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8 July 2020

INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE 20-018

Dear

Thank you for your information request, received on 8 June 2020. You asked the London Legacy Development Corporation (Legacy Corporation) to provide the following information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR):

"I would like to make what I believe will be classed as an Environmental Information request:

Please provide information as to who is responsible for managing the Channelsea River/Henniker's Ditch culvert and the terms of any agreement regarding this management.

Please provide information, including documents and drawings showing the connections, including drainage and sewage, into the culvert and where they originate.

Please provide information regarding incidents of pollution of whatever kind in the culvert since it was created and any investigations into these events."

I can confirm that the Legacy Corporation holds information relevant to your requests. Our response follows your order:

<u>Please provide information as to who is responsible for managing the Channelsea</u> River/Henniker's Ditch culvert and the terms of any agreement regarding this management.

The Legacy Corporation maintain the ditch and culvert entrance, removing debris and cutting down reeds to keep it clear and tidy.

The freehold title to this area and the route of the culvert is held in the most part by Lee Valley Regional Park Authority (LVRPA) under registered title EFGL7626. The ditch and part of the route forms part of land leased to the Legacy Corporation by LVRPA. The lease was granted by LVRPA to LLDC on 27 February 2018 for a term expiring on 31 December 2038.

<u>Please provide information, including documents and drawings showing the connections, including drainage and sewage, into the culvert and where they originate.</u>

The plans, attached in **Annex A**, illustrate the route of the culvert from the culvert entrance to Temple Mill Lane. The culvert originates beyond the QEOP and the Legacy Corporation does not hold the off-Park information. This information is held by Thames Water. Information on how to submit an EIR to Thames Water is available on their website: https://corporate.thameswater.co.uk/about-us/protecting-our-environment/managing-our-impact/environmental-information-regulations

<u>Please provide information regarding incidents of pollution of whatever kind in the culvert</u> since it was created and any investigations into these events."

Please find attached in **Annex B** the information that the Legacy Corporation hold of the incidents of pollution in the culvert. Please note that this information is post London 2012, when the Park re-opened. The Legacy Corporation does not hold this information earlier than this date as the land was not in the Legacy Corporation's control.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of our decision, you should write to:

Deputy Chief Executive London Legacy Development Corporation Level 10, 1 Stratford Place Montfichet Road London, E20 1EJ

Email: FOI@londonlegacy.co.uk

Please note: complaints and requests for internal review received more than two months after the initial response will not be handled.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may appeal directly to the Information Commissioner at the address given below. You should do this within two months of our final decision. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Further information on the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available from the Information Commissioner's Office:

Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow SK9 5AF

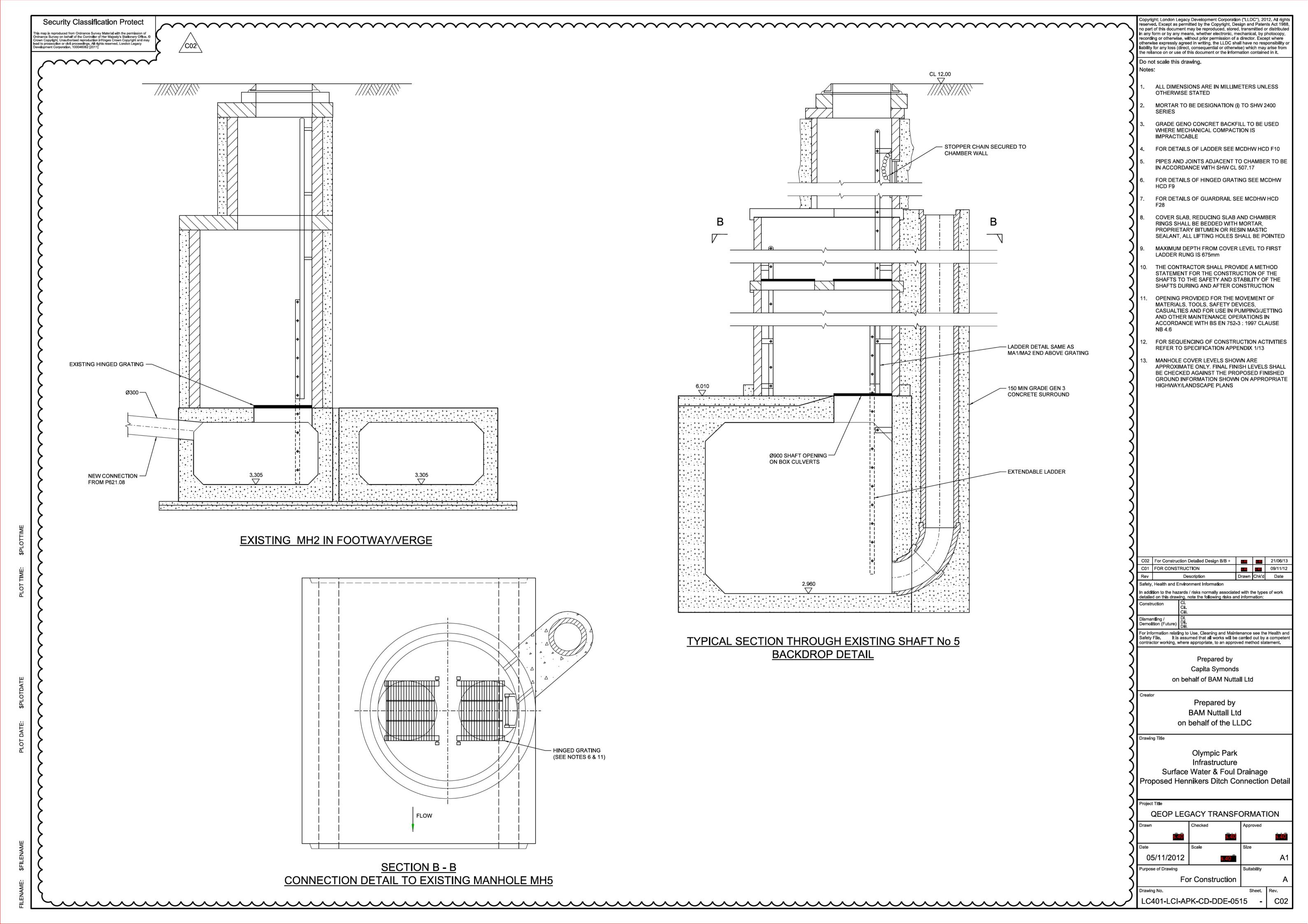
