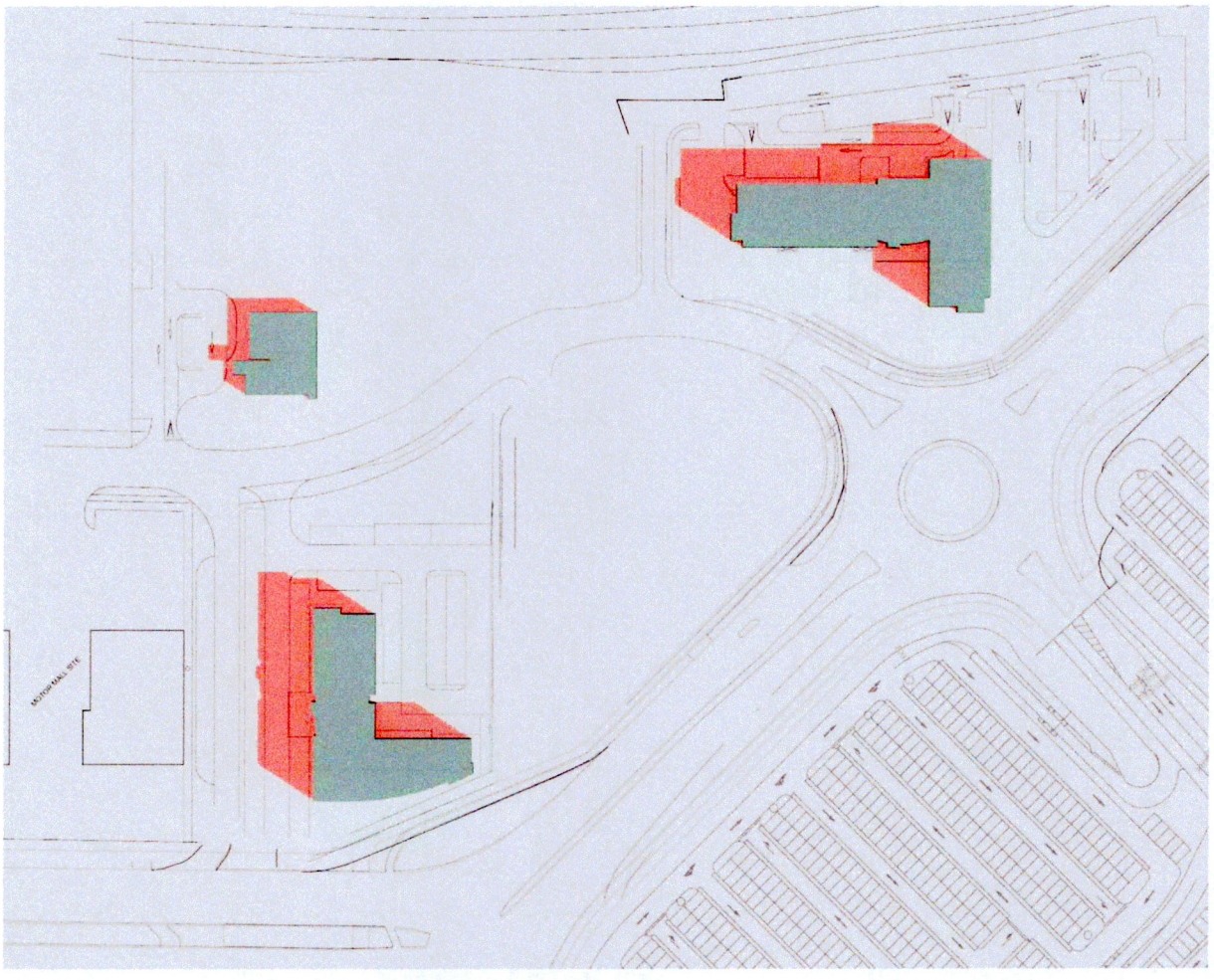

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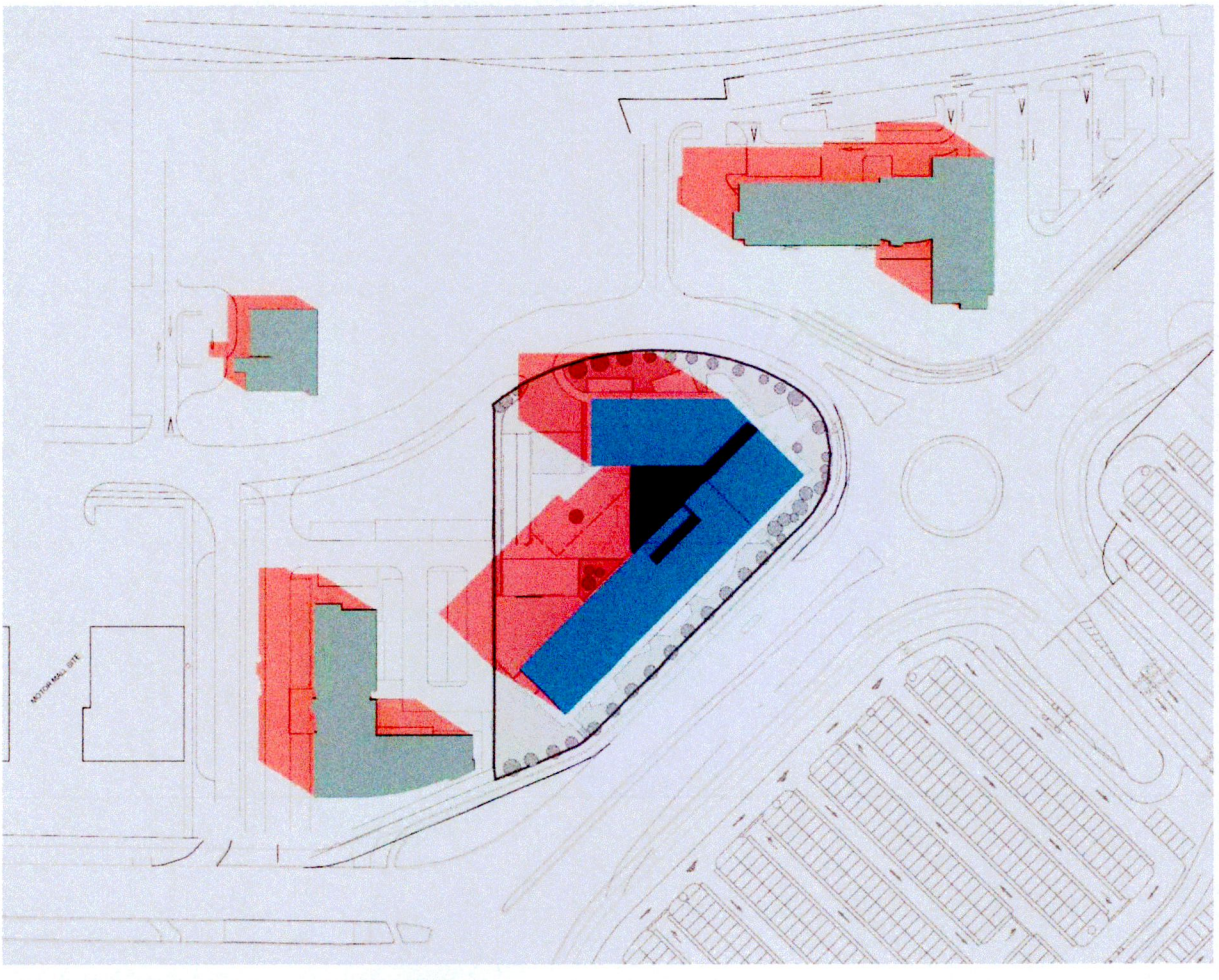

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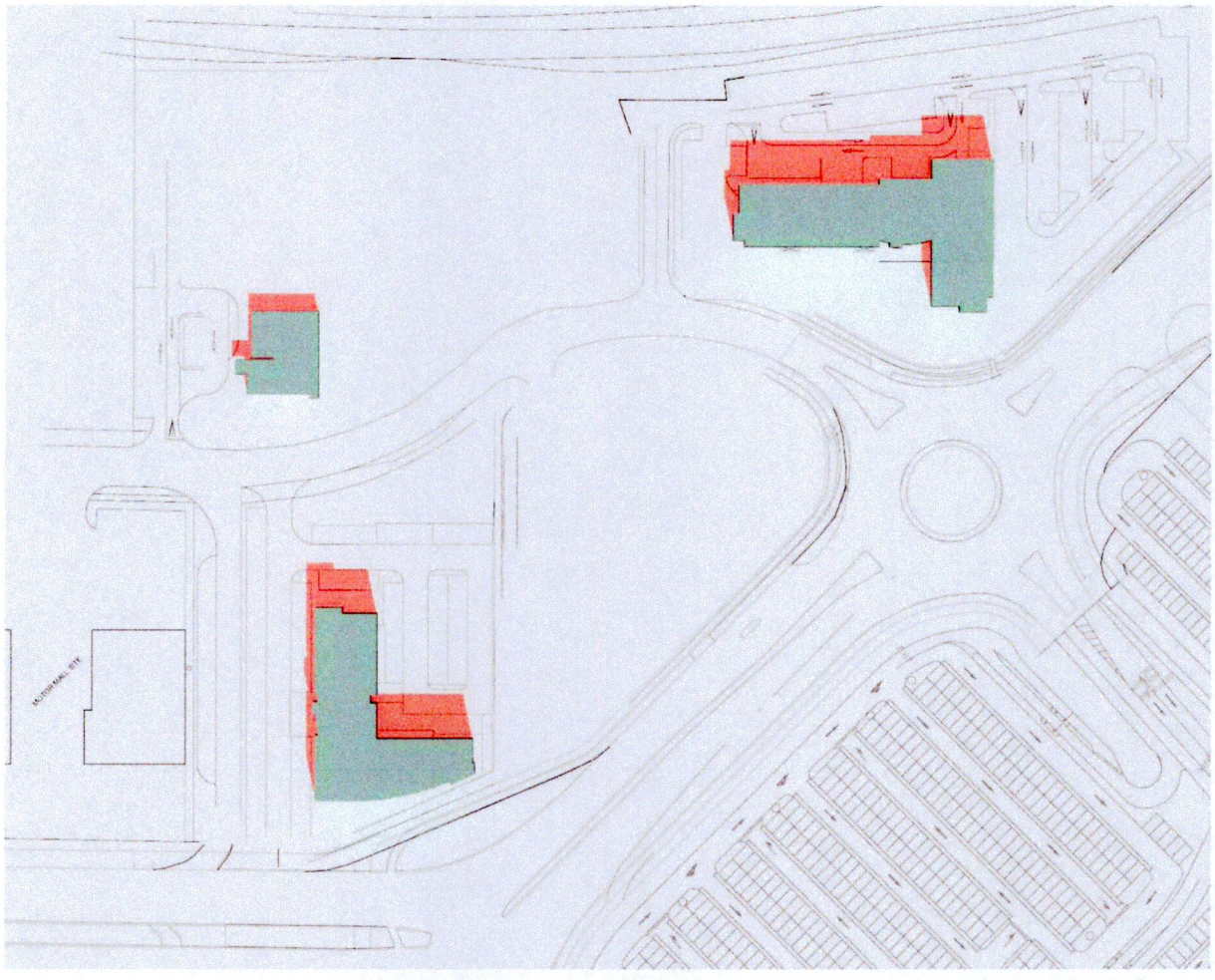

