

Statement to support Certificate of Lawfulness Certificate application

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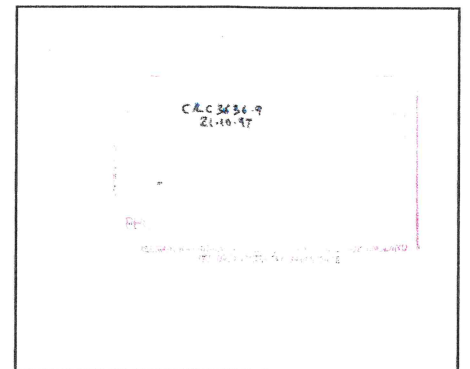
Retired - Managing Director Fountain Timber Products Ltd
(Employed Full time on site from 1967 – 2011)

The timber yard started life in 1967 as a processing plant for pit props for the Welsh coal mines. With the closure of the mines, I was employed in 1973 with the brief to find new markets using the existing skill and infrastructure.

I confirm the site outlined in red has been in use continuously by Fountain Forestry from 1967 until 1989 following the acquisition by Fountain Timber Products Ltd in 1989 for the manufacture and both trade and retail sale of timber of derived products, goods and associated tools, as part of its usual day to day operations

Over the next 38 years till my retirement in 2011. Apart from the plant and equipment, the site had a number of agricultural style buildings, some of which were demolished with the remaining being repaired and upgraded as required, but by and large on the existing footprint.

In 1995 we obtained a certificate of lawfulness (reference 95/2111/CLE). Although the site area used has expanded to accommodate additional storage and buildings, the type of uses (manufacturing, trade and retail sales) conducted at the site has been continuous and not changed or had any break since the issue of the 1995 certificate of lawfulness (reference 95/2111/CLE). The aerial photograph below, dated 21/10/1997 shows the whole of the site has been in use for at least 24 years



Additional buildings added to the site between 1973 and 2011, shown on the building plan (*Buildings identified on the attached plan and numbered 1 to 24*)

- Construction of round timber processing plant (Building 2)
- Construction of office block and car park (Building 17)
- Construction of wholesale unit (Part of building 9)
- Extension to offices (Building 17)
- New timber woodworking workshop (Building 9)
- Extension to existing workshop and new storage unit. (Building 9)

These changes were necessary to accommodate the development initially of agricultural stake manufacture and sale. And later, the introduction of new products like, gates, sheds, timber decking which not only allowed us to serve the agricultural market but also benefit from a growing gardening and landscaping market developed by TV programmes such as Grand Designs with Alan Titchmarsh that introduced timber decking to the UK public.

My extensive knowledge of the site over the past 54 years is based on the following - I was employed initially as Depot Manager, then General Manager and for the final 23 years until 2011 as Managing Director. Since my retirement, I visit the site on average twice a week and take a keen interest in its activity as both a shareholder and immediate neighbour to the site.

I confirm to the best of my knowledge the detail above is accurate.

