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Introduction

Wilson Architects and associated Consultant Team were appointed in December 2019 to provide a Preliminary Design for the proposed re-purposing of the Caloundra Administration Building (CAB). The project involves the conversion of an existing Class 5 Office Building constructed in 1994 into a modern library and community facility, Customer Service Centre and Council Administration Offices (Class 9b Public building with Class 5 Office).

This Report is a summary of information from the following Detailed Reports:

- CAB RP Due Diligence Report
- CAB RP Preliminary Design Report
- CAB RP Library Design Brief

For more detailed information please refer to the Reports above.



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Masterplan

The intention of the Caloundra Centre Masterplan is to create a community and creative hub in the centre of Caloundra including a new contemporary District Library, new Caloundra Regional Gallery, new Town Square and public realm connecting Bulcock Beach through to The Events Centre. The new precinct will create a cultural heart space for gathering, events and celebrations.

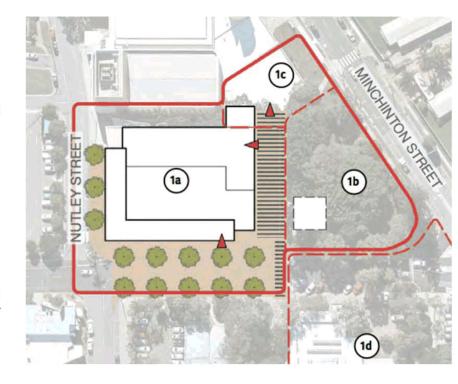
Stage 1 is the Caloundra Administration Building Repurposing.

It is proposed to refurbish the existing Caloundra Administration Building to house the Caloundra District Library as well as a Customer Service Centre, Community Facilities and Council Administration Offices.

The Library will be the primary tenant of the building and it is envisaged that the new Caloundra District Library will occupy space over all levels, with the largest footprint on the Ground and first floor levels

The SCC Customer Service Centre is housed within the Library and occupies space on the ground floor of the building as a secondary service point.

In addition the building will also house community use meeting rooms, Councillor offices and SCC administration office space on Level 3.



Caloundra Administration Building Repurposing

Refurbish and extend existing building to house the new Caloundra District Library.

- · Activate adjacent Bill Venardos Park.
- · Connect through to The Event Centre.
- · Shared pedestrian zone to Omrah Ave



Caloundra Administration Building circa 1995 Architects Peddle Thorpe and Harvey



Caloundra Administration Building 2019



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The re-purposing of the existing Caloundra Administration Building is considered feasible.

In order to satisfy the current National Building Code NCC 2019 there are some required works. Other works are recommended in order to improve the performance of the building.

Building Certification

The existing building is reasonably capable of being brought up to meet the National Building Code NCC 2019 with required alterations to the existing building and Alternative Solutions where necessary.

Refer to the Building Certification Report for more detail.

Structural Engineering

The existing building is required to be strengthened to support proposed increased loading requirements of a Library on all three floors. The strengthening work above is reasonably able to be carried out and will not compromise the use of the building as a Library and will not unduly prevent the use of the Basement as a car park.

The existing building has sufficient capacity to accommodate earthquake loading when assessed against the requirements of AS3826 (Strengthening of Existing Buildings for Earthquake), whilst taking in to account the loading requirements of AS1170.4 R2018 with an Importance Level of 2.

The existing building is not reasonably capable of being strengthened to resist a catastrophic event. SCC have confirmed that use as a Disaster Recovery Centre is not required of the building as this function is provided at other locations such as Nambour and Maroochydore. Instead the building might be used as a space to manage a disaster if such an event was to occur elsewhere.

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Civil Engineering Flood assessment

The Basement carpark is below the Flood Hazard Level (FHL). We do not recommend the basement be used for any other purpose.

The Basement contains the Pump Room, housing the Hydrant Pump and Sprinkler valves. These are to be relocated to Level 1 above the FHL.

Level 1 including the Building Substation and Main Switchboard is above the Flood Hazard Level.

Mechanical Engineering

The Mechanical conditioning plant is nearing the end of its lifecycle and It is proposed that the systems be replaced to improve the energy efficiency of the building.

It is a requirement to modify the existing ventilation system to the basement to suit the proposed structural strengthening works.

A smoke exhaust system is required to be provided. It is proposed to replace the existing smoke exhaust system in the building.

Electrical Engineering

It is a requirement that the building infrastructure electrical systems be replaced in the proposed refurbishment of the building. This includes the Energex Transformer located in the building substation and the Main Switchboard. For more information refer to the Electrical Services Report.

It is a requirement that new Communications risers are constructed in the building.

It is recommended that general building electrical fitout works be replaced in the proposed refurbishment of the building for energy efficient fixtures.

Hydraulic Engineering

It is proposed to demolish and replace existing sanitary facilities in order to provide compliant accessible facilities and to improve the floor planning.

The existing building hydrants have been tested recently and passed.

The fire hydrants are required to be relocated into the fire stairs.

It is recommended to replace the copper hydrant pipework with medium duty galvanised pipework. The hydrant pumps are to be relocated to Level 1.

It is proposed to retain existing stormwater systems with some modifications.

Sprinkler assessment

It is proposed to provide sprinkler protection to Level 1,2 and 3 and to replace the sprinklers to the Basement to enable 3 floors to be connected and to improve the fire safety of the building.

The existing street hydrant system has been tested and has been assessed as having sufficient flow to support sprinkler protection to the whole building.

Lift

It is a requirement to replace the existing Lift to comply with NCC 2019. The recommended Lift is a Schindler type with a typical car size of 1600mm wide x 2000mm deep and accommodates 21 persons.

It is also proposed to remove the internal fire stairs and install a second lift within the existing shaft.

Sustainability

It is a requirement to replace certain building elements in order to comply with the Energy Efficiency requirements of NCC 2019 including:

- glazing envelope to exterior of building
- additional insulation to roof and basement carpark.

Greenstar

It is recommended to undertake the process to achieve a 5 star Green Star rating for the building refurbishment.

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library project purpose and key objectives

The purpose of the Project Brief is to identify the functional areas, operational requirements and aspirational ideas for a successful Caloundra District Library that meets the recommendations of the Sunshine Coast Library Network Plan 2019-2041 and the needs of the current and future communities of the Caloundra District.

The key objectives for the project. The design development for a contemporary, best practice public Library within the existing Caloundra Administration building which is:

- · Of high architectural standard
- Accessible
- Culturally inclusive
- · Functional and Operational
- · Secure / Safe
- Sustainable

High Architectural Standard

- · Celebrates the original building without being restricted by existing constraints.
- Creates space at a Civic scale in alignment with the Caloundra Centre Master Plan.
- · Projects a confident vision of Place within the Sunshine Coast context.
- · Activates and makes visible the ground floor with diverse spaces.

Accessible

- Creates space for people, breaks down the barriers to entry and creates a welcoming public space.
- · Opens up the interior for intuitive wayfinding.
- Provides for equitable access throughout all floors including parking for PWD.

Culturally inclusive

• Identification of opportunities for First Nations and other cultural and heritage related considerations to be incorporated into the preliminary design.

Functional and Operational

Establishing the projected catchment population, in consultation with key internal stakeholders, which
the library will be required to service over the next 20-25 years taking into account the role and
function of this facility relative to Council's existing and proposed network of Libraries.

- Identifying what a contemporary Library for Caloundra should look like its role and function, its
 importance to the cultural vitality and liveability of the Caloundra area, and more broadly the spaces
 it provides that are complementary to the Caloundra Centre Activation Project Area including The
 Event Centre and future Art Gallery.
- Establishing the core and auxiliary area components, and floor area requirements for each, to inform the development of a preliminary design and floor plan layouts for the new Library.
- Identify opportunities for sharing of spaces and co-location with other uses proposed to be established within the building.
- Review of the function and operation of the new Library in relation to the management of collections, and the establishment of shelving requirements to inform preliminary design and floor plan layouts.
- Design which supports an ongoing transition to digital platforms to provide equal community access to new and emerging technologies.
- · Identification of opportunities for innovation and technology within the Library design.
- Development of Communications and Data requirements for contemporary Library functions.
- Explore opportunities for equitable access to emerging technologies such as 3D printers and virtual reality hardware / software.
- Review of options for ongoing financial operating models, and recommendations for the new Library including opportunities for revenue generation.
- Identification of capital and operational funding sources for the new Library.
- Establishment of an estimated annual operational budget for the Library taking into account projected staffing requirements and relevant information provided by Council's Library Services Team.
- Establishing Service and maintenance access, Loading/unloading and goods lift requirements.
- · Drop off zone and active transport requirements

Secure / Safe

- Establishes clear and secure points of entry.
- Clear circulation throughout the Library and minimising risk using CPTED principles.
- Able to be safely used after hours with secure access and safe egress.

Sustainable

- Building design which recognises the sub-tropical climate and explores opportunities for indoor/ outdoor programmable spaces.
- · Building design which reduces energy consumption.



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library brief

Caloundra District Library

Population Catchment - 82,000 people

Geographical Catchment - 5 to 10km radius from location

Gross Floor Area - 3,643m2 and 3,985m2

Core Functions

- Physical Collection Areas
- Entry Foyer with potential use for events and Library programming.
- Public lounge and meeting spaces
- Quiet reading and study areas
- Flexible meeting rooms and training spaces
- · Access to technology including computers, printers
- Distinct areas including Junior, Young Adult and Adult collection spaces
- · Kiosk, to serve inside and outside Library
- Outdoor spaces, covered and uncovered for Library programming
- Public Amenities
- Book return and collection management processing spaces
- Staff work areas including amenities
- · Servicing, delivery and dispatch area.
- Council Customer Service space and Information area.
- · First Nations welcome space
- Maker spaces with technology for community use, cultural and art development and adult education



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building upgrades



LEVEL 3 - 1,673m2

LEVEL 2 - 1,776m2

LEVEL 1 - 1,709m2

TOTAL - 5,153m2



Upgrade structure to support Library Loads

LEVEL 3 - Topping slab

LEVEL 2 - Grid of beams

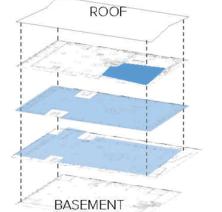
LEVEL 1 - Grid of beams

BASEMENT -Minimal Columns BASEMENT

ROOF

Library and Community Use

Approx - 3,500m2



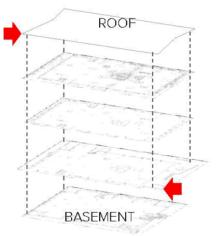
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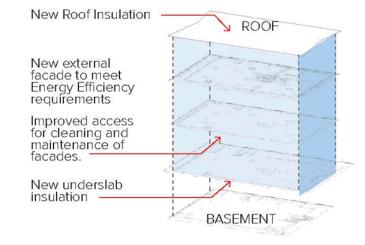
Earthquake Loading

Existing Buildings are assessed under Australian Standard AS3826 Strengthening Existing Buildings for Earthquake.

The existing building complies with AS3826.



Envelope Energy Efficiency & Maintenance



Flood Hazard Level

Basement Carpark is below flood hazard level.