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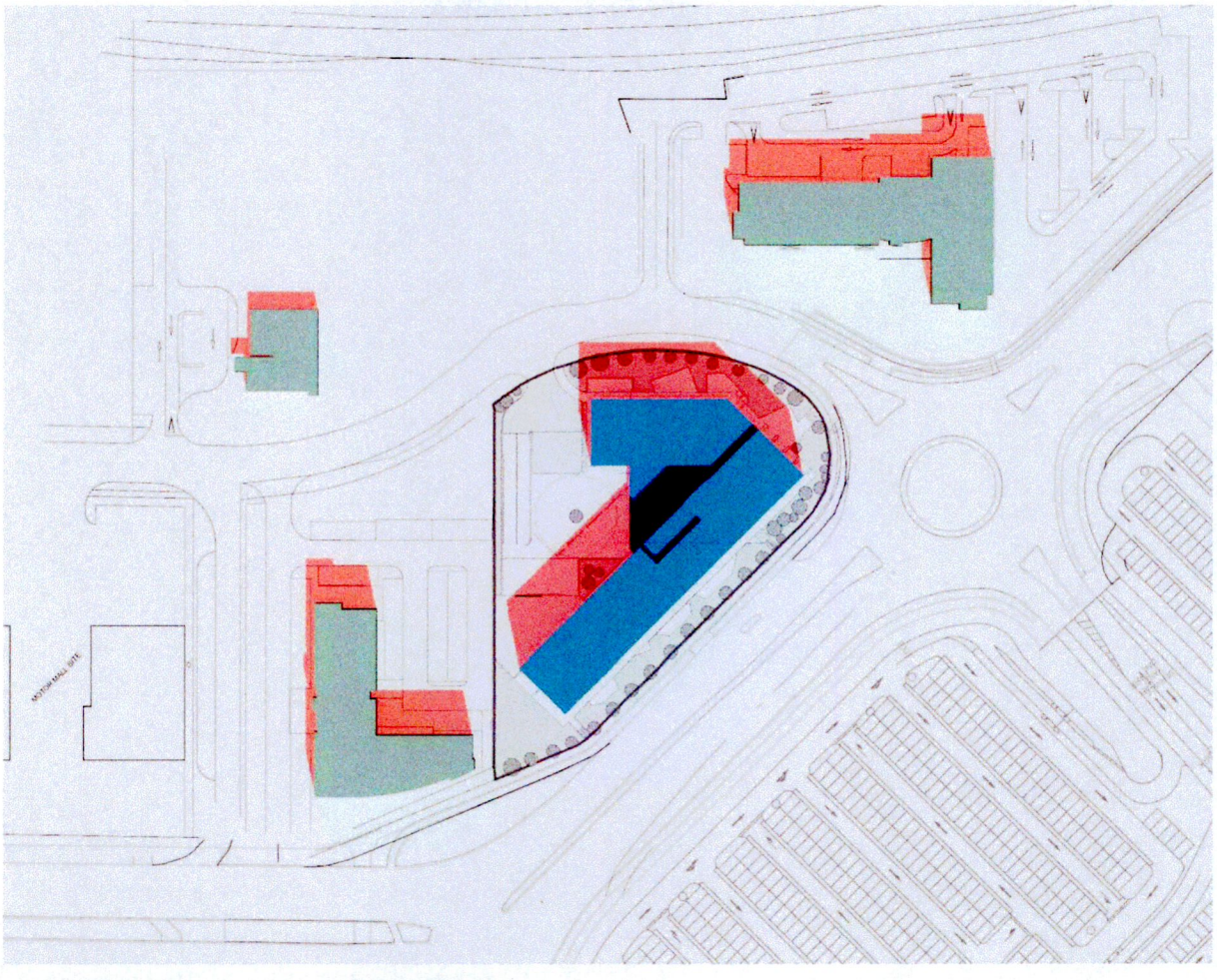

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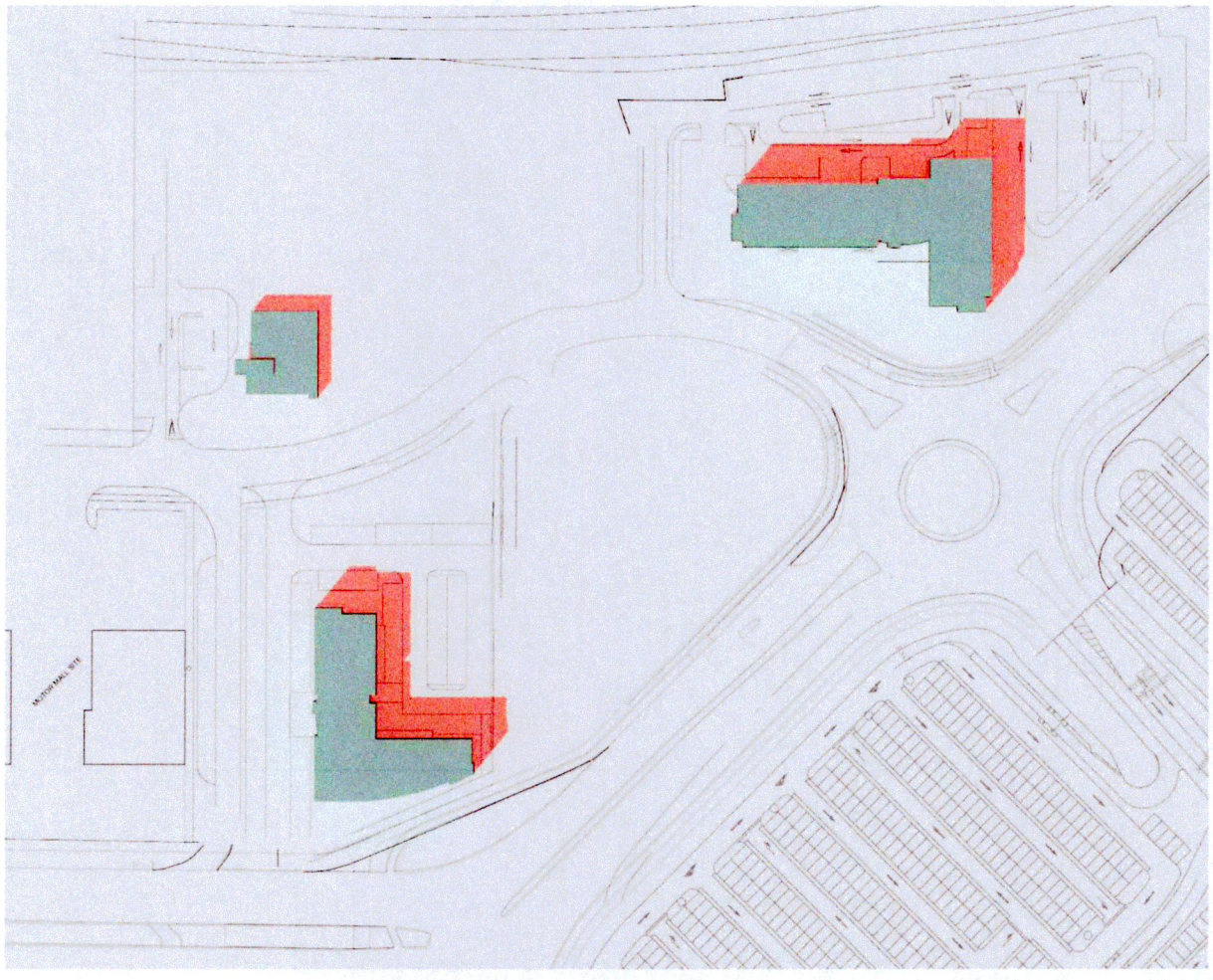

