GEOTECHNICAL RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR PITTWATER FORM NO. 1 – To be submitted with Development Application

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I am aware that the above Geotechnical Report, prepared for the abovementioned site is to be submitted in support of a Development Application for this site and will be relied on by Pittwater Council as the basis for ensuring that the Geotechnical Risk Management aspects of the proposed development have been adequately addressed to achieve an "Acceptable Risk Management" level for the life of the structure, taken as at least 100 years unless otherwise stated and justified in the Report and that reasonable and practical measures have been identified to remove foreseeable risk.

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GEOTECHNICAL RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR PITTWATER FORM NO. 1(a) - Checklist of Requirements for Geotechnical Risk Management Report for Development Application

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GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION:

Alterations and Additions at 7 Crane Lodge Place, Palm Beach

1. Proposed Development

- **1.1** Extend the existing house on the downhill side with new home office, painting studio and lift by excavating to a maximum depth of ~1.2m.
- **1.2** Other minor internal and external alterations and additions to the existing house.
- 1.3 Construct a new block retaining wall in front of the existing tilting timber retaining wall on the uphill side of the house (Photos 9 & 10).
- **1.4** Extend the existing garage to the E and construct a new suspended parking area and turning platform to the W of the garage.
- **1.5** Details of the proposed development are shown on 30 drawings prepared by Stephen Varady Associates, drawings 01 to 30, Issue p13, dated 12/6/24.

2. Site Description

- **2.1** The site was inspected on the 19th October, 2022.
- 2.2 This residential property is on the high side of the road and has a S aspect. It is located on the steeply graded middle reaches of a hillslope. The natural slope rises across the property at an average angle of ~27°. The slope above the property continues at steep angles for some 140m before reaching the crest of the hill. The slope below the property gradually decreases in grade.
- 2.3 The property is accessed from a bitumen right of carriageway (ROW). Fill provides a level platform for the ROW (Photo 1). The fill merges into a densely vegetated natural steep slope (Photo 2). The depth of the fill is unknown but is



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estimated to be ~2m deep. A suspended carport and garage is located on the downhill side of the ROW (Photo 1) and another garage is located on the uphill side (Photo 3). A detached sandstone joint block is located in a stable position beside the upper garage (Photo 4). A concrete driveway runs up the slope to a parking area above the rock (Photos 4 & 5). A cut and fill provides a level platform for the driveway and parking area. The cut and fill is supported by stable timber retaining walls up to ~2.0m high.

A suspended timber balcony extends off the downhill side of the house (Photo 1). One of the supporting posts is supported off a stable detached sandstone joint block (Photo 6). This post and the other supporting posts stand vertical. The part two storey brick and timber clad house is supported by brick walls and brick piers (Photos 6 & 7). The supporting walls and piers stand vertical and show no significant signs of movement (Photo 8). A cut provides a level platform on the uphill side of the house. The cut is supported by concrete block and timber retaining walls ~2.2m high (Photo 9). The concrete block retaining wall is stable. The timber retaining wall displays minor bulging and the timber posts supporting the wall are tilting downslope slightly (Photo 10). A new block retaining wall will be built in front of this wall as part of the proposed works. The steep slope on the uphill side of the retaining walls is well vegetated (Photo 11). Detached sandstone joint blocks are scattered across the slope.

3. Geology

The Sydney 1:100 000 Geological sheet indicates the site is underlain by Hawkesbury Sandstone, although the Newport Formation of the Narrabeen Group Rocks is shown close to the downhill property boundary and at a residential scale the map is not always accurate. Ground testing and observations of the slope geomorphology indicate the property is underlain by the Newport Formation of the Narrabeen Group Rocks. This is described as interbedded laminite, shale, and quartz to lithic quartz sandstone.



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4. Subsurface Investigation

One hand Auger Hole (AH) was put down to identify the soil materials. Six Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP) tests were put down to determine the relative density of the overlying soil and the depth to weathered rock. The locations of the tests are shown on the site plan. It should be noted that a level of caution should be applied when interpreting DCP test results. The test will not pass through hard buried objects so in some instances it can be difficult to determine whether refusal has occurred on an obstruction in the profile or on the natural rock surface. This is expected to have occurred for DCP2 & 3. Due to the possibility that the actual ground conditions vary from our interpretation there should be allowances in the excavation and foundation budget to account for this. We refer to the appended "Important Information about Your Report" to further clarify. The results are as follows:

AUGER HOLE 1 (~RL43.0) – AH1 (Photo 12)

Depth (m)	Material Encountered
0.0 to 0.4	TOPSOIL, sandy soil, dark brown/grey, damp, fine to medium grained.
0.4 to 0.6	SANDY CLAY, light brown orange, damp, firm.

End of hole @ 0.6m in firm sandy clay. No watertable encountered.