Signed

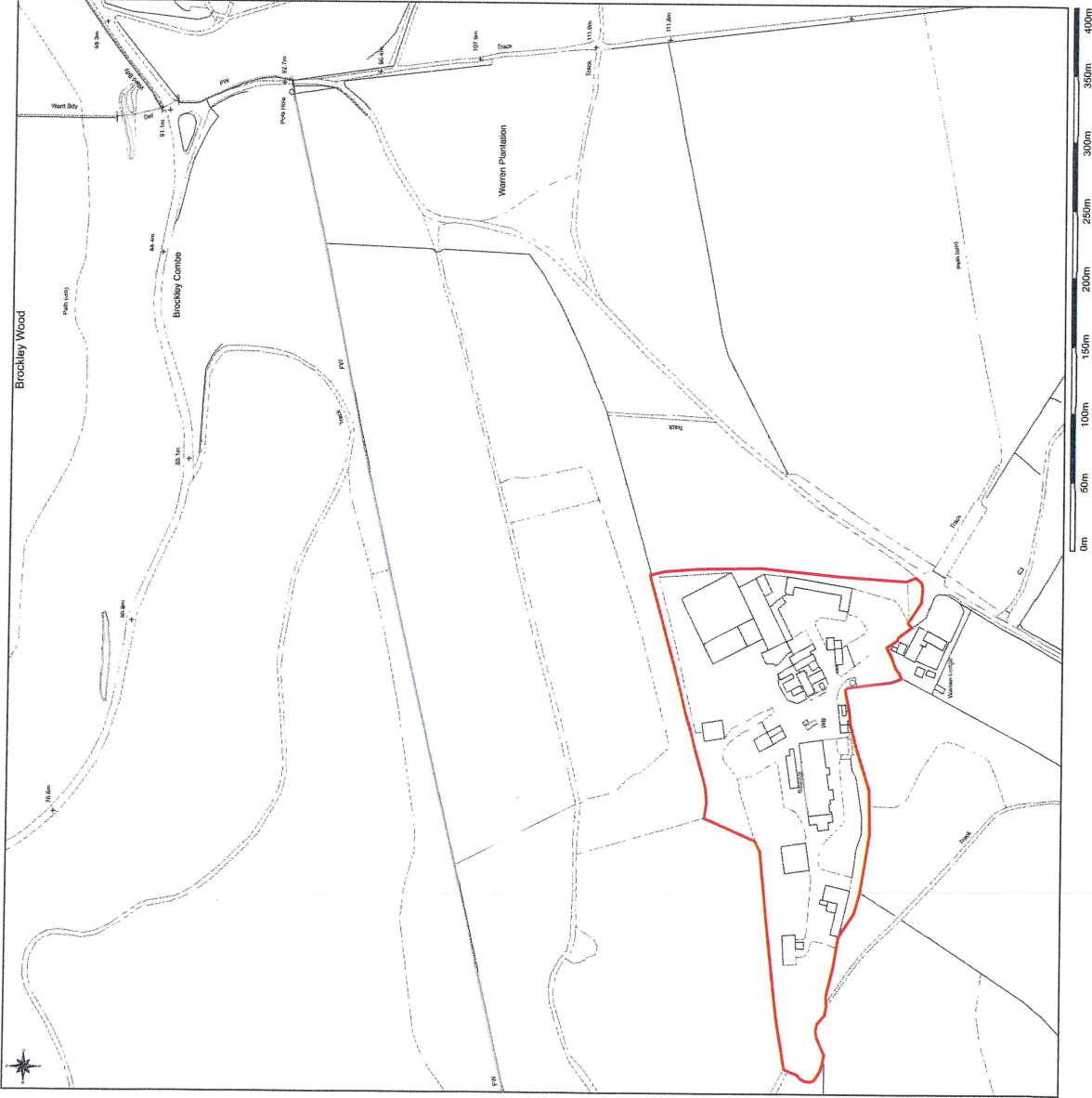
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Date 19th September 2021

