



HERITAGE STATEMENT
FORMER PRESCOT POLICE STATION

The earliest records seem to indicate that the Police station was built between 1869 -1870 we obtained maps and census records from 'Knowsley Archives' -The Ark . Derby st was formally known as 'Fall Lane' which was changed 21st Feb 1871 . As part of the original Police station plot there was a sergeant dwelling and a deputy sergeants dwellings . Both dwellings are no longer part the former Police stations site. (10 & 8 Derby st). The original Police station had its own court house located on the first floor with Judge changing quarters to the rear .The court room was accessed by the public from a separate side entrance accessed from rear court yard / former car park . The prisoners would access the court via the smaller stone staircase located adjacent cells on the ground floor . It appears from the MHER records that No 10 Derby st become the court house around 1966. Unfortunately most originals features / fittings have been removed as a result of the Police station internal alterations over the years .

It appears that most of the original windows have been retained with the majority not in working order due to neglect and vandalism - we intend to replace all with 'slim-lite' double glazed conservation type sliding sash . Windows will match existing profile /pattern as close as possible all to be approved by Conservation Officer . Ideally from a 'conservation ' stand point we would repair and retain windows but as a 'landlord ' we are duty bound to improve 'thermal properties of the building . Plus the cost of rear and on going maintenance would not viable in regards to costs.

Most of the external doors we intend retain , overhaul and leave in- situ, some of which will no longer be used as an entrance ways - they are being retained for conservation elevational purposes .

The 'main facades' of the original Police station have been incorrectly pointed over the years we assume that the Conservation officer will require 'lime mortar' as a replacement if we undertake any external brickwork replacement . All sandstone to be cleaned off and repaired to 'CO' specification.

A large section of rainwater goods and svps have been replaced by plastic fittings if any replacements are required we assume that 'CO' will require materials / profile to match existing cast iron fittings .

All painted surfaces colours to be approved by Conservation officer.

COURT YARD / FORMER CAR PARK.

Former court yard / car park is located to the rear of the site , some original out buildings remain with others that appear to have been added as the Police station evolved over the years . Outbuildings appear to have been stables , storage and staff quarters . As part of the new development we intend demolish approx 90% as indicated on demolition site plan . Ideally we would like to retain / convert instead of constructing new build town houses - this is not financially viable. The build element possible resale will contribute to the finance required to convert / refurb "former Police station" . During 'the pre app process' the Conservation officer requested that we retain stable / coach house adjacent to the main building . We have retained and the building will be part of the flat conversion development.

