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De openheid die zich aan het eind van de jaren zestig manifesteerde betekende voor velen een bevrijding van het dogmatische modernisme, maar leverde uiteindelijk niet één krachtig (ideologisch) alternatief op, terwijl ze wél tot een herkenbare, gevarieerde maar toch eenvormige architectuur leidde. Dat is voor de architectuur en de stedenbouw in de jaren zeventig niet positief geweest – en evenmin voor de perceptie ervan. Het blijven daardoor de:

‘jaren van de kinderziektes’

- Dirk Frieling

‘lullige jaren’

- Arne van Herk

‘tijd van verwarring’

- Adri Duijvestein

(De Vletter, 2004, p. 30)

‘De bloemkoolwijk werd in het architectuurdebat – zeker niet door de bewoners – neergezet als uiting van ‘Nieuwe Truttigheid’ en gezien als de zoveelste mislukking in de naoorlogse stedenbouw.’

(Abrahamse, 2019, p. 5)

‘In de ‘Smaaktest’ blijkt dat de jaren 70 en 80 – waar het detail eraf gaat – dat het heel slecht gewaardeerd wordt.’

(Van der Ploeg, 2008)

‘Mooi van lelijkheid. Zo populair de jaren ’30 bouwstijl is, zo verguisd zijn de bouwwerken uit de jaren 80.’

(De Jong, 2018)

‘De tijd zal uitwijzen of we bijna vijftig jaar later de unieke maar lelijke jaren zeventig eindelijk kunnen omarmen.’

(Biggelaar, 2018, p. 158)

'The openness that manifested itself at the end of the 1960s meant for many a liberation from dogmatic modernism, but ultimately did not provide a single powerful (ideological) alternative, while it did lead to a recognisable, varied but uniform architecture. This was not positive for architecture and urban planning in the 1970s - nor for their perception. As a result, they remain the:'

'years of teething problems'

- Dirk Frieling

'dull years'

- Arne van Herk

'time of confusion.'

- Adri Duijvestein

(De Vletter, 2004, p. 30)

'In the architectural debate, the 'bloemkoolwijk', was presented - not by residents - as an expression of the 'Nieuwe Truttigheid' and seen as the next big failure in post-war urban planning.'

(Abrahamse, 2019, p. 5)

'The 1970s lacks detail.'

(Van der Ploeg, 2008)

'Beautiful in ugliness. As popular as the 1930s architectural style is, the buildings from the 1980s are reviled.'

(De Jong, 2018)

'Time will tell whether, almost fifty years later, we can finally embrace the unique but ugly 1970s.'

(Biggelaar, 2018, p. 158)

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Fig. 1. Goedewerf is a residential neighbourhood, consisting of 156 dwellings in woonerf configuration located in Almere Haven. Almere Haven was the first nuclear of the poly-nuclear new town Almere. Goedewerf has 2,3,4 and 5 room apartments and single family homes. Goedewerf was designed by Inbo between 1976-1978. For a large part it is owned by housing corporation Ymere, the rest is privately owned. This is called neighbourhoods with 'gespikkeld bezit' [mixed ownership] which is typical for this type of neighbourhoods ('bloemkoolwijken').

1 Introduction

1.1 Revitalizing 'New Heritage'

This graduation studio is aimed at revitalising heritage. 'How to bring new life to abandoned or dilapidated buildings or areas? What combination of architectural interventions and functional program leads to preservation by revitalisation? What is the capacity for change?' (Studiegids TU Delft, 2021). More precisely the studio focusses on so called 'New Heritage':

'Buildings and areas that are relatively young and usually not regarded as heritage. However, the assumption of the studio is that these areas can be seen as our future heritage. We think that exploration of their characteristics, assessment of values and problems—in combination with the education of academics, professionals and users—is necessary to prevent a disregard of the qualities and values of this housing stock'

(Clarke & Spoormans, 2021, p. 3).