No functional use by Library

BASEMENT

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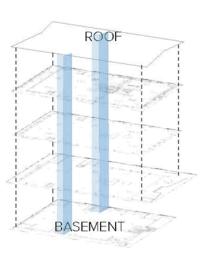
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building upgrades

Mechanical Systems

Mechanical Systems are close to end of lifecycle and are to be replaced

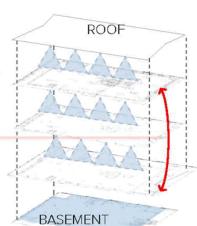


Sprinkler System

Proposed to provide sprinkler protection to Levels 1, 2 and 3

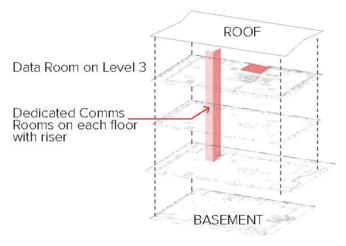
Sprinkler Protection allows for new void and open stair to connect 3 floors

Basement Carpark is currently sprinkler protected



ROOF

Data / Comms



Lift Upgrade

Exit from Basement can be removed. Sprinkler protection allows new stair to be considered an Exit

Lift upgrade to support Public Library and Community use.

Replace existing Lift.

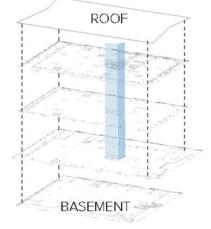
Install a second Lift.

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Design proposes constructing second Lift within current stairwell and utilizing new stair for access and egress.



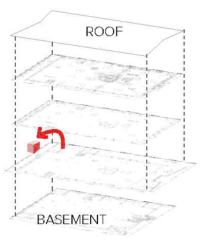




Transformer

Energex are likely to require that the Transformer be upgraded.

If it cannot fit in its current location then it will be installed on the Nutley Street side of the building.



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design process - library

Library Workshop

Project Values

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As part of our Design Process, we develop a set of built form values. This provides us a framework to to measure our design against throughout the process. These built form values are established by reviewing the client brief, workshop feedback and the Caloundra Library user group requirements and project aspirations in the "Our Library, Our Place' document.

reinforce_

community through the design by facilitating education, social and cultural connectivity

connect_

the library visually and physically with the local landscape, people and knowledge

support_

the needs of the local community by providing a safe space that is welcoming and comfortable

transform_

an existing building into a place that establishes a vibrant, sustainable and creative community heart for Caloundra



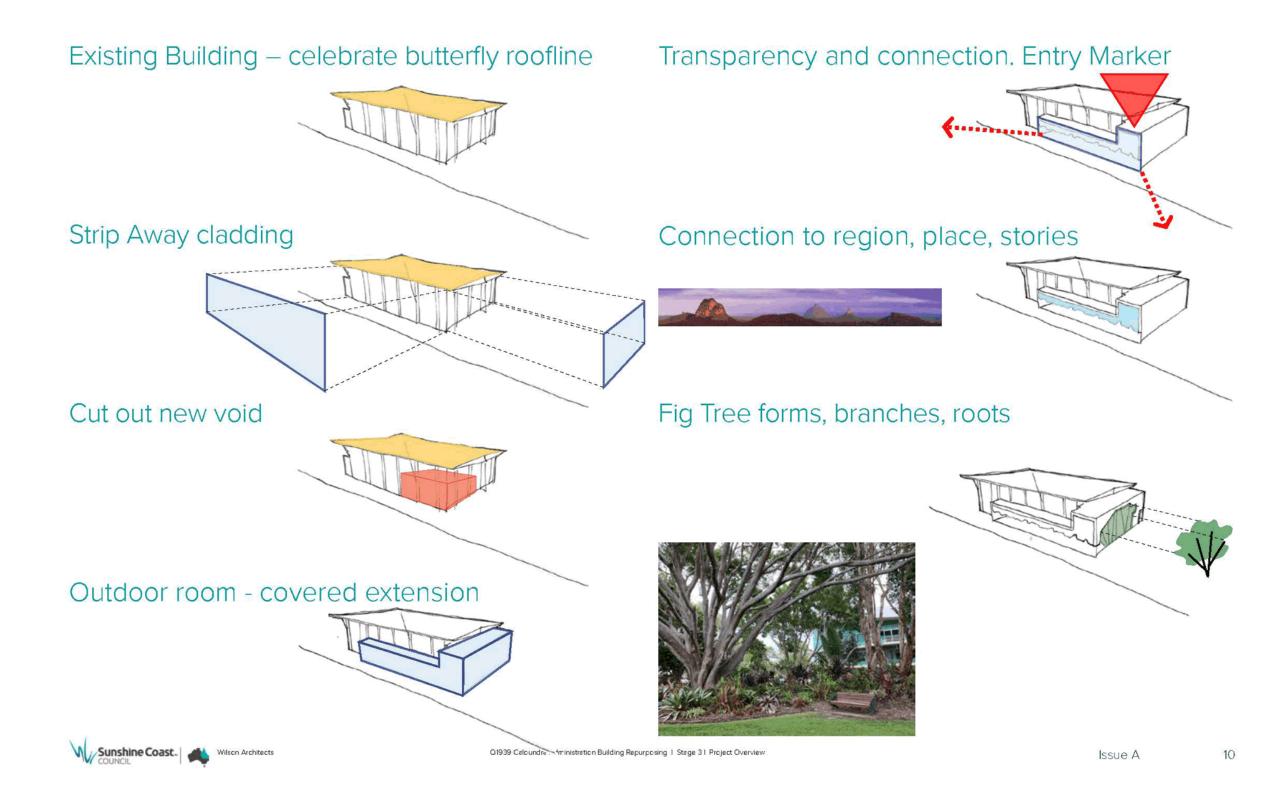
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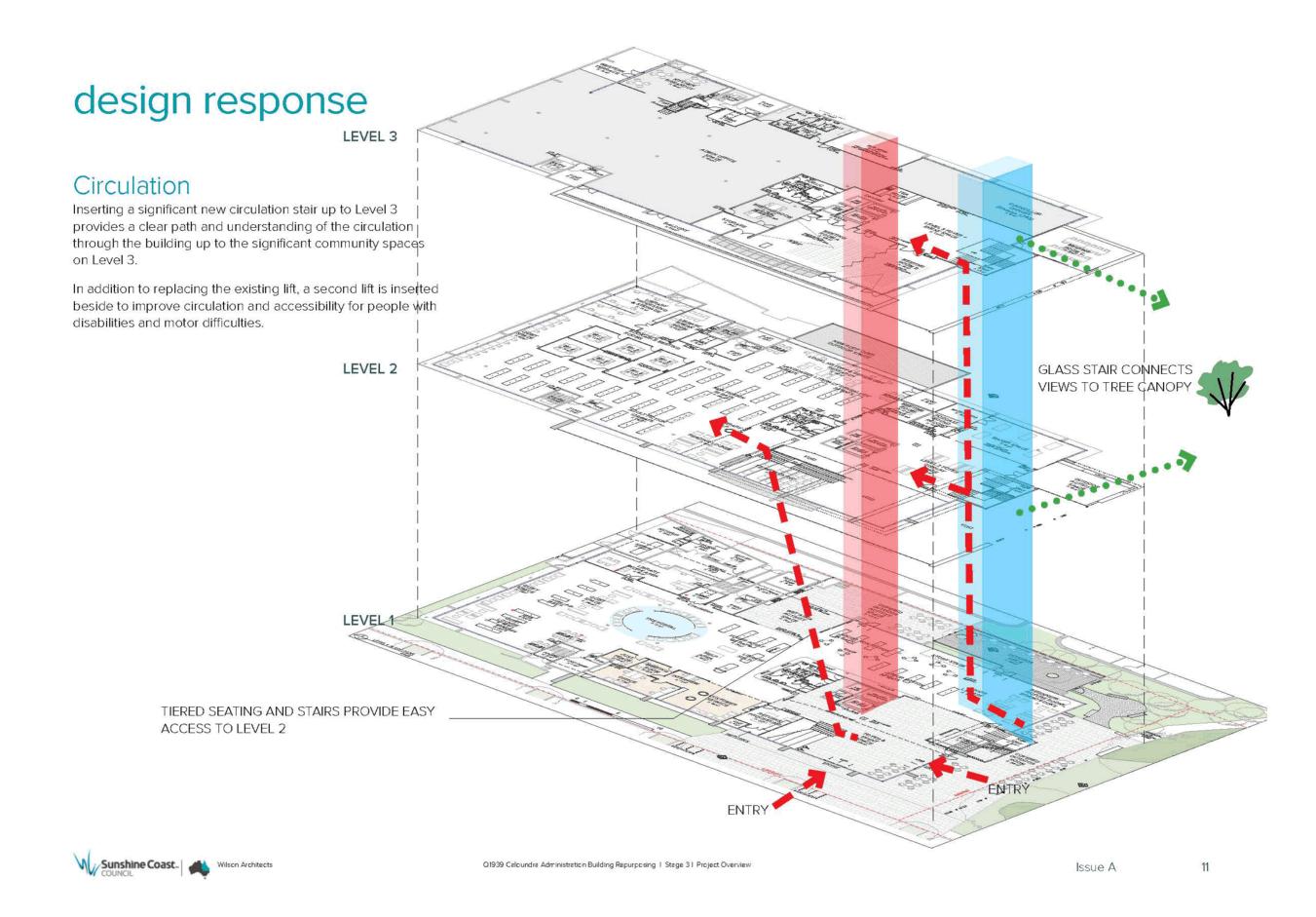


