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# STRUCTURAL REPORT

*for the garage at  
81 Sydney Road,  
MANLY.*

<b>Reference Number:</b>	<i>RD: 2018/114-STR-RPT.1</i>
<b>Date Inspected:</b>	<i>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018</i>
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

We advise that an inspection of the existing garage was carried out by the undersigned on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018, in the presence of Keith Stephens, Jonathan Rhule and Djamel Boukerche of Link Housing and Warren Welsh, with a view to:

- i) Comment on the damaged masonry walls to the garage
- ii) Comment on the removal of the palm tree, which is leaning against the garage.

The garage is located in front of and partially below the masonry flat building, with a portion of the flat building sitting on top of the existing garage concrete roof slab.

There is palm tree on the eastern side of the garage which abuts the garage masonry wall.

The east and west masonry walls to the garage are only 110mm thick, yet they retain up to 1.3 metres height of soil externally.

Photographs were taken and are included in Appendix 'B' of this report and rectification drawings 1 and 2 are included in Appendix 'A'.

## 2. DEFECTS OBSERVED

We identified the following defects at our inspection, namely:

### 2.1 East wall to garage

Photo Number	Description
1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,18,19,20, 21,22,23,25,26,38,39,40	Cracks in wall
1,6,14,41	Corroded steel beams
7,8	Damaged render to roof slab

### 2.2 West wall to garage

Photo Number	Description
10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17	Cracks in wall

### 2.3 East landing retaining wall

Photo Number	Description
24	Cracks in wall
25	Pavers have settled

### 2.4 Other

Photo Number	Description
18,26,27,28	Tree against garage wall
29,30	Structure above garage slab
31,32,33,34,35	Sandstone foundation wall to building, at rear of garage
36,37	Street elevation

### 3. COMMENTS & CAUSE OF DEFECTS

We offer the following comments:

- i) The rear eastern masonry wall adjacent to the palm tree has suffered cracking and has an excessive 'bow' inwards. This 'bow' and localised masonry stepped cracking mid height in the wall is obviously caused by the roots of the palm tree applying lateral pressures against the masonry wall – refer to photos 18, 19, 21, 26, 27, 28, 39, 40. Structural integrity rating = 1.0.

The existing 110mm thick masonry wall, with an engaged pier, is structurally inadequate to support this lateral loading.

- ii) The eastern and western garage masonry walls retain soil between 800mm and 1,300mm high. This soil pressure loading has caused masonry cracking in the masonry walls – refer to photos 1, 2.

In our opinion, the existing 110mm thick masonry wall is structurally inadequate to support the lateral soil pressure loadings. Structural integrity rating = 1.0.

- iii) The eastern retaining wall has also suffered horizontal cracking at the top of the wall, which appears to be the result of corrosion of the centre and front steel beams where they are embedded in the masonry wall – refer to photos 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 18, 38, 41.

The existing steel beams are untreated and they are embedded in an external 'wet' masonry wall.

This corrosion has cracked and raised the masonry wall and garage roof slab by approximately 10mm – refer to photo 41. Structural integrity rating = 2.2.

- iv) The western garage wall has similar masonry cracking which is also due to its corrosion of the steel beams where they are embedded in the masonry wall. Refer to photos 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23. Structural integrity rating = 2.2.
- v) The steel beam which is located above the garage door has suffered extensive corrosion along its length due to its exposure to the elements, and it not being appropriately treated against corrosion. Structural integrity rating = 2.2.
- vi) The existing walls are founded on bedrock which is exposed beneath the rear eastern garage wall. Consequently, foundation settlement is not a cause of any of the defects.

#### **4. RISKS ARISING FROM DEFECTS & MITIGATION MEASURES**

In our opinion, the rear eastern garage wall is unstable and this wall and the garage roof slab should be temporary propped urgently, to prevent a collapse of the roof slab. We refer to our emails and sketches of 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Copies are attached to appendix 'C' of this report.