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DCP TEST RESULTS – Dynamic Cone Penetrometer						
Equipment: 9kg hammer, 510mm drop, conical tip. Standard: AS1289.6.3.2 -1997						
Depth(m)	DCP 1	DCP 2	DCP 3	DCP 4 DCP 5		DCP 6
Blows/0.3m	(~RL37.8)	(~RL42.0)	(~RL42.0)	(~RL43.0)	(~RL45.9)	(~RL47.2)
0.0 to 0.3	12	4	12	3	3	5
0.3 to 0.6	8	2	6	5	4	6
0.6 to 0.9	7	5	#	6	4	10
0.9 to 1.2	13	#		50	18	21
1.2 to 1.5	15			30	20	31
1.5 to 1.8	19			#	20	#
1.8 to 2.1	#				32	
2.1 to 2.4					#	
	Refusal on Rock @ 1.6m	Refusal @ 0.7m	Refusal @ 0.6m	End of Test @ 1.3m	End of Test @ 2.1m	End of Test @ 1.5m

#refusal/end of test. F=DCP fell after being struck showing little resistance through all or part of the interval.

DCP Notes:

DCP1 – Refusal on Rock @ 1.6m, DCP bouncing off rock surface, orange shale fragments on dry tip.

DCP2 – Refusal @ 0.7m, DCP bouncing on floating boulder, white rock fragments on dry tip.

DCP3 – Refusal @ 0.6m, DCP bouncing on floating boulder, white rock fragments on dry tip.

DCP4 – End of Test @ 1.6m, DCP still very slowly going down, orange shale fragments and brown soil on damp tip.

DCP5 – End of Test @ 2.1m, DCP still very slowly going down, white rock fragments and yellow brown clay on moist tip.

DCP6 – End of Test @ 1.5m, DCP still very slowly going down, orange shale fragments on dry tip.

5. Geological Observations/Interpretation

The slope materials are colluvial at the near surface and residual at depth. In the test locations, the ground materials consist of fill and a thin sandy topsoil over firm to stiff sandy clays. Fill to a maximum depth of ~2.0m provides level platforms for the bitumen ROW, a



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concrete driveway and garden areas across the property. In the test locations, the clays merge

into the weathered zone of the under lying rocks at depths of between ~1.2m to ~1.6m below

the current surface. The weathered zone of the underlying rock is interpreted as Extremely

Low to Low Strength Rock. It is to be noted that this material is a soft rock and can appear as

a mottled stiff clay when it is cut up by excavation equipment. See Type Section attached for

a diagrammatical representation of the expected ground materials.

6. Groundwater

Normal ground water seepage is expected to move over the buried surface of the rock and

through the cracks.

Due to the slope and elevation of the block, the water table is expected to be many metres

below the base of the proposed works.

7. Surface Water

No evidence of surface flows were observed on the property during the inspection. It is

recommended as part of the development a cut off drain be installed across the upper

reaches of the site to catch surface flows from the slope above. Ideally, the drain is to be

installed near the uphill property boundary to capture flows before they enter the property.

If the drain is to be installed close to the uphill property boundary, the location of the drain

will require the approval of the geotechnical consultant. Alternatively, the drain can be

installed on the uphill side of the existing concrete block and timber retaining walls (Photo 9).

The captured flows from this drain should be piped to the street. All drains, pits and

associated plumbing are to be oversized and designed to cope with extreme prolonged

rainfall events. The drain is to be the first thing constructed on the site as part of the

development. It is a condition of the slope stability assessment in Section 8 (Hazard One) that

this be done.



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8. Geotechnical Hazards and Risk Analysis

No geotechnical hazards were observed beside the property. The steeply graded slope that falls across the property and continues above and below is a potential hazard (Hazard One). The proposed excavations are a potential hazard until retaining structures are in place (Hazard Two).

Geotechnical Hazards and Risk Analysis - Risk Analysis Summary

HAZARDS	Hazard One	Hazard Two	
TYPE		The proposed excavation for the house	
	The steep slope that falls	additions collapsing onto the worksite,	
	across the property and	impacting the neighbouring properties	
	continues above failing and	and undercutting the existing house	
	impacting on the property.	and a detached joint block (Photo 6)	
		during the excavation process.	
LIKELIHOOD	'Unlikely' (10 ⁻⁴)	'Possible' (10 ⁻³)	
CONSEQUENCES	'Medium' (12%)	'Medium' (20%)	
TO PROPERTY	Wiediaiii (1270)	iviedidiii (20%)	
RISK TO	'Low' (2 x 10 ⁻⁵)	'Moderate' (2 x 10 ⁻⁴)	
PROPERTY	LOW (2 × 10)	Moderate (2 x 10)	
RISK TO LIFE 8.3 x 10 ⁻⁷ /annum		3.7 x 10 ⁻⁵ /annum	
COMMENTS	This level of risk is	This level of risk to life and property is	
	'ACCEPTABLE', provided	'UNACCEPTABLE'. To move the risk to	
	the recommendations in	'ACCEPTABLE' levels, the	
	Section 7 & 16 are carried	recommendations in Section 7 & 13 are	
	out.	to be followed.	

(See Aust. Geomech. Jnl. Mar 2007 Vol. 42 No 1, for full explanation of terms)

9. Suitability of the Proposed Development for the Site

The proposed development is suitable for the site. No geotechnical hazards will be created by the completion of the proposed development provided it is carried out in accordance with the requirements of this report and good engineering and building practice.