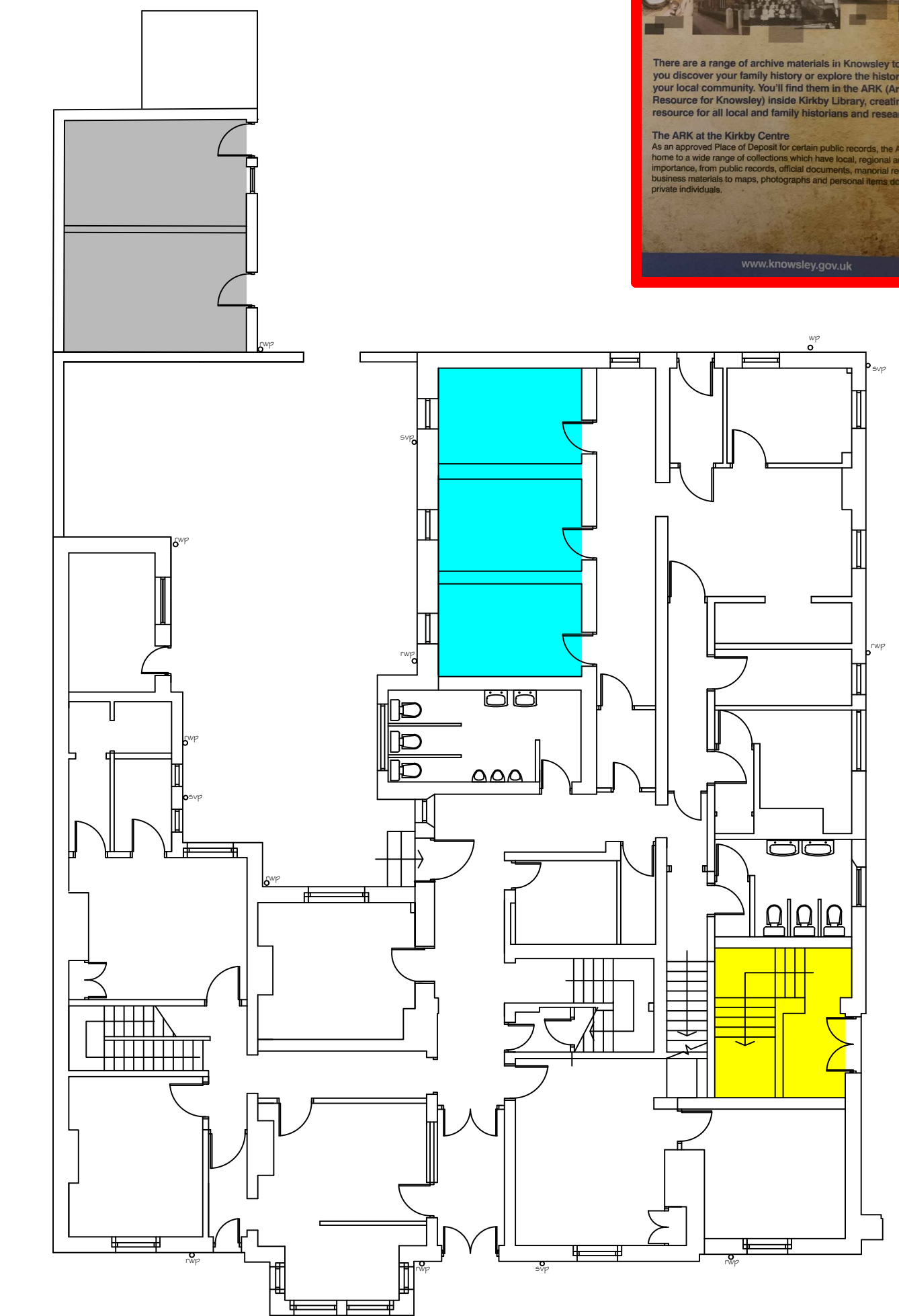
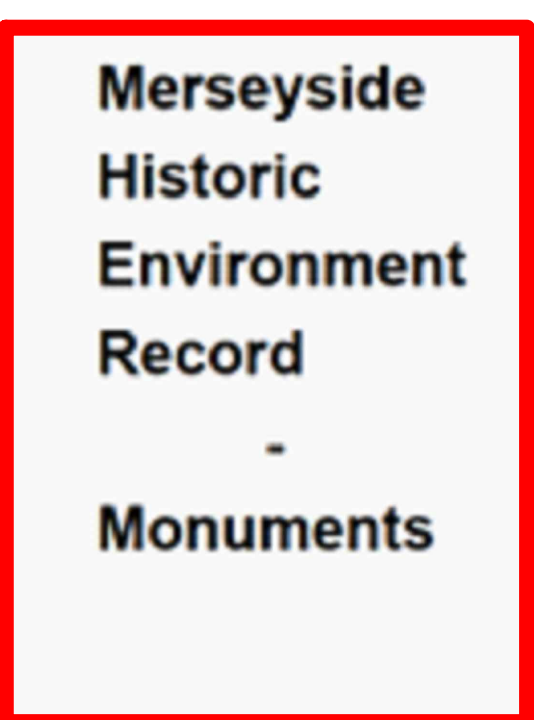
Conservation officer requested that we move away from 5No Family type dwellings and would possibly prefer 'townhouses' with retaining car park 'feel'. Hopefully have taken this advice on board with the new build design .

The 6No townhouses have been designed to satisfy 'space standards' etc and would probably appeal to younger first time buyers . The design is more contemporary with elements of more traditional aspects of the main building . We intend to use complimentary materials / detailing eg corbelling of smooth engineering brick - all to the approval of Conservation Officer .

HERITAGE CONCLUSION / JUSTIFICATION

We feel that this development will retain and bring back to use of a building that is of great 'heritage value and interest ' This proposed development will cause no substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset . The development will bring back into use a vacant premise .





 FORMER JUDGES QUARTERS

 FORMER COURT ROOM