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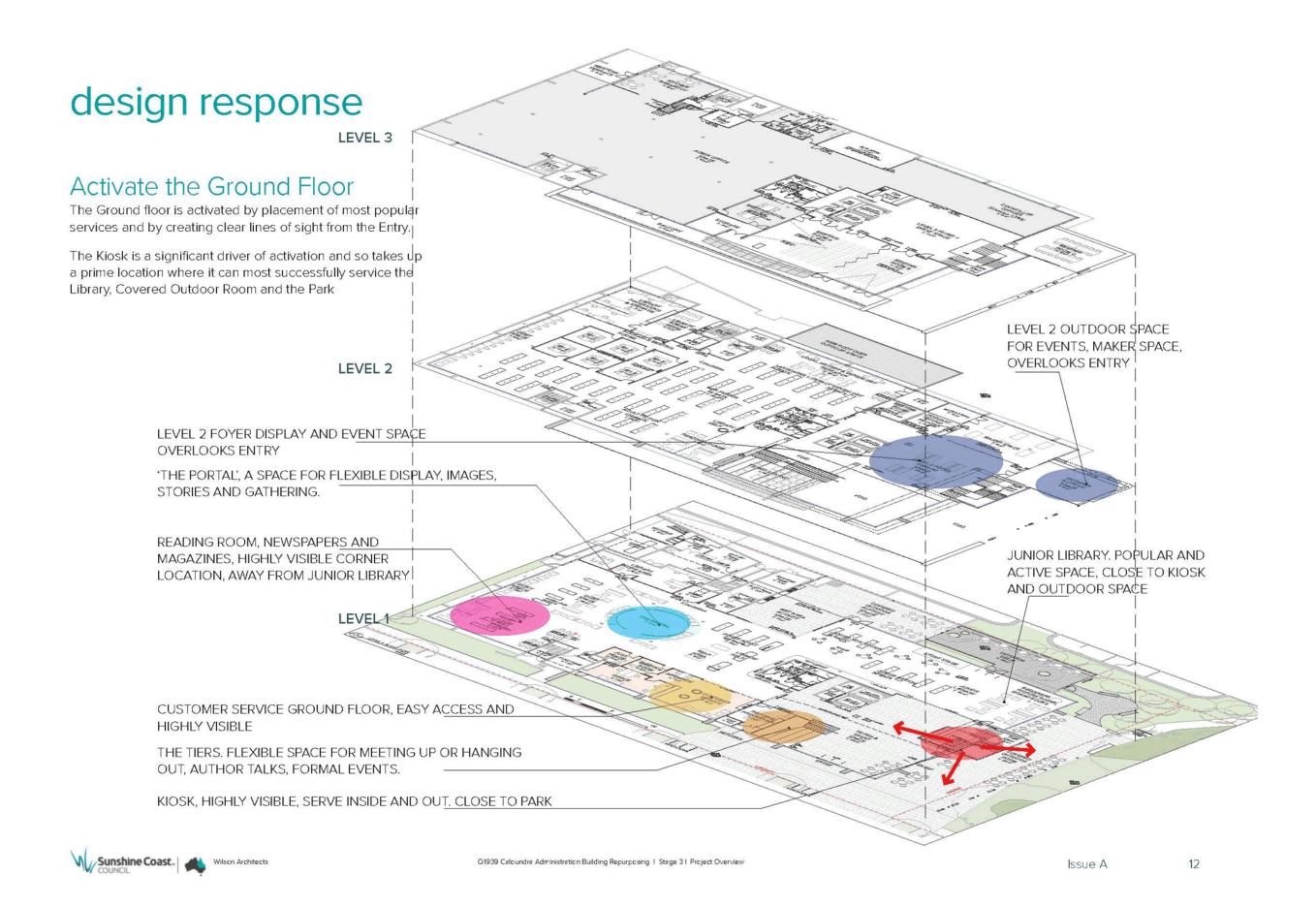
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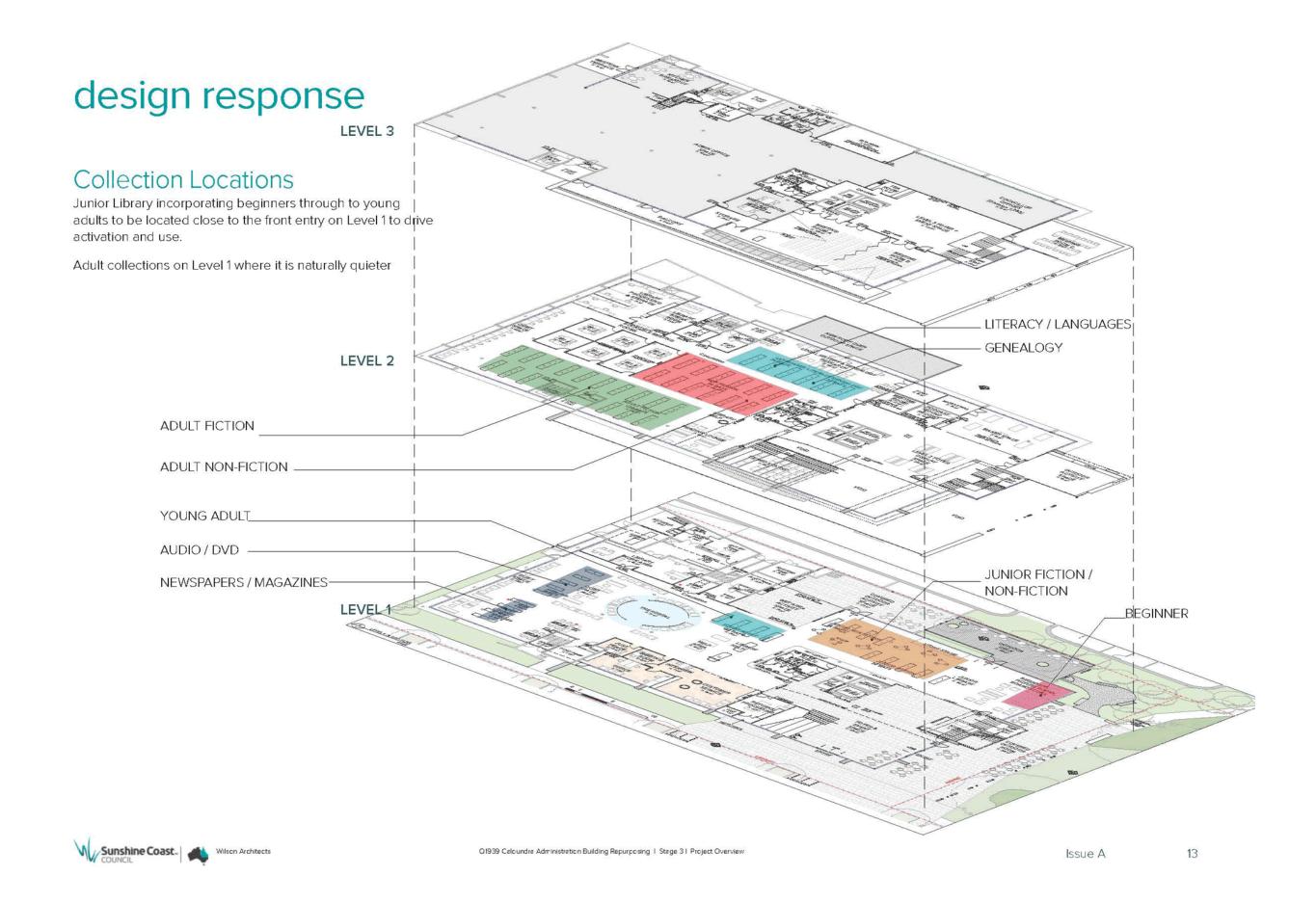
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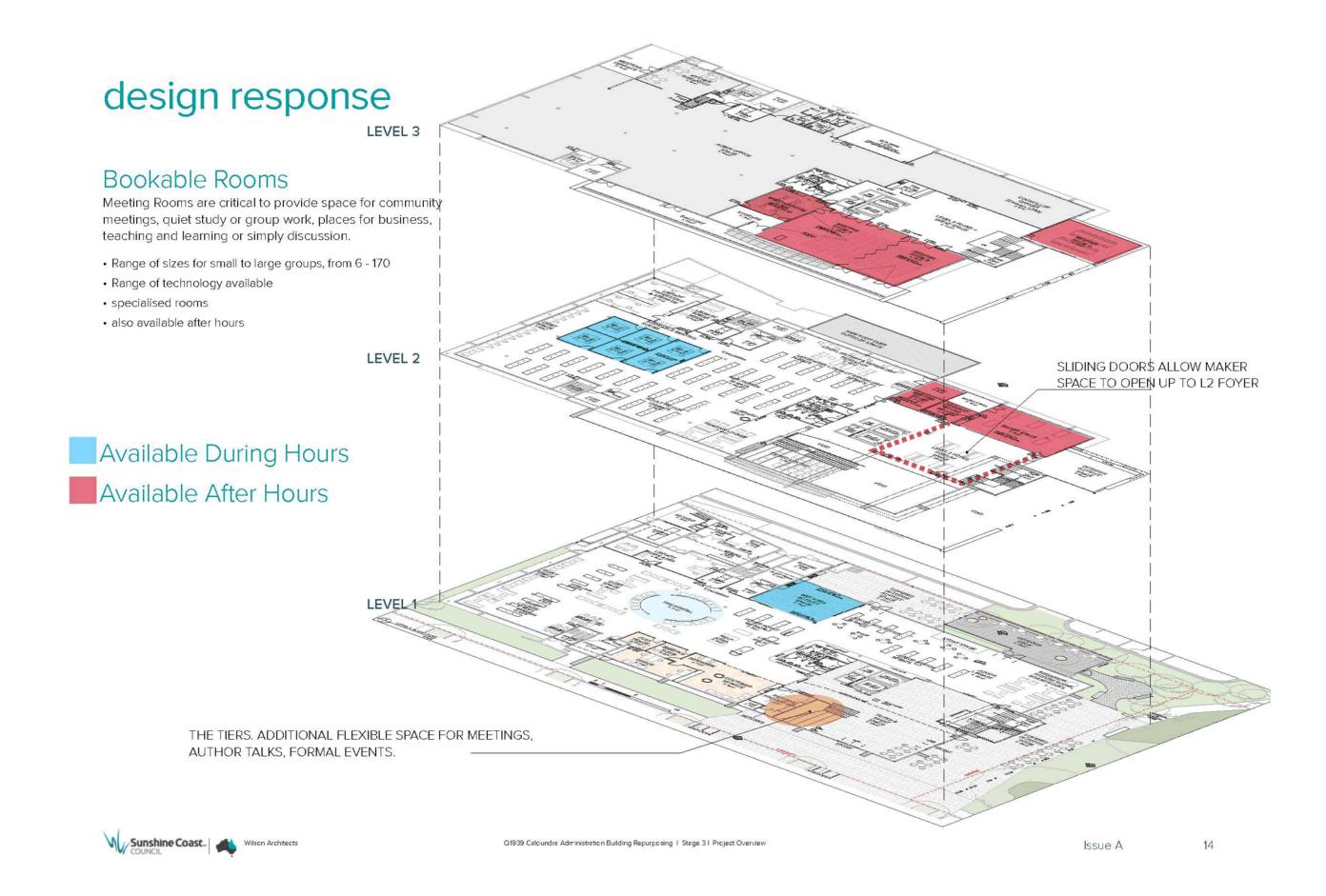
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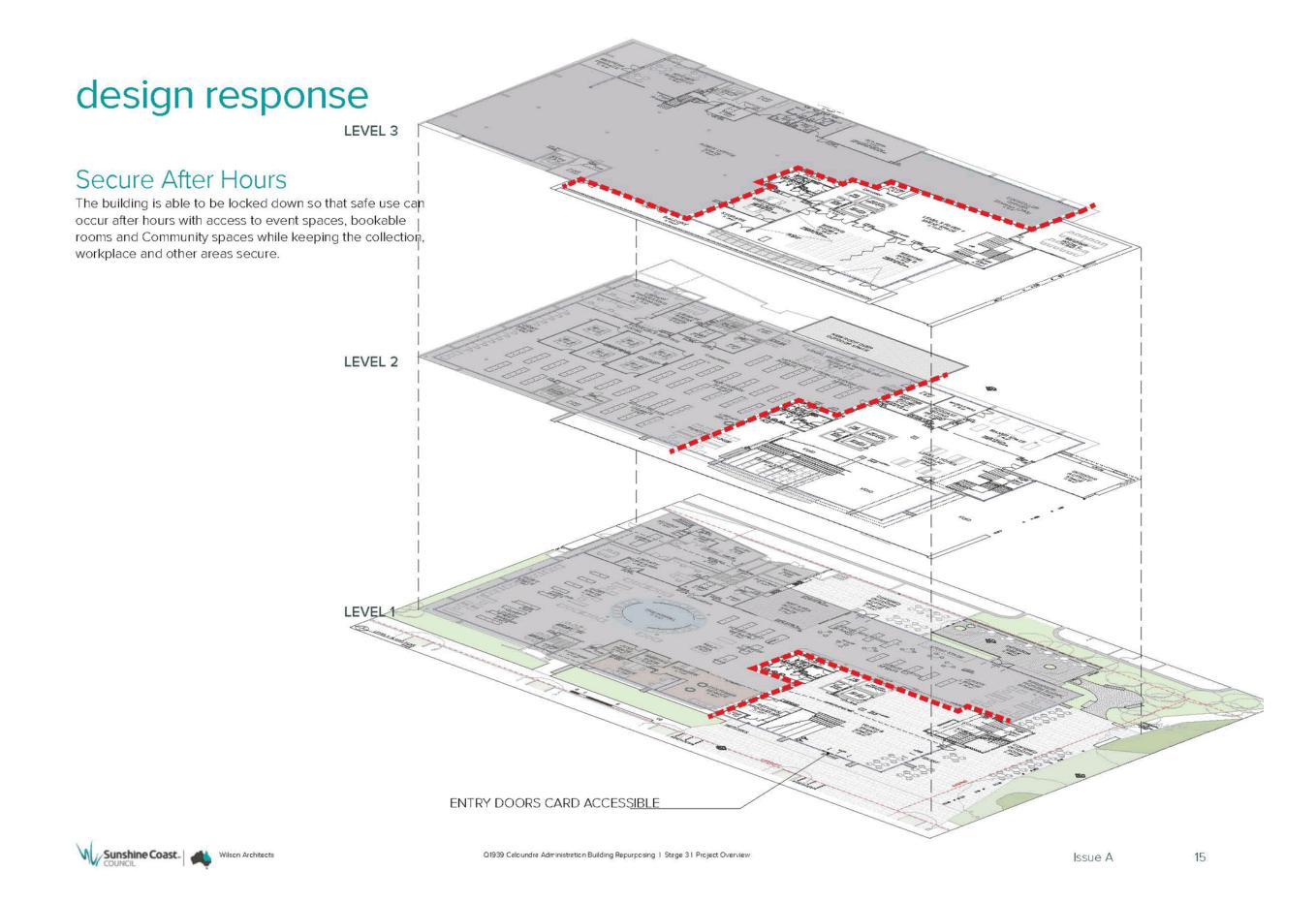