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10. Stormwater

The fall is to Crane Lodge Place. All stormwater from the proposed development is to be piped

to the street drainage system through any tanks that may be required by the regulating

authorities.

11. Excavations

An excavation to a maximum depth of ~1.2m is required to construct the proposed house

additions.

The excavation is expected to be through fill, topsoil and clay, with Extremely Low to Low

Strength Rock expected at depths of between ~1.2m to ~2.0m below the current surface.

Excavations through soil, clay and rock up to Low Strength are expected to be carried out with

an excavator and toothed bucket.

12. Vibrations

It is expected the proposed excavation will be carried out with an excavator and toothed

bucket and the vibrations produced will be below the threshold limit for building or

infrastructure damage using a domestic sized excavator up to 20 tonne.

13. Excavation Support Requirements

On steep sites such as this one, to help maintain excavation stability before retaining walls

are in place, it is critical upslope runoff be diverted from the proposed excavation and

retaining wall demolition with temporary or permanent drainage measures. Temporary

measures may be trenches and sandbag mounds and permanent measures could be a wide

diameter dish drain or similar. These are to be installed before any excavation work

commences. In addition, see Section 7.



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An excavation to a maximum depth of $^{\sim}1.2\text{m}$ is required to construct the proposed house

additions. Allowing for backwall drainage, the excavation comes flush with a detached

sandstone joint block (Photo 6), flush with the E supporting brick wall of the existing house

and is set back ~0.5m from the W common boundary.

The detached sandstone joint block (Photo 6), existing house and W common boundary will

be within the zone of influence of the excavation. In this instance, the zone of influence is the

area above a theoretical 30° line (from horizontal) through fill/soil and a 45° line through

clay / weathered rock from the base of the excavation towards the surrounding structures

and boundaries.

The large detached sandstone joint block (Photo 6) and E supporting brick wall of the existing

house may extend to below the base of the excavation. However, to be sure, exploration pits

along the joint block and wall will need to be put down by the builder to determine the depth

of the joint block and the foundation depth and material that supports the existing house

wall. These are to be inspected by the geotechnical consultant. If the base of the joint block

and existing house wall foundations are confirmed to extend below the base of the

excavation, the excavation may commence. If they are not, the sandstone joint block and

existing house wall are to be underpinned to below the base of the excavation, prior to the

excavation commencing. The extent of the area of the required exploration pits/underpinning

are shown in orange on the attached Level 0 and Level 1 Plans.

Any other Loose boulders or detached joint blocks immediately above the proposed

excavation faces are to be removed before any excavation commences.

Any trees near the proposed cut are to be assessed by an arborist and removed if their

stability will be detrimentally impacted by the excavation.

The W side of the cut will need to be temporarily or permanently supported prior to the

commencement of the excavation, or during the excavation process in a staged manner, so

cut batters are not left unsupported. The support will need to be designed by the structural



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engineer. See the Level 0 Plan attached for the minimum extent of the required shoring

shown in blue.

Where shoring/underpinning is not required and where space permits, the fill/soil portion of

the excavation is to be battered temporarily at 1.0 Vertical to 2.0 Horizontal (26°) until the

retaining walls are in place.

Excavations through clay and weathered rock are expected to stand at near vertical angles for

short periods of time until the retaining walls are in place, provided the cut batters are kept

from becoming saturated.

As discussed above upslope runoff is to be diverted from the cut faces by sandbag mounds or

other diversion works. All unsupported cut batters are to be covered to prevent access of

water in wet weather and loss of moisture in dry weather. The covers are to be tied down

with metal pegs or other suitable fixtures so they cannot blow off in a storm. The materials

and labour to construct the retaining walls are to be organised so on completion of the

excavation they can be constructed as soon as possible. The excavation is to be carried out

during a dry period. No excavations are to commence if heavy or prolonged rainfall is forecast.

If the cut batters remain unsupported for more than a few days before the construction of

the retaining walls they are to be temporarily supported until the retaining walls are in place.

All excavation spoil is to be removed from site following the current Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA) waste classification guidelines.

14. Retaining Structures

For cantilever or singly propped retaining structures it is suggested the design be based on a

triangular distribution of lateral pressures using the parameters shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1 ON NEXT PAGE



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Table 1 – Likely Earth Pressures for Retaining Structures

	Earth Pressure Coefficients				
Unit	Unit weight (kN/m³)	'Active' K _a	'At Rest' K ₀	Passive	
Fill and Topsoil	20	0.40	0.55	N/A	
Residual Clays	20	0.35	0.45	Kp = 2.0 'ultimate'	
Extremely Low to Very Low Strength Rock	22	0.25	0.38	Kp = 2.5 'ultimate'	
Low Strength Rock	24	0.20	0.35	1000kPa 'ultimate'	

For rock classes refer to Pells et al "Design Loadings for Foundations on Shale and Sandstone in the Sydney Region". Australian Geomechanics Journal 1978.