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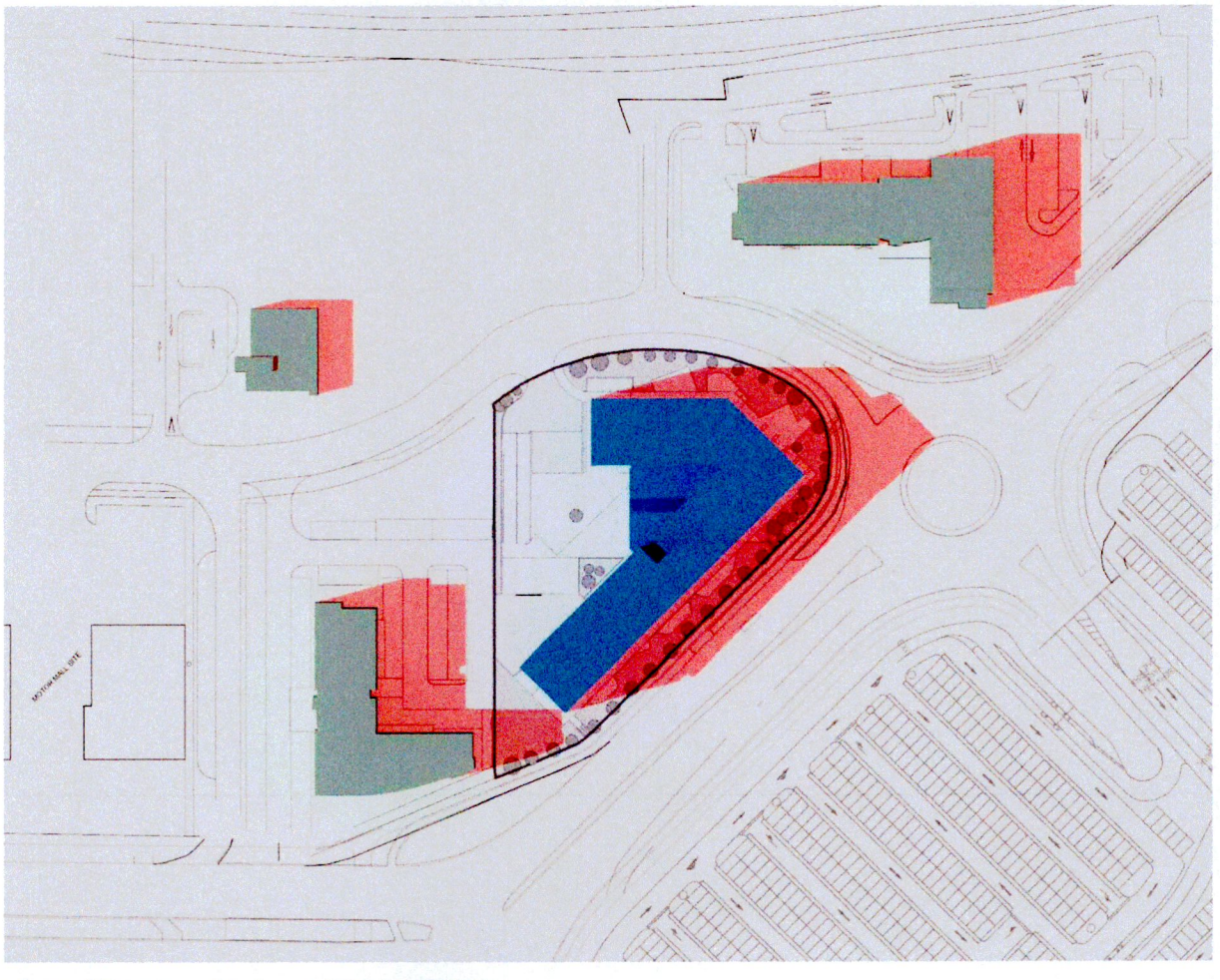

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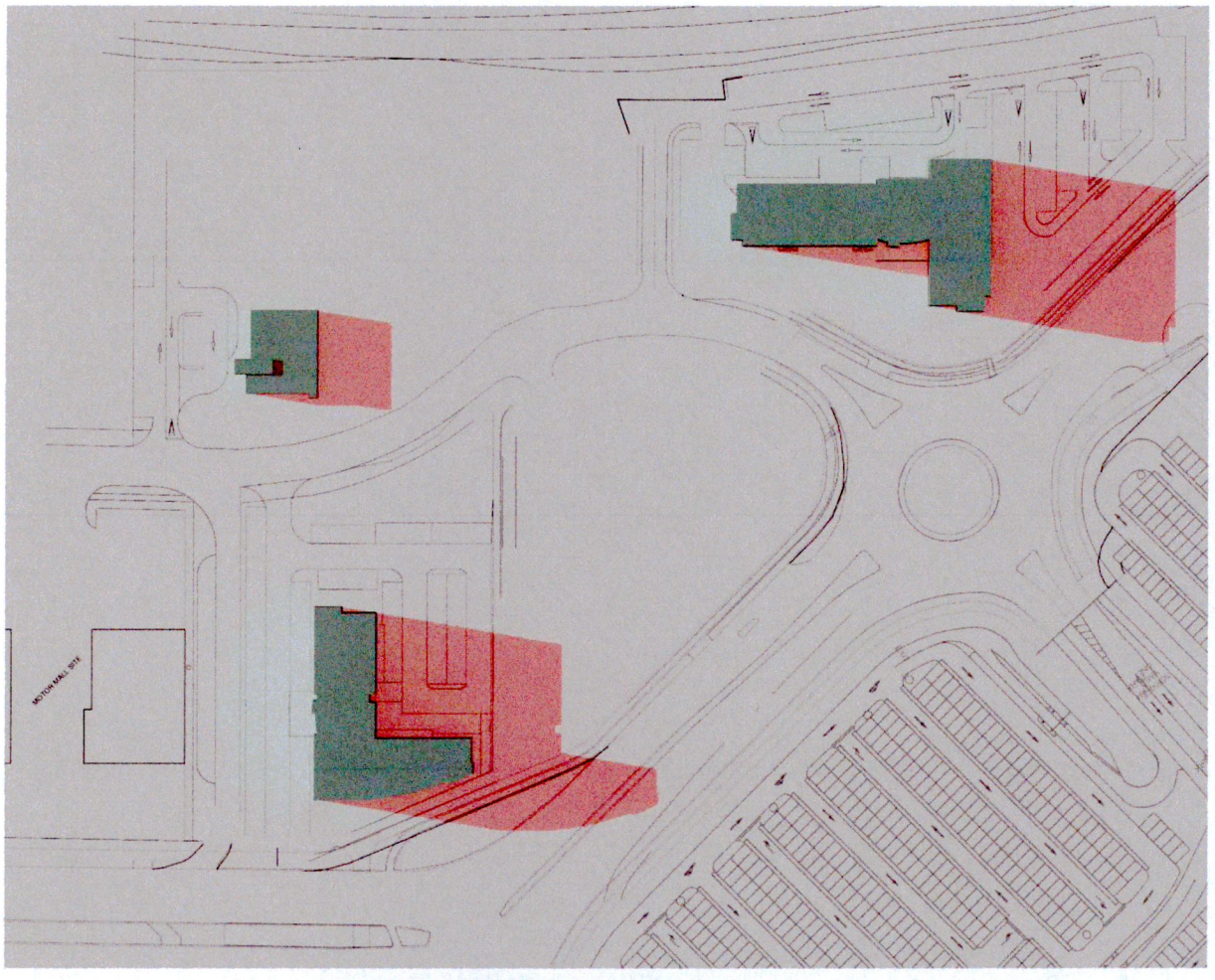

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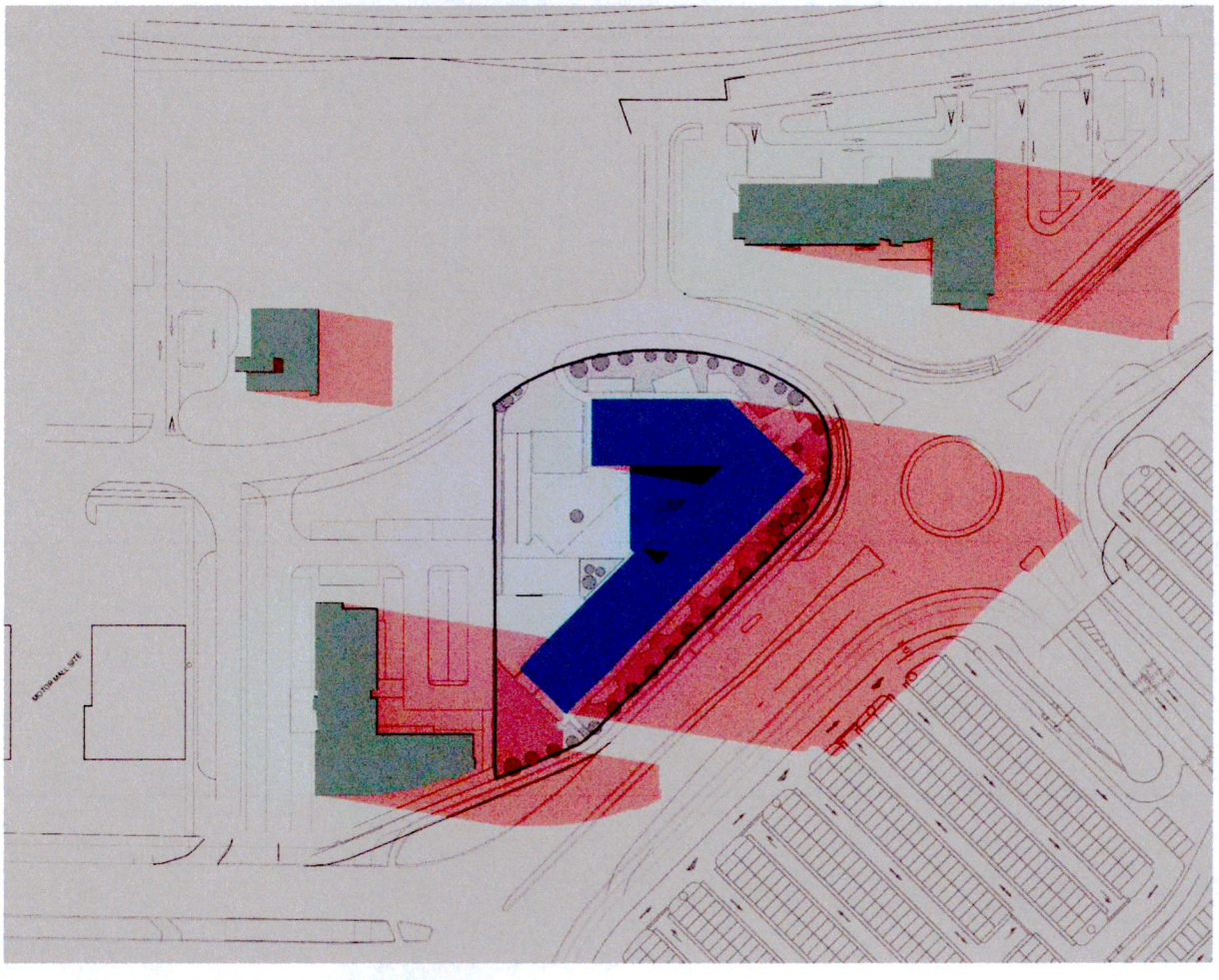

