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Project: 2 Poplar Place, London, SE28 8BB

# SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

# **Description of Works:**

Proposed roof alterations including raising of the ridge height to facilitate a loft conversion and associated external works.

Local Authority: Greenwich Council

# Purpose:

This Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) has been prepared to assess the potential flood risk associated with the proposed roof alterations including raising of the ridge height to facilitate a loft conversion and associated external works at 2 Poplar Place, London, SE28 8BB. The property is situated within Flood Zone 3, as designated by the Environment Agency's Flood Risk Map.



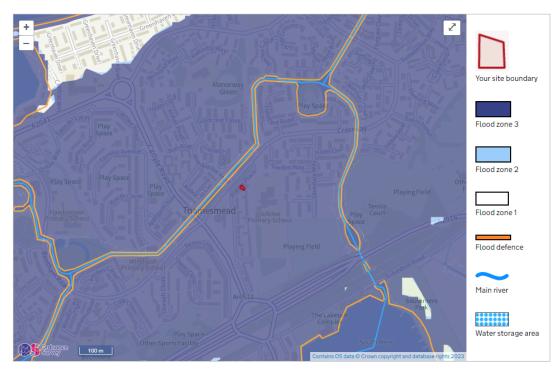
#### 1. Site Description:

The property is located at 2 Poplar Place, London, SE28 8BB. It is situated within Flood Zone 3, indicating a high probability of flooding from rivers, coastal waters, and other sources. The proposed development involves a double storey rear extension, which could potentially increase flood risk if not appropriately managed.

#### 2. Flood Risk Assessment:

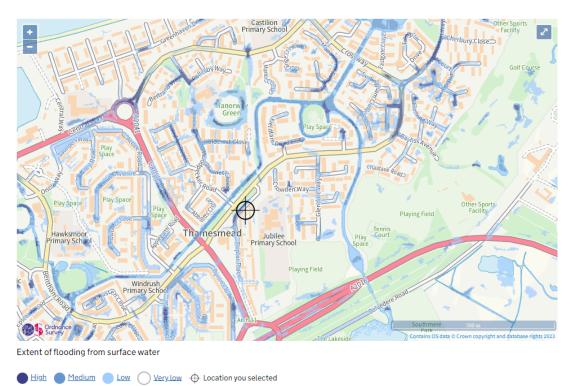
#### 2.1 Flood Sources:

The primary flood sources affecting the area are river flooding and tidal/coastal flooding, primarily from the River Thames and groundwater.



*Fig. 1: Flood Zone Map demonstrating the location of the development site within Flood Zone 3, benefitting from existing flood defences.* 





*Fig. 2: Flood map demonstrating the risk/extent of flooding from surface water for the proposed development site (Very Low)* 

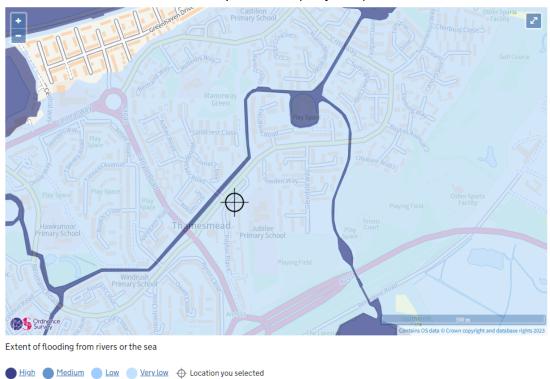


Fig. 3: Flood map demonstrating the risk/extent of flooding from surface water for the proposed development site (Very Low)



# 2.2 Climate Change Considerations:

The assessment includes consideration of potential climate change impacts on flood risk, accounting for increased frequency and severity of extreme weather events.

# 2.3 Existing Flood Defences:

It's important to note that the site currently benefits from flood defences (as shown in Figure 1) on the east and west banks of the associated streams stemming from the River Thames. These existing flood defences play a role in managing flood risk in the area.

# 2.4 Proposed Development:

The proposed roof alterations and subsequent loft conversion are located at second floor level, and as such will have zero impact on the existing flood mitigation measures. Furthermore, no additional measures are required given that the location of the development is set significantly higher than ground level.

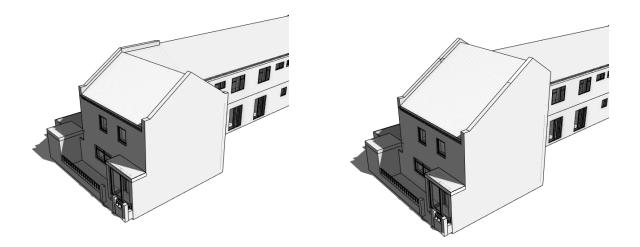


Fig. 4: [From Left to Right] Existing & Proposed 3D Visual of the Development Property

# 3. Flood Risk Management:

#### 3.1 Ground Level Design:

Finished floor levels (FFLs) are not to be set lower than the existing ground floor level. This aligns with the Environment Agency's standing advice for minor extensions.



#### 3.2 Safe Access/Egress:

Given that the proposal involves an extension to an existing dwelling, it's important to maintain consistent access/egress arrangements in line with the existing scenario.

#### 3.3 Flood Evacuation Plan:

In the event of a major flooding event, a comprehensive flood evacuation plan must be organised. Evacuation should follow the provided flood evacuation route overleaf, with residents seeking refuge South of McLeod Road, Abbey Wood.

The owners of the property will complete the Environment Agency personal flood plan template, which consolidates the information and records the contact details of the relevant service providers.

This will include: electricity provider, gas provider, water provider, telephone provider, insurance provider and policy number, local council.

The owners will familiarise themselves with the location of the electricity, gas and water cut off locations, and the closest location to purchase protective measures (including sand bags).

In addition to the above, the owners will subsequently sign up to receive free flood alerts from Royal Borough of Greenwich local authority.



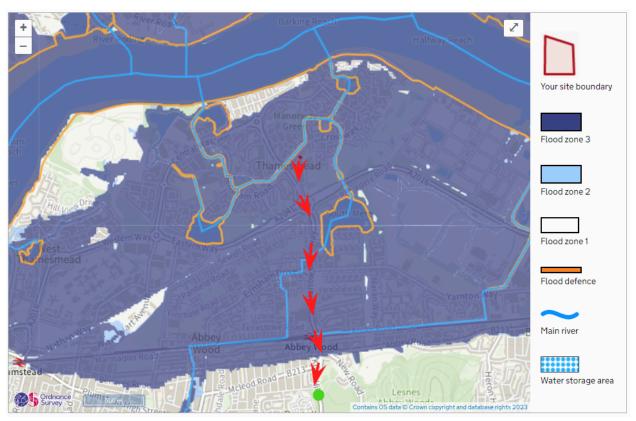


Fig. 5: Draft Flood Evacuation Plan

# 4. Conclusion:

4.1 Given the property's location within Flood Zone 3, it is essential to implement appropriate flood risk management measures for the proposed development at 2 Poplar Place, London, SE28 8BB. Considerations for existing sleeping accommodation levels, drainage, ground levels, access/egress, flood-resilient design, and flood evacuation routes are vital to ensure safety and minimise flood impact.

This assessment sets out to demonstrate that the proposed alterations, set at second floor level, will not increase the risk of flooding on-site, and does not require additional measures of flood mitigation to be introduced.

4.2 This Flood Risk Assessment, along with the additional comments, provides a comprehensive overview of flood risk considerations associated with the proposed development. Collaboration with relevant authorities, experts, and stakeholders is crucial to ensuring that the development successfully mitigates flood risk and ensures the well-being of all residents.

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