It is to be noted that the earth pressures in Table 1 assume a level surface above the structure and do not account for any surcharge loads, noting that surcharge loads from the slope above will be acting on the wall. It also assumes retaining structures are fully drained. It should be noted that passive pressure is an ultimate value and should have an appropriate safety factor applied. No passive resistance should be assumed for the top 0.4m to account for any disturbance from the excavation. Ground materials and relevant earth pressure coefficients are to be confirmed on site by the geotechnical consultant.

All retaining structures are to have sufficient back-wall drainage and be backfilled immediately behind the structure with free-draining material (such as gravel). This material is to be wrapped in a non-woven Geotextile fabric (i.e. Bidim A34 or similar), to prevent the drainage from becoming clogged with silt and clay. If no back-wall drainage is installed in retaining structures, the likely hydrostatic pressures are to be accounted for in the structural design.



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15. Foundations

The proposed additions are to be supported on piers taken to and embedded no less than

1.0m into weathered rock from the downhill edge of the footing. This ground material is

expected at depths of between ~1.2m to ~3.2m below the current surface, being deeper in

the filled area at the location of the proposed garage extension and suspended parking area.

A maximum allowable bearing pressure of 600kPa can be assumed for footings embedded in

Extremely Low Strength Rock or better. It should be noted that this material is a soft rock and

a rock auger will cut through it so the builders should not be looking for refusal to end the

footings.

The foundations supporting the existing house are currently unknown. Ideally, footings

should be founded on the same footing material across the old and new portions of the

structure. Where the footing material does change across the structure construction joints or

similar are to be installed to prevent differential settlement, where the structure cannot

tolerate such movement in accordance with a 'Class M' site.

As the bearing capacity of weathered rock reduces when it is wet we recommend the footings

be dug, inspected and poured in quick succession (ideally the same day if possible). If the

footings get wet, they will have to be drained and the soft layer of weathered rock on the

footing surface will have to be removed before concrete is poured.

If a rapid turnaround from footing excavation to the concrete pour is not possible a sealing

layer of concrete may be added to the footing surface after it has been cleaned and inspected.

NOTE: If the contractor is unsure of the footing material required it is more cost effective to

get the geotechnical professional on site at the start of the footing excavation to advise on

footing depth and material. This mostly prevents unnecessary over excavation in clay like

shaly rock but can be valuable in all types of geology.



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16. Ongoing Maintenance

Where slopes are steep and approach or exceed 30°, such as on this site, it is prudent for the

owners to occasionally inspect the slope (say annually or after heavy and prolonged rainfall

events, whichever occurs first). Should any of the following be observed: movement or

cracking in retaining walls, cracking in any structures, cracking or movement in the slope

surface, tilting or movement in established trees, leaking pipes, or newly observed flowing

water, or changes in the erosional process or drainage regime, then a geotechnical consultant

should be engaged to assess the slope. We can carry out these inspections upon request. The

risk assessment in **Section 8** is subject to this ongoing maintenance being carried out.

17. Geotechnical Review

The structural plans are to be checked and certified by the geotechnical engineer as being in

accordance with the geotechnical recommendations. On completion, a Form 2B will be

issued. This form is required for the Construction Certificate to proceed.

18. Inspections

The client and builder are to familiarise themselves with the following required inspections

as well as council geotechnical policy. We cannot provide geotechnical certification for the

Occupation Certificate if the following inspections have not been carried out during the

construction process.

The geotechnical consultant is to inspect any exploration pits required to expose the

foundation materials of the existing house and to expose the base of the large

sandstone joint block (Photo 6).

All footings are to be inspected and approved by the geotechnical consultant while

the excavation equipment and contractors are still onsite and before steel reinforcing

is placed or concrete is poured.



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Photo 1



Photo 2



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Photo 4



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Photo 6



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Photo 8



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Photo 9

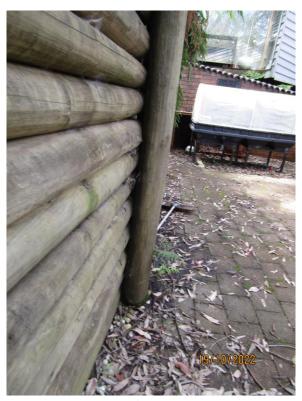


Photo 10



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Photo 11



Photo 12: AH1 – Downhole is from left to right.