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5.4 Shadow Casting diagrams September Equinox

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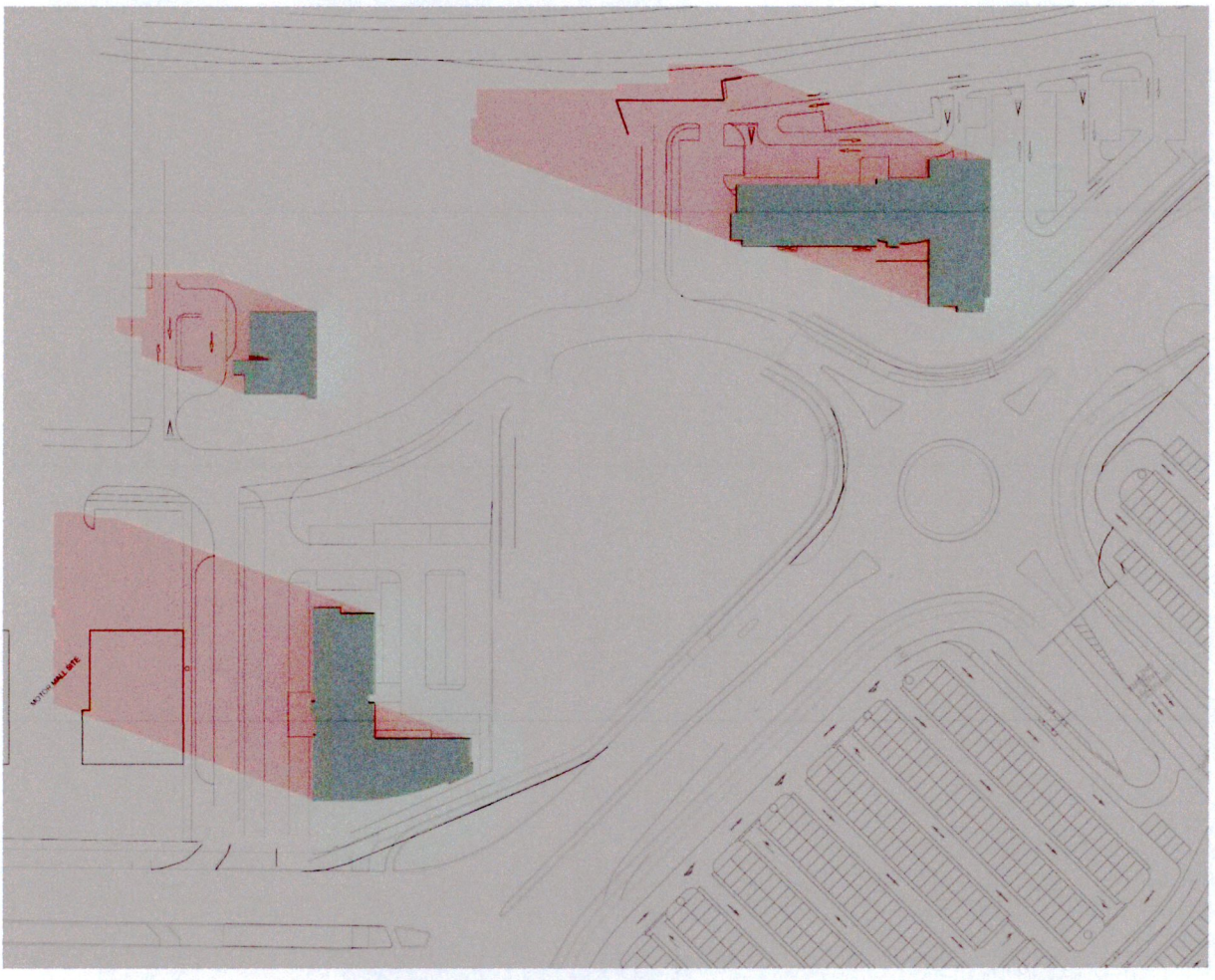

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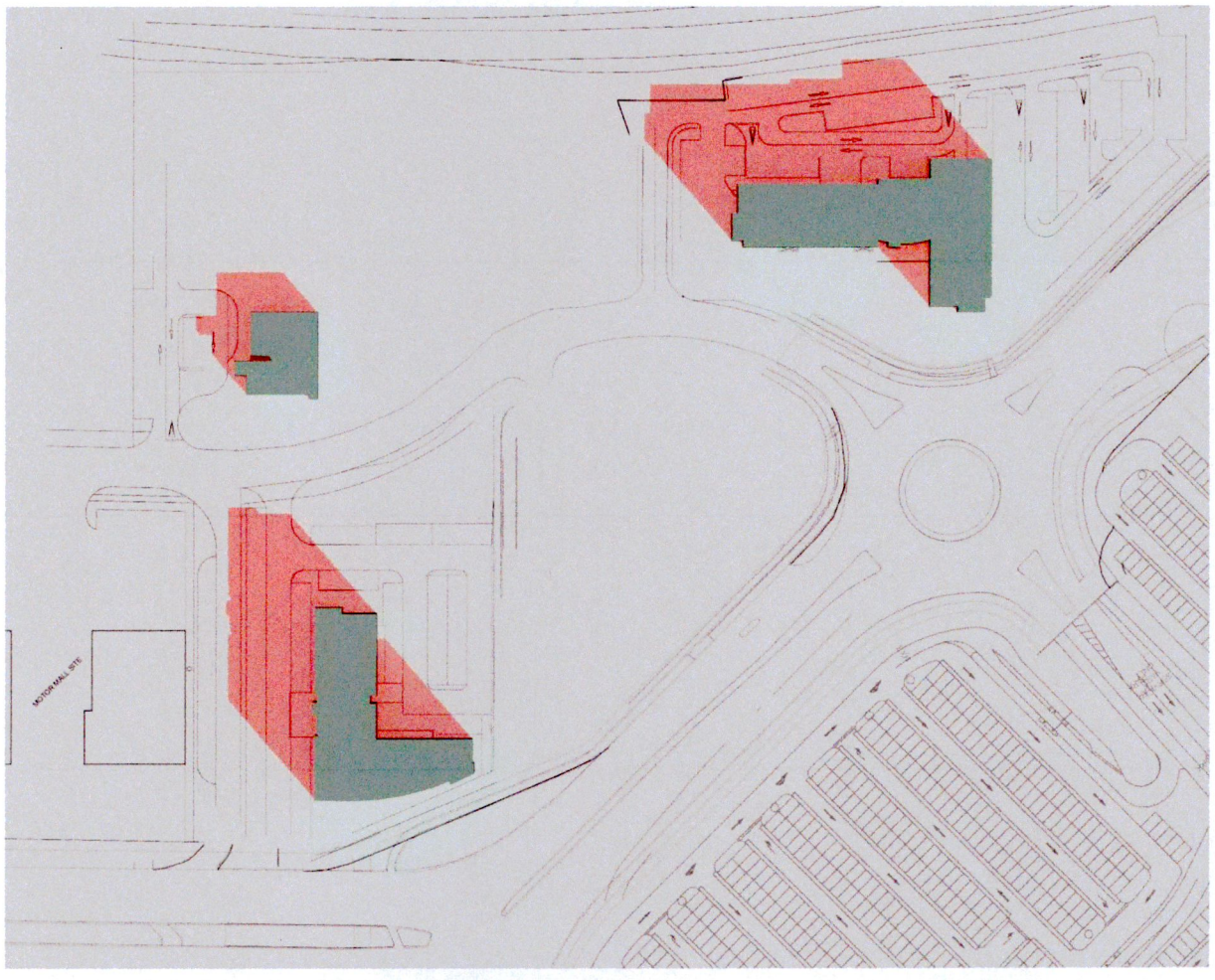

