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# Development at 179-181 Brighton Road Worthing

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## Flood Risk Assessment

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## ABBREVIATIONS

AEP:	Annual exceedance probability
AOD:	Above Ordnance Datum
BGS:	British Geological Survey
CCA:	Climate change allowance
CDA:	Critical drainage area
FRA:	Flood risk assessment
HMO:	House in multiple occupation
LLFA:	Lead Local Flood Authority
LPA:	Local Planning Authority
NGR:	National Grid Reference
NYCC:	North Yorkshire County Council
OS:	Ordnance Survey
OWC:	Ordinary watercourse
PPG:	Planning Practice Guidance
SFRA:	Strategic Flood Risk Assessment

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. JOC Consultants Ltd is instructed by Vitae Investments Ltd, (the client), to prepare this flood risk assessment report in connection with a loft conversion to create a one bedroom flat in the HMO at 179-181 Brighton Road, Worthing. The report refers to flood and topographical data obtained in 2023 for a development at 6 Winsor Road, approximately 105 metres from the site, which was promoted by the client and which received planning permission in March 2024 under the reference AWDM/1017/23 with no objection from the Environment Agency.
- 1.2. References in this report to “the site” are references to the site that is the subject of the planning application. Specific references to sources of information used in the report are shown in square brackets and are listed in section 11 and the appendices follow thereafter.
- 1.3. In the preparation of this FRA report, JOC Consultants Ltd has relied on published information, flood data published by the Environment Agency and information provided by the Client and JOC Consultants Ltd accepts no liability for the accuracy or adequacy of that information or for the consequences of any changes to or re-assessment of that information in the future.
- 1.4. This report is prepared specifically for the Client and the report may not be used for any purpose other than for the purposes stated in paragraph 1.1 above and it may not be assigned to any third party without our written permission.

## 2.0 THE REQUIREMENT FOR A FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

- 2.1. The requirement for a flood risk assessment arises from paragraph 173 of the NPPF which states:

*‘Where appropriate, applications should be supported by a site-specific flood-risk assessment’*, and footnote 59 states:

*‘A site-specific flood risk assessment should be provided for all development in Flood Zones 2 and 3. In Flood Zone 1, an assessment should accompany all proposals involving: sites of 1 hectare or more; land which has been identified by the Environment Agency as having critical drainage problems; land identified in a strategic flood risk assessment as being at increased flood risk in future; or land that may be subject to other sources of flooding, where its development would introduce a more vulnerable use’.*

## 3.0 OBJECTIVES

3.1. The objectives of a site-specific flood risk assessment are stated in paragraph 020 of the Planning Practice Guidance for flood risk and coastal change. The guidance states the objectives are to establish:

- *‘whether the development is likely to be affected by current or future flooding from any source;*
- *whether it will increase flood risk elsewhere;*
- *whether the measures proposed to deal with these effects are appropriate;*
- *the evidence for the local planning authority to apply (if necessary) the Sequential Test, and;*
- *whether the development will be safe and pass the Exception Test, if applicable’.*

## 4.0 PLANNING POLICY ON FLOOD RISK

### 4.1 National Policy

4.1.1. National Planning Policy in relation to flood risk is set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) [1].

### 4.2 Local Policy

4.2.1. Local policy is defined in the Worthing Local Plan 2023, adopted on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023 [2]. Policy DM20 defines the criteria that must be satisfied if planning permission is to be granted to applications for development in areas at risk of flooding. The policy states:

*‘The flood risk assessment should be proportional to the degree of flood risk and appropriate to the scale, nature and location of the development.’*

4.2.2. Local policy on development and flood risk is informed by the Level 1 and Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA), [3]. Reference to the SFRA is made in subsequent sections of this report.

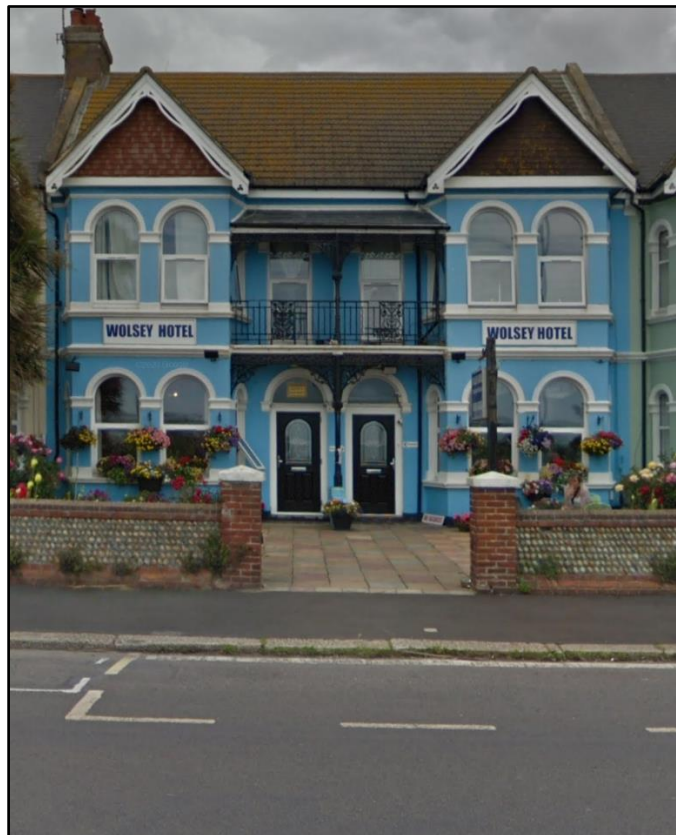
4.2.3. Also relevant to this FRA is the Draft Local Flood Risk Management Strategy 2021 – 2026 [4] produced by the West Sussex County Council Lead Local Flood Authority.

### 4.3 Planning Practice Guidance

- 4.3.1. In addition to national and local policy, the Planning Practice Guidance for Flood Risk and Coastal Change [5] provides advice to planning authorities to assist them when considering planning applications in areas at risk of flooding. The Environment Agency Standing Advice [6] also provides guidance in connection with flood risk assessments.
- 4.3.2. This report has been prepared with reference to the above guidance.

## 5.0 LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE

- 5.1. The site, known as Wolsey Hotel, is located at 179-181 Brighton Road, and is shown outlined in red in Figure 1, following page 21. The coordinates at the approximate centre of the site are: 516052, 102804.
- 5.2. The building, shown in the photograph<sup>1</sup> below, is a former hotel but is now used as a house in multiple occupation (HMO).



<sup>1</sup> © Google 2024

- 5.3. Access to the building is from Brighton Road.
- 5.4. The gross site area amounts to approximately 0.04ha.
- 5.5. The site is within the Environment Agency flood warning or alert area: *Coastal area of Rustington to Shoreham*.
- 5.6. A topographical survey was carried out for a development in Windsor Road in 2023, but its results are also relevant to this site. The survey shows:
- Brighton Road (the A259) falls from west to east, to a low point of 4.90m opposite number 199 Brighton Road. The road level opposite the site is 5.27m AOD.
  - The sea front ground level opposite the site is 5.36m.
  - The shingle beach level opposite the site is approximately 6.03m AOD.
- 5.7. The topographical survey plan is provided in Appendix A.
- 5.8. The kerb level shown in the above photograph is approximately at the same level as the crown of the road, (5.27m AOD), and there is a slight rise in level between the kerb and the front doors of the building, estimated to be no more than 100mm. The threshold level is estimated to be 150mm above the path level, so the ground floor/ level of the building is estimated to be 5.52m AOD.
- 5.9. The floor to ceiling height on a building of this age and style is likely to be approximately 2.4m and there would be at least 200mm between the upper floor and the ceiling below. This leads to the conclusion that the floor level of the loft conversion would be approximately 5.2m above the ground floor level, so the floor level in the loft is estimated to be at least 10.72m AOD.

## 6.0 THE DEVELOPMENT

- 6.1. Planning permission is being sought for a loft conversion to create a one bedroom flat within the HMO, as shown in the development plans in Appendix B.
- 6.2. The vulnerability classification of the development is **More Vulnerable** in accordance with Annex 3 of the NPPF.

## 7.0 FLOOD RISK

### 7.1 Design flood level

7.1.1. In accordance with paragraph 002 of the Planning Practice Guidance for flood risk and coastal change, the Design Flood Level is the 0.5% AEP tidal flood level at the site, including an allowance for climate change over the lifetime of the development. Events which exceed this are assessed as residual risks in section 8.3 of this report. The estimated Design Flood Level is provided in paragraph 7.13.8 below.

### 7.2 Sources of information

7.2.1. Fluvial and tidal flood risk has been assessed with reference to the following sources of information:

- Adur and Worthing Level 1 and Level 2 SFRA July 2020
- River Arun Modelling Study Final Report, JBA Consulting March 2017
- Topographical survey
- Environment Agency Product 4 and Product 8 data
- Ordnance survey map data
- Current Flood map for planning
- Current fluvial and tidal risk map
- Current surface water flood maps
- Current reservoir flood risk map.

### 7.3 Flood zone

7.3.1. The Flood Map for Planning in Appendix C shows the site to be in flood zone 3. The Flood Map for Planning disregards flood defences.

### 7.4 Environment Agency flood data

7.4.1. The Environment Agency flood data was requested in 2023 for a development at 6 Windsor Road, Worthing and the data is also applicable to this site. The data set is provided in Appendix D.

## 7.5 Existing flood defences

- 7.5.1. The SFRA Appendix J1 map shows no flood defences opposite the site, but it is evident from the topographical survey that high ground at the sea front provides protection from tidal flooding.
- 7.5.2. The AIMS Flood Defences map in Appendix D shows no defences in the vicinity of the site. The Environment Agency letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023 however refers to the presence of flood defences in the form of a sand and shingle beach, maintained by the local authority. This is not consistent with the AIMS map. The defences appear to comprise a raised shingle beach which is slightly higher than the Brighton Road (A259), as shown on the topographical survey plan.

## 7.6 History of Flooding

- 7.6.1. There is no specific evidence available of the site being affected by previous flood events. Parts of West Sussex however, including Worthing, were affected by flooding which resulted from a rainfall event, the AEP of which was less than 0.5%, in June 2021. Details of the flooding are provided in the West Sussex County Council report of the event [7].
- 7.6.2. The Recorded Flood Outlines map in Appendix D shows the site is not within an area where flooding has been recorded in the past. There is no evidence of the site having been affected by flooding from the sea.

## 7.7 Risk of tidal or fluvial flooding

- 7.7.1. The tables of flood levels and depths in Appendix D are taken from the Arun to Adur Coastal Modelling Study, 2012. This data however is superseded by the 2017 update of the model. Moreover, the data is anomalous:
- No flooding is indicated in the undefended scenario but *is* indicated in the defended scenario – this does not make sense.
  - The 0.5% AEP defended flood levels *reduce* in the future – this is contrary to climate change predictions of sea level rise and again, does not make sense.
- 7.7.2. Accordingly, there can be no confidence in the accuracy or reliability of the supplied data.
- 7.7.3. Table 2.1 in the River Modelling Study 2017 [8] shows peak sea level data at Worthing, (see Appendix E). In a 0.5% AEP event, the still water level at Littlehampton is 4.16m AOD. The

topographical survey however, shows the sea front to be at an elevation between 5.36m AOD and 5.59m AOD, but falls to 4.90m AOD to the east of Windsor Road. The beach level is in the range 5.76m to 6.06m AOD. It is therefore evident that the site is not at risk from the 0.5% AEP still water sea level.

7.7.4. The fluvial and tidal risk map in Appendix F shows the site to be in an area at a 'Low' risk of flooding. This is flooding that is predicted to occur, on average, with an annual probability in the range 0.1% to 1% (once in 100 years to once in 1,000 years).