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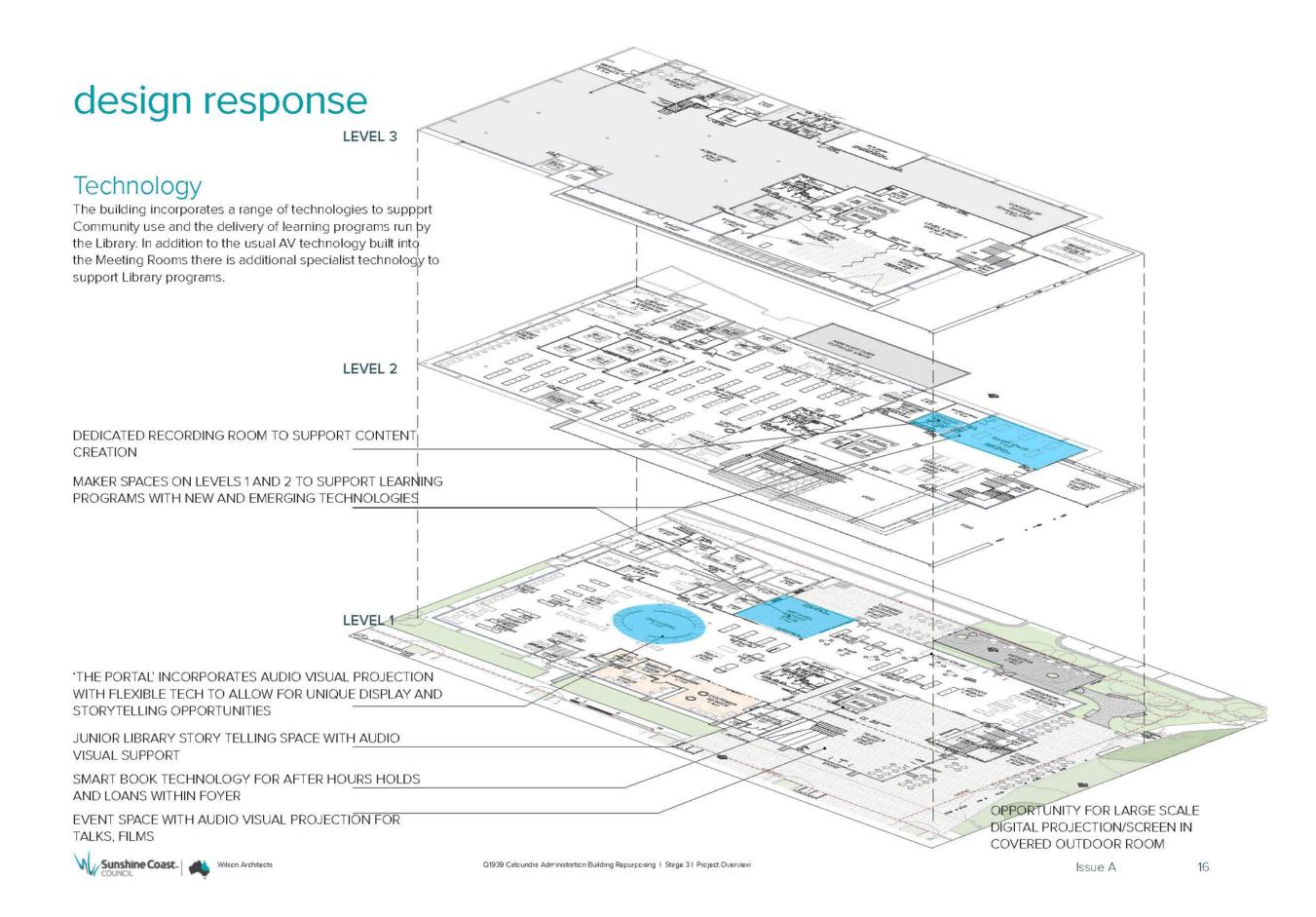
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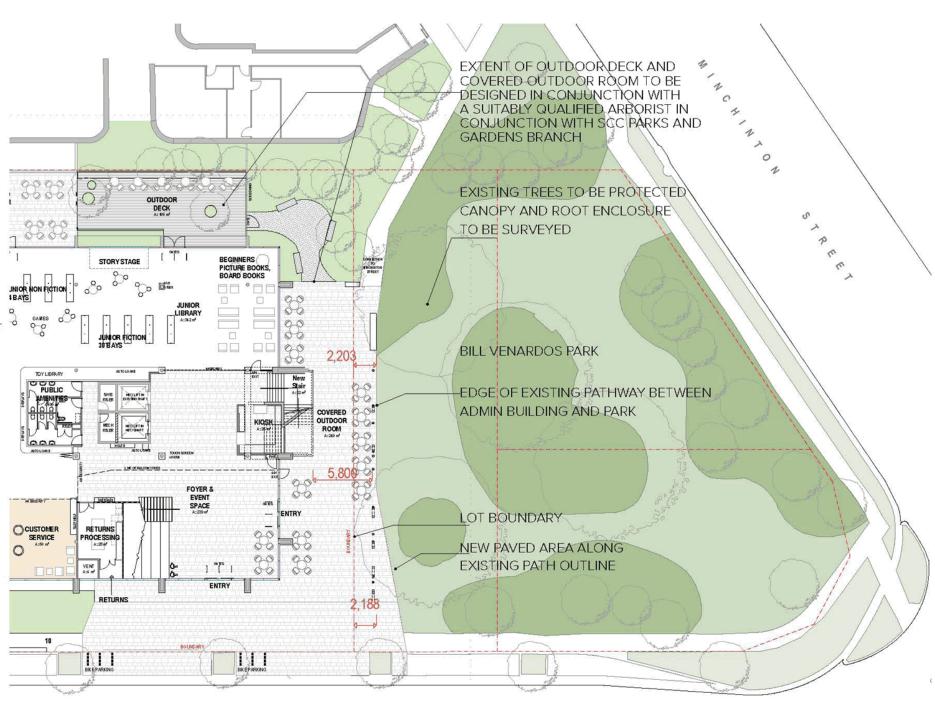
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interface with Bill Venardos Park

Our proposed design creates an generous outdoor room on the Eastern side of the building to encourage Public use of the facility. It creates:

- A generous covered entry to the Library building.
- Activation of the ground plane with Kiosk and covered areas for reading, dining and meeting.
- A spacious and direct connection through to The Event centre to allow for gathering before and after events.
- An 'all-weather' covered area to encourage movement out into and use of Bill Venardos Park.
- An outdoor covered event space for the Library and Community.

The building projects approximately 2.2m over the existing lot boundary, up to the edge of the existing concrete pathway. The building area over the boundary is approximately 73.5m2.



Plan showing new works



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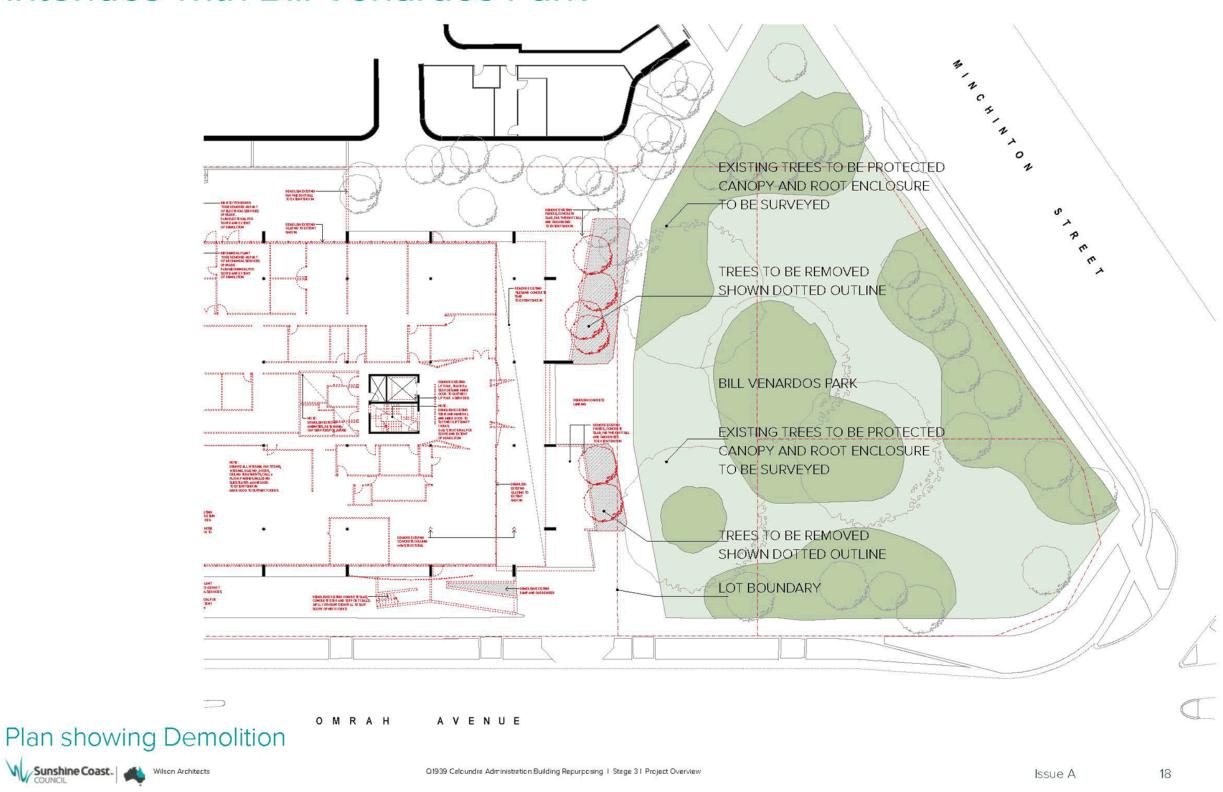
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interface with Bill Venardos Park