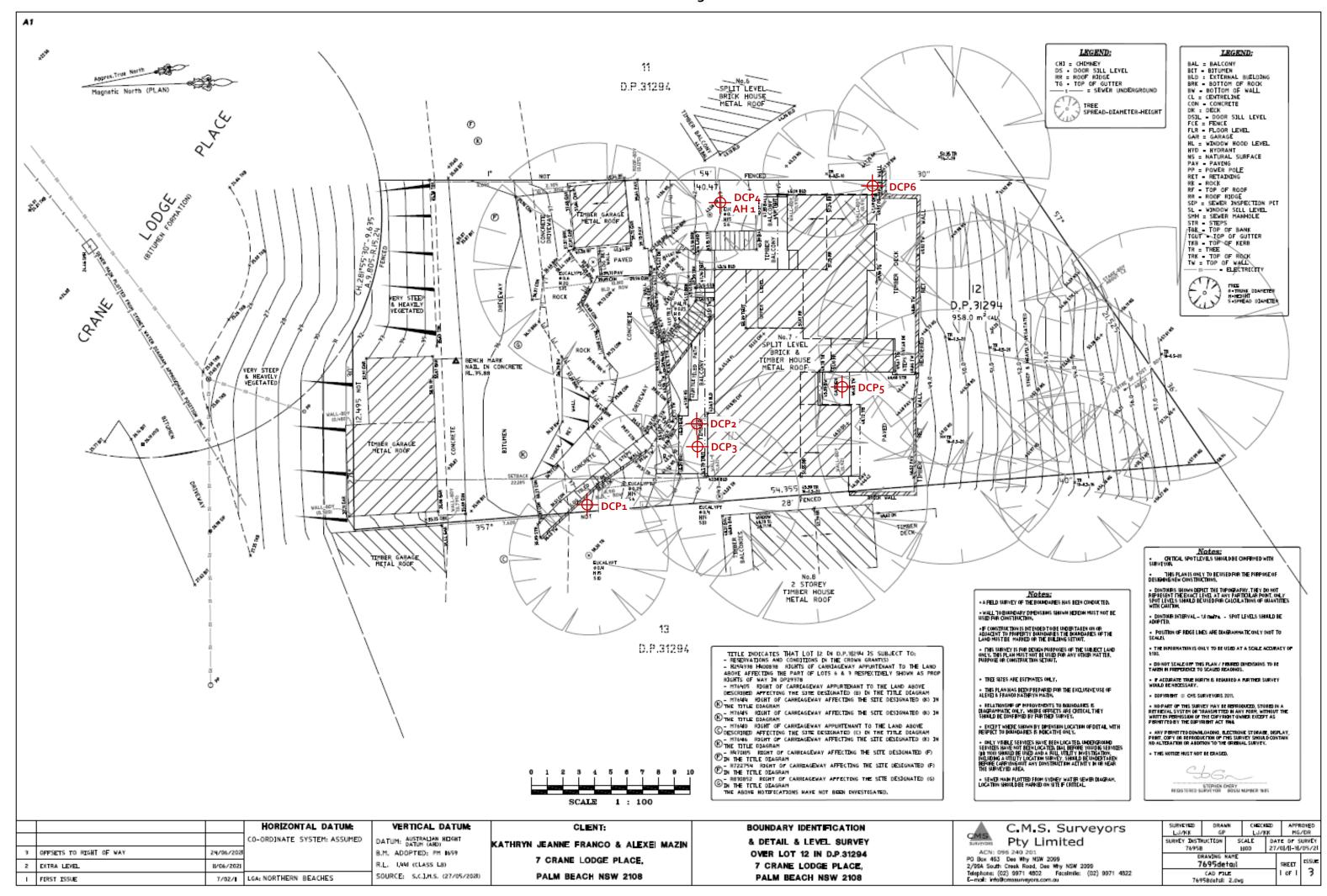
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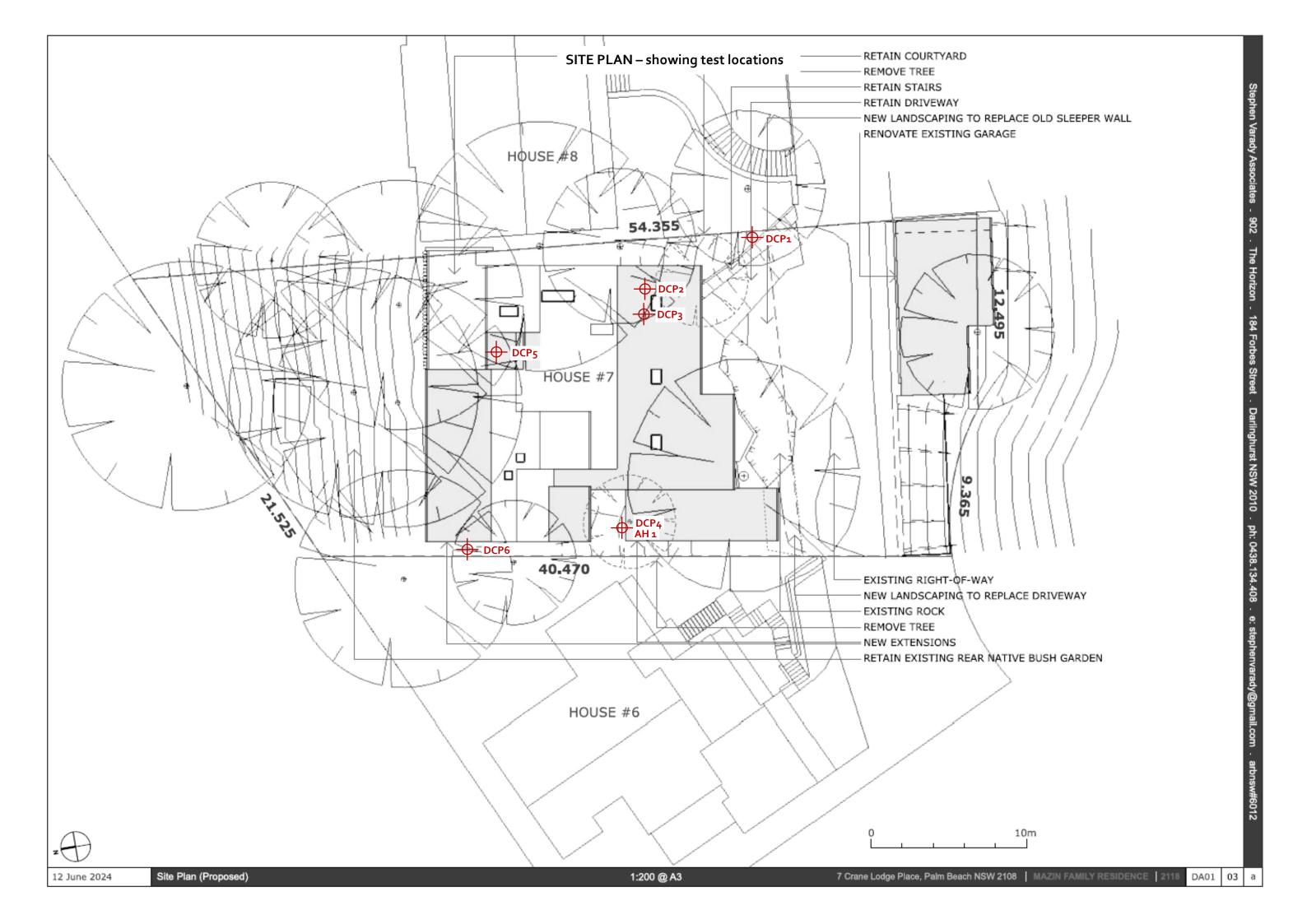
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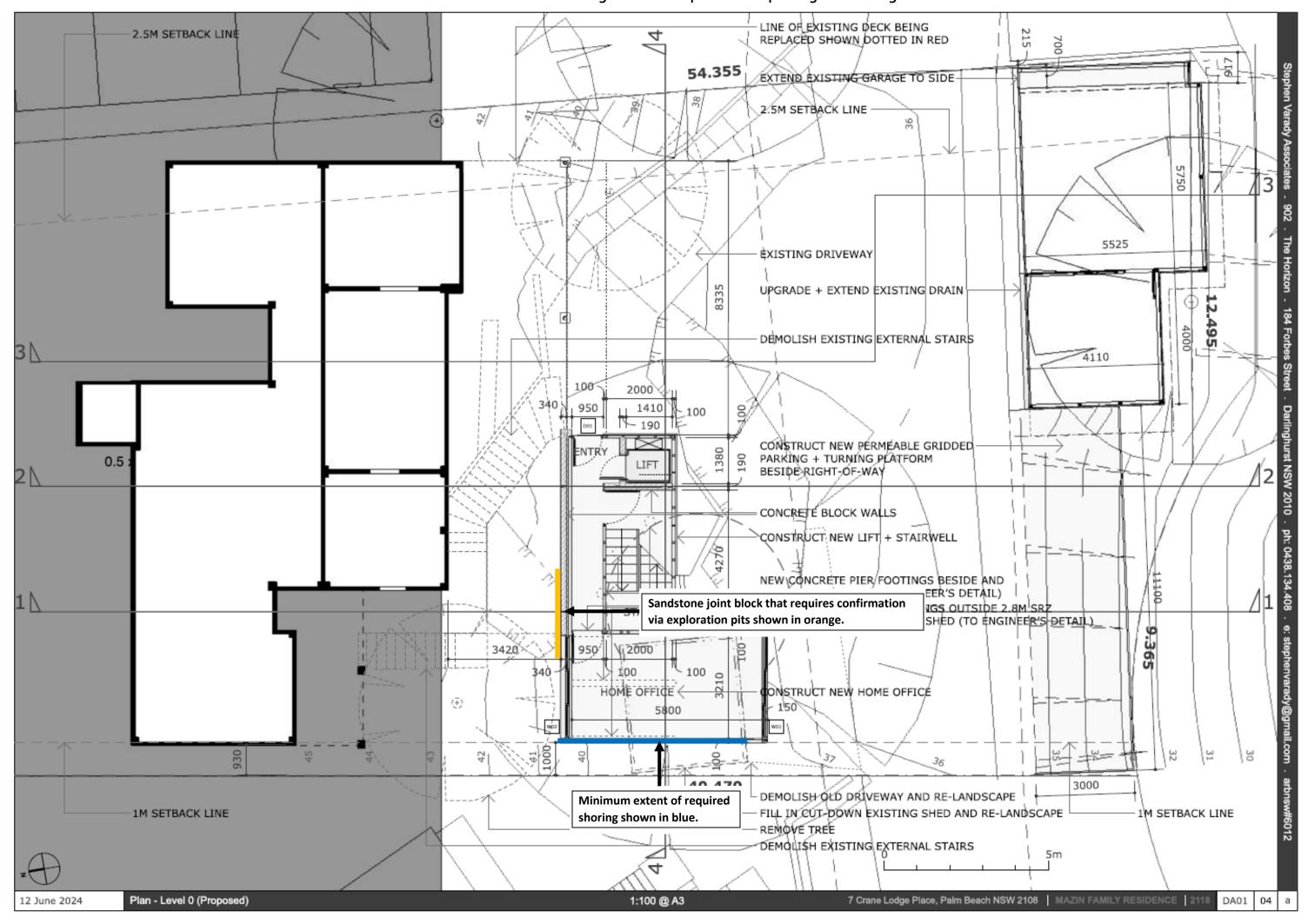
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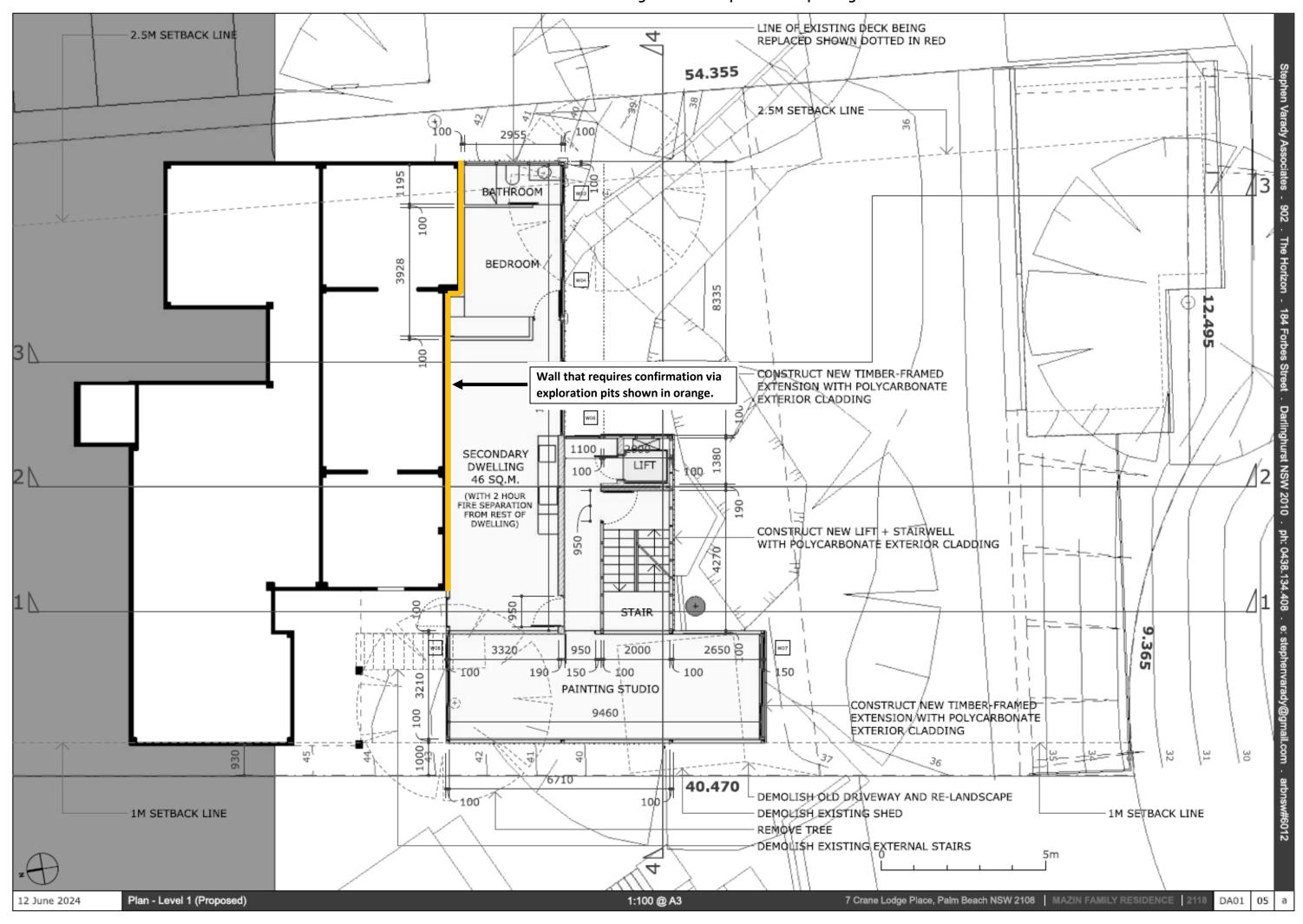
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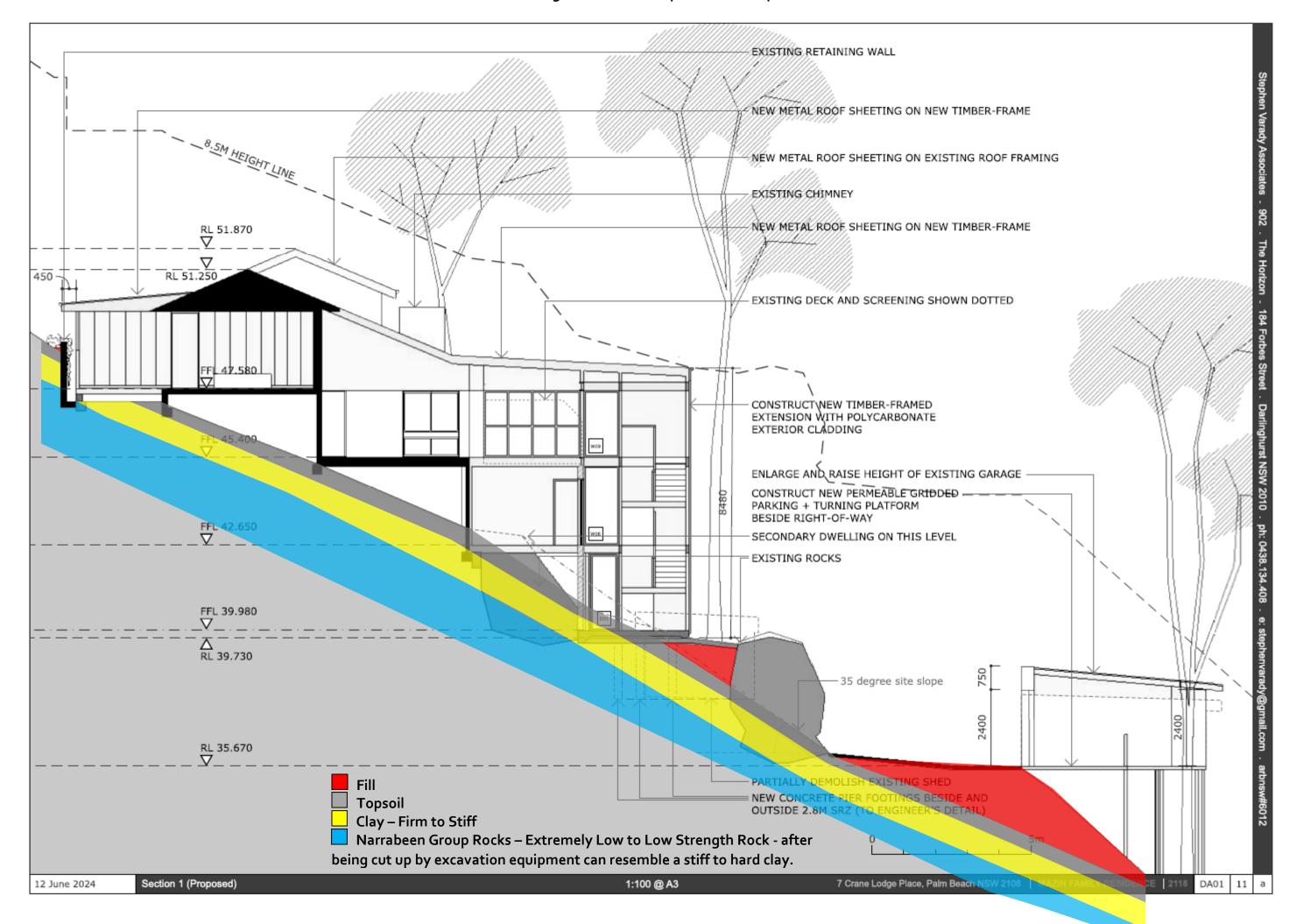
- If upon the commencement of the works the subsurface ground or ground water