## 7.8 Risk of surface water flooding

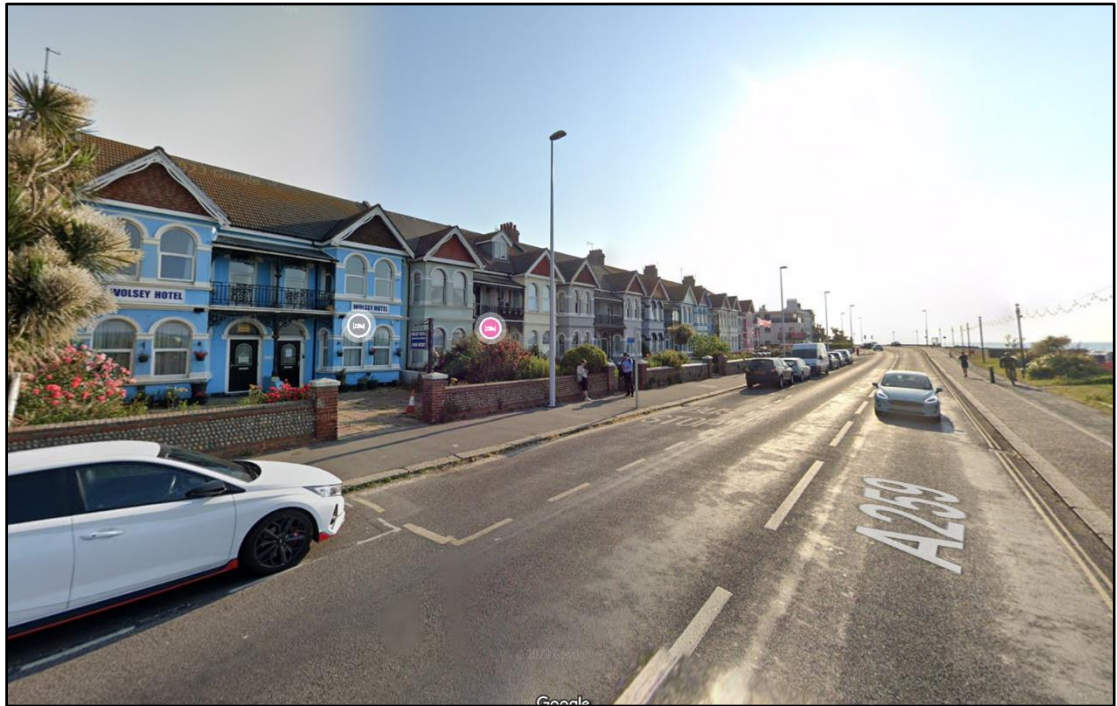
7.8.1. The surface water flood maps in Appendix G show:

- a 'High risk' of surface water flooding in Brighton Road opposite the site;
- no flooding within the curtilage of the site;
- depths less than 300mm in rainfall events having an AEP of 3.3% or more;
- depths in the range 300mm to 900mm in rainfall events having an AEP of 3.3% or less.

7.8.2. Comparison of the modelled levels shown on the surface water flood maps with the photograph<sup>2</sup> below demonstrates that the modelled depths are implausible. The maps show no flooding within the curtilage of the site, which is evidently no more than approximately 50mm above the road level at the boundary, so flood depths in the road are unlikely to exceed 50mm. In a high intensity rainfall event, there would be surface water overland flow eastward along Brighton Road.

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<sup>2</sup> © Google 2024



## 7.9 Risk of sewer flooding

7.9.1. Sewer flooding can occur when the capacity of the sewerage system is exceeded or when there is a blockage, causing the flow to back-up and the water level to rise upstream. This type of flooding is related to surface water flooding as the runoff from intense rainfall can exceed the flow capacity of the system. Sewers normally have capacity to contain the runoff from rainfall events with an annual probability of 3.3% or more, and any flooding usually occurs at the lowest gullies or manholes on the system.

7.9.2. The risk of this type of flooding in Brighton Road is assessed to be low to medium.

## 7.10 Risk of groundwater flooding

7.10.1. Groundwater flooding of land occurs when the water table rises above the ground surface or enters basements and is typically associated with permeable rock such as chalk and low-lying valley areas. The Long Term flood risk data states that groundwater flooding in the vicinity of the site is 'unlikely'.

## 7.11 Risk of flooding from reservoirs and canals

7.11.1. The Environment Agency flood map for reservoirs shows the site is not within an area that would be affected due to the uncontrolled release of water from reservoirs (see Appendix H).

7.11.2. The site is not at risk of flooding from canals.

## **7.12 Effect of the development on flood risk**

7.12.1. The change of use will result in no loss of floodplain storage and will have no effect on the risks of fluvial or tidal flooding in the wider area.

7.12.2. The change of use will not increase the existing impermeable area of the site and will not have any effect on surface water run-off rates or volumes. It will not therefore have any effect on the risk of surface water flooding in the wider area.

7.12.3. The development will have no effect on the risks of flooding from sewerage, groundwater, reservoirs or canal sources.

## **7.13 Effects of climate change**

7.13.1. Climate change must be considered over the expected lifetime of the HMO. Paragraph 026 of the Planning Practice Guidance recommends a lifetime of 100 years for residential use, so climate change must be considered up to 2123

7.13.2. Table 2-1 of the 2017 River Arun Modelling Study report, which is reproduced in Appendix E, provides design peak sea levels at Worthing. These are:

- 0.5% AEP (2017) 4.16m AOD
- 0.1% AEP (2017): 4.35m AOD

7.13.3. Current guidance on the application of climate change allowances was issued in February 2016 and updated on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 [9]. The guidance recommends that flood risk assessments should assess the higher central (70<sup>th</sup> percentile) and the upper end (95<sup>th</sup> percentile) sea level rise allowances. Worthing is in the South East river basin and the relevant sea level rises at Worthing, based on the 1991 to 2000 epoch are shown in Table 6.1 below.

Allowance		2000 – 2035	2036 - 2065	2066 - 2095	2096 – 2125	Cumulative rise to 2125
		mm	mm	mm	mm	m
70 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Per annum	5.7	8.7	11.6	13.1	1.20
	Per epoch	200	261	348	393	
95 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Per annum	6.9	11.3	15.8	18.2	1.60
	Per epoch	242	339	474	546	

*0.5% AEP sea level*

7.13.4. The 70<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile estimates of the future 0.5% AEP sea levels are shown in Table 7.2 below.

Year	Duration (years)	Predicted Sea Level		Remarks
		70 <sup>th</sup> percentile	95 <sup>th</sup> percentile	
2017	0	4.16	4.16	
2035	18	4.26	4.28	
2065	30	4.52	4.62	
2083	18	4.73	4.91	Min. sea front level: 4.90m AOD
2095	30	4.87	5.10	
2124	28	5.25	5.63	

7.13.5. The future 0.5% AEP\_95th percentile sea level does not exceed the minimum sea front level until after 2082.

*0.1% AEP sea level*

7.13.6. The 70<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile estimates of the future 0.1% AEP sea levels are shown in Table 7.3 below.

<b>Table 7.3: Predicted 0.1% AEP sea levels at Worthing</b>				
Year	Duration (years)	Predicted Sea Level		Remarks
		70 <sup>th</sup> percentile	95 <sup>th</sup> percentile	
2017	0	4.35	4.35	
2035	18	4.45	4.47	
2065	30	4.71	4.81	
2071	6	4.78	4.91	Min. sea front level: 4.90m AOD
2095	30	5.06	5.29	
2124	28	5.44	5.82	

7.13.7. The future 0.1% AEP\_95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level does not exceed the minimum sea front level until after 2070.

7.13.8. If the Design Flood Level is taken to be the 0.5% AEP 70<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124, (5.25m AOD), it is evident that the existing ground floor level at the premises, estimated to be of 5.52m AOD, (see paragraph 5.8 above) is 270mm above the Design Flood Level.

7.13.9. Climate change is predicted to increase peak rainfall intensities by up to 45% in the 2070s epoch. This will increase the frequency and extent of surface water flooding in the Adur and Ouse Management Catchment, in which the site is located.

## **7.14 Hazard assessment**

7.14.1. The Hazard Map in Appendix D shows the site to be within the 'yellow' area which indicates 'Danger for some'.

## 8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT

### 8.1 Tidal flood risk

8.1.1. The current Environment Agency Standing Advice for vulnerable developments is that finished floor levels should be the higher of 600mm above the:

- average ground level of the site;
- adjacent road level to the building; or
- estimated river or sea flood level.

8.1.2. The ground level within the site is estimated to be in the range 5.27m to 5.37m AOD, so the average ground level may be taken to be 5.32m AOD for the purposes of this FRA.

8.1.3. The adjacent road level is 5.27m AOD and the 0.5% AEP 70<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level at Worthing in 2124 is predicted to be 5.25m AOD. It is therefore evident that the finished floor level of the loft conversion, at 10.72m AOD, would be more than 600mm above each of the above criteria.

8.1.4. The finished floor level will provide at least 5.47m of freeboard above the Design flood Level.

8.1.5. It is recommended that residents in the proposed development are advised to register with the free flood warning service provided by the Environment Agency.

#### *Safe access and egress*

8.1.6. The existing ground floor level, estimated to be 5.52m AOD, provides 270mm of freeboard above the design flood level and Brighton Road is 20mm above the design flood level, so dry access and egress will be possible during the design flood.

8.1.7. It is recommended that an emergency flood response action plan is prepared for the development and displayed within the property. This should identify the actions to be taken in response to a major flood warning and the evacuation route to a safe area.

### 8.2 Surface water flood risk

8.2.1. As noted in paragraph 7.8.2 above, surface water flooding in Brighton Road is unlikely to exceed 50mm and is likely to be contained between the kerbs in the highway, so no recommendations are made in respect of this type of flooding.

## 8.3 Residual flood risks

- 8.3.1. Residual risks are those that remain after the implementation of the flood risk management measures to mitigate the risk from the Design Flood. These include the risk of an event greater than the design flood event; the risk of a breach in the flood defences; and the risk that the flood defences might not be raised in the future in response to climate change.

### *Events which exceed the design flood event*

- 8.3.2. The predicted 0.5% AEP 95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124 is 5.63m AOD, which would be 110mm above the ground floor level, but this risk does not arise until after 2082 at the earliest.
- 8.3.3. The predicted 0.1% AEP 95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124 is 5.82m AOD, as stated in Table 7.3 above. This would be 300mm above the ground floor level, but the risk does not arise until after 2070 at the earliest. The finished floor level of the loft conversion would be 4.90m above this flood level.
- 8.3.4. These residual risks can be managed in the future by the installation of water exclusion barriers at entrances and over air bricks.

### *Breach and overtopping events*

- 8.3.5. The Environment Agency states in its covering email dated 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023, which supplied the flood data (see Appendix D), that it '*does not hold any breach or overtopping depth grid data for the Arun to Adur Coastal Modelling (2012)*'; from which it is inferred that breach and overtopping was not a perceived risk at the time, otherwise it would have been prudent to model these scenarios.
- 8.3.6. If the raised shingle beach were to be denuded in the design storm (0.5% AEP 70<sup>th</sup> percentile), the sea level would be 5.25m AOD before it could progress inland as shown in Table 7.2 above and flooding in Brighton Road would not occur until after 2095. The existing ground floor level would be 0.27m above the flood level.
- 8.3.7. In a 0.1% AEP 95<sup>th</sup> percentile event, a breach in the shingle beach flood defence could potentially result in flooding of the ground floor of the building to a depth of 300mm, but only after 2070. Prior to this date the sea level would not exceed the ground floor level.

## 9.0 THE EXCEPTION TEST

### 9.1 The Exception Test

9.1.1. The NPPF states at paragraph 160 that, for the Exception Test to be passed, it should be demonstrated that:

- the development would provide wider sustainability benefits to the community that outweigh flood risk; and
- the development will be safe for its lifetime, taking into account of the vulnerability of its users, without increasing flood risk elsewhere, and, where possible, will reduce flood risk overall.

9.1.2. The development is in a sustainable location with local amenities and transport links within walking distance. It will provide much needed housing accommodation in Worthing and it is therefore considered that, given the relative finished floor level of the loft conversion floor and future sea levels, the risks of flooding are outweighed by the benefits that the development will bring to the local area. It therefore is considered that the development passes this part of the test.

9.1.3. Provided that future sea level rise is not significantly more than current predictions, the flood risk management recommendations in section 8.0 will ensure the development will be safe for its lifetime; and as the development will have no effect on flood levels, there will be no increase in flood risk elsewhere. Accordingly, it is considered that the proposed change of use passes the second part of the Exception test.