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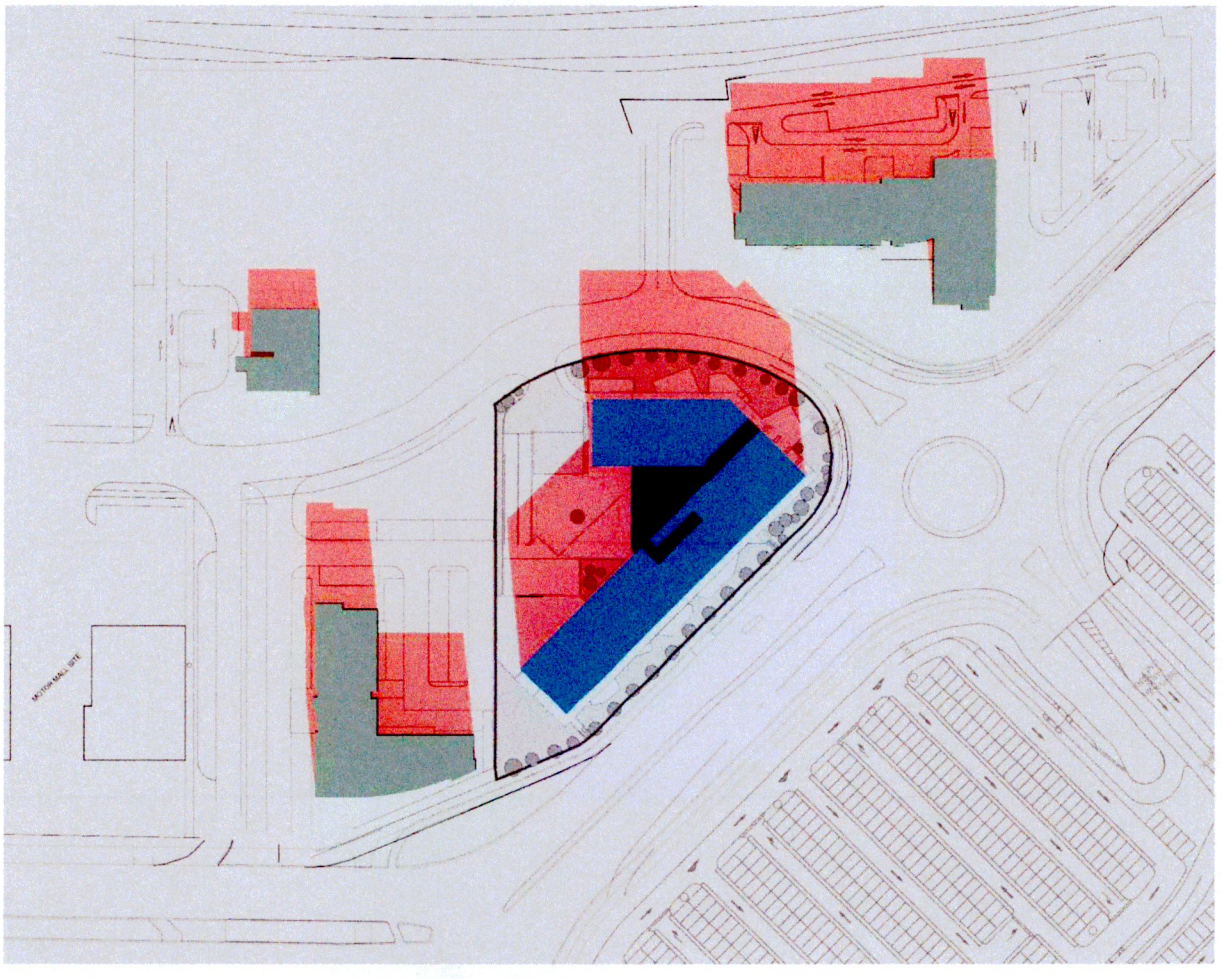

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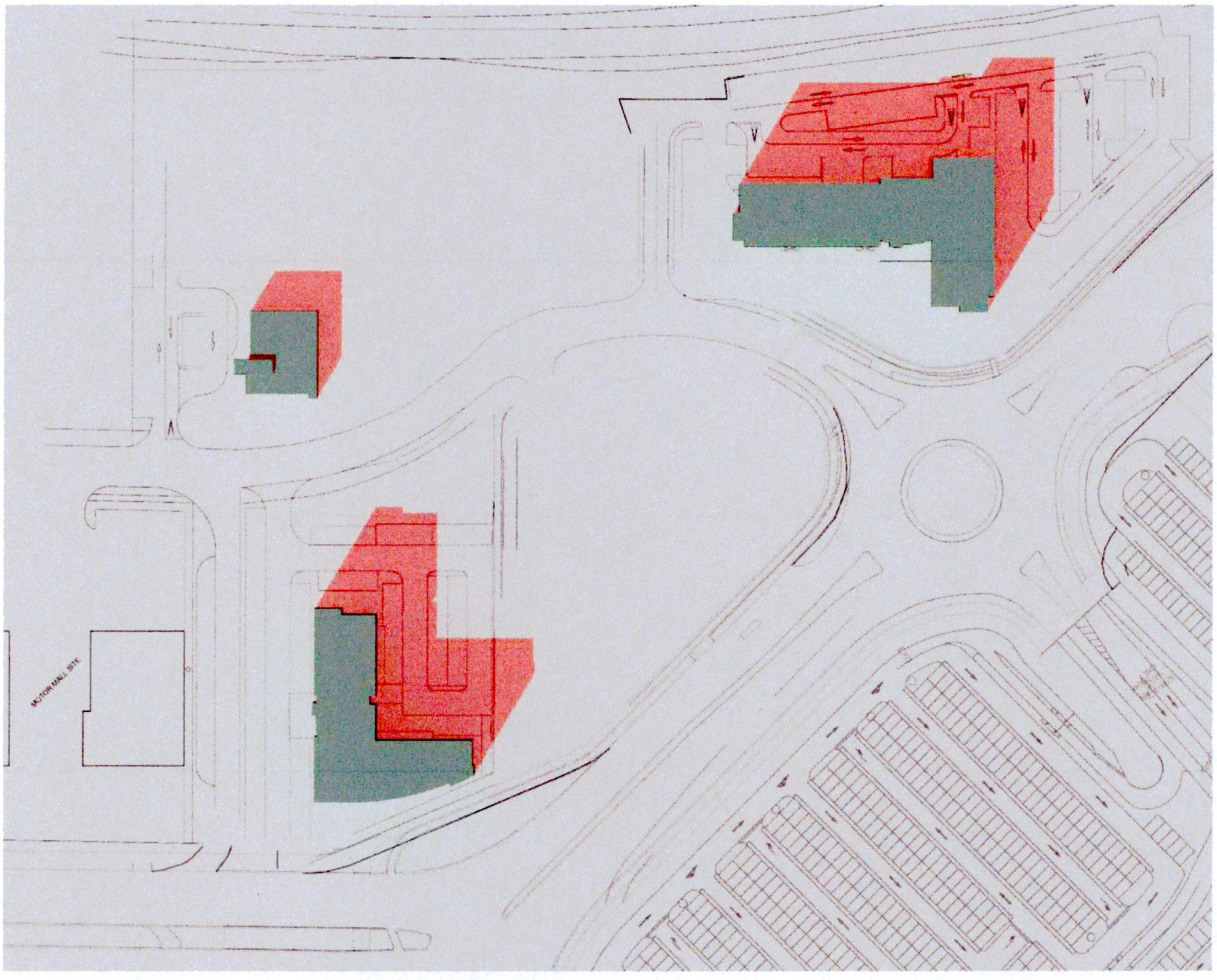

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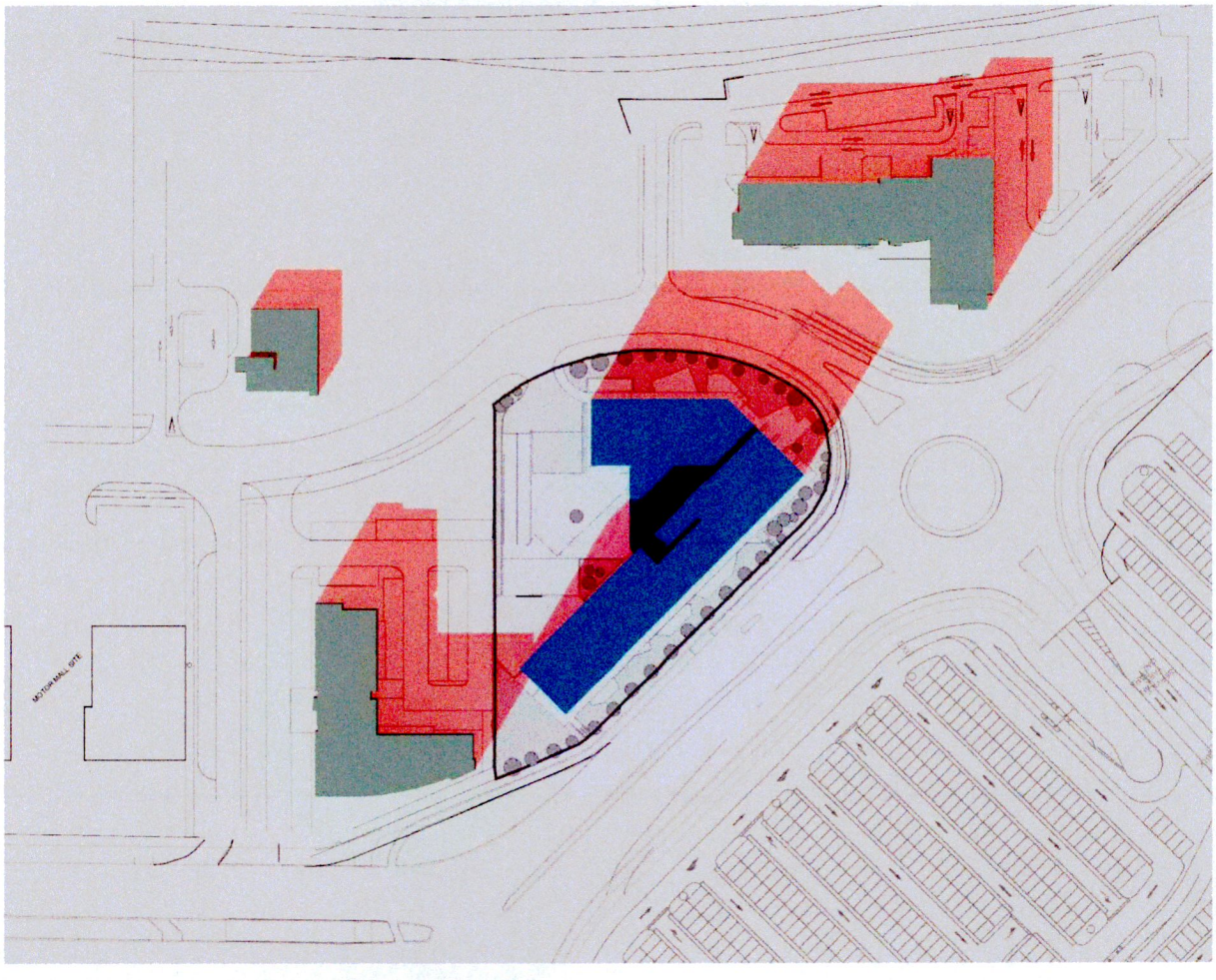