The corroded steel beams will continue to deteriorate and further damage the structure, until they are replaced. Photos of the completed temporary propping was provided to us on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

#### **5. RECTIFICATION WORKS**

In our opinion, both the eastern and western garage walls should be demolished and re-constructed using reinforced concrete (or reinforced blockwork) walls to resist the soil pressure loading.

The palm tree can then be removed, which will most probably require the removal of the brickwork retaining walls and paving to the landing adjacent to the tree.

This landing can probably be re-built using timber framed construction.

As previously advised, the steel beams which support the concrete roof slab have suffered extensive corrosion where they are embedded into the existing masonry external garage walls.

Therefore, these beams will need to be removed and replaced with similar steel beams appropriately treated and protected from the elements, to prevent corrosion.

Alternatively, an insitu reinforced concrete beam to engineers details in lieu of the steel beam, could be adopted above the garage door opening.

We confirm the lateral restraint of the garage structure will be provided by the reinforced concrete wall, re-bars and non-shrink grout into the existing concrete roof slab.

Structural drawings detailing the required rectification works, namely, 2018/114-1'A' and 2'A' are attached to appendix 'A' of this report.

Should you have any queries in regards to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.



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# ***APPENDIX 'A'***

## ***Rectification Drawings***

G1 These drawings shall be read in conjunction with all architectural and other consultants' drawings and specifications and with such other written instructions as may be issued during the course of the contract.

G3 Any discrepancies shall be referred to the Architect for a decision before proceeding with the work.

G5 "Set out" dimensions shown on the drawings shall be verified by the builder.

F1 All foundations shall carry down to undisturbed material. Foundation bearing pressures are noted on the relevant plans. This material shall be approved by the engineer prior placing the reinforcement or concrete.

F3 Any overexcavation shall be backfilled with concrete.

R1 All workmanship and materials shall be in accordance with AS 3600 and other relevant codes.

Reinforcement type	Grade	SAA code	Symbol
Tempcore	D500N	AS1302	N
Plain round bars	R250N	AS1302	R
Welded wire fabric	D500SL	AS1304	SL

The diagram shows a cross-section of a four-layer system. It consists of four horizontal layers, each represented by two parallel lines. The layers are labeled on the right side with arrows pointing to them: Layer D (top), Layer C, Layer B, and Layer A (bottom). Each layer contains four small circles, one in each of the four segments created by the layer boundaries. The circles in Layer D are slightly offset to the right compared to the circles in the other layers.

R5 Splices in reinforcement shall be made only in the position shown. The approval of the Engineer shall be obtained for any other splice.

R7 All reinforcement shall be securely tied and positioned accurately by means of plastic tipped steel or plastic chairs or other approved accessories. Masonry blocks will not be permitted.

C1 All workmanship and materials shall be in accordance with AS 3600 and other relevant codes.

Element	AS3600 F <sub>c</sub>	Max. Size Aggregate	Recommended Slump
Footings	20MPa	20mm	80mm
R.C. Walls	32MPa	20mm	80mm

C3 No admixtures shall be used in concrete unless approved in writing.

Element	Cast Against Form Complying with AS3610		Cast Against other Formwork or the Ground
	In Sheltered Locations	Exposed to Ground, Water or Weather	
Footings			50mm
R.C. Walls	20mm	65mm	

C5 Sizes of concrete elements do not include thickness of applied finishes.

C6 Construction joints where not shown shall be located to the approval of the Engineer.

C7 No holes or chases other than those shown on the structural drawings shall be made in concrete members without the prior approval of the Engineer.

S1 All workmanship and materials shall be in accordance with AS 4100 and AS 1554 except where varied by the contract documents.

S2 Unless otherwise noted, all steel shall be in accordance with:  
AS 3678 for hot-rolled plates, floor plates and slabs  
AS 3679.1 for hot-rolled bars and sections  
AS 3679.2 for welded sections  
AS 1163 for hollow sections

S3 Connections shall be provided to carry the reactions noted, unless otherwise detailed.

S4 The builder shall prepare workshop drawings and shall submit three copies of each drawing for approval. Fabrication shall not commence until approval has been received.