## 10.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 10.1 Conclusions

10.1.1. The use of the proposed loft conversion for residential accommodation places the site in the 'More Vulnerable' category, in accordance with Annex 3 of the NPPF.

10.1.2. The site is in flood zone 3, but is protected by high ground between it and the sea which reduces the annual probability of the sea front being exceeded to less than 0.1% in the present day. Predicted sea levels in the future do not exceed the minimum sea front level until after

2082 in the 0.5% AEP\_95<sup>th</sup> percentile event and not until after 2070 in the 0.1% AEP\_95<sup>th</sup> percentile event.

- 10.1.3. The estimated existing ground floor level is 0.27m above the 0.5% AEP\_70<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124 but 0.11m below the 0.5% AEP\_95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124.
- 10.1.4. The estimated existing ground floor level is 0.08m above the 0.1% AEP\_70<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124 but 0.3m below the 0.1% AEP\_95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124. The finished floor level of the loft conversion would be at least 10.72m AOD, which is 4.90m above the 0.1% AEP 95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level in 2124.
- 10.1.5. In the event of overtopping or breach of the raised shingle beach, flooding in Brighton Road would not occur until after 2095 in the design event and not until after 2070 in a 0.1% AEP 95<sup>th</sup> percentile sea level event.
- 10.1.6. The site is at a 'very low' risk of surface water (pluvial) flooding, but there is a high risk of shallow overland flow in Brighton Road.
- 10.1.7. The risks of sewer flooding and groundwater flooding are assessed to be low.
- 10.1.8. The site is not at risk from an uncontrolled release of water from reservoirs or canals.
- 10.1.9. Climate change is predicted to increase sea levels by up to 1.47m during the lifetime of the development. The effect of climate change on peak rainfall intensity is predicted to be up to 45% during the lifetime of the development. This will increase the frequency and extent of surface water flooding in the area.
- 10.1.10. Provided that the flood risk management recommendations in section 8 of this report are implemented, the development will be safe for its lifetime. The development is in a sustainable location and contributes to the need for housing accommodation for people in Worthing. It is therefore considered that the risks of flooding are outweighed by the need for housing accommodation of the type provided by the development. Accordingly, it is considered that the change of use passes the Exception Test.

## 10.2 Recommendations

- 10.2.1. It is recommended that the flood risk management measures stated in section 8 of this report are implemented when required in the future.

## 11.0 REFERENCES

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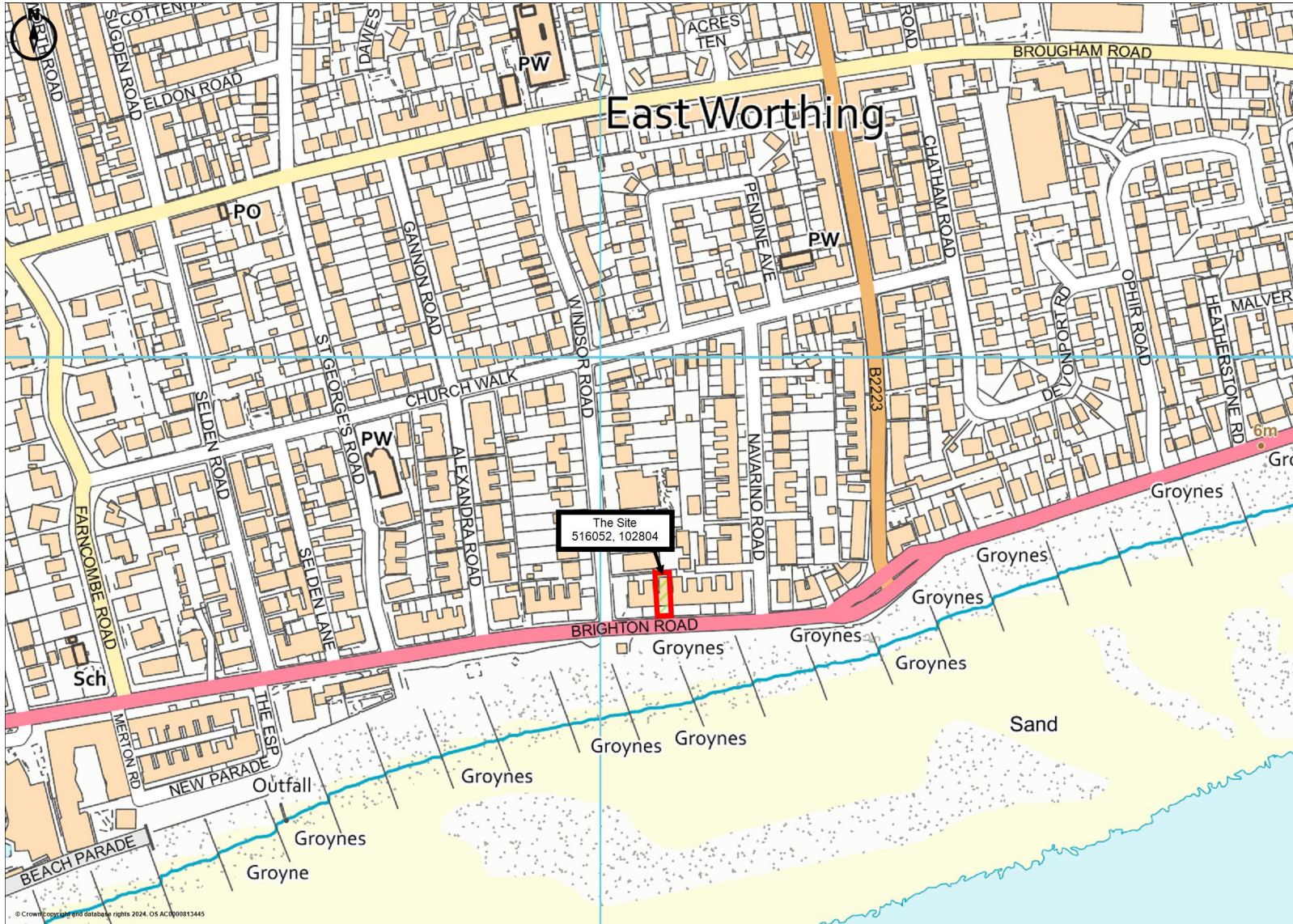
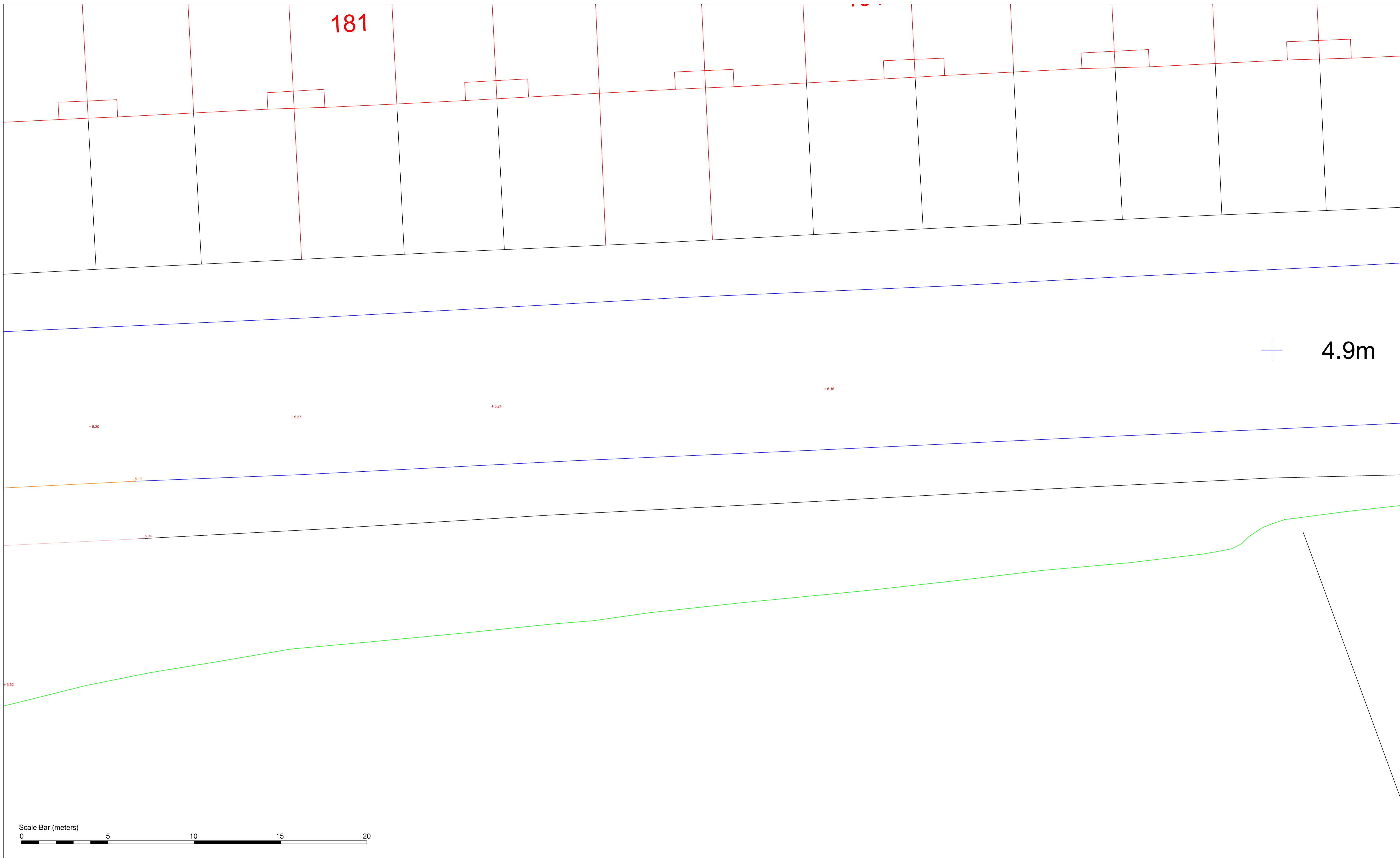


Figure 1: Location Plan

## **APPENDIX A**

### **Topographical Survey Plan**





**NOTES**  
 SURVEY IS BASED ON OS GRID SYSTEM  
 ORIGINATING FROM STATION 1  
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Every effort has been made to survey the area as indicated. Where detail is inaccessible or obscured from view it has been deemed unable to survey.