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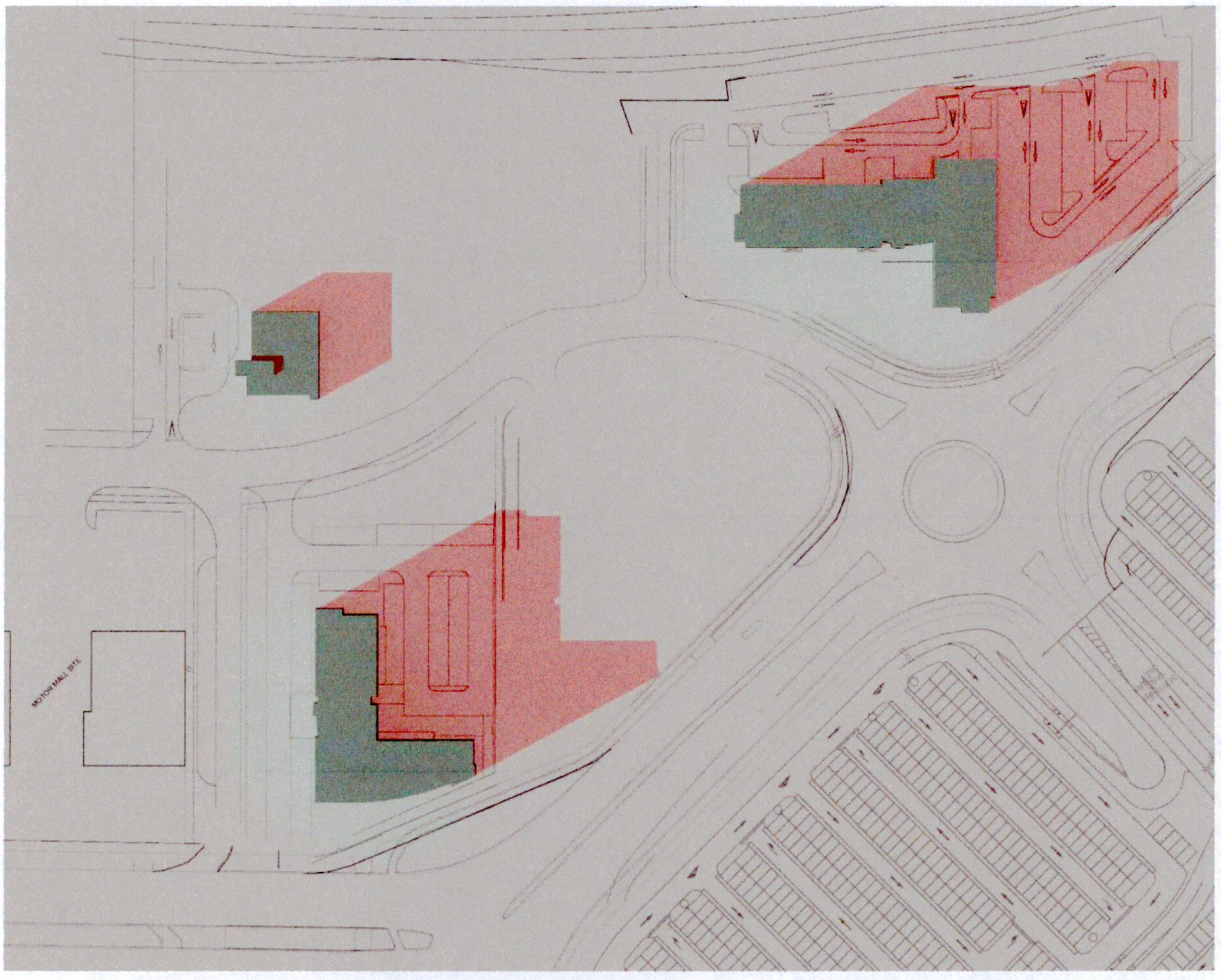

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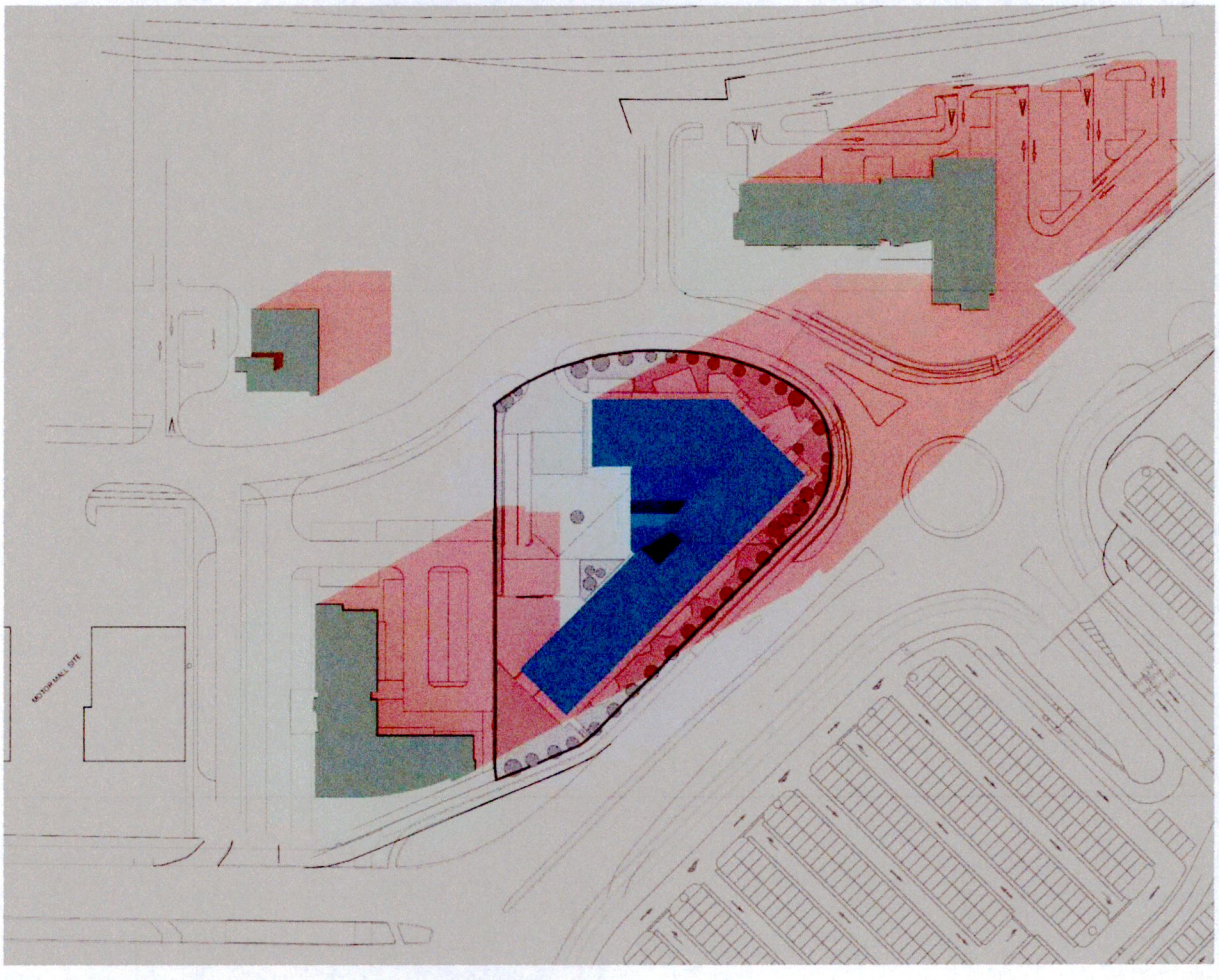

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5.5 Shadow Casting diagrams December Solstice