S5 Welds shall be 6mm continuous fillet, all bolts 20mm 8.8/S diameter. No bolt threads will be permitted within the bearing length. All gusset plates 10mm thick unless otherwise noted.

S6 Butt welds where indicated in the drawing are to be complete penetration butt welds as defined in AS 1554.

S7 High strength friction grip bolts, nuts and washers shall comply with the relevant requirements of AS 1252 shall be installed in accordance with AS 4100 and shall be tightened to the correct tension using approved load indicating washers. Contact surfaces of all high strength friction grip bolted connections shall be left unpainted.

S8 Concrete encased steelwork shall be wrapped with W5 wire at 150mm centres and shall have a minimum of 50mm clear cover unless noted otherwise.

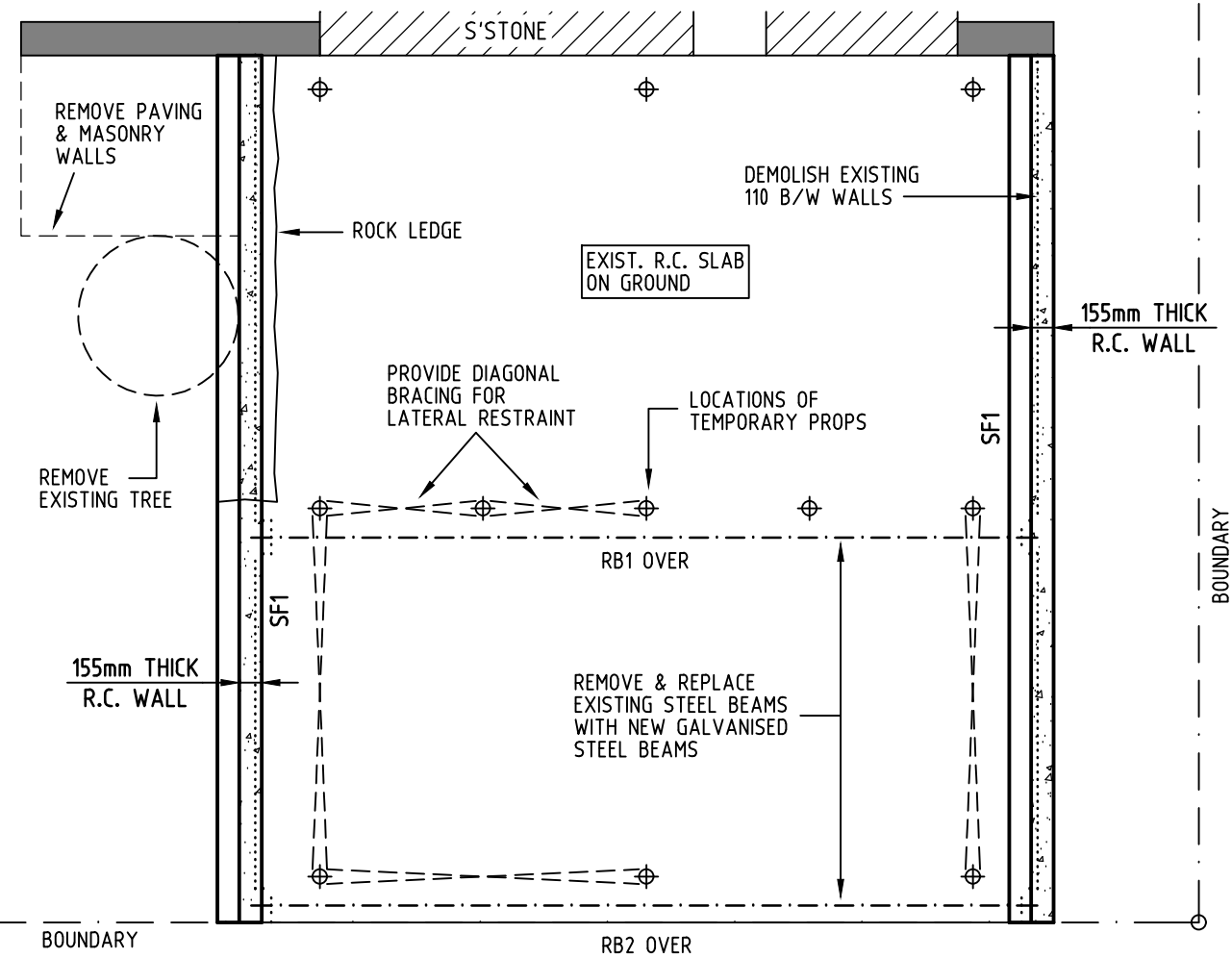
S9 Structural steelwork shall have the following surface treatment in accordance with the specification.

