



The site is located in the Damfield Lane, Maghull Conservation Area. The Conservation Area focuses on a loose cluster of buildings around the junction of Damfield Lane and Deyes Lane, enclosed by the Leeds-Liverpool Canal and includes six listed buildings. The area encompasses a significant number of surviving elements of Maghull's early character. This includes the attractive and informal arrangement of buildings which relate to the area's medieval, agricultural past.

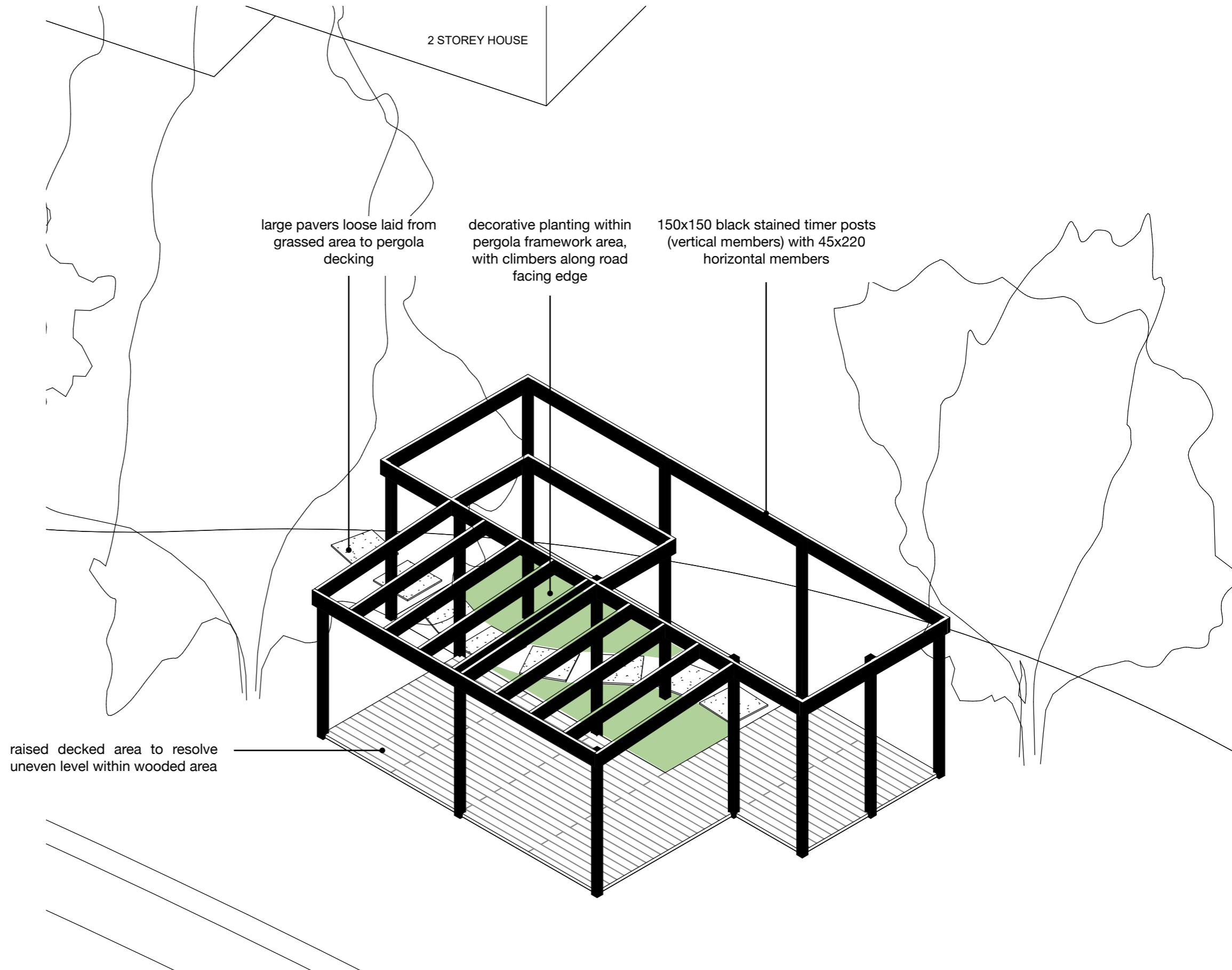
Also of significance are landscape features such as the tree groupings, boundary walls and canal setting.

The Canal forms an important part of the Conservation Area. The area includes a substantial number of mature and semi-mature trees. As a consequence, views into and across the designated area retain the impression of the isolated rural settlement that Maghull would have had up until it was engulfed by later Victorian and 20th Century development.

The proposal is to construct a timber pergola in the garden of 1 St Andrews Close. The plot has an extensive garden with mature trees and the pergola is to be positioned within an grouping of trees close to the canal side. The group of trees is to be crown lifted for maintenance and to clear some overgrown and unkempt areas of the previously unused garden (this are dealt with in an additional TPO application).

The large garden affords ample space to house a pergola structure, and by locating this within the wooded area the visual impact is minimised from the road. The pergola also grants some privacy for the residents as the garden is exposed on its canal frontage.

The design is a simple timber frame, in 2.4m modules. The timber will be stained black so as to become recessive within the wooded area. The pergola provides a framework for climbing plants that will eventually disguise the structure. A raised deck base provides a level platform for use, resolving uneven levels on the undulating and sloping site. Loose laid pavers lead from the grassed area to the pergola.





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1. open structure with paving, bedding plants and climbing plants interspersed

2. main fencing - slender timber posts with fine mesh fencing with hedge planting in front at road edge

3. native hedge planting - laurel hedge planting to suit neighbouring gardens in St. Andrews Close