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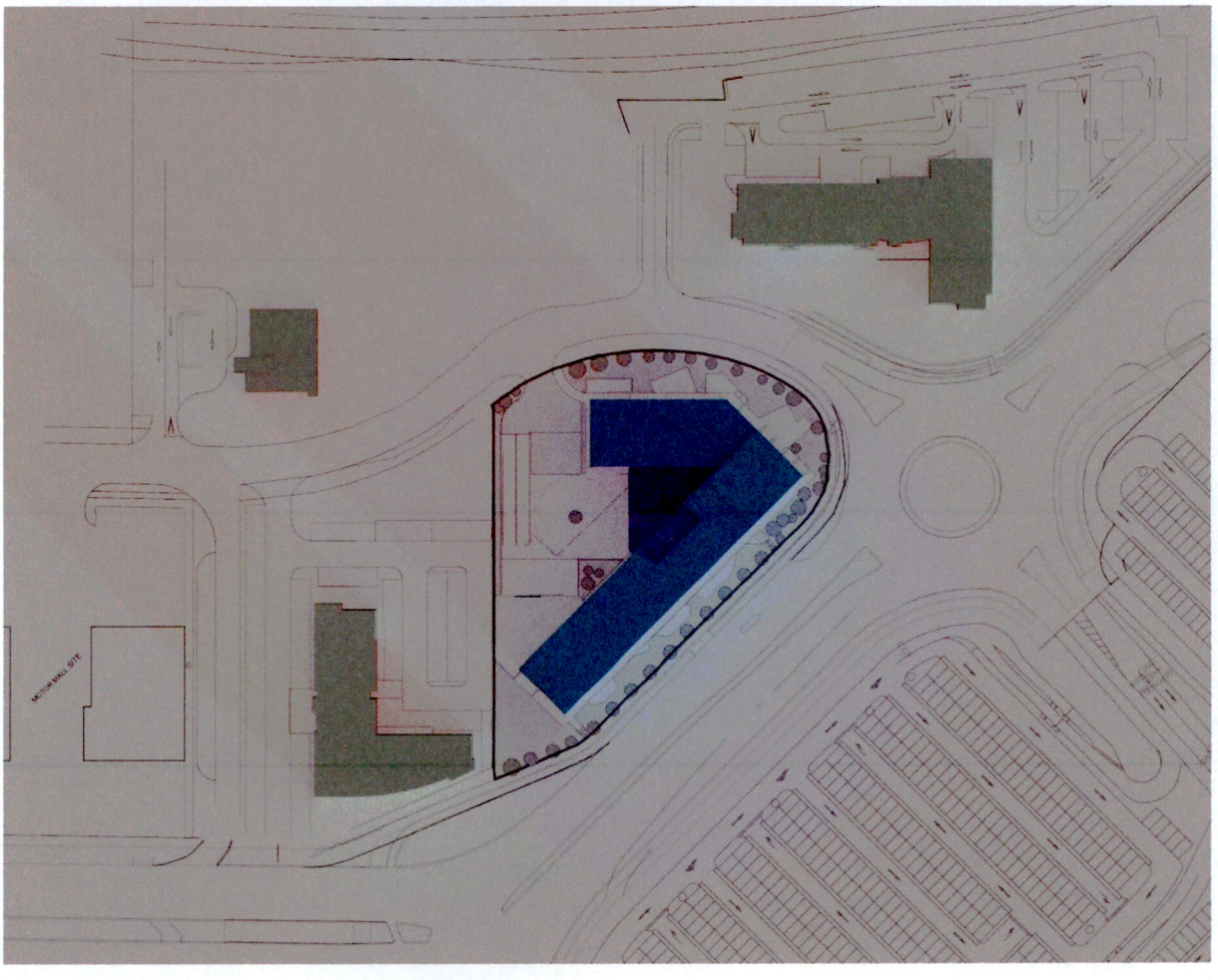

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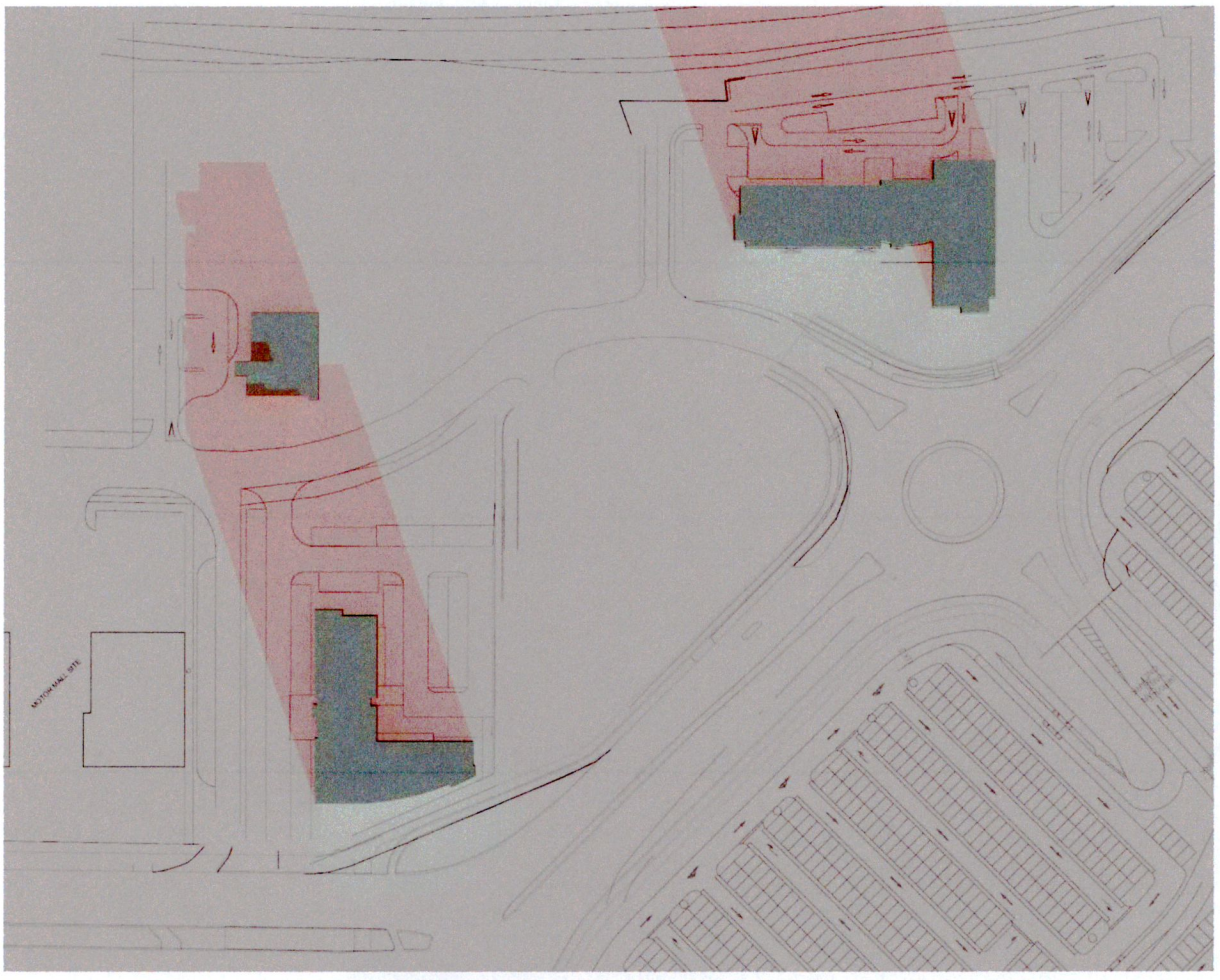