Element	Surface Cleaning	Priming
Protected Steel work	Wire brush	2 Coats R.O.Z.C.
Exposed Steel work	Pickling	Hot dip galvanised

S10 The builder shall provide all cleats and drill all holes necessary for fixing steel to steel and timber to steel whether or not detailed in the drawings.

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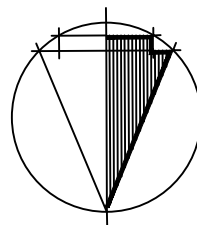


## GARAGE FOOTING/FLOOR PLAN SCALE 1:50

FOOTINGS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESIDENTIAL SLABS & FOOTING CODE. SITE CLASSIFICATION "A" - STABLE ROCK.

R.C. WALL  $F'c = 32 \text{ mPa}$

RB1,RB2 ... NEW GALVANUSED 310UB 40.4 TO SUPPORT EXISTING ROOF SLAB



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1:20 SCALE @ A3

0 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 5000mm  
1:50 SCALE @ A3

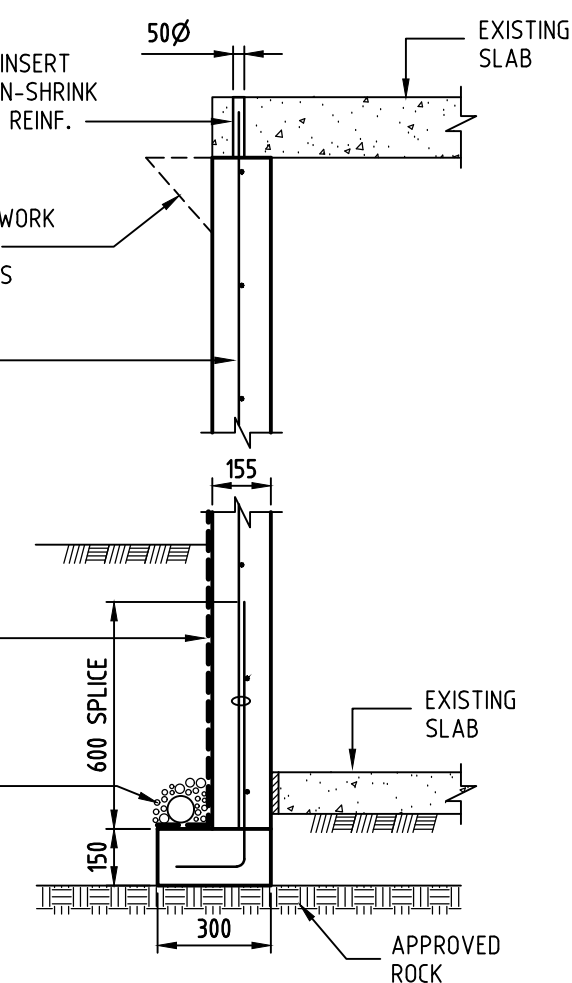
PROVIDE CORE HOLE TO INSERT REBARS & FILL WITH NON-SHRINK GROUT. 40mm COVER TO REINF.