The possible case studies were the expansion area Amsterdam Zuid-Oost –with focus on the Bijlmerplein neighbourhood (1986) – and new town Almere Haven – here focussing in on the Goedewerf cluster (1978). Buildings and complexes from the period 1965-1990 now require renovation, adaptation and preservation. It is therefore important that the significance of this (future) Post 65 heritage is recognised and that we treat it with care (Rijksdienst voor het Cultureel Erfgoed, 2022). We, as students, were asked to explore the potential of existing urban structures and buildings for creating more homes or making those that already exist more suitable to contemporary and future needs. The studio's aim is to discover the qualities of what could possibly be new heritage and to use these qualities in a sustainable redesign (Clarke & Spoormans, 2021, p. 2).



Fig. 2 Stedenwijk Noord, Almere, from *Bouw*, 1982, p. 61.



Fig. 3 Renovation Stedenwijk Noord, 2012 (19HetAtelier, 2012)



Fig. 4 Villa Voorschoten, before renovation (Jade Architecten, 2017)

Fig. 5 Villa Voorschoten, after renovation (Jade Architecten, 2017)



Fig. 6 Villa, Bilthoven, before renovation (Jeroen Dingemans, 2008)

Fig. 7 Villa, Bilthoven, after renovation (Jeroen Dingemans, 2008)

1.2 Unvalued Post 65 aesthetic

In 2007, FARO architects put a so called Smaaktest up on the internet. From the results we could learn that post-war high-rise and housing from the seventies and eighties were the most unfavoured aesthetically of all the categories. Jurgen van der Ploeg (FARO) stated in NRC about his survey (Hulsman, 2007):

'Over de naoorlogse hoogbouw en over de woningbouw uit de jaren zeventig en tachtig is iedereen het eens: die zijn erg lelijk'
[Everyone agrees about the post-war high-rise buildings and about the housing from the seventies and eighties: they are very ugly]

Moreover, in today's public debate one only has to look at some of the popular book titles to get an idea of the dominant perception. Compare for example book titles like 'De lelijke jaren zeventig' (Biggelaar, 2018) and 'De magie van de jaren 30' (Kingma, 2016). Of course, the content of these books describes nuanced stories but it gives an idea of the general associative terms. And worth noting is that the style of 70's architecture has not been undisputed in history either, even then, critical terms were given to the architecture that were not meant positively: 'Nieuwe Truttigheid' or 'schuin en bruin' (Vletter, 2004, p. 29).

There is the risk of erasure of an entire period of this particular architectural appearance just because the dominant opinion about it is that it is ugly. An example of this is the renovation of Stedenwijk Noord or 70s villas where the existing Post 65 aesthetic identity is disregarded. I predict that what is going on with 70s villas could be the possible foreland of Post 65 housing. The metamorphosis of 70s buildings is already going on. Developers, architects or owners now often choose to do a make over - to erase its original aesthetic identity and to some extent its spatial characteristics. The aesthetic is ignored and must make way for an aesthetic of a different style. Stedenwijk Noord was renovated in 2012, a 1970s neighbourhood consisting of 750 houses, with mixed ownership, both social housing and private owners. Perhaps due to popular opinion, architects taste, lack of knowledge or the urgency of energy-driven renovation which often consists of exterior insulation the architects chose to change the aesthetic, in this specific case, into an Amsterdam School style. To protect the overall Post 65 architectural integrity, I think it is necessary to avoid forcing a new aesthetic or spatial identity and vocabulary onto the existing housing. As was done in Stedenwijk Noord unfortunately, because this creates an unsettling effect and there is the risk of having produced an unsustainable renovation, because in terms of the façade design existing Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity was not acknowledged in the renovation design. When significant characteristics of

this architecture are not recognized and valued they will be disregarded in renovations and we lose (potential) embodied cultural energy.¹ Instead, this project will show the endless aesthetic and spatial richness Post 65 has to offer that can help strengthen a further sustainable future for this architecture. Only when we have opened our eyes to the qualities of Post 65 architecture can we renovate, demolish or preserve it in a valuable way. The cultural impoverishment, caused by the lack of imagination in facade insulation practice, was already warned about in the publication of the Flemish Architecture Institute: 'Dierbaar is duurzaam' (Fig. 8).