**LAYER INFORMATION**

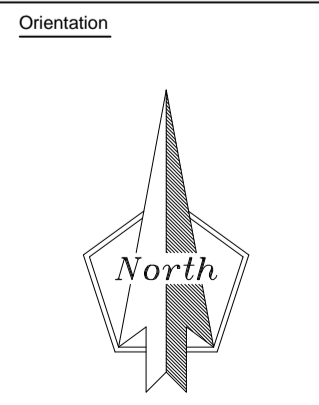
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Edge of Road	Red line
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Fence	Black line
Gully	Black line
Hedge	Black line
Man holes & Flow	Black line
Overhead Cables	Black line
Road Markings	Black line
Rooflines	Black line
Sign Post	Black line
Spot Levels	Black line
Top and Back of Kerb	Black line
Tree	Black line
Unexcavated Structure	Black line
Wall	Black line

**Line types and Symbols**

Building Lines	100.40	Garden Line	Scrub Line	Road Markings	Hedge Line
Rooflines	100.40	Gullies / Waste Water	Man holes & Flow	Walls	Steps
Top & Back of Kerb	100.40	Edge of Road	Trees	Plant	Gates
Edge of Surface / Footpath	100.40	Edge of Concrete	Spot Levels		
Edge of Road	100.40	Fence / Handrail			
Edge of Concrete	100.40	Overhead Cables			
Top of bank	100.40				
Bottom of bank	100.40				

**Control Stations**

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SW2	102826.855	5.464		HELVIAUL
SW3	102826.855	5.464		HELVIAUL



Rev.	Date	Description

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Drawing Title: **Topographical Survey P3/5**

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Date: **07/09/23**

Drawn: **MB**

Checked: **SE**

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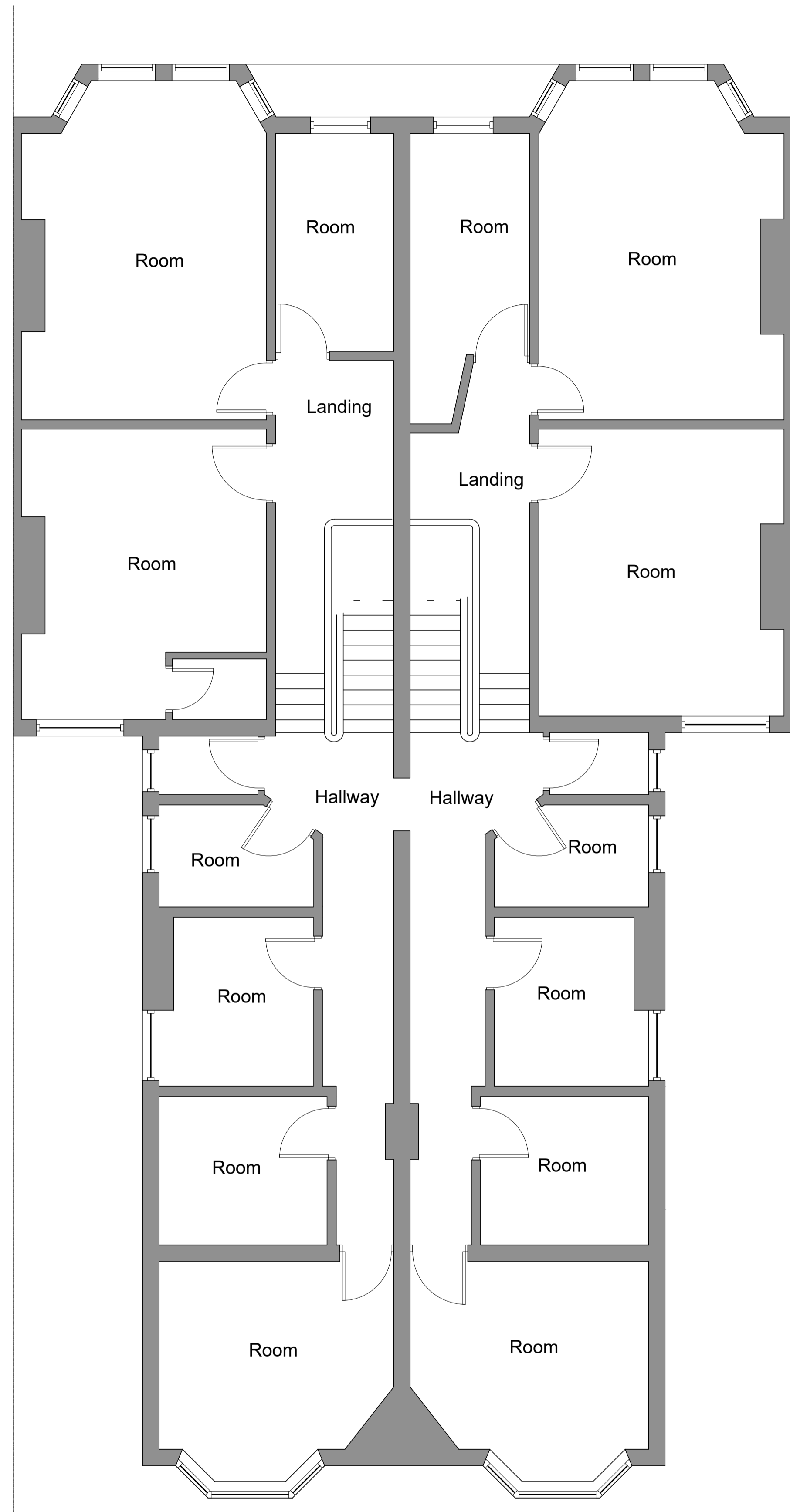
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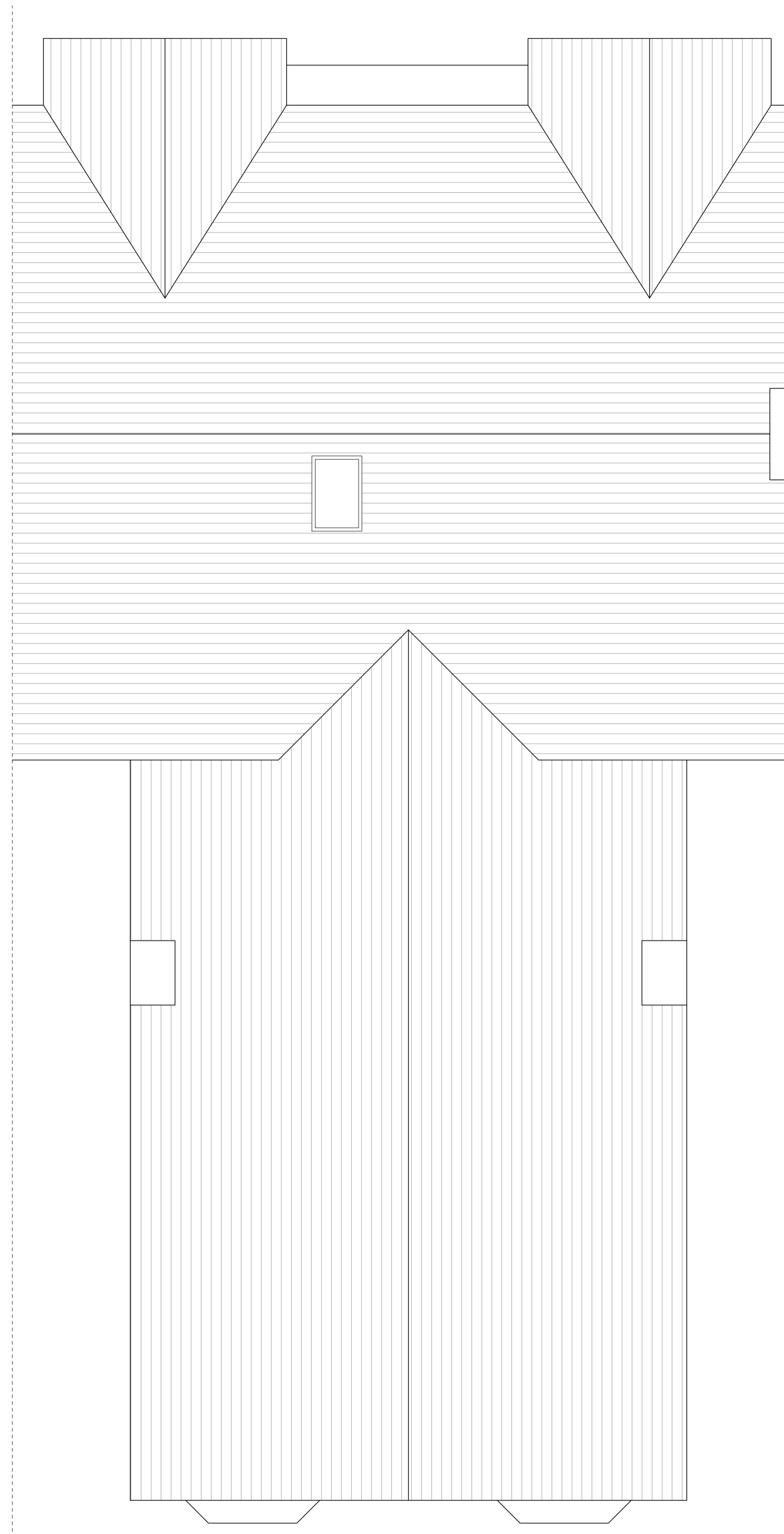
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## **APPENDIX B**

### **Development plans**

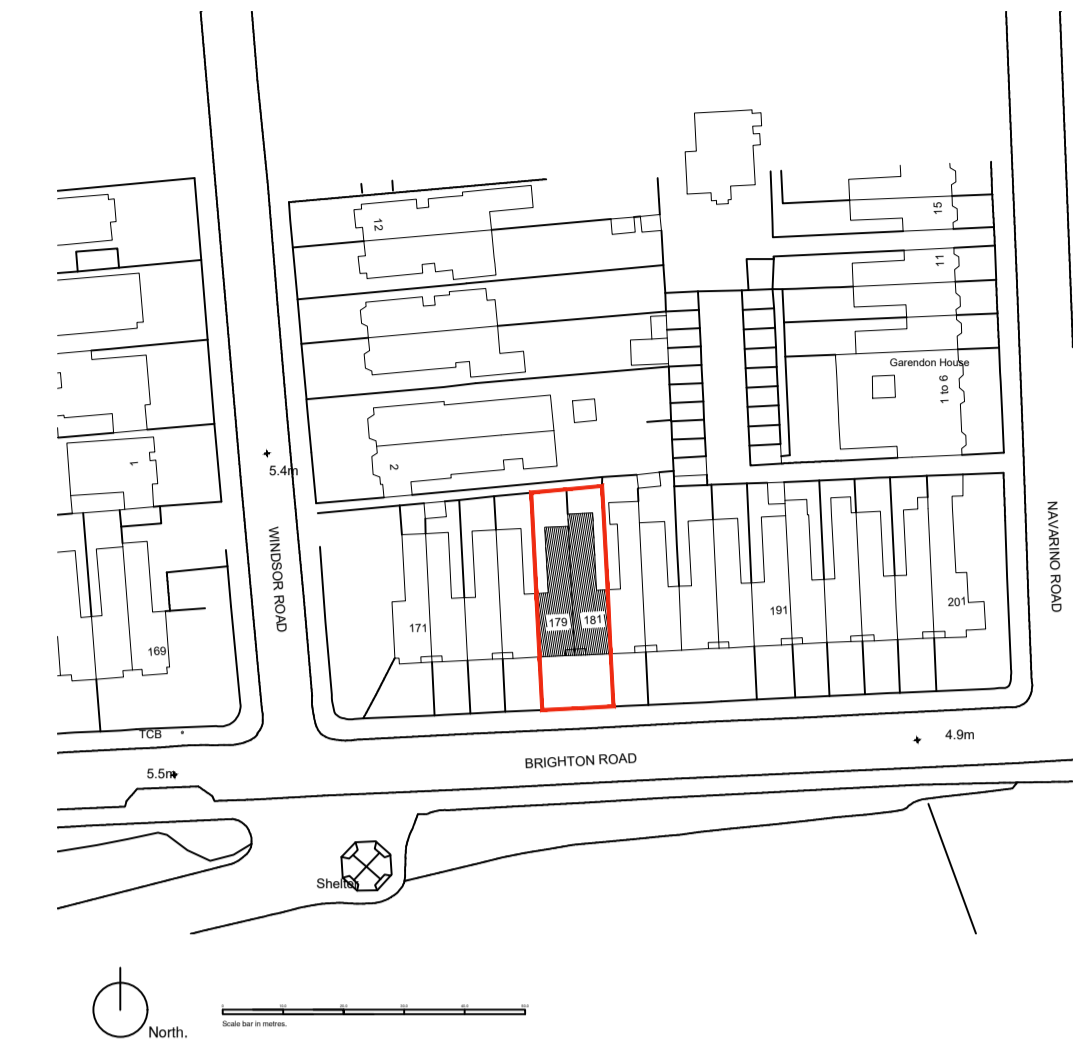


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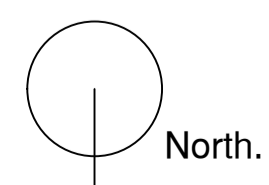


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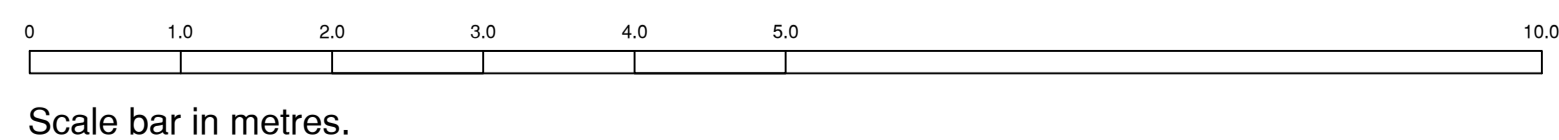
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  3. Building Regulations compliance is the responsibility of the contractor.