PROVIDE CHUTE IN FORMWORK FOR CONCRETE POUR & REMOVE LIP AFTERWARDS

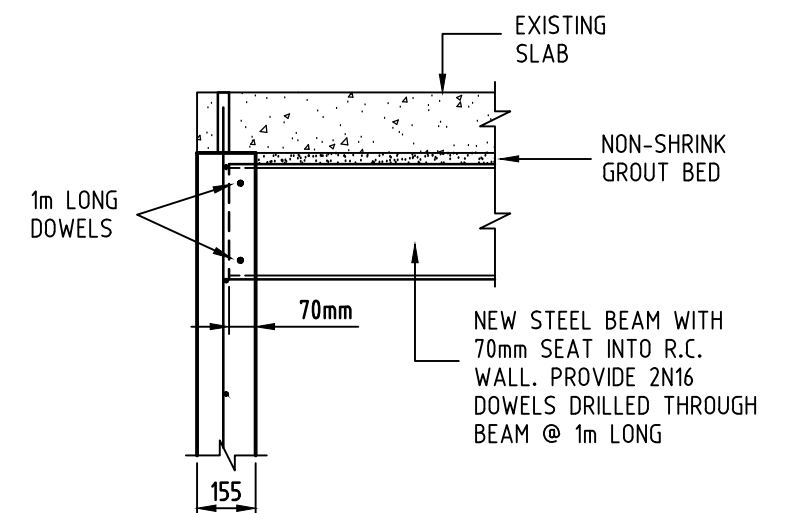
N12@300 VERTICAL  
N12@300 HORIZONTAL CENTRAL

WATERPROOFING

CONNECT SUBSOIL DRAINAGE TO EXISTING



## SECTION A 1:20



## BEAM SEAT DETAIL 1:20

### BEAM INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

1. INSTALL TEMPORARY PROPS & DIAGONAL BRACING TO SUPPORT EXISTING ROOF SLAB. BUILDER TO ENSURE STABILITY OF STRUCTURE BEFORE REMOVING EXISTING WALLS.
2. FORM NEW R.C. WALLS & INSTALL & TEMPORARILY SUPPORT NEW STEEL BEAMS.
3. POUR R.C. WALLS, GROUT REO BARS & ALLOW 14 DAYS FOR CONCRETE TO CURE.
4. REMOVE BEAM SUPPORTS & PRE-DEFLECT BEAMS WITH STEEL FOX WEDGES BETWEEN TOP OF BEAMS & SLAB OVER.
5. DRY PACK NON-SHRINK GROUT BETWEEN BEAMS & ROOF SLAB FOR FULL LENGTH OF STEEL BEAMS.
6. ALLOW 48 HOURS TO DRY BEFORE REMOVING TEMPORARY PROPS FROM ROOF SLAB.

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Project : NEW GARAGE WALLS AT 81 SYDNEY ROAD, MANLY.

Title : GARAGE FOOTING/FLOOR PLAN & DETAILS

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# ***APPENDIX 'B'***

## ***Photographs***



Photo (1):



Photo (2):



Photo (3):



Photo (4):





Photo (5):



Photo (6):





Photo (7):



Photo (8):



Photo (9):

