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Figure 3

On 13th August 2020 (planning ref: 19/6686/ FUL) Barnet Council granted the site change of use as a City Farm with educational farming, including erection of an animal shelter, raised planters, chicken coops, beehives, new paths and pedestrian access and associated alterations to landscaping. This permission did not include any built elements on the site except for 2 chicken coops and an animal shelter.

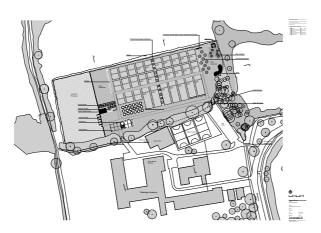


View of the raised beds looking east across the site

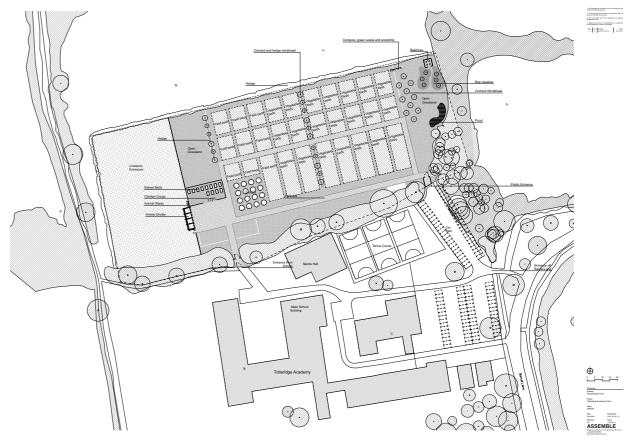
Figure 4

In preparation for this planning application the project team investigated different options for a new Classroom building and Barn, both necessary to allow the farm to function as a farm and educational resource throughout the year and to allow the seperation of classes of children and groups of volunteers. The option on the right shows a new classroom building and open sided field shelter. The roof of the classroom extends to provide cover for the associated activities of running the farm.

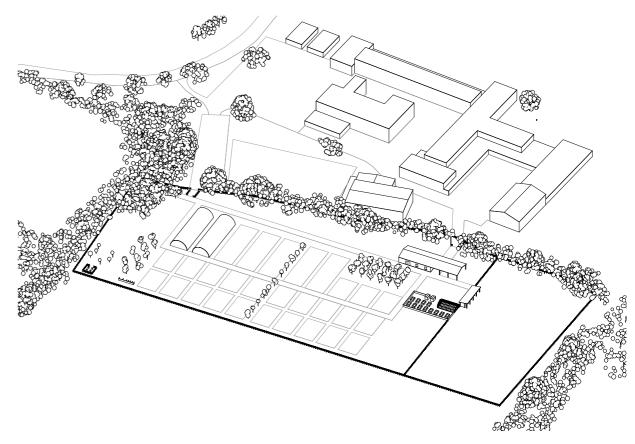
In massing and scale this has the overall effect of a much larger building than two separate buildings. Additionally it was discounted because it does not provide sufficient shelter for food packaging and storage, and other weathersensitive activities.



Plan showing one larger building on site



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