Location Plan 1:1250



North.



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Drawing Ref  
**Existing Floor Plans  
and Location Plan**

Project  
**Wolsey Hotel, Worthing  
Proposed Loft Conversion**

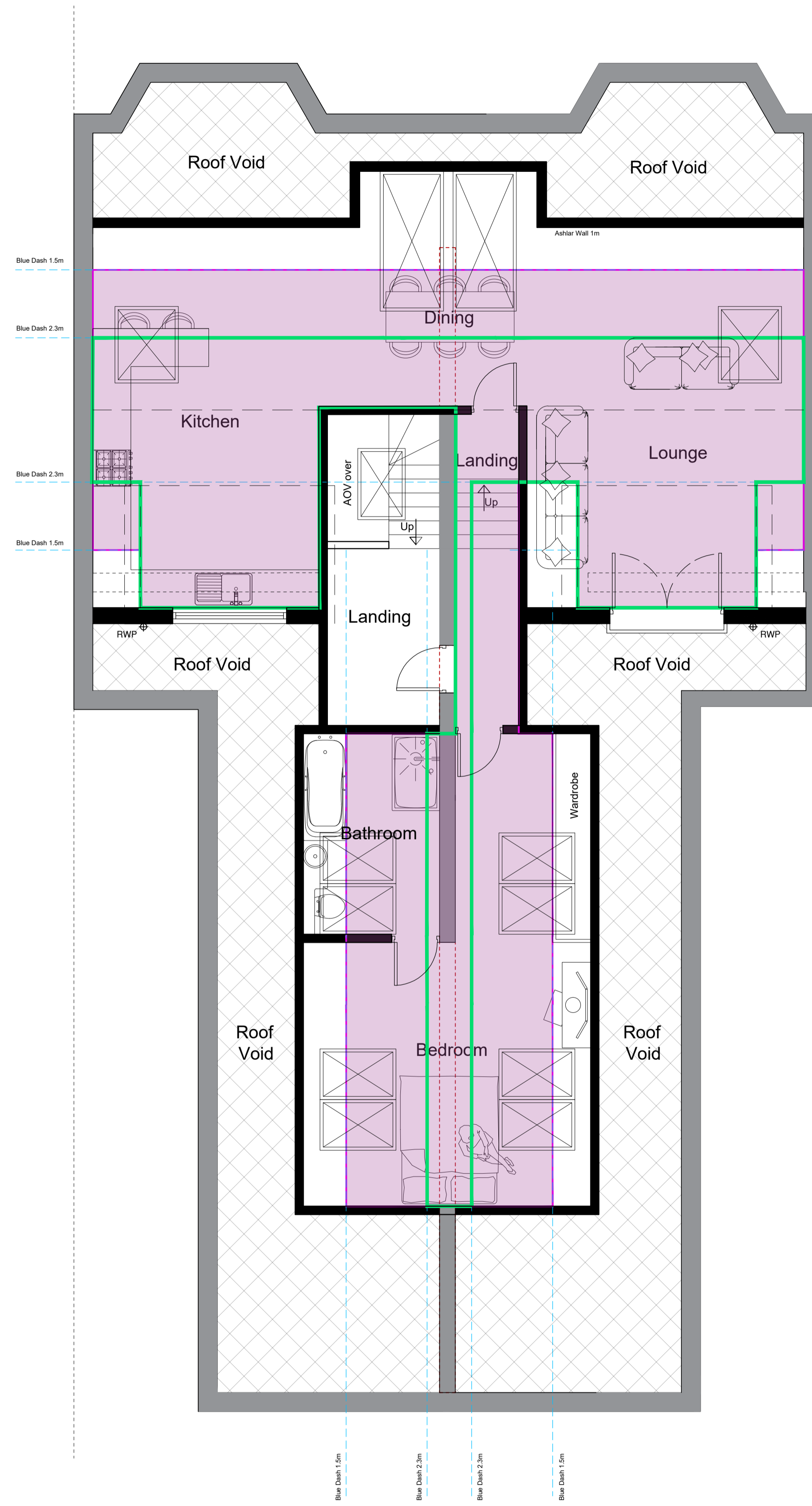
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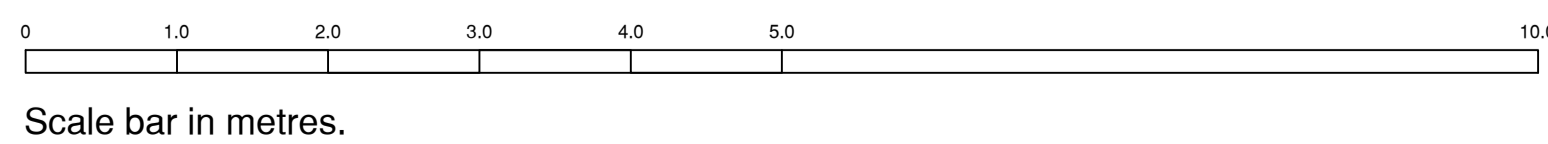
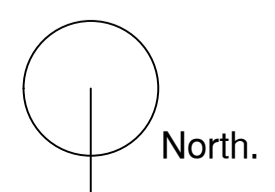
**Key - Areas**

Area above 2.3m  
 Total: 40.5m<sup>2</sup>

Total Floor Area Over  
 1.5m: 76m<sup>2</sup>



Proposed Second Floor Plan 1:50



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**Planning**

Drawing Ref  
**Proposed Floor Plan Areas**

Project  
**Wolsey Hotel, Worthing**  
**Proposed Loft Conversion**

Project No	Drawing No	Rev	
WH01	200		
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## **APPENDIX C**

### **Flood Map for Planning**

# Flood map for planning

Your reference  
<Unspecified>

Location (easting/northing)  
516052/102808

Created  
12 Aug 2024 9:02

**Your selected location is in flood zone 3, an area with a high probability of flooding.**

## This means:

- you must complete a flood risk assessment for development in this area
- you should follow the Environment Agency's standing advice for carrying out a flood risk assessment (see [www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-assessment-standing-advice](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-assessment-standing-advice))

## Notes

The flood map for planning shows river and sea flooding data only. It doesn't include other sources of flooding. It is for use in development planning and flood risk assessments.

This information relates to the selected location and is not specific to any property within it. The map is updated regularly and is correct at the time of printing.

Flood risk data is covered by the Open Government Licence which sets out the terms and conditions for using government data. <https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/version/3/>

Use of the address and mapping data is subject to Ordnance Survey public viewing terms under Crown copyright and database rights 2022 OS 100024198. <https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/os-terms>

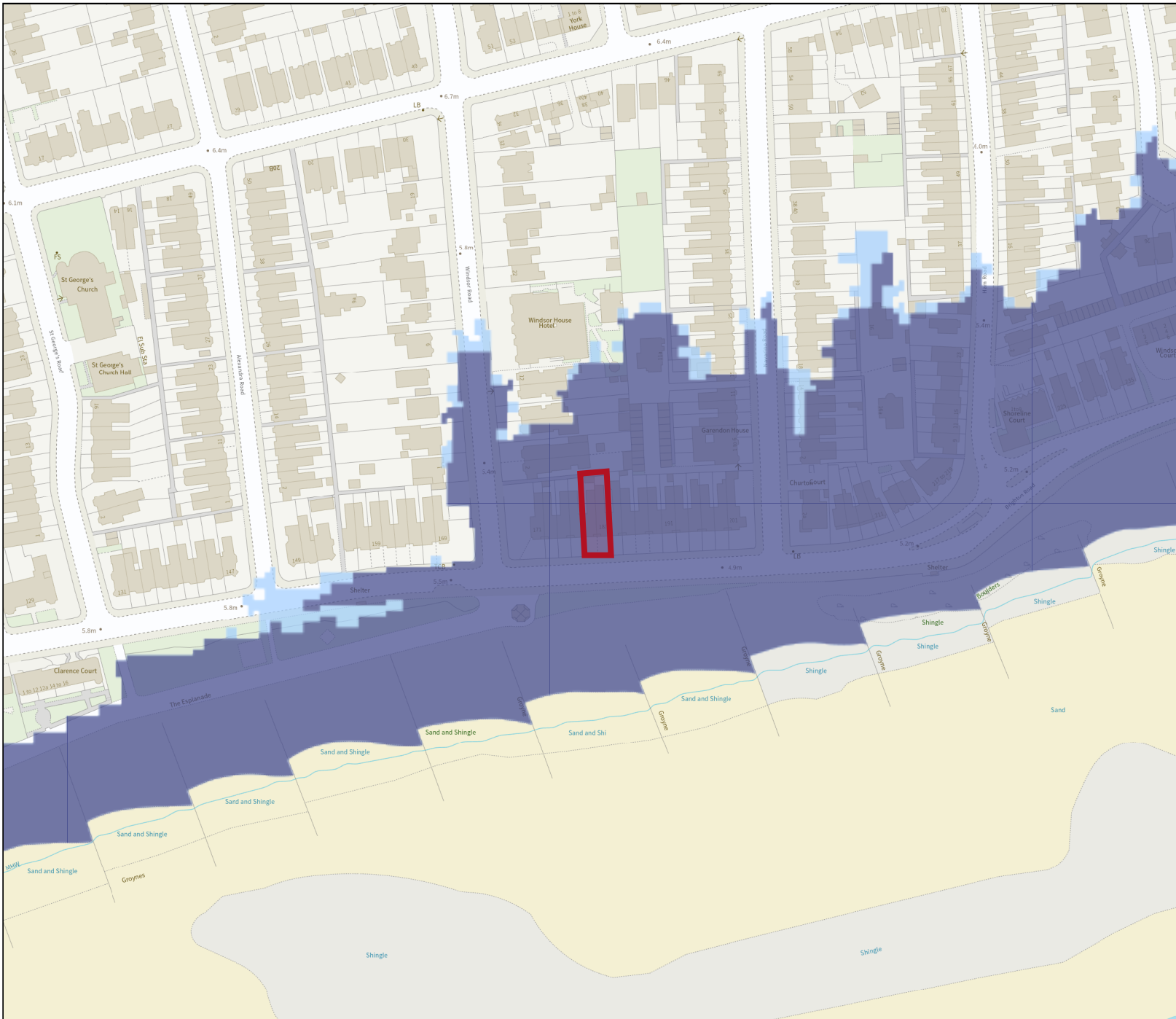
## Flood map for planning



Your reference  
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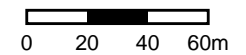
Location (easting/northing)  
**516052/102808**

Scale  
**1:2500**

Created  
**12 Aug 2024 9:02**



-  Selected area
-  Flood zone 3
-  Flood zone 2
-  Flood zone 1
-  Flood defence
-  Main river
-  Water storage area



## **APPENDIX D**

### **Environment Agency flood data**

## John O'Connor

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**From:** PSO West Sussex <PSOWestSussex@environment-agency.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** 29 September 2023 14:41  
**To:** john@jocconsultants.co.uk  
**Cc:** SSD Enquiries  
**Subject:** RE: SSD327216 - Product 4 & 8 Data - 6 Windsor Road, Worthing, BN11 2LX  
**Attachments:** Product 4 & 8 Data.zip

Dear John,

Thank you for your Product 4 & 8 data request for **6 Windsor Road, Worthing, BN11 2LX**. Please see the attached Product data.

Unfortunately we do not hold any breach/overtopping depth grid data for the Arun to Adur Coastal Modelling (2012).

For FRA and pre-planning advice please see attached 'FRA Advisory Text' and 'SSD Pre-app advice note September 2019'.

For information on flooding from other sources such as surface water please contact the Lead Local Flood Authority, West Sussex County Council.

Guidance on climate change allowances and how to use them in Flood Risk Assessments can be found [here](#).

For future reference, detailed flood information and maps can be viewed using the [Long Term Flood Risk Information](#) service and [Flood Map for Planning](#) service. Flood and Coastal Risk Management asset information, and details of all planned maintenance activities can be viewed using the [Asset Management](#) Service.