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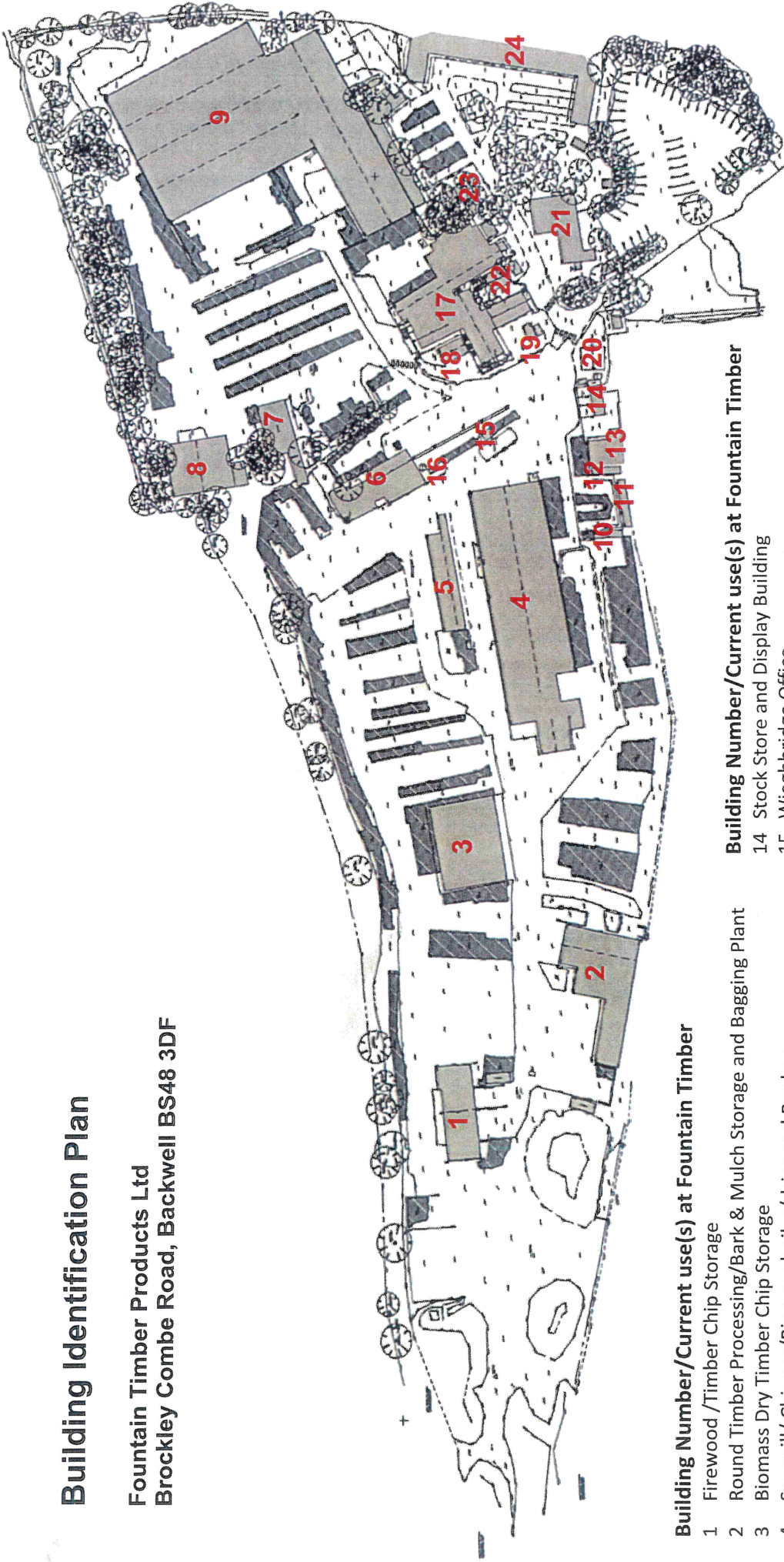
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Building Identification Plan

Fountain Timber Products Ltd
 Brockley Combe Road, Backwell BS48 3DF



Building Number/Current use(s) at Fountain Timber

- 1 Firewood /Timber Chip Storage
- 2 Round Timber Processing/Bark & Mulch Storage and Bagging Plant
- 3 Biomass Dry Timber Chip Storage
- 4 Sawmill/ Chipper/Biomass boiler/drier and Bunker
- 5 Drying Shed
- 6 Treatment Plant 1
- 7 Storage Containers x 3
- 8 Engineers workshop and stores
- 9 Warehouse + 2 x Workshops
- 10 Stock Store and Display Building
- 11 Stock Store and Display Building
- 12 Stock Store and Display Building
- 13 Mess hut/Toilets and open fronted Stock Store and display building