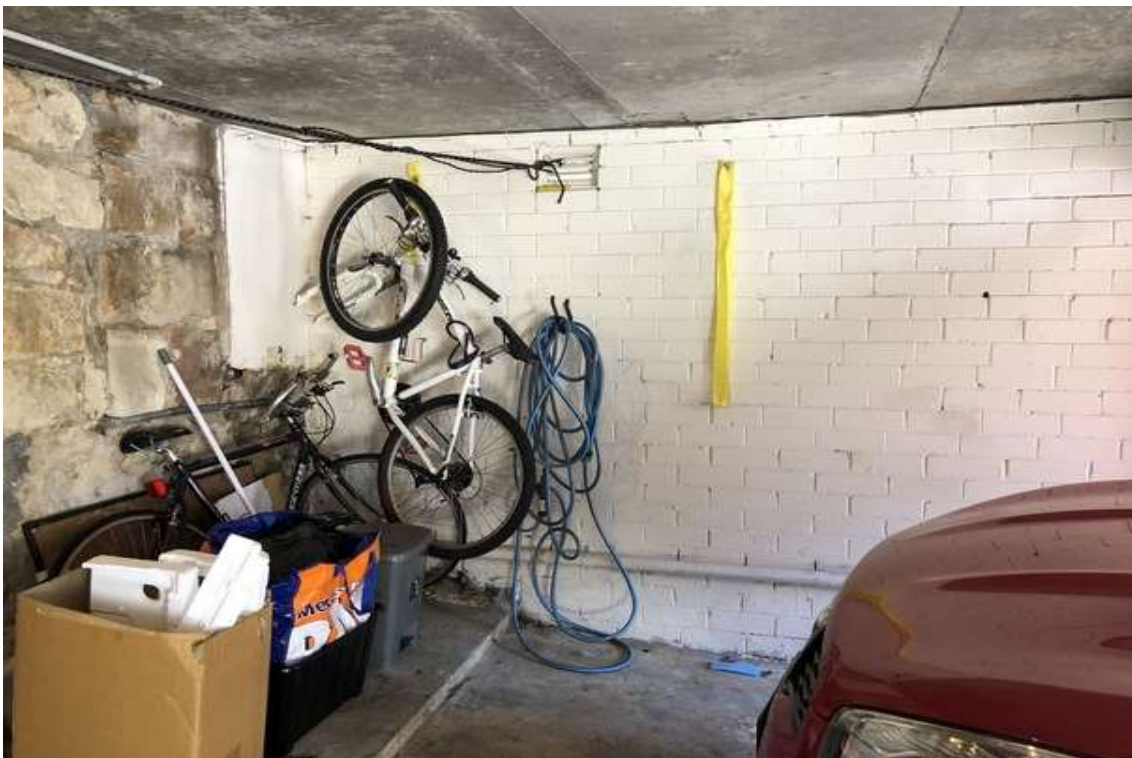


Photo (10):





Photo (11):



Photo (12):





Photo (13):



Photo (14):



Photo (15):



Photo (16):





Photo (17):

TOP



Photo (18):



Photo (19):



Photo (20):





Photo (21):



Photo (22):



Photo (23):



Photo (24):





Photo (25):

TOP



Photo (26):



TOP



Photo (27):

TOP



Photo (28):

TOP



Photo (29):

TOP



Photo (30):





Photo (31):



Photo (32):





Photo (33):



Photo (34):

TOP



Photo (35):



Photo (36):





Photo (37):

TOP



Photo (38):



Photo (39):



Photo (40):





Photo (41):

# ***APPENDIX 'C'***

***Emails and sketches of 18<sup>th</sup> July  
2018 and 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018***

## Maurice Dawson

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**From:** Maurice Dawson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 July 2018 3:55 PM  
**To:** 'Keith Stephens'  
**Subject:** RE: Engineers Report 81 Sydney Rd Manly  
**Attachments:** DOC180718.pdf

Hi Keith,

As discussed on site on 16<sup>th</sup> July, we recommend that the existing garage roof slab be temporary propped and the 'bowed' wall temporary propped as soon as practicable – refer to the attached sketch.

The stability of the eastern brick wall is of concern, due to the adverse effects of the soil pressure loading and the existing tree.

We will prepare a structural report to address all the issues with this structure.

Regards,

Maurice J. Dawson  
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**Subject:** Engineers Report 81 Sydney Rd Manly

Hi Maurice,

Hope you are well.

Could you please advise of availability to conduct an inspection of the above property with a view to removing a palm tree in close proximity to the brick wall of garage which supports a concrete balcony.

Please see attached photos.