If you have any further queries about this request, please do not hesitate to contact us at [psowestsussex@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:psowestsussex@environment-agency.gov.uk).

Kind regards,

**Amy O'Donnell** (*she/her*)

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**Environment Agency** | Guildbourne House, Chatsworth Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 1LD

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**From:** John O'Connor <[john@jocconsultants.co.uk](mailto:john@jocconsultants.co.uk)>  
**Sent:** 01 September 2023 15:35  
**To:** SSD Enquiries <[SSDEnquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:SSDEnquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** 6 Windsor Road, Worthing, BN11 2LX

Good afternoon,

Please see our letter attached requesting flood data for the above site.

Kind regards,

John O'Connor  
Director

## **joc consultants ltd**

Park Farm House  
Leathley Lane  
Leathley  
Otley  
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John O'Connor  
JOC Consultants Ltd  
Park Farm House  
Leathley Lane  
Leathley  
Otley  
LS21 2JU

**Our ref:** SSD327216  
**Date:** 29/09/2023

Dear John O'Connor,

**Enquiry Regarding Product 4 for Flood Risk Assessment for 6 Windsor Road, Worthing, BN11 2LX.**

Thank you for your enquiry which was received on 01 September 2023.

We respond to requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Environmental Information Regulations 2004. The information is attached.

The information on Flood Zones in the area relating to this address is as follows:

**The site is in an area located within Flood Zones 1, 2 and 3 as shown on our Flood Map for Planning (Rivers and Sea).**

*Note - This information relates to the area that the above named property is in and is not specific to the property itself as it is influenced by factors such as the height of door steps, air bricks or the height of surrounding walls. We do not have access to this information and is not currently used in our flood modelling.*

Flood Zone definitions can be found at [www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-and-coastal-change#Table-1-Flood-Zones](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-and-coastal-change#Table-1-Flood-Zones)

**Flood Defences**

There are flood defences in the form of a sand and shingle beach. This frontage is maintained by the Local Authority.

**Model Information**

The model used was the Arun to Adur Coastal Modelling, completed by JBA Consulting in 2012.

**Flood History**

We hold no record of previous flooding events affecting this site.

Please note our records are not comprehensive and may not include all events. I recommend contacting the Lead Local Flood Authority, **West Sussex County Council** or the Local Authority, **Worthing District Council** for a more comprehensive flood history check.

[FRA advisory text](#)

Name	Product 4
Description	Detailed Flood Risk Assessment Map for <b>6 Windsor Road, Worthing, BN11 2LX.</b>
Licence	<a href="#">Open Government Licence</a>
Information Warnings	<p>The flood risk data provided is based on existing EA hydraulic models with an allowance for climate change. Please note the climate change allowances provided are not up to date. These were updated on 27 July 2021.</p> <p>You should refer to '<a href="#">Flood risk assessments: climate change allowances</a>' for the most up to date allowances. You will need to undertake further assessment of future flood risk using different allowances to ensure your assessment of future flood risk is based on best available evidence.</p>
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## Data Available Online

Many of our flood datasets are available online:

- Flood Map For Planning ([Flood Zone 2](#), [Flood Zone 3](#), [Flood Storage Areas](#), [Flood Defences](#), [Areas Benefiting from Defences](#))
- [Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea](#)
- [Historic Flood Map](#)
- [Current Flood Warnings](#)

Please get in touch if you have any further queries or contact us within two months if you'd like us to review the information we have sent.

Yours sincerely,

**Amy O'Donnell**

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**Environment Agency** | Guildbourne House, Chatsworth Road, Worthing, West  
Sussex, BN11 1LD

## **Use of Environment Agency Information for Flood Risk Assessments**

### **Important**

The Environment Agency are keen to work with partners to enable development which is resilient to flooding for its lifetime and provides wider benefits to communities. If you have requested this information to help inform a development proposal, then we recommend engaging with us as early as possible by using the pre-application form available from our website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pre-planning-application-enquiry-form-preliminary-opinion>

We recognise the value of early engagement in development planning decisions. This allows complex issues to be discussed, innovative solutions to be developed that both enables new development and protects existing communities. Such engagement can often avoid delays in the planning process following planning application submission, by reaching agreements up-front. We offer a charged pre-application advice service for applicants who wish to discuss a development proposal.

We can also provide a preliminary opinion for free which will identify environmental constraints related to our responsibilities including flooding, waste, land contamination, water quality, biodiversity, navigation, pollution, water resources, foul drainage or Environmental Impact Assessment.

In preparing your planning application submission, you should refer to the Environment Agency's Flood Risk Standing Advice and the Planning Practice Guidance for information about what flood risk assessment is needed for new development in the different Flood Zones. This information can be accessed via:

<https://www.gov.uk/flood-risk-assessment-standing-advice>  
<http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/>









You should also consult the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment or other relevant materials produced by your local planning authority.

You should note that:

1. Information supplied by the Environment Agency may be used to assist in producing a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) where one is required, but does not constitute such an assessment on its own.
2. This information covers flood risk from main rivers and the sea, and you will need to consider other potential sources of flooding, such as groundwater or surface water runoff. Information produced by the local planning authority referred to above may assist here.
3. Where a planning application requires an FRA and this is not submitted or is deficient, the Environment Agency may raise an objection.

Legend

Please see page 2 for asset symbology

-  Stilling Well
-  Water Baffles
-  Water Distribution Pipeline
-  Well
-  Stilling Well
-  Water Baffles
-  Water Distribution Pipeline
-  Well



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### Point Structures

- Borehole
- Central Pier
- Control Gate
- Debris Screen
- Draw Off Tower
- Fish or Eel Barrier
- Fish Pass
- Inspection Chamber
- Outfall
- Ramp
- Security Screen
- Slipway
- Steps
- Stilling Basin
- Vortex Flow Control

### Linear Structures

- Debris Boom
- In Channel Stoplogs
- Pier
- Weir
- Other type or not defined

### Defences

- Embankment
- Wall
- Flood Gate
- Demountable Defence
- Bridge Abutment
- Engineered High Ground
- Natural High Ground
- Cliff
- Promenade
- Quay
- Beach
- Barrier Beach
- Dunes
- Spillway

### Channels

- Open Channel
- Complex Culvert
- Simple Culvert

### Instruments

- CCTV Camera System
- Flood Warning System
- Gauge Board
- Instrumentation
- Piezometer
- Rain Gauge
- Telemetry System
- Other type or not defined

### Buildings and Compounds

- Control Building
- Gauging Station Building
- Pump House
- Storage Location
- Other type or not defined

### Channel Crossings

- Bridge
- Utility Services Crossing
- Other type or not defined

### Beach Structures

- Breakwater
- Groyne

### Land

- Water Storage Area
- Other type or not defined

### Point Aids to Navigation

- Beacon
- Buoy
- Dolphin
- Navigation Signage
- Other type or not defined

### Linear Aids to Navigation

- Navigation Boom
- Other type or not defined

# Modelled Flood Outlines (Defended Tidal). Centred BN11 2LX. Created 29/09/2023.

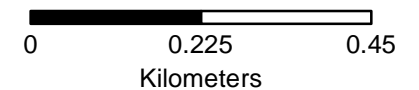


## Legend

- Site Boundary
- 0.5% AEP (2012) (Defended)
- 0.5% AEP (2070) (Defended)
- 0.5% AEP (2115) (Defended)
- 0.1% AEP (2012) (Defended)

Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) The probability of a flood of a particular magnitude, or greater occurring in any given year.

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# Modelled Flood Outlines (Undefended Tidal). Centred BN11 2LX. Created 29/09/2023.

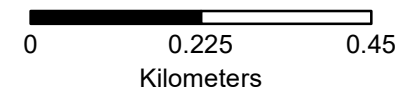


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-  Site Boundary
-  0.5% AEP (2012) (Undefended)
-  0.5% AEP (2070) (Undefended)
-  0.5% AEP (2115) (Undefended)
-  0.1% AEP (2012) (Undefended)

Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) The probability of a flood of a particular magnitude, or greater occurring in any given year.

Scale: 1:10,000



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1%






0.1%



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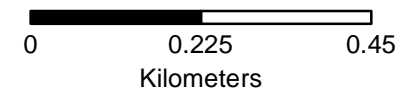


**Legend**

-  Site Boundary
-  Very Low Hazard
-  Danger for some - Includes children, the elderly and infirm
-  Danger for most - Includes the general public
-  Danger for all - Includes the emergency services

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Scale: 1:10,000



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## **APPENDIX E**

### **Extract from the 2017 River Arun Modelling Study Report: Table 2-1**

- 0.315 to take the 2016 levels to 2065 projections
- 0.739m to take the 2016 levels to 2115 projections

The design peak sea levels for all events considered in the study are provided in Table 2-1.

Event (AEP)	Littlehampton (mAOD)	Worthing (mAOD)
50%	3.48	3.65
20%	3.57	3.74
10%	3.64	3.81
5%	3.72	3.89
4%	3.74	3.91
3.30%	3.76	3.93
2%	3.82	3.99
1.30%	3.86	4.04
1%	3.89	4.07
1% + CC 2115	4.63	4.81
0.50%	3.98	4.16
0.5%+ CC 2115	4.72	4.90
0.10%	4.18	4.35
0.1% + CC 2115	4.92	5.09

Table 2-1: Peak extreme sea levels from CFB and UKCP09

### 2.2.2 Wave overtopping

As part of the 2012 Arun to Adur modelling study conducted by JBA, wave overtopping rates were determined along the coastline. The methodology is discussed in detail in the original report<sup>2</sup> and is therefore only summarised here. It involved:

- Wave transformation modelling of representative offshore events;
- Determination of wave overtopping rates using EurOtop methods;
- Determination of AEP for overtopping rates.

From the previous study overtopping hydrographs were estimated for the 20%, 5%, 1.33%, 1% 0.5%, 0.5% + CC and 0.1% + CC AEP events. To develop overtopping hydrographs for the additional events in this study, these data were used as a means of interpolation using the following procedure.

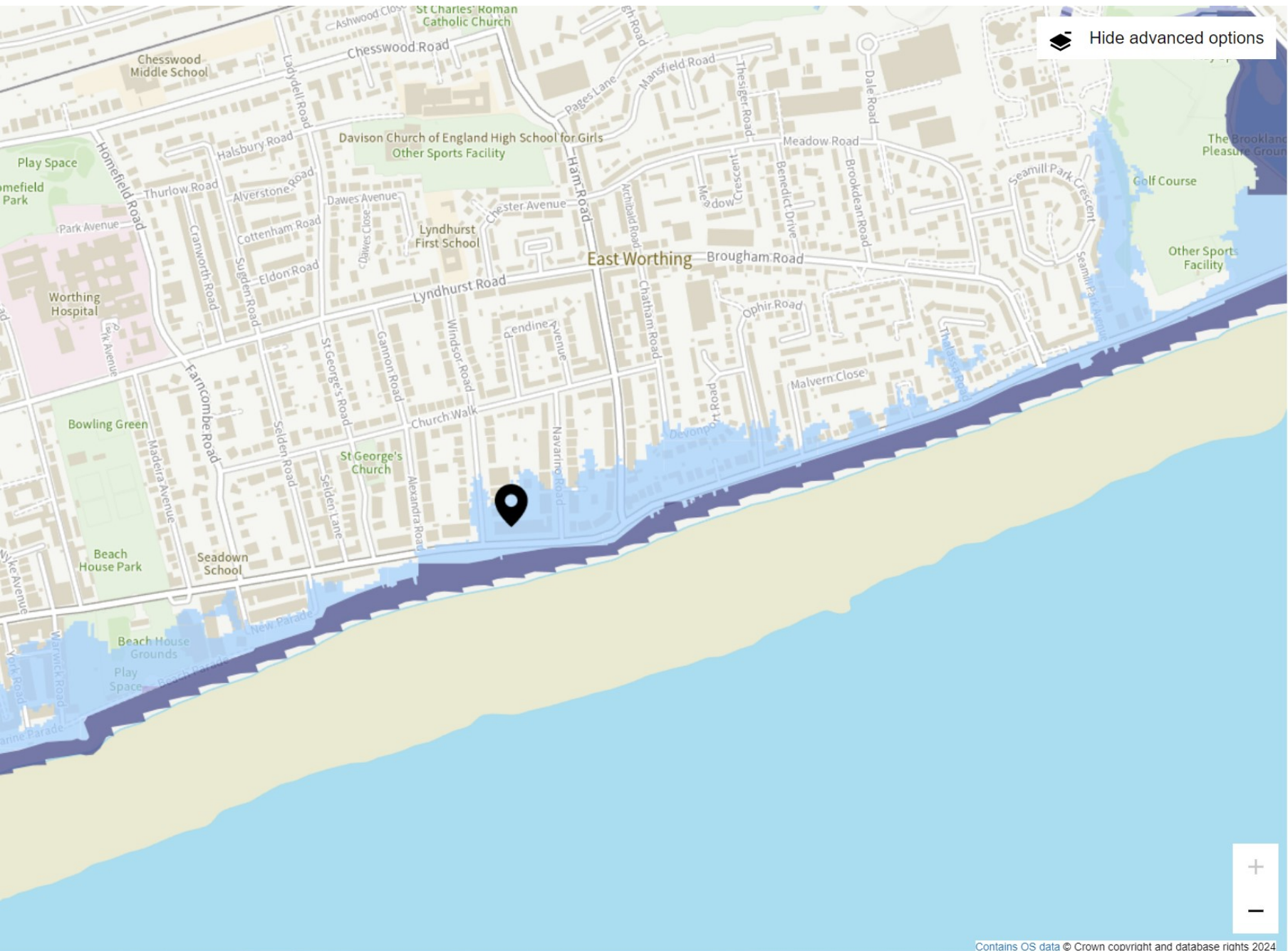
- Fit equation to 2012 peak overtopping rates;
- Interpolate peak rates for additional events;
- Scale existing hydrographs based on interpolated peak.