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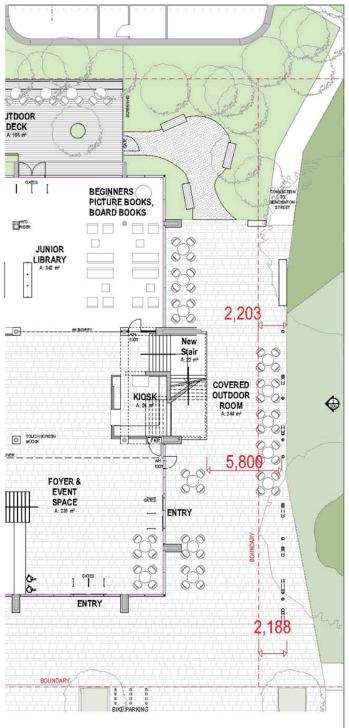
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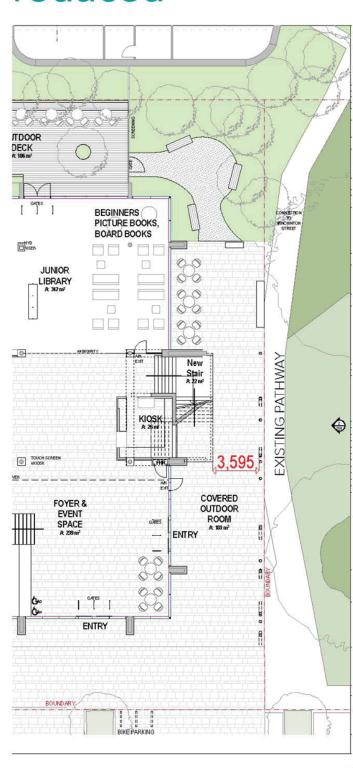
interface with Bill Venardos park outdoor room option proposed

The following comparison option brings the building extent to within the limit of the existing Lot boundary, reducing the scale and proportion of the Covered Outdoor Room. The impact of the reduction affects:

- Entry to the Library, less protected from weather
- Visibility and connection through to The Event Centre is reduced.
- Upper level Community meeting rooms are reduced in size.
- Ground level activation with reduced seating areas, meeting spaces.
- Reduced covered outdoor Library and Community event space.

posed reduced





level 1 floor plan



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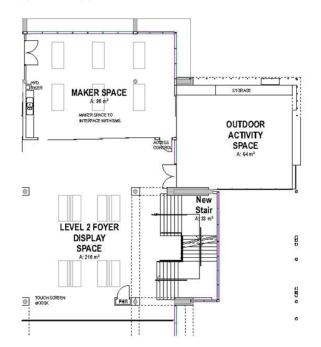
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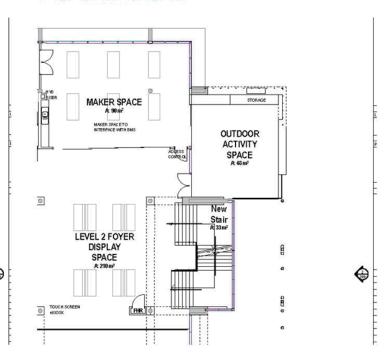
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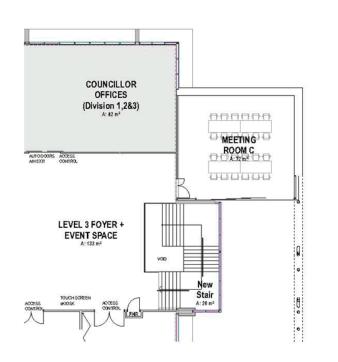
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reduced



level 2 floor plan



COUNCILLOR OFFICES
(Division 1,2 &3)

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AMERIT

LEVEL 3 FOYER +
EVENT SPACE
A: 133 m²

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New
Stair
ACCESS
CONTROL

RAD m²

OR CONTROL

New
Stair
ACCESS
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level 3 floor plan



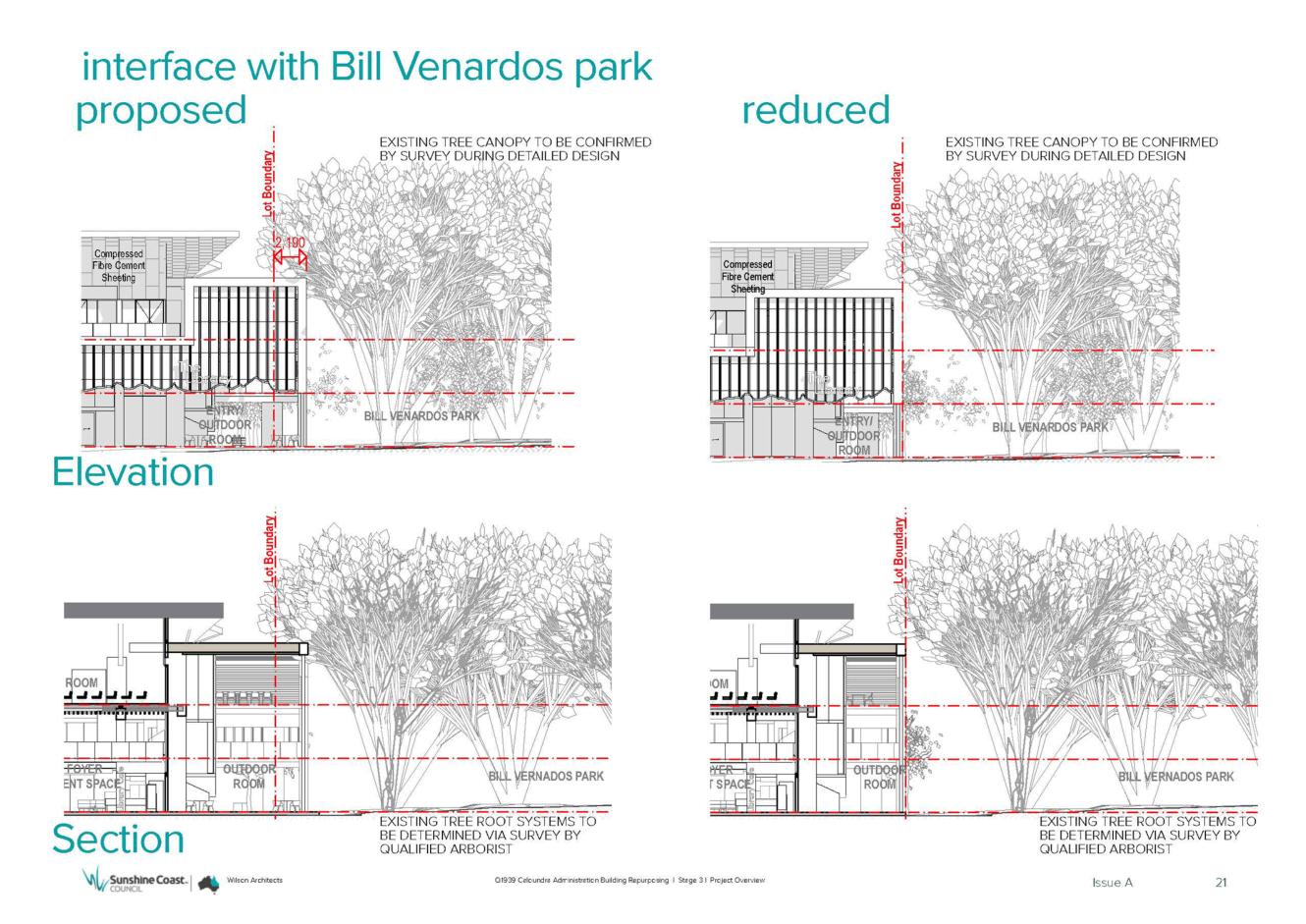
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interface with Bill Venardos park proposed



Omrah Ave



Outdoor Room









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area summary

community meeting spaces available after hours

Level 1	GFA m ²		m^2
Library	1,339	Covered Outdoor Room + Deck	318
Library Work Areas	143	Foyer and Event Space	239
Customer Service	134		
Kiosk	26		
Amenities	36		
Plant	110		
	1,788m2		
Level 2			
Library	1,401	L2 Foyer	210
Library Work Areas	121	Outdoor Activity Space	64 Bookable
Amenities	36	Maker Space	90 Bookable
Plant	64	Podcast recording room	16 Bookable
	1,622m2	Meeting Room	17 Bookable
Level 3			
Administration including Councillor Office	1,141	L3 Foyer and Event Space	133
Library / Community Rooms	516	Meeting Room A	129 Bookable
Amenities	48	Meeting Room B	85 Bookable
Plant	101	Meeting Room C	72 Bookable
	1,806m2	Meeting Room (shared)	44 Bookable
			532m2 of Bookable Rooms
TOTAL	5,216m2		
Library	3,941m2		
Customer Service/Admin	1,275m2		

Refer to Floor Plans for additional breakdown of areas on each level.