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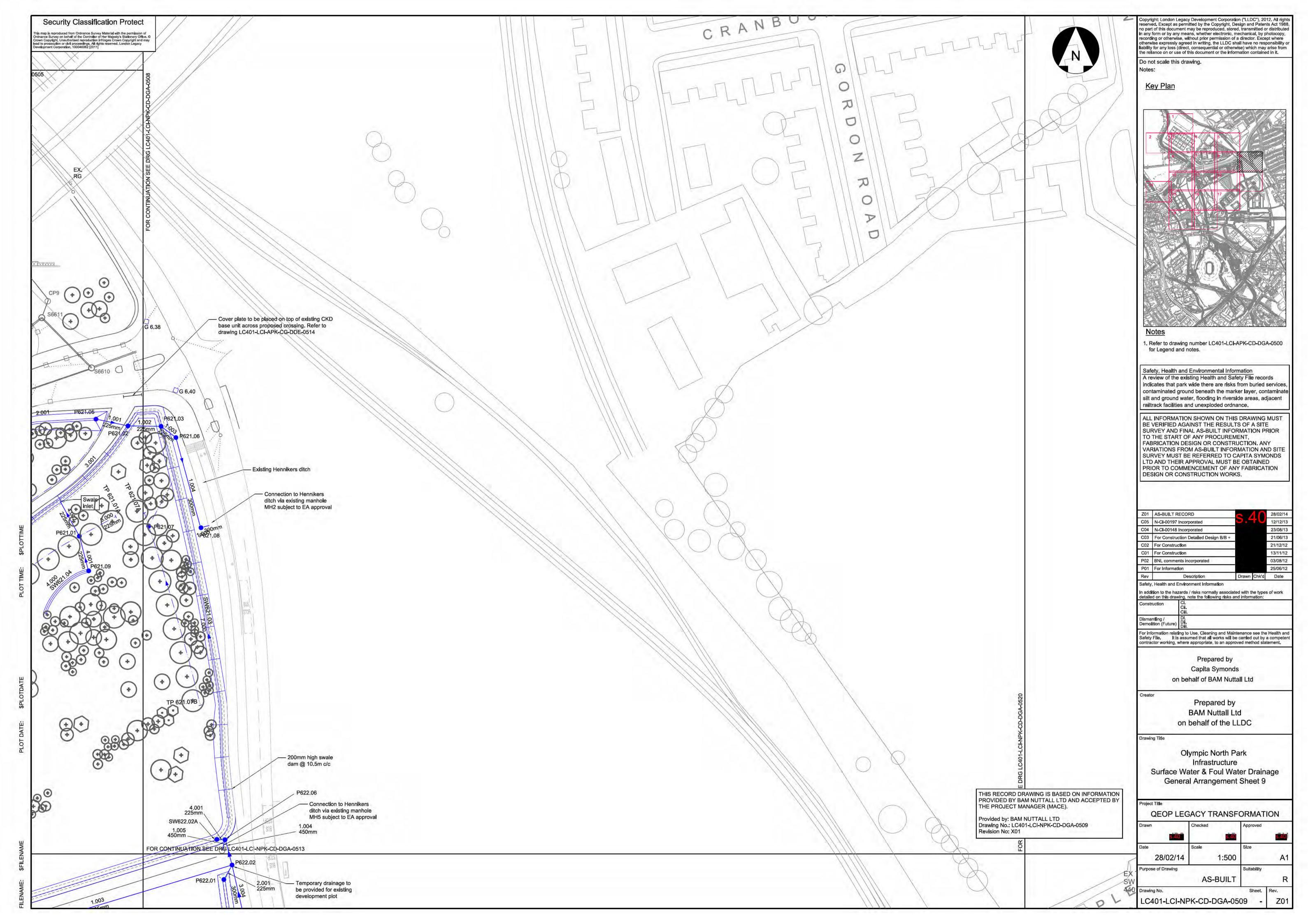