An example of an estimation of the 2% overtopping hydrograph is provided in Figure 2-4 and Figure 2-5.

The equation used for interpolation was determined by assessing the fit of the relevant equations available in Microsoft Excel. The best-fit to the existing peak data was then use to estimate the peak overtopping rates for the additional events.

## **APPENDIX F**

### **Fluvial and tidal risk map**



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**Key**

**Surface water**

- Extent
- Depth
- Velocity

**Rivers and the sea**

- Extent
- High risk  
More than 3.3% chance each year
- Medium risk  
Between 1% and 3.3% chance each year
- Low risk  
Between 0.1% and 1% chance each year
- Very low risk  
Less than 0.1% chance each year

**Reservoirs**

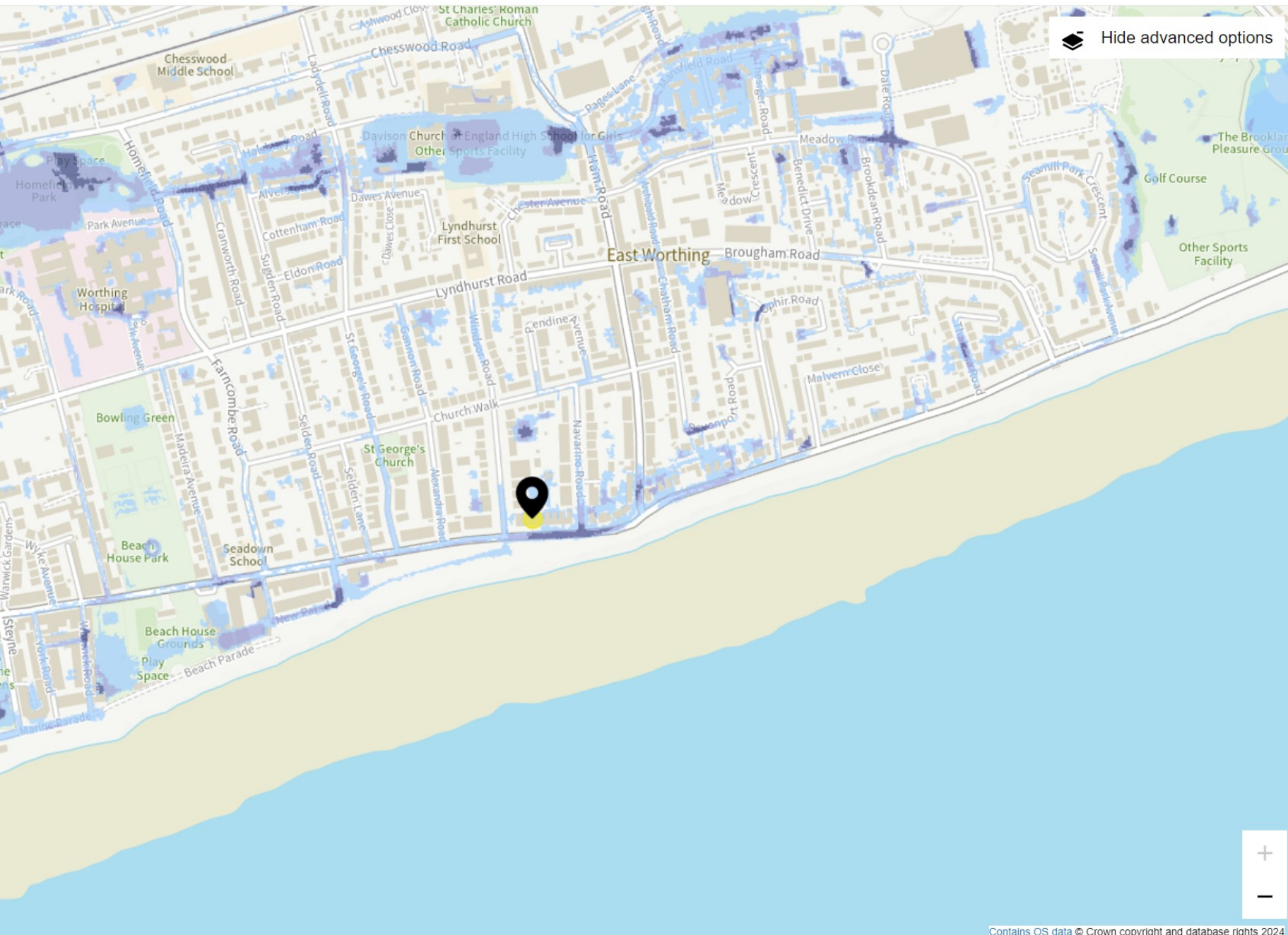
- Extent

**Map details**

- Show flooding
- Selected address

## **APPENDIX G**

### **Surface water flood maps**



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### Key

- Extent
- High risk  
More than 3.3% chance each year
- Medium risk  
Between 1% and 3.3% chance each year
- Low risk  
Between 0.1% and 1% chance each year
- Depth
- Velocity

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### Rivers and the sea

- Extent

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### Reservoirs

- Extent

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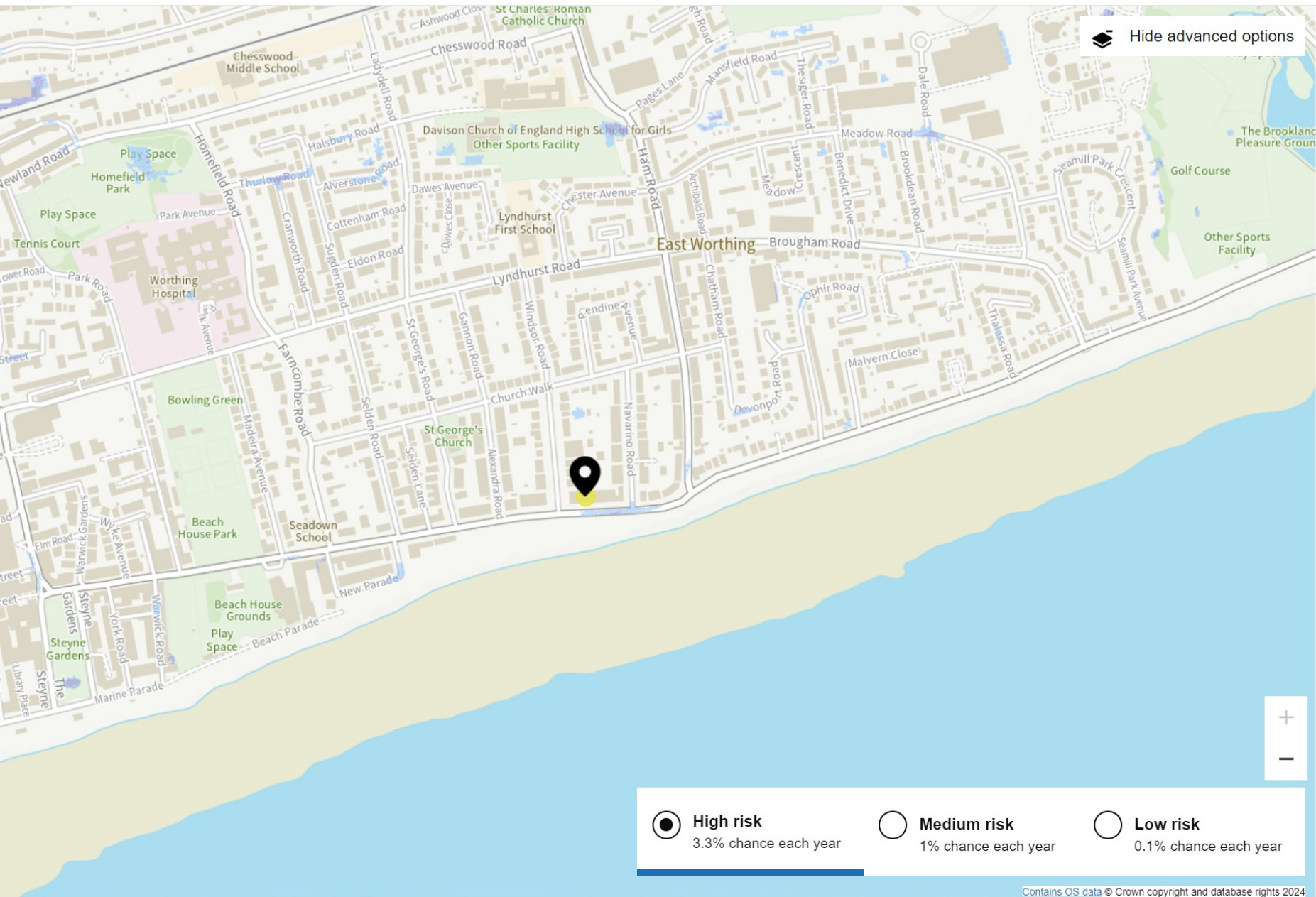
### Map details

- Show flooding
- Selected address
- 15m boundary

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Pause to updates of flood risk data

We have [paused updates to](#)