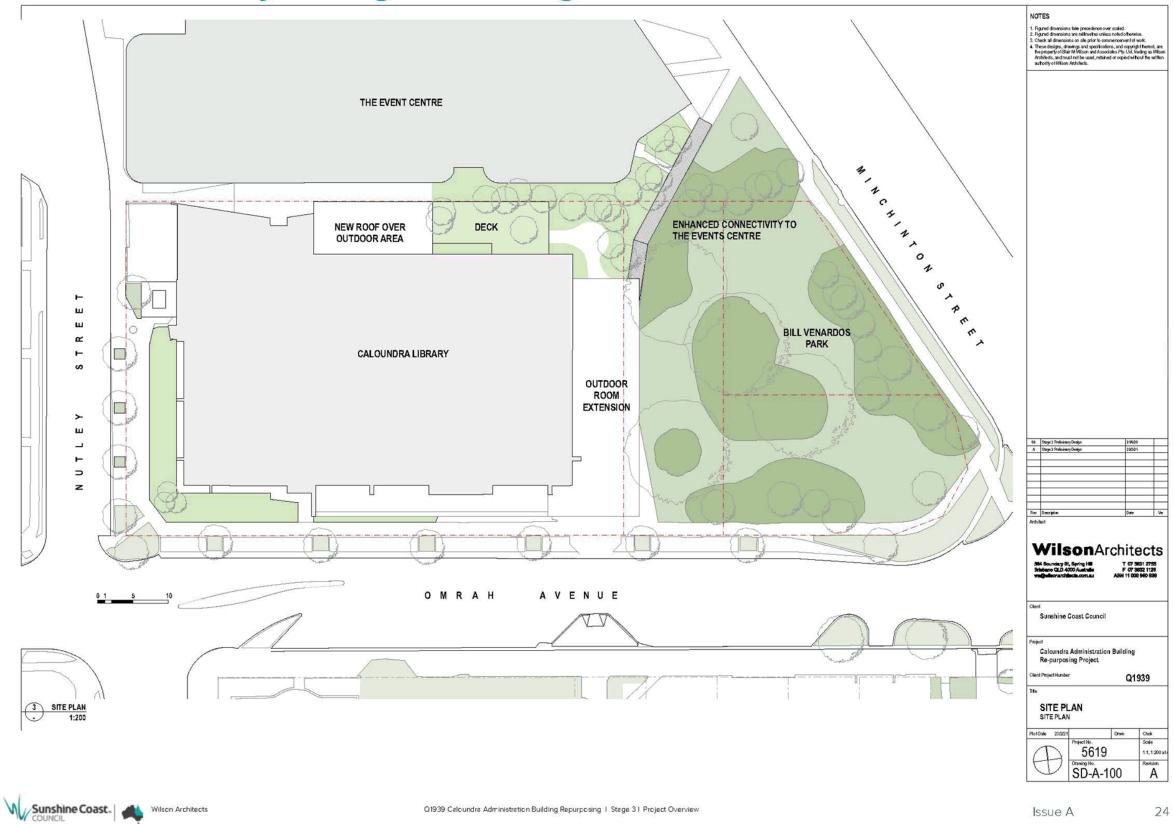


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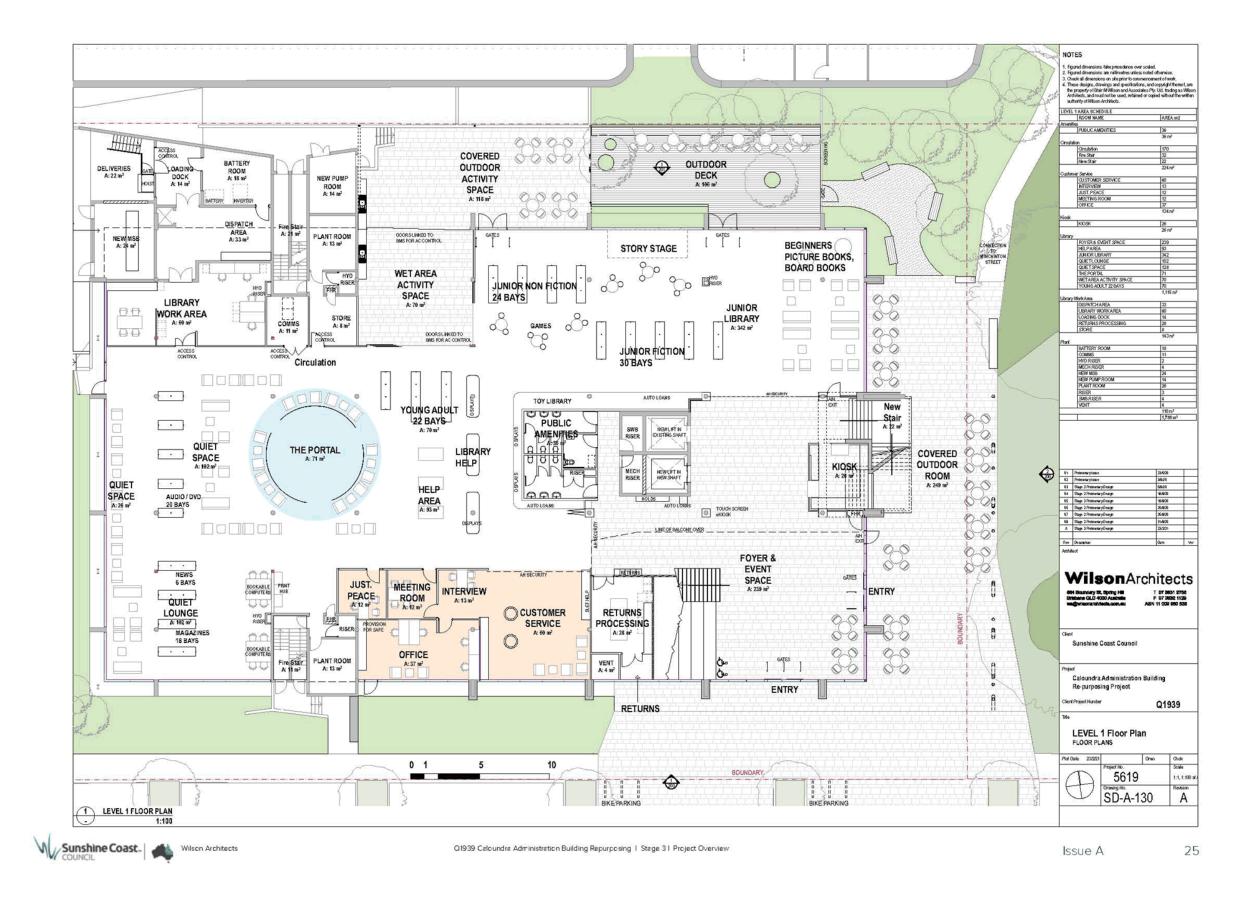
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Preliminary Design Drawings