Regards

Keith Stephens | Technical Officer

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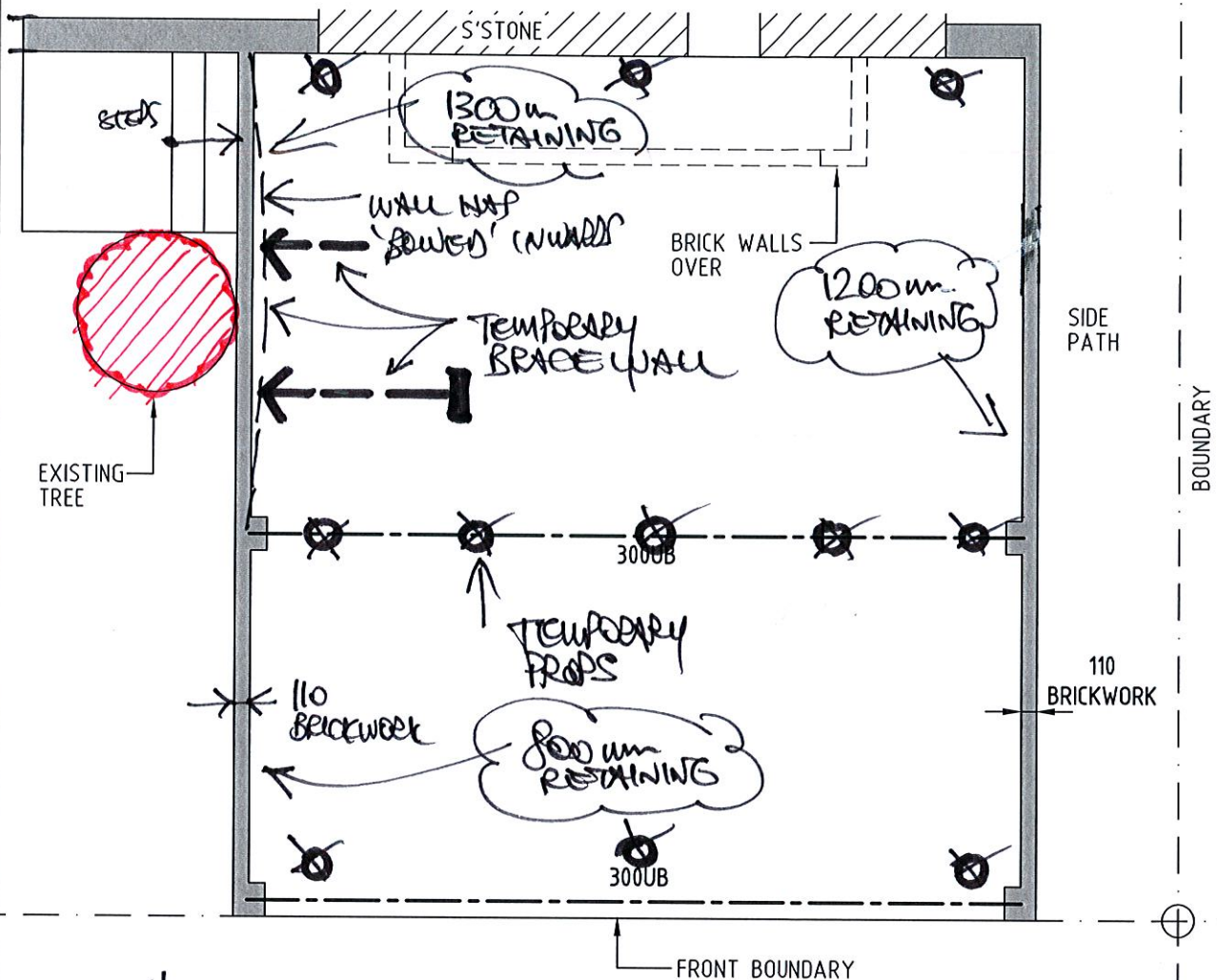
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TEMPORARY PROPS & BRACING

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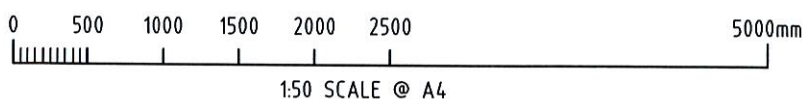
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## GARAGE FLOOR PLAN

SCALE 1:50  
WITH ROOF BEAMS INDICATED

- ① PROVIDE TEMPORARY PROPS TO SUPPORT EXISTING BEAM & ROOF SUR. (20kN CAPACITY PROPS EACH)
- ② TEMPORARY BRACE 'BOWED' WALL WITH 20kN CAPACITY PROPS & WALL PLATE BOLTED TO BRICK WALL & SUR.