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**Key**

**Surface water**

- Extent
- Depth
  - Above 90cm
  - 30cm to 90cm
  - Below 30cm
- Velocity

**Rivers and the sea**

- Extent

**Reservoirs**

- Extent

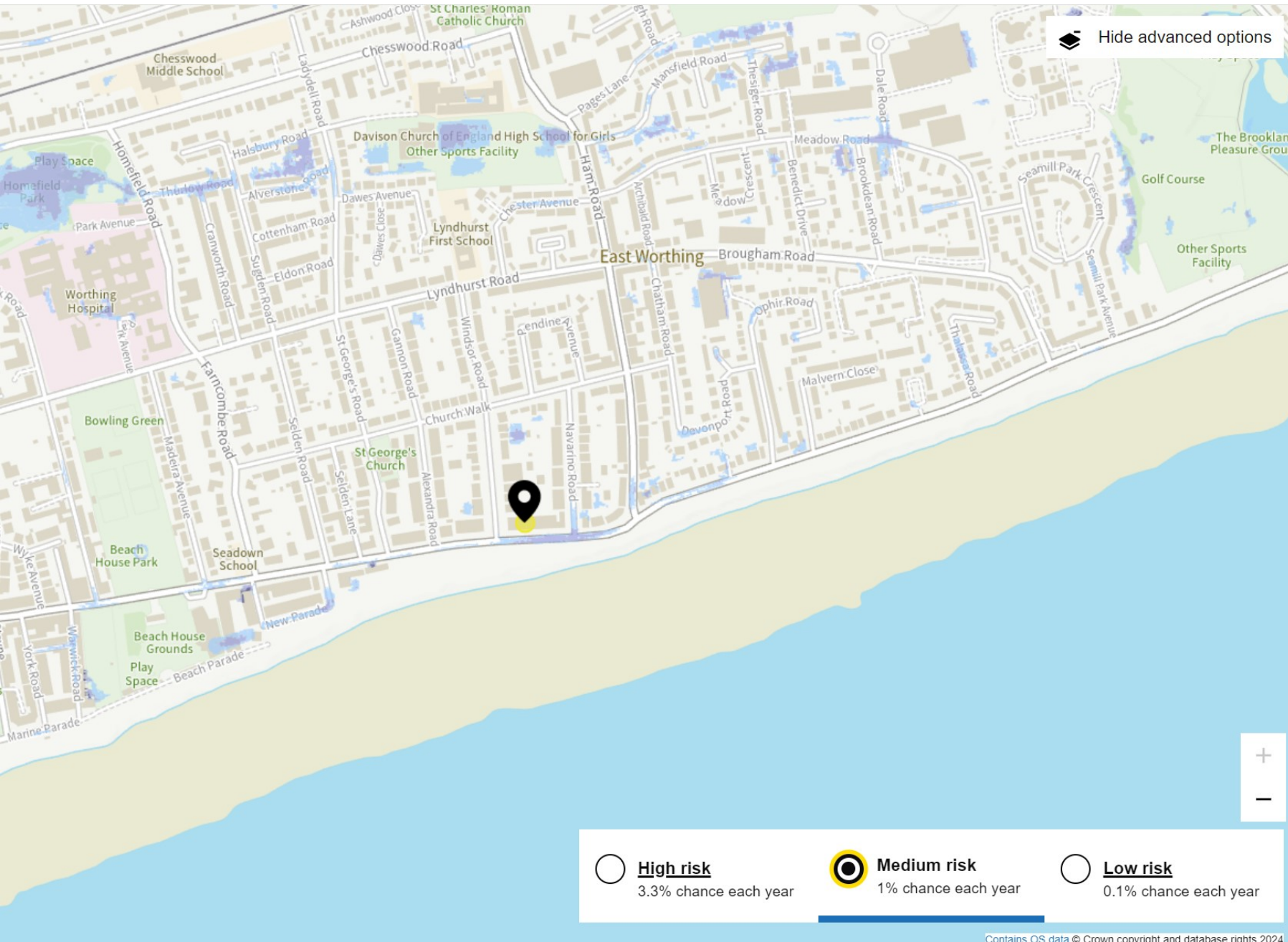
**Map details**

- Show flooding
- Selected address
- 15m boundary

**Pause to updates of flood risk data**

We have [paused updates to information about flood risk](#) from rivers and the sea and surface water while we get ready for new data.

- High risk**  
3.3% chance each year
- Medium risk**  
1% chance each year
- Low risk**  
0.1% chance each year



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**Key**

**Surface water**

- Extent
- Depth
  - Above 90cm
  - 30cm to 90cm
  - Below 30cm
- Velocity

**Rivers and the sea**

- Extent

**Reservoirs**

- Extent

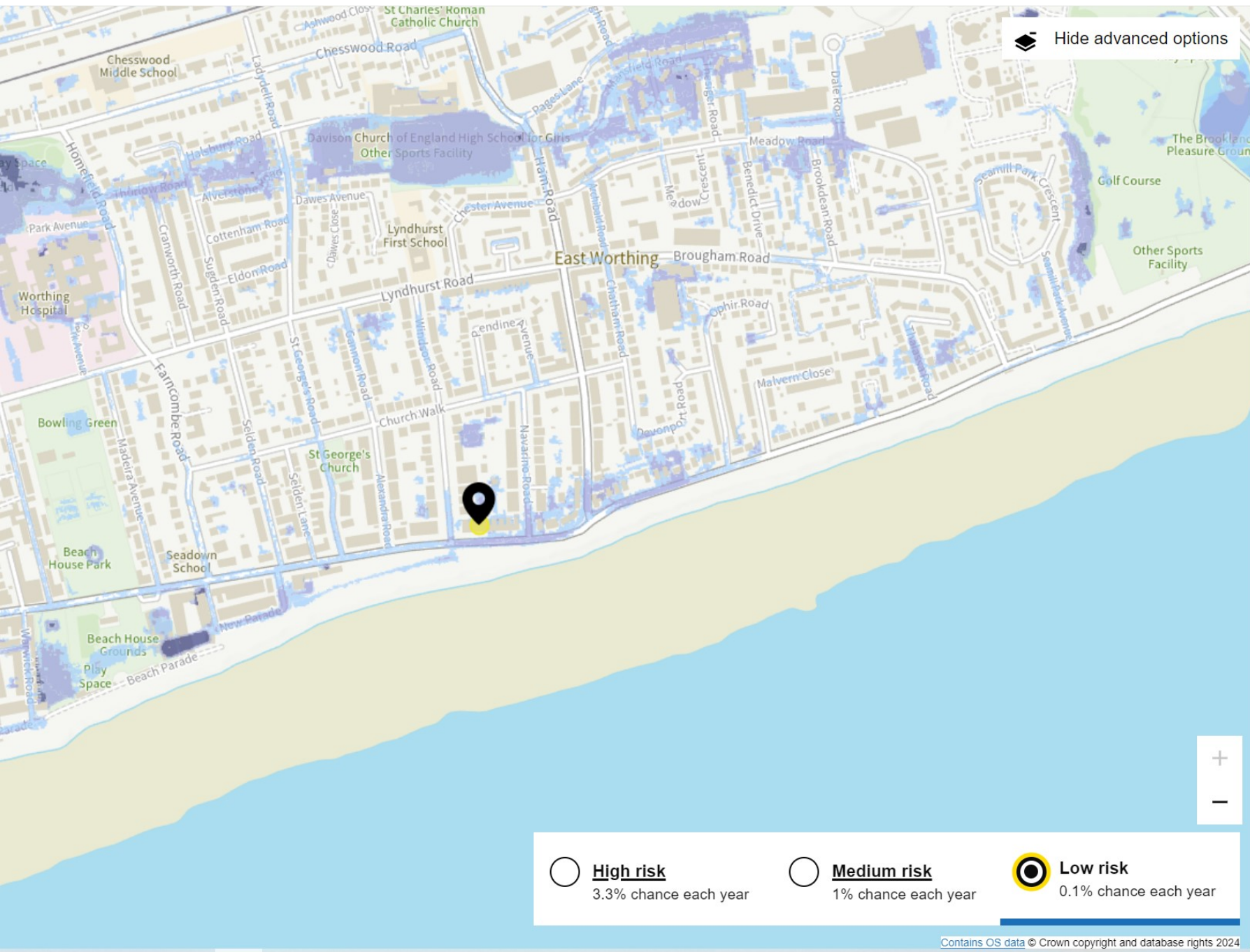
**Map details**

- Show flooding
- Selected address
- 15m boundary

**Pause to updates of flood risk data**

We have [paused updates to information about flood risk](#) from rivers and the sea and surface water while we get ready for new data.

**High risk**  
3.3% chance each year
  **Medium risk**  
1% chance each year
  **Low risk**  
0.1% chance each year



Hide advanced options

**Key**

- Surface water**
- Extent
  - Depth
    - Above 90cm
    - 30cm to 90cm
    - Below 30cm

Velocity

**Rivers and the sea**

Extent

**Reservoirs**

Extent

**Map details**

- Show flooding
- Selected address
  - 15m boundary

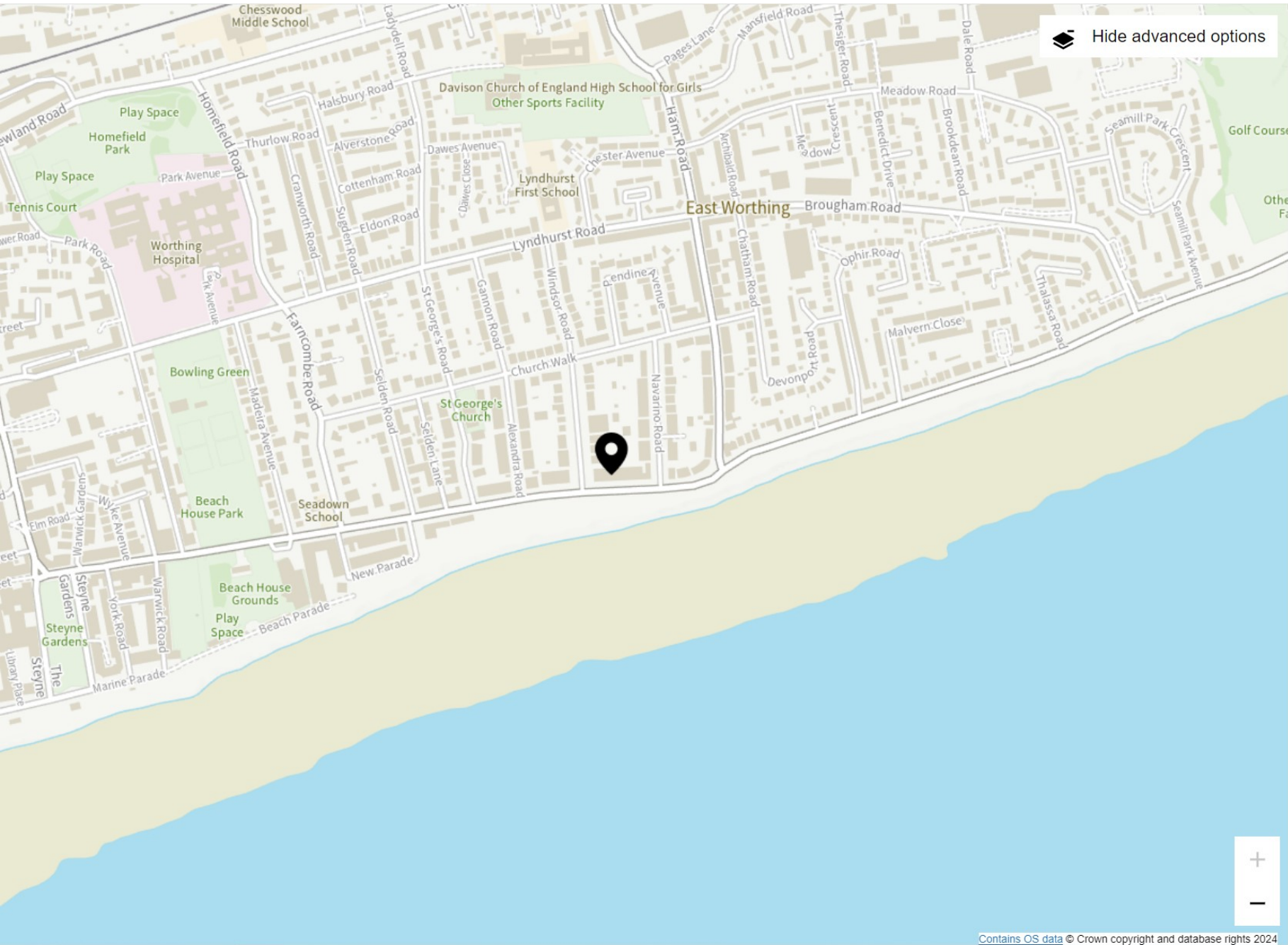
**Pause to updates of flood risk data**

We have [paused updates to information about flood risk](#) from rivers and the sea and surface water while we get ready for new data.

**High risk**  
3.3% chance each year
  **Medium risk**  
1% chance each year
  **Low risk**  
0.1% chance each year

## **APPENDIX H**

### **Reservoirs flood map**



Hide advanced options

### Key

- Surface water**
- Extent
  - Depth
  - Velocity

- Rivers and the sea**
- Extent

- Reservoirs**
- Extent
  - When river levels are normal
  - When there is also flooding from rivers

- Map details**
- Show flooding
  - Selected address

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