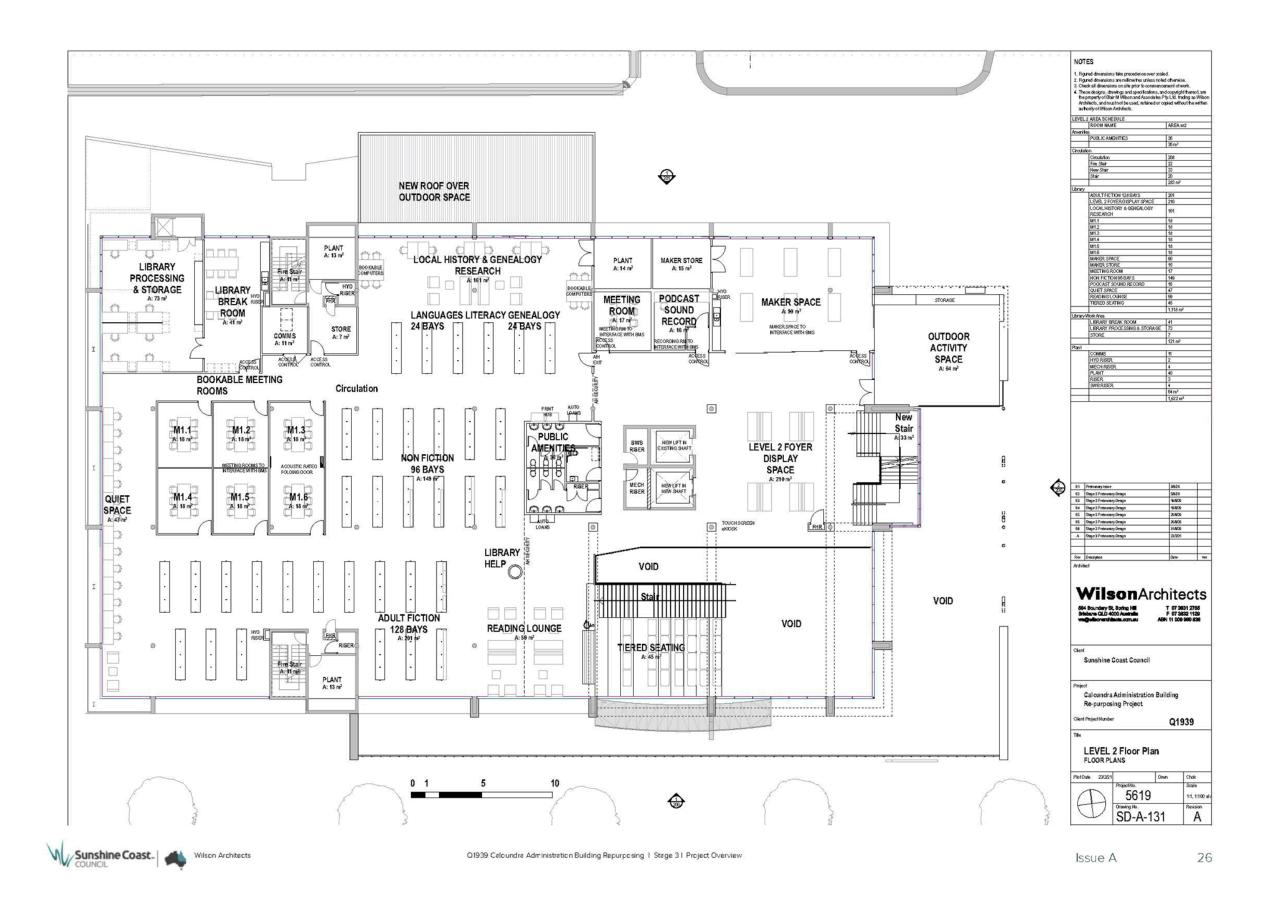
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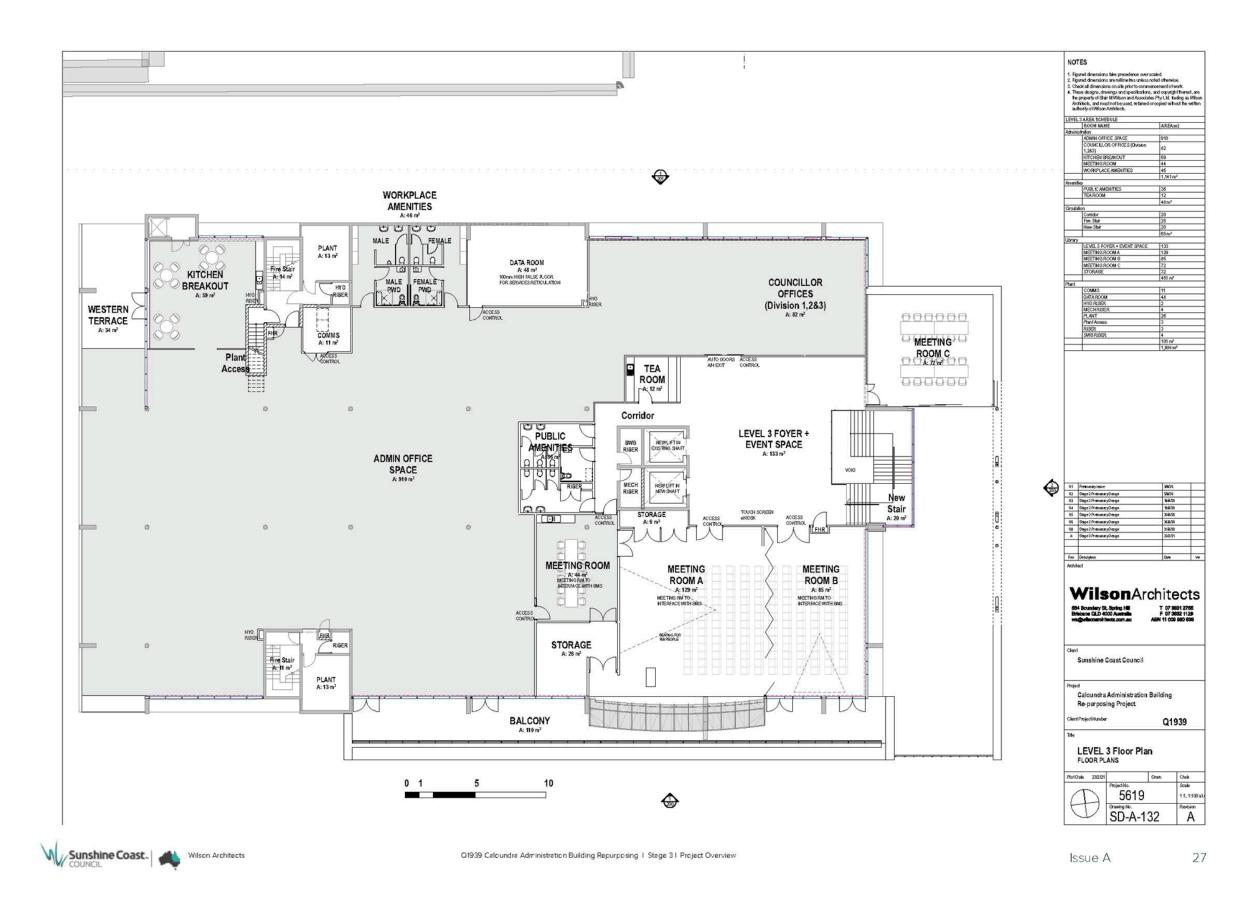
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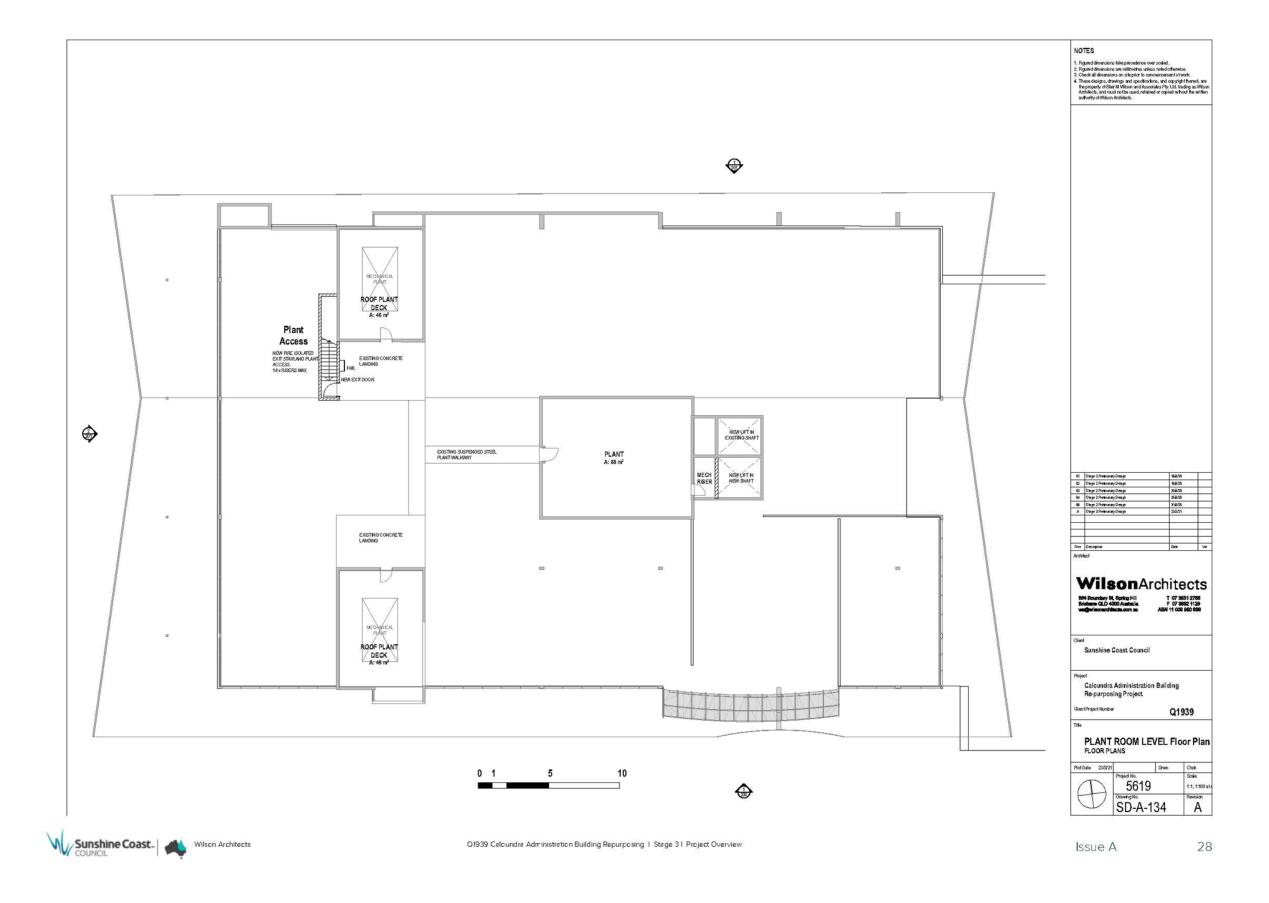
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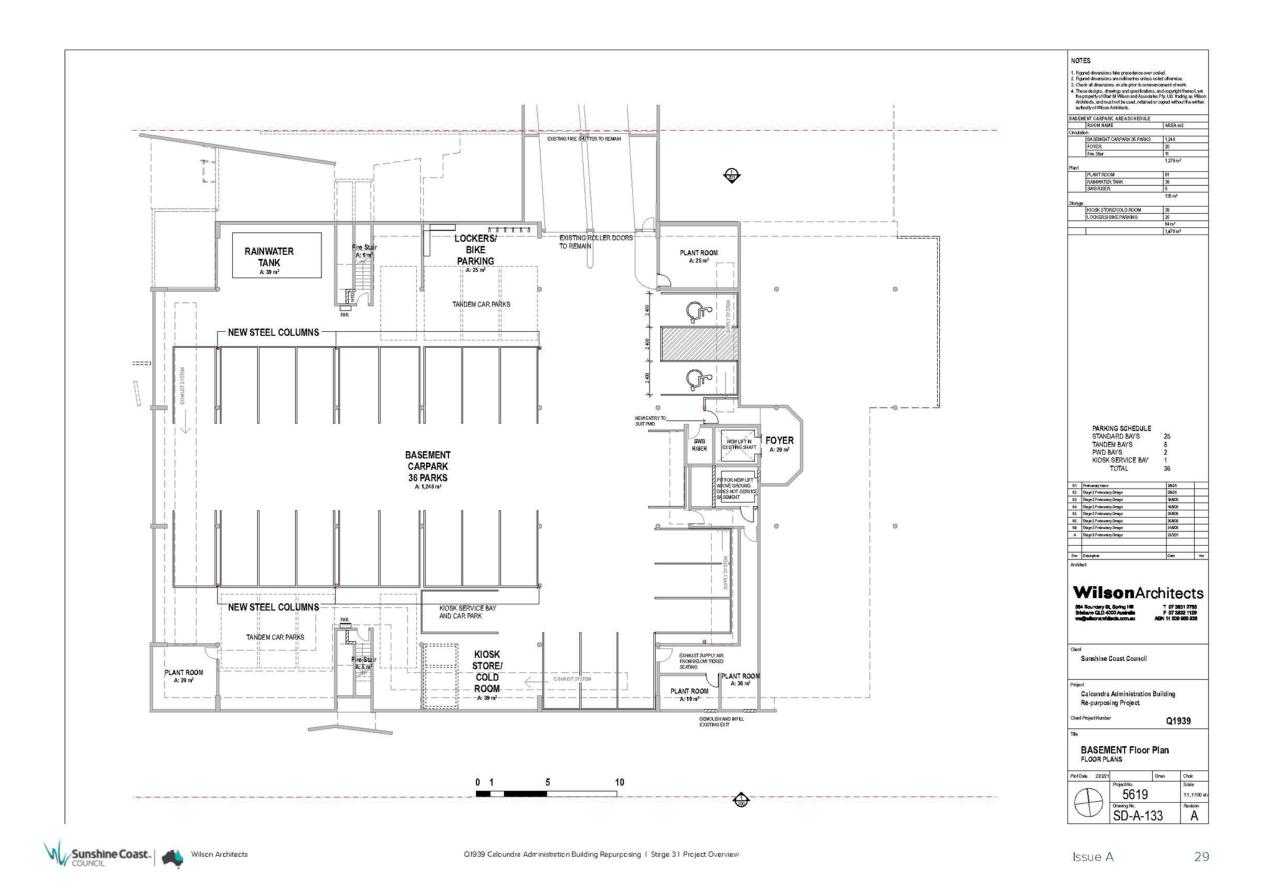


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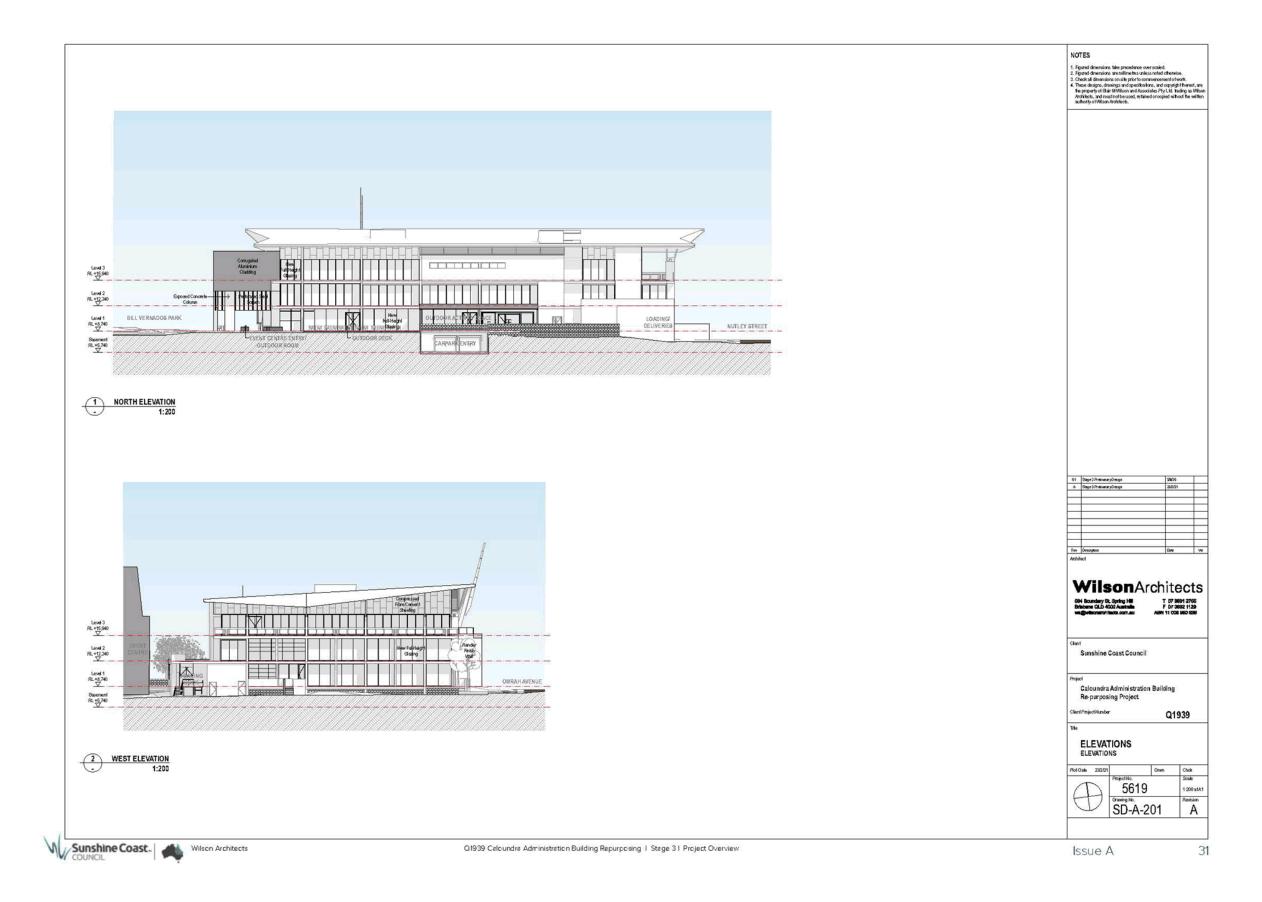