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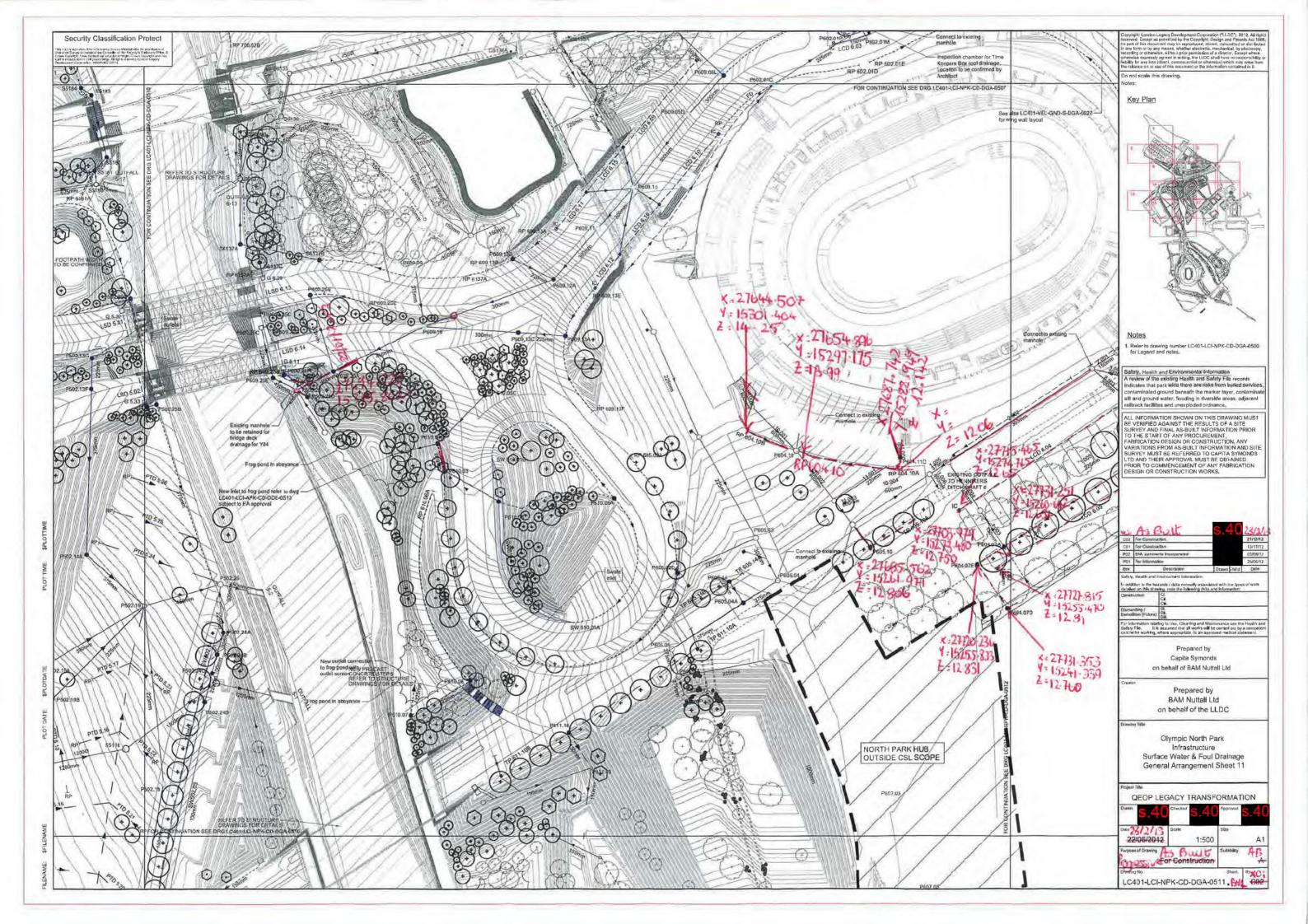
Yours sincerely