conditions prove different from those described in this report, it is advisable to contact White Geotechnical Group immediately, as problems relating to the ground works phase of construction are far easier and less costly to overcome if they are addressed early.
- If this report is used by other professionals during the design or construction process, any questions should be directed to White Geotechnical Group as only we understand the full methodology behind the report's conclusions.
- The report addresses issues relating to your specific design and site. If the proposed project design changes, aspects of the report may no longer apply. Contact White Geotechnical if this occurs.
- This report should not be applied to any other project other than that outlined in section 1.0.
- This report is to be read in full and should not have sections removed or included in other documents as this can result in misinterpretation of the data by others.
- It is common for the design and construction process to be adapted as it progresses (sometimes
 to suit the previous experience of the contractors involved). If alternative design and construction
 processes are required to those described in this report, contact White Geotechnical Group. We
 are familiar with a variety of techniques to reduce risk and can advise if your proposed methods
 are suitable for the site conditions.



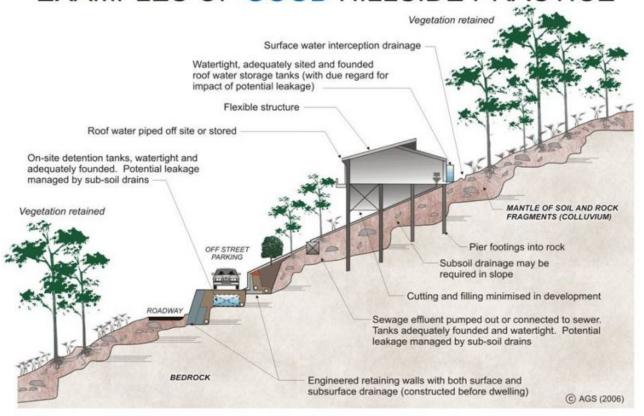








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