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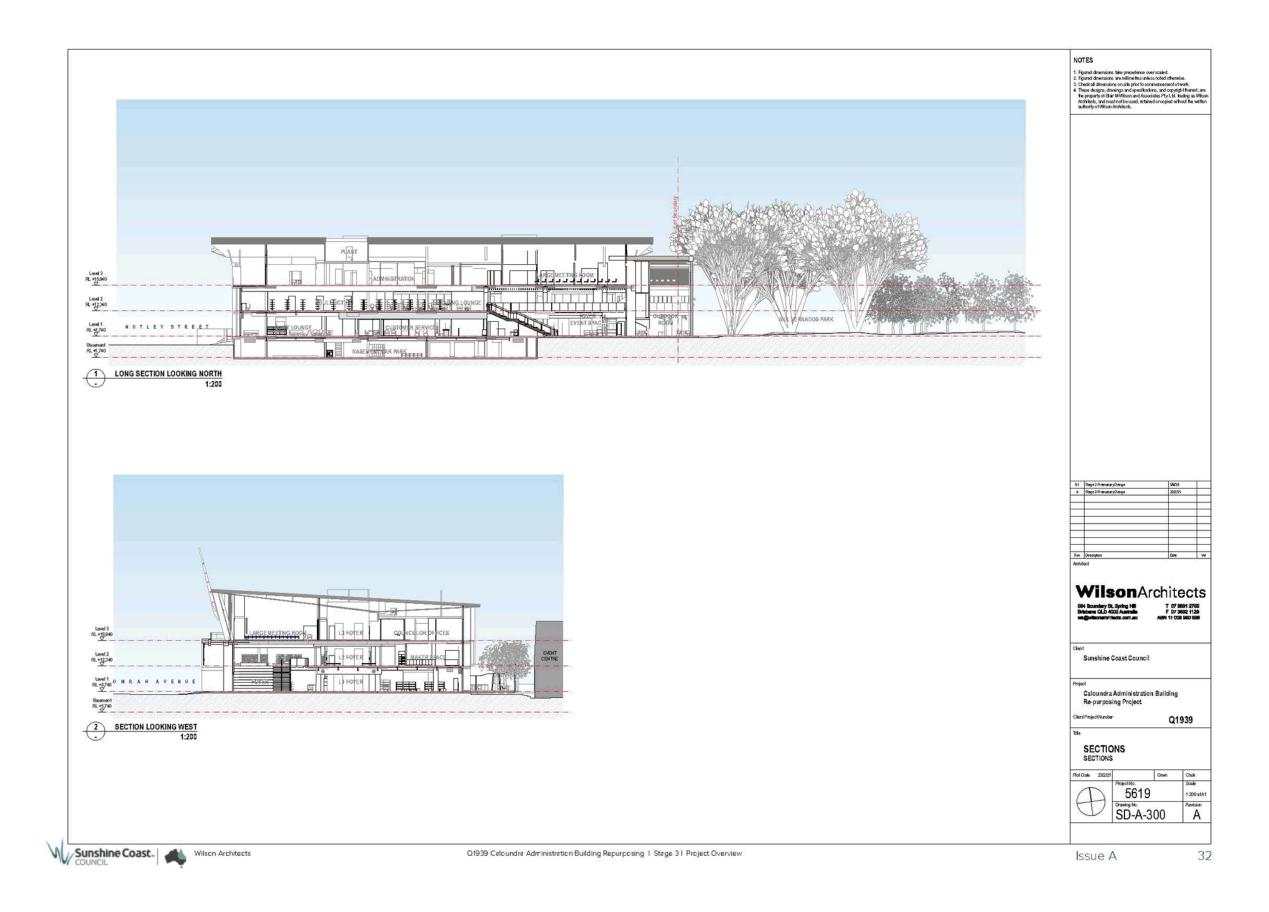
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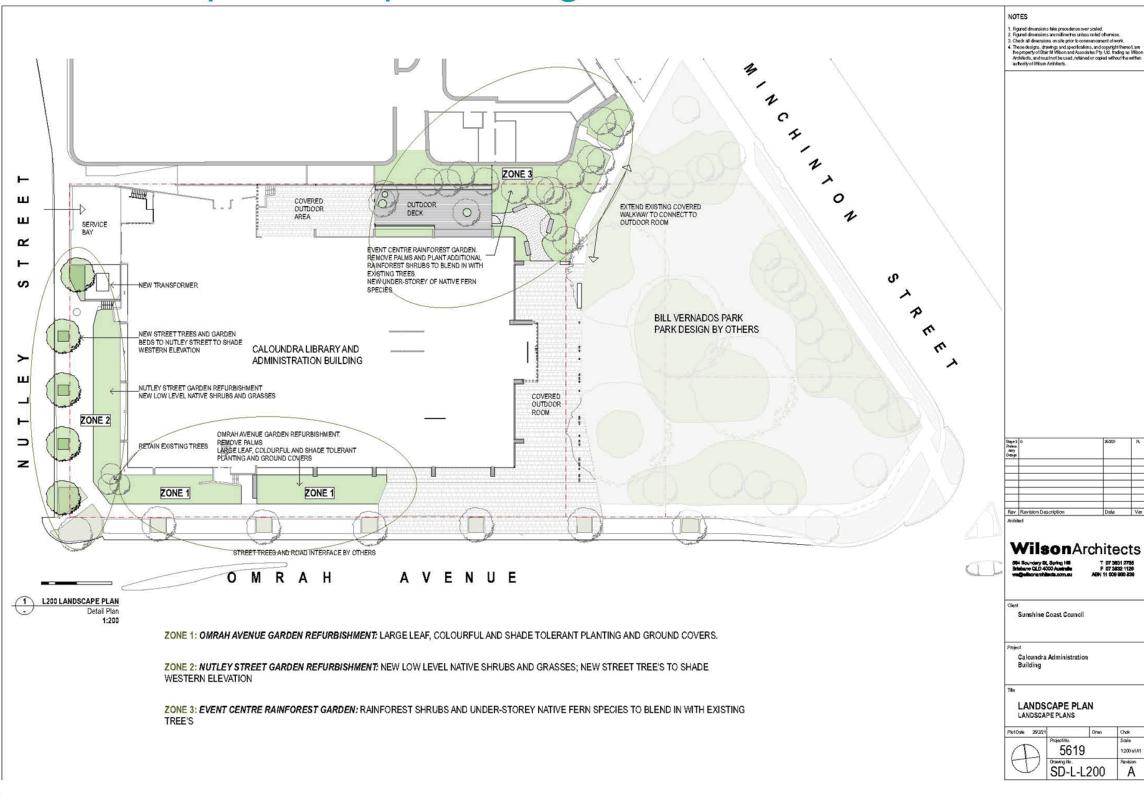
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Landscape Concept Drawings



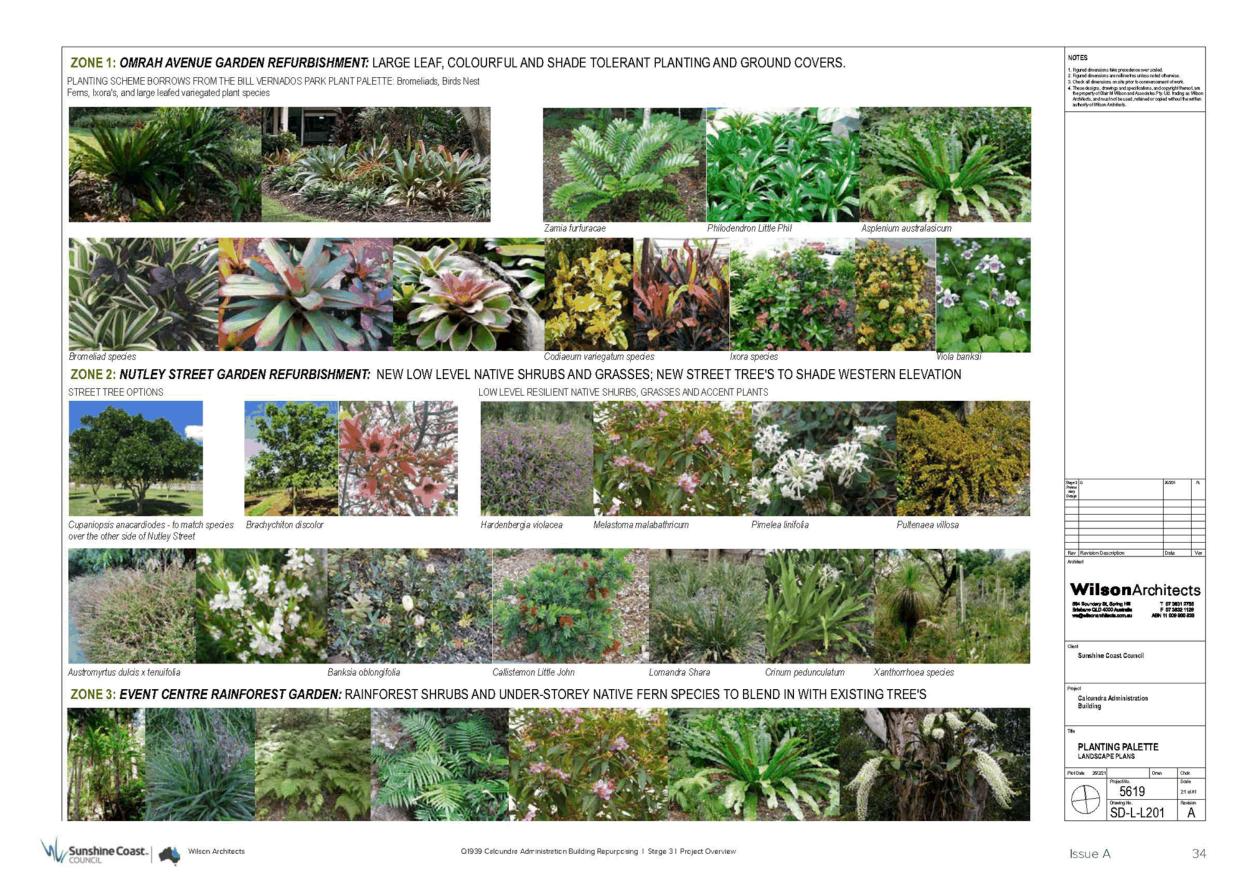
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View from Omrah Avenue





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Outdoor Room and Entry





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