1 The notion of 'embodied cultural energy' is introduced by Clarke et al. (2019).

Dierbaar is duurzaam

Zes stellingen rond
architectuur, cultuur
en ecologie

‘Het feit dat bestaande gebouwen stelsmatig en ten koste van alles van een dikke isolatielaag worden voorzien is zonder meer een culturele ramp. Los nog van het louter esthetische aspect, verliezen gebouwen op die manier alle elementen die hen specifiek maken, en waarmee mensen zich identificeren.’
(p. 35)

[The fact that existing buildings are systematically and at all costs covered with a thick layer of insulation is undoubtedly a cultural disaster. Apart from the purely aesthetic aspect, buildings thus lose all the elements that make them specific and with which people identify.]

‘Evolueren naar een duurzame samenleving mag, en kan niet resulteren in een culturele verarming. De maatschappelijke (r)evolutie waar we tegen aankijken moet en kan integendeel ook een culturele (r)evolutie betekenen, waar ‘oud’ en ‘nieuw’ heruitgevonden en naadloos in elkaar versmelten. Dit impliceert dat we evolueren van een duurzaamheid die op bouwproducten gebaseerd is naar een manier hoe we ons dagelijks leven inrichten.’
(p. 35)

[Evolving towards a sustainable society may, and cannot, result in cultural impoverishment. On the contrary, the social (r)evolution we are facing must and can also mean a cultural (r)evolution, where ‘old’ and ‘new’ are reinvented and merge seamlessly. This implies that we evolve from a sustainability based on building products to a way of structuring our daily lives.]

Fig. 8 *Dierbaar is duurzaam. Zes stellingen rond architectuur, cultuur en ecologie* [Loved lasts. Six statements on architecture, culture and ecology] by Het Vlaams Architectuurinstituut, 2011. Texts by Christoph Graf with assistance of Nathalie Janssens de Bisthoven.

1.3 Vision on sustainability

In this studio the 'Sustainability focused decision-making in building renovation' approach developed by Kamari et al. (2017) was used. The idea behind this approach is to achieve a holistic sustainable building renovation because all indicators that relate to sustainability in the broadest sense of the word are acknowledged. The different sustainability indicators are divided in three categories: 'Accountability', 'Functionality' and 'Feasibility'. Sustainability is only achieved when all three categories are acknowledged and incorporated in plans and strategies. The intent of this framework is a optimum of all requirements, not maximization of some. It is a similar way of thinking as the '3P' 'People, Planet, Prosperity'¹ sustainability philosophy originally developed and created by John Elkington in 1994.

The part of sustainability that has been structurally overlooked is the part that Kamari et al. call 'Accountability' (Fig. 9). It refers to the aspects of sustainable development which 'embraces municipal, architectural, cultural, human and community' (Kamari et al., 2017). The research and design aim focuses in particular on the indicators that relate directly to the Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity and its (potential) heritage value: 'Aesthetic', 'Spatial' and 'Integrity' of Kamari's et al. wheel of 'Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation'. These categories need extra attention in today's renovation practice because these are in danger of being left unacknowledged.

The hypothesis is that a sustainable future for Post 65 suburban housing partly lies in to what extent existing Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity is acknowledged. This is based on the group analysis and personal research in this studio. This project argues that the heritage value of this housing partly lies in the aesthetic and spatial attributes that are part of the Post 65 architectural characteristics.

1.4 Research question

This projects tests if through utilisation and strengthening of the Post 65 architectural aesthetic and spatial identity more holistic sustainability can be achieved in suburban housing renovation. A research informed design is the output of this graduation project where I developed an design approach for revitalisation of Post 65 suburban housing where Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity is not disregarded. For this purpose a approach was chosen that uses the urban renewal (1968-1989) principles. This approach enables designers to incorporate the vocabulary of the existing housing: strengthening existing attributes but also the introduction of new attributes that improve the quality of the house but also revitalizes neighbourhoods.

Can the principles of the '1968-1989 urban renewal' approach provide a viable strategy to revitalize Post 65 neighbourhoods, such as Goedewerf (1978) in Almere Haven?

1 The third P used to stand for *profit*. For the world summit on sustainable development in Johannesburg in 2002, the word profit was replaced by prosperity, in order to include social profit in addition to economic profit.