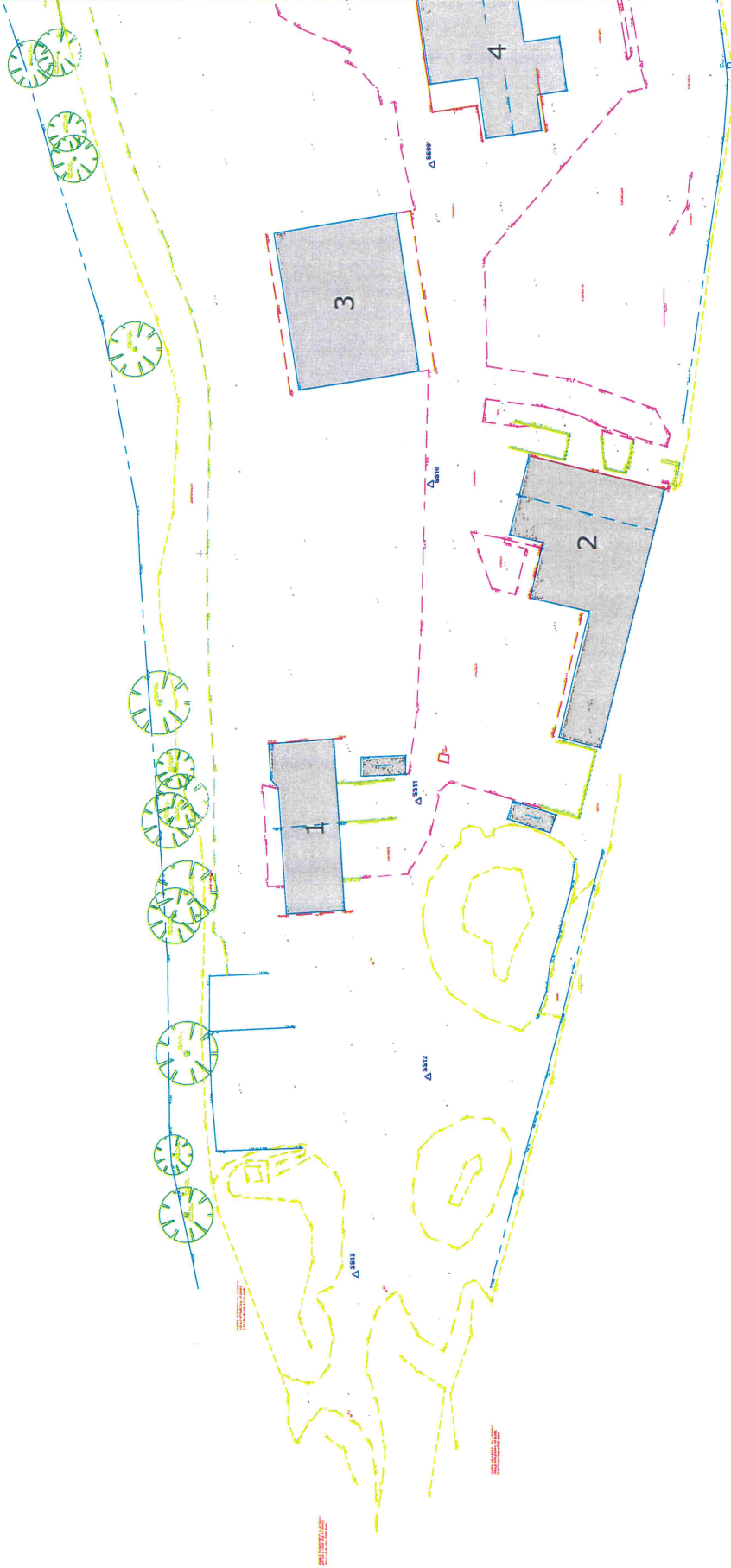
Building Number/Current use(s) at Fountain Timber

- 14 Stock Store and Display Building
- 15 Wiegbridge Office
- 16 Water Storage Tank
- 17 Main Offices/Trade Counter/Shop/Store and Timber treatment plant 2
- 18 Meeting Room
- 19 Meeter/Greeter Hut
- 20 Garage Canopy
- 21 Stock Store and Display Building
- 22 Garage Display/Store
- 23 Stock Store and Display Building
- 24 Stock Store and Display Building

Building number identification plan (page 1 of 3)

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Topographical Survey Sheet 1

