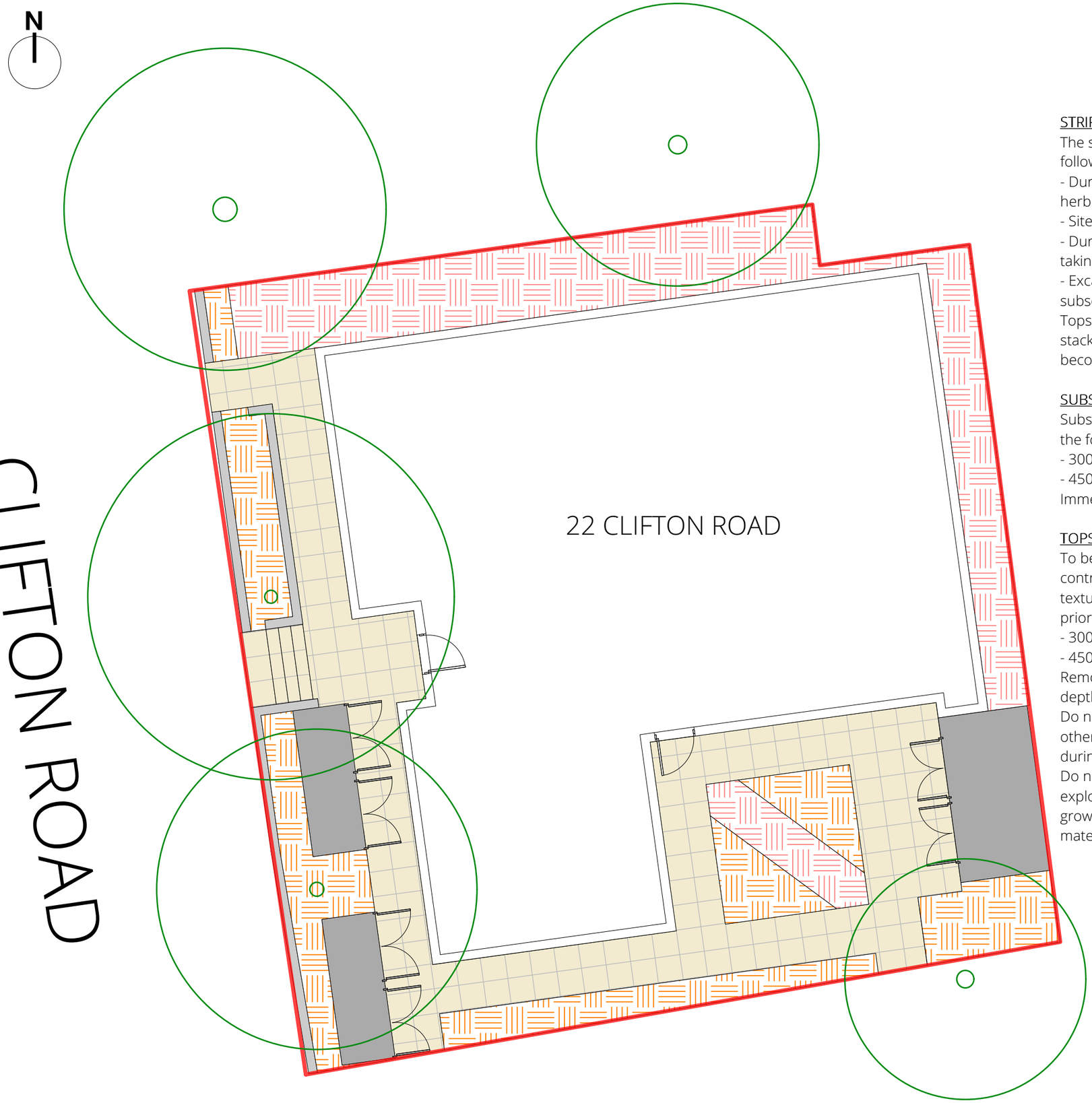

300mm depth topsoil to grass areas

450mm depth topsoil to planting areas

STRIPPING OF EXISTING TOPSOIL

The site topsoil which is to be retained for later use shall be stripped and stockpiled. The following method shall be used:
- During suitable dry weather conditions, the existing vegetation shall be treated with herbicide as directed.
- Site to be cleared of foreign materials.
- During suitable dry weather conditions, topsoil to be stripped down to its full natural depth, taking care to avoid contamination with subsoil or other foreign materials.
- Excavated topsoil unsuitable to be reused as topsoil shall be stored separately and used as subsoil.

Topsoil which has been stripped and stored before use in the works shall not have been stacked in heaps higher than 1.5m for more than four weeks. Stored topsoil shall not have become waterlogged, compacted or destructured.

SUBSOIL

Subsoil should be broken up to relieve compaction and aid drainage prior to topsoiling to the following depths:
- 300mm for light and non-cohesive subsoils
- 450mm for stiff clay and cohesive subsoils

Immediately before spreading topsoil, remove stones larger than 50mm.

TOPSOIL

To be supplied and spread by the main contractor to the approval of the landscape contractor, in accordance with BS 3882:2015. To be a natural sandy loam, of medium texture, with a pH between 5.5 and 7.8, and free from weeds. Subsoil to be well broken up prior to top-soiling to relieve compaction. Topsoil minimum depths to be:
- 300mm for proposed grass areas
- 450mm for proposed planting areas

Remove temporary roads/surfacing before spreading topsoil. Spread in layers of 150mm depth (max.) and gently firm each layer before spreading the next.

Do not mix topsoil with subsoil, stone, hardcore, rubbish or material from demolition work; other grades of topsoil. Handle topsoil in the driest conditions possible and do not handle during or after heavy rainfall or when it is wetter than the plastic limit.

Do not use topsoil contaminated with subsoil, rubbish or other materials that are corrosive, explosive or flammable; hazardous to human or animal life; detrimental to healthy plant growth. In areas to receive topsoil, do not use subsoil contaminated with the above materials.

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