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**Cc:** 'Jonathan Rhule'  
**Subject:** RE: 81 Sydney Rd Manly  
**Attachments:** DOC060818-006.pdf; 2018-114-STR-RPT.pdf

Hi Keith,

I have attached the instruction, as discussed.

I have also attached our structural report, as requested.

Regards,

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**Subject:** FW: 81 Sydney Rd Manly

Hi Maurice,

Could you please advise from the attached photos if the make safe is adequate. The plywood against the wall is 25mm thick & the Acro props are rated at 29KN  
Thanks

**Keith Stephens | Technical Officer**  
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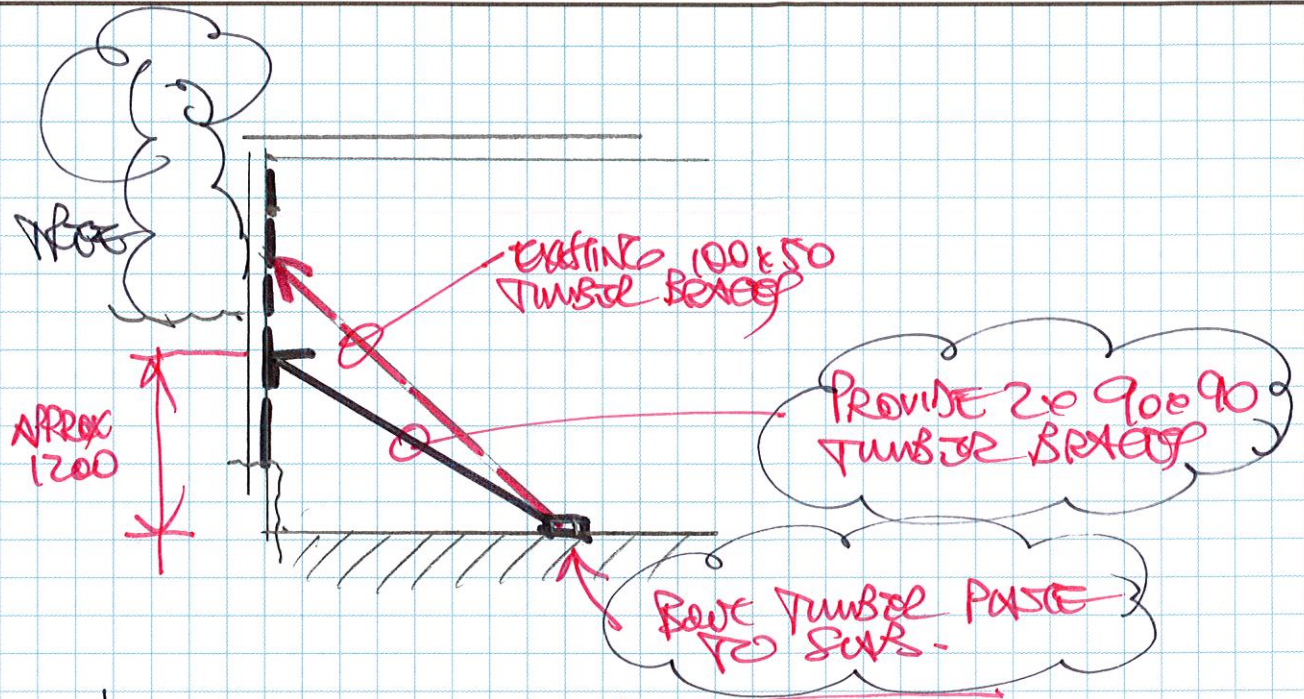
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SECTION OF TEMPORARY BRACING

WE REFER TO EMAIL & PHOTOS RECEIVED ON 6/8/18.

*[Signature]*