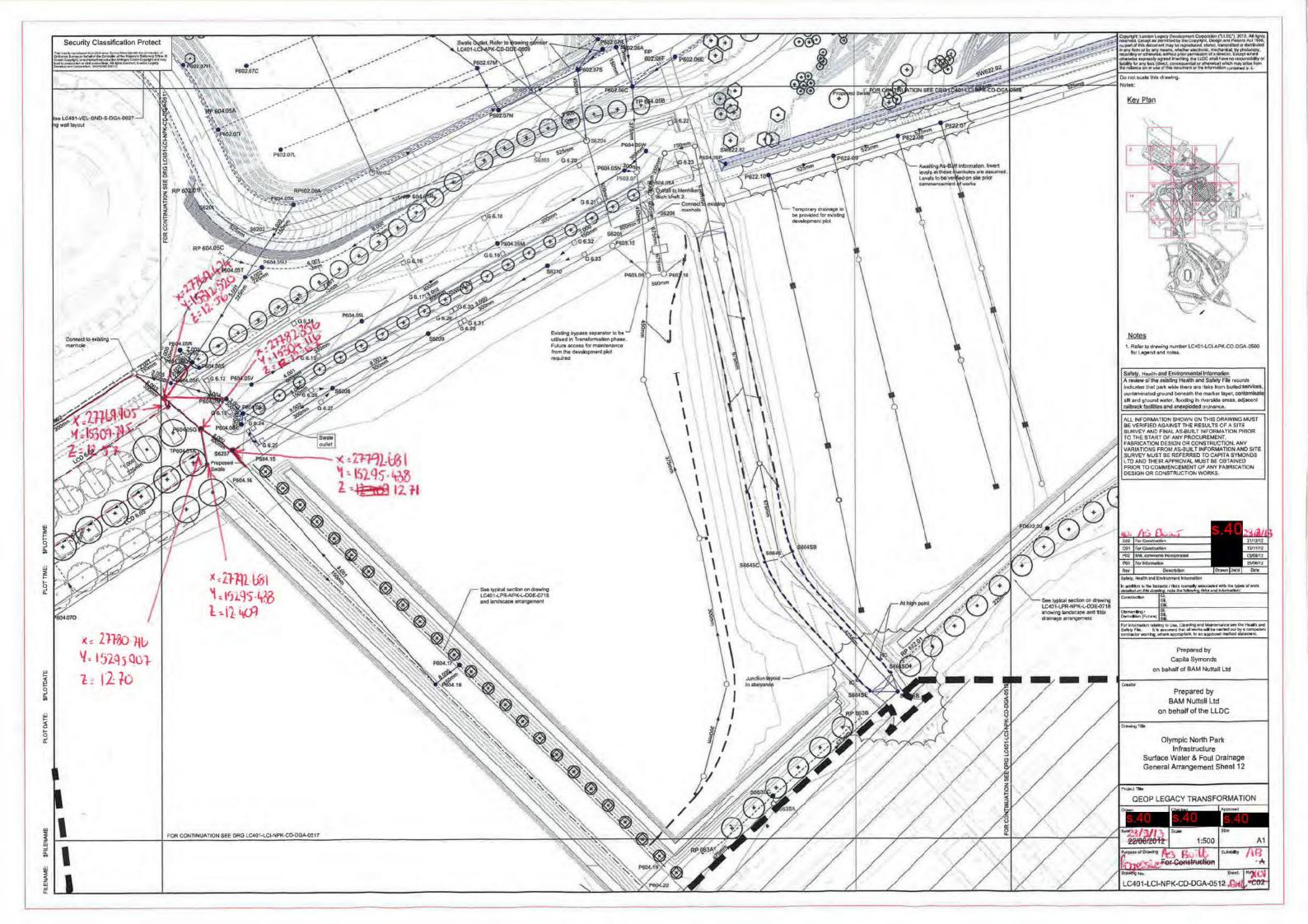
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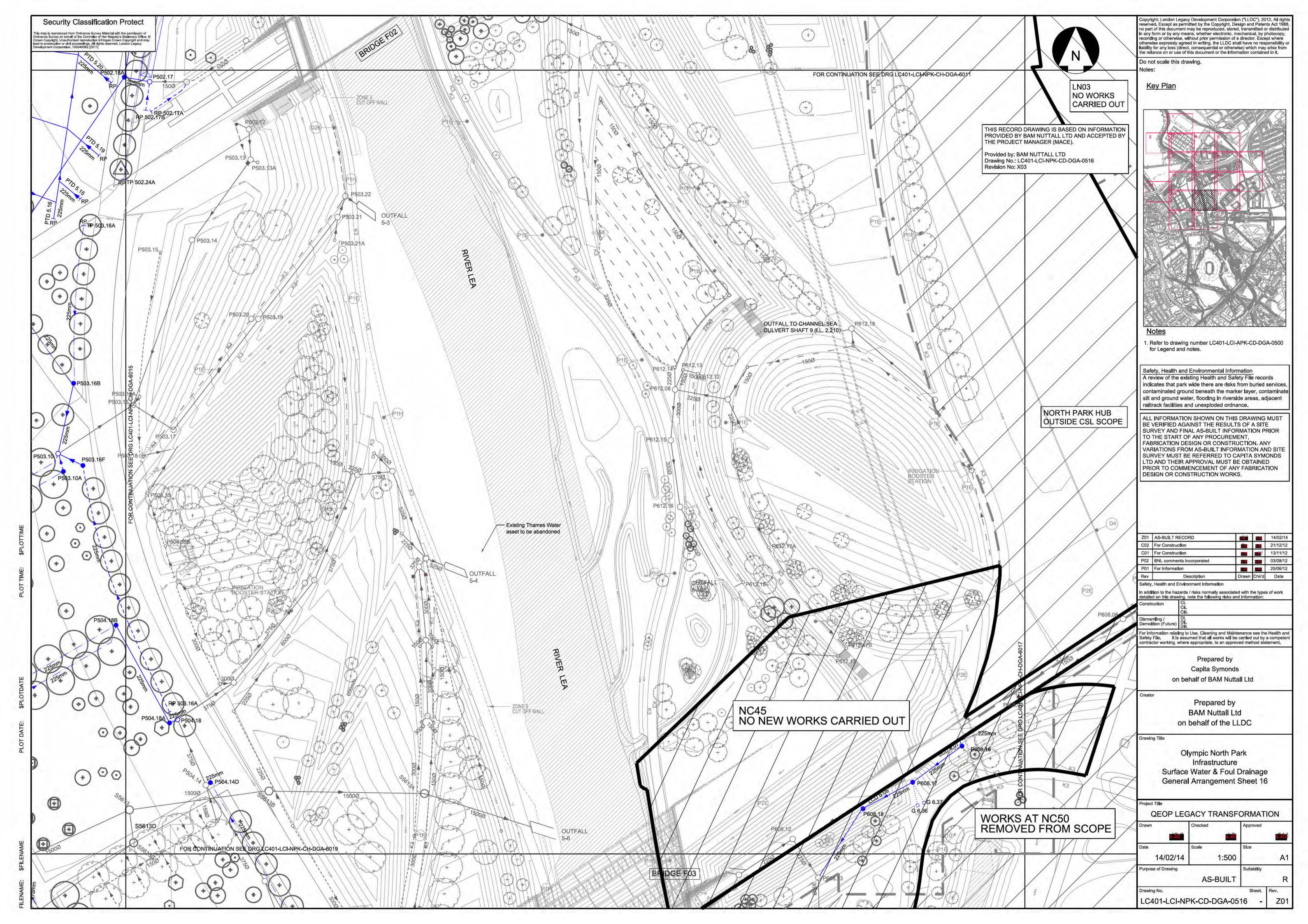