Scale	Date	Author	Revised By
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Project Number: 1701547
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Project: UP
Surveyor: TW

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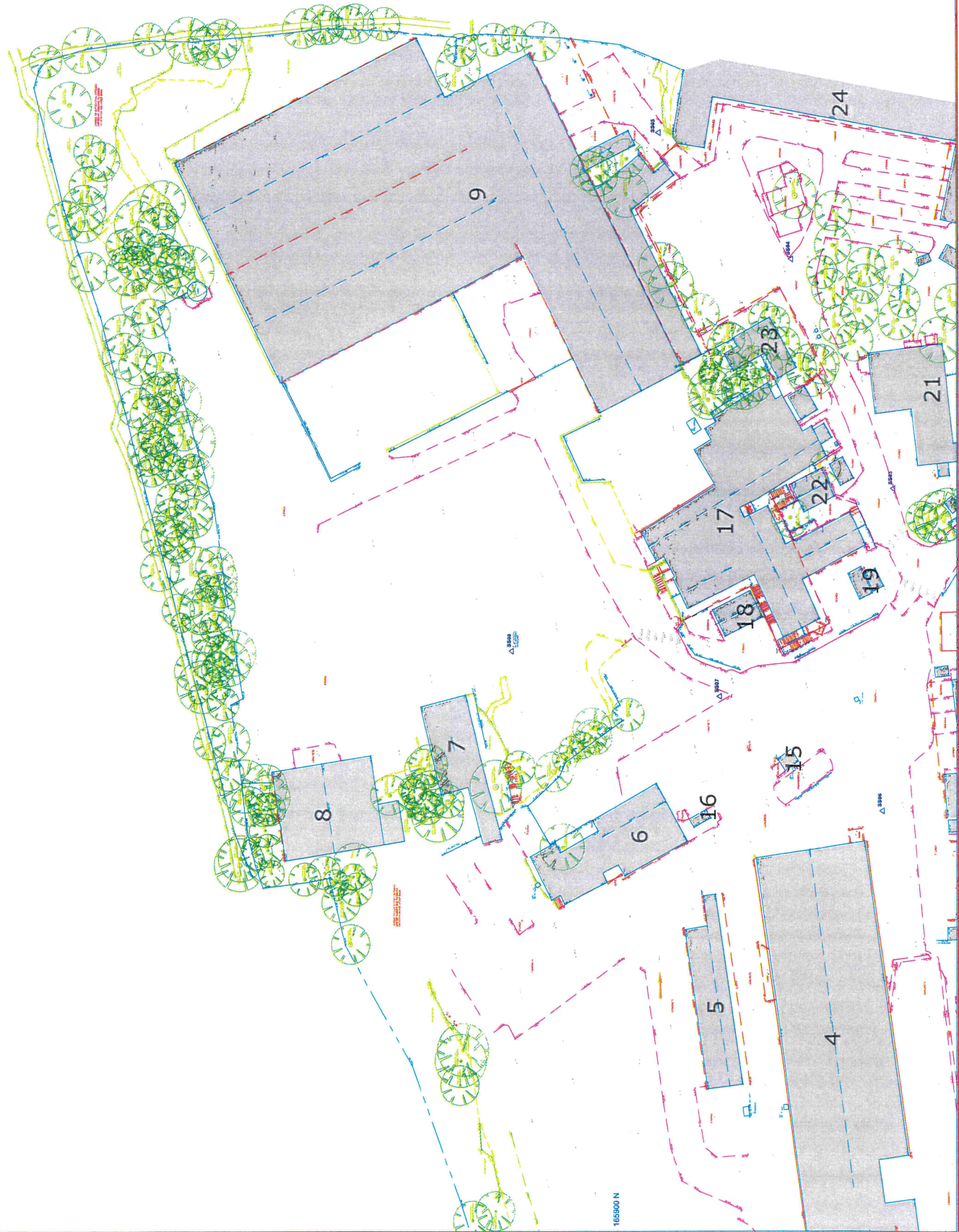
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Topographical Survey Sheet 3

Scale	1:200	Date	17.06.2010
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