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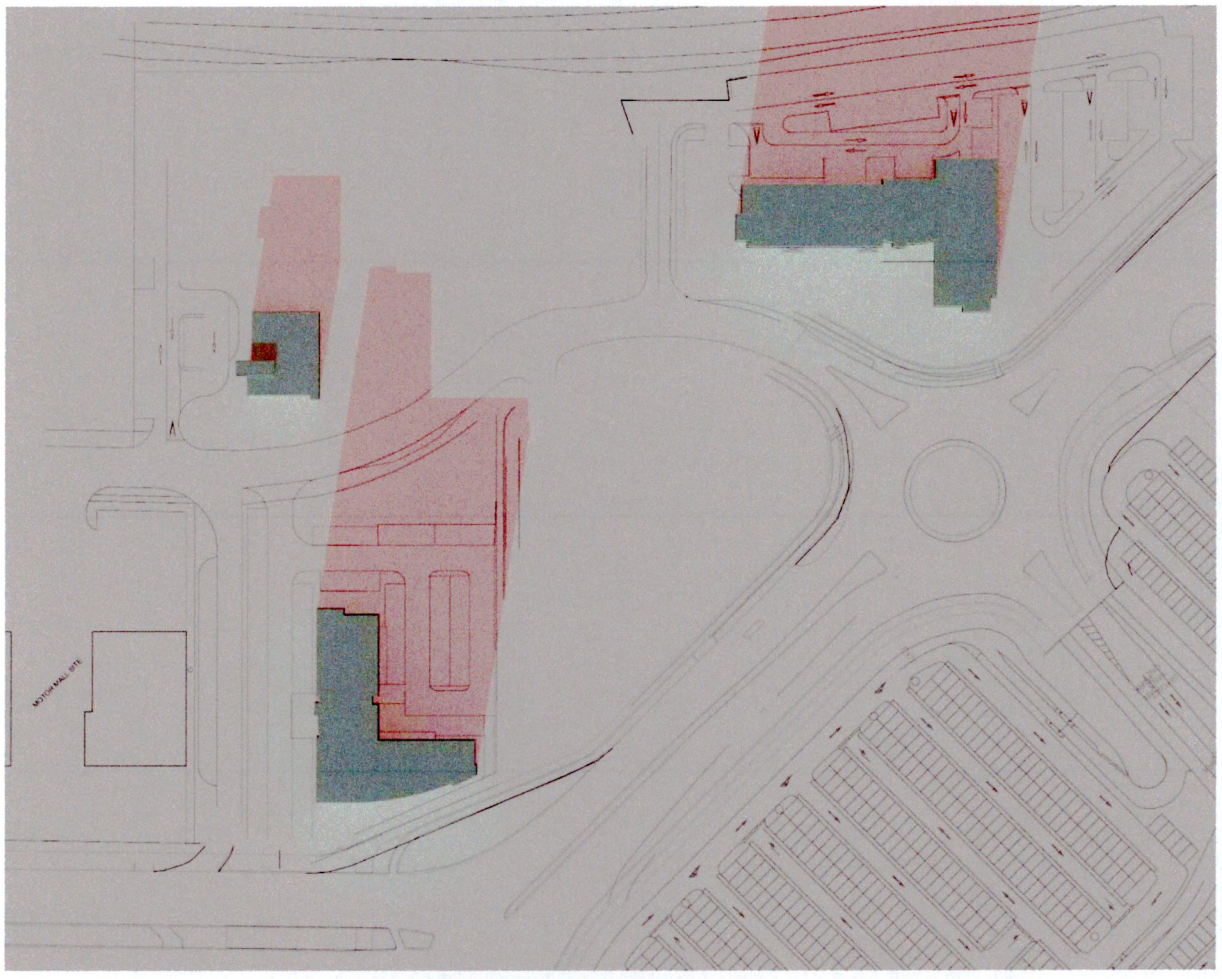

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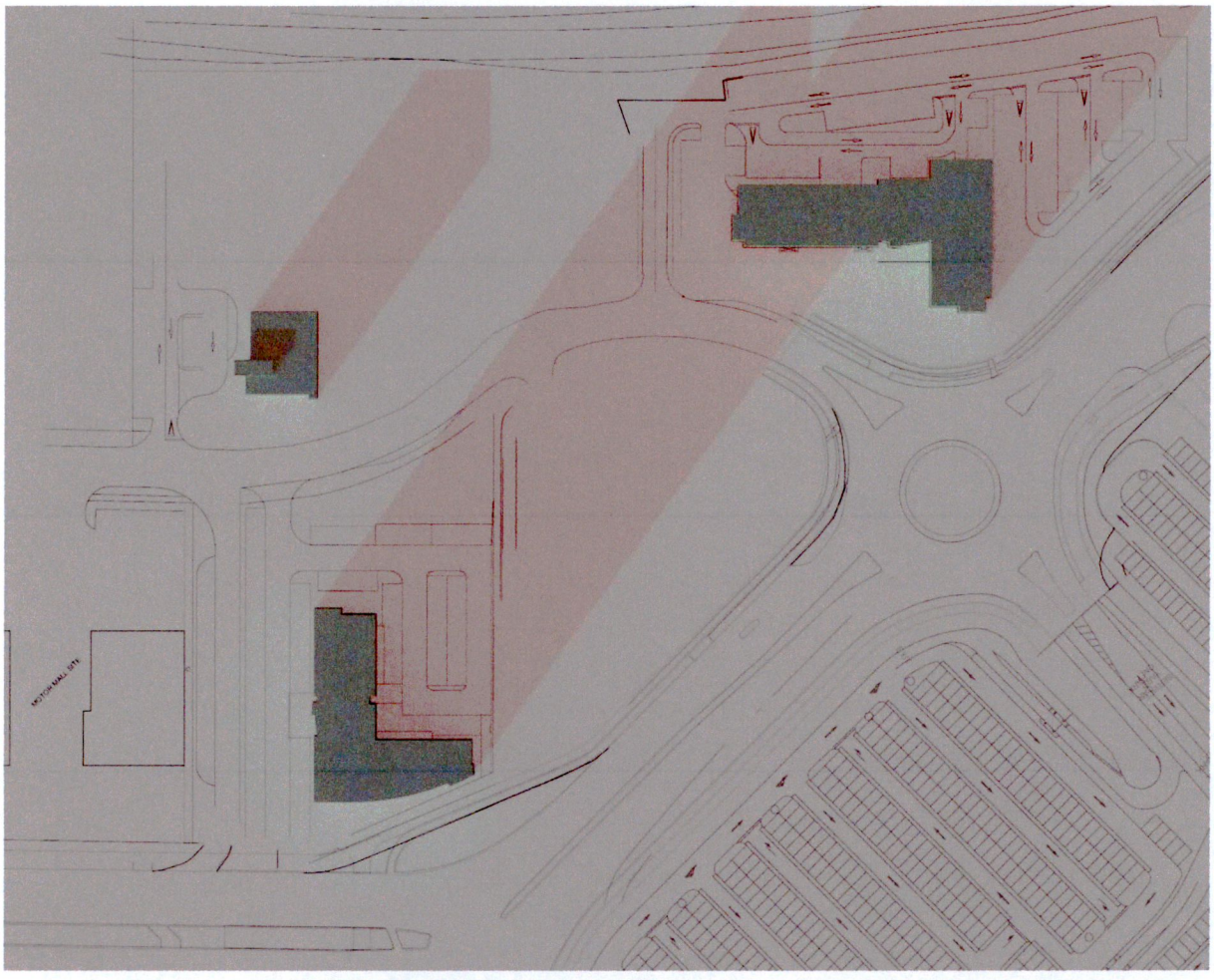

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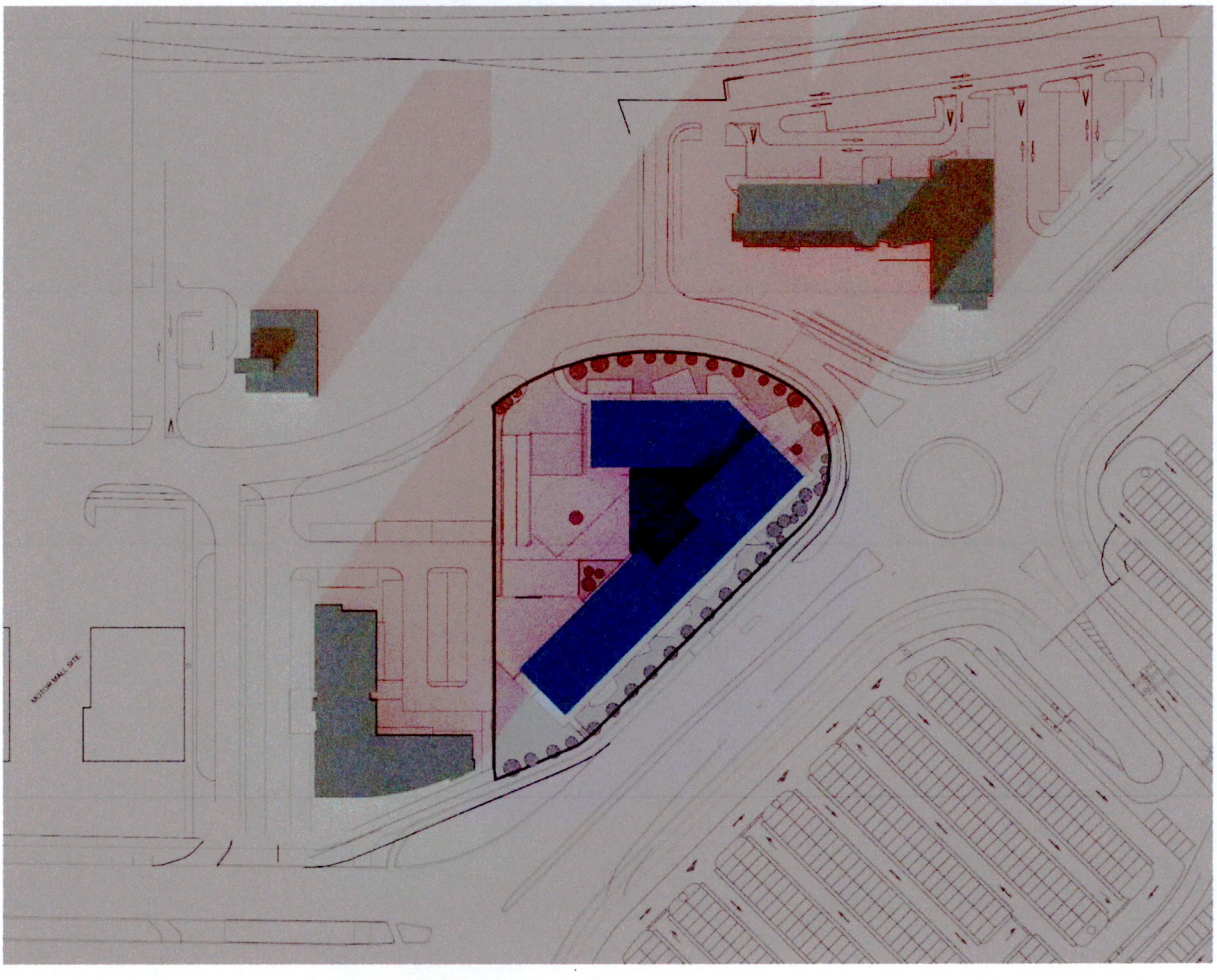

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