Hennikers Ditch – Record of known sewage discharge incidents

Date of incident	Details
2 June 2017	Sewage smell coming from Hennikers Ditch reported by email on 2.6.2017 to the Environment
	Agency asking them to investigate.
29 April 2020	Sewage discharge following rainfall into Henniker's Ditch reported to Environment Agency 29.4.2020
	reference number EA 1802351. Also reported to Thames Water.
29 April 2020	Separate discharge in Water Glades Pond owned by East Village who liaised with Thames Water
	and reported to Environment Agency reference EA 1803924. East Village management arranged
	site clean-up.
7 June 2020	Sewage discharge following rainfall into Henniker's Ditch reported to Environment Agency 8.6.2020
	reference number EA 1815324. Also reported to Thames Water on 8.6.2020 reference number
	00608987025. Thames Water attended the site on 8.6.2020 at 10.15 hrs.
16 June 2020	Sewage discharge incident occurred on 16.6.2020 – reported to the Environment Agency at 11:17
	hrs on 17.6.2020 (EA Ref: 1818362). Also reported the matter to Thames Water Pollution Control at
	11:45hrs on 17.6.2020 and a follow up call to Thames Water on 18 June 2020 at 15:47 hrs –
	Thames Water incident number 00618951765. Thames Water attended the scene on 18 June 2020
	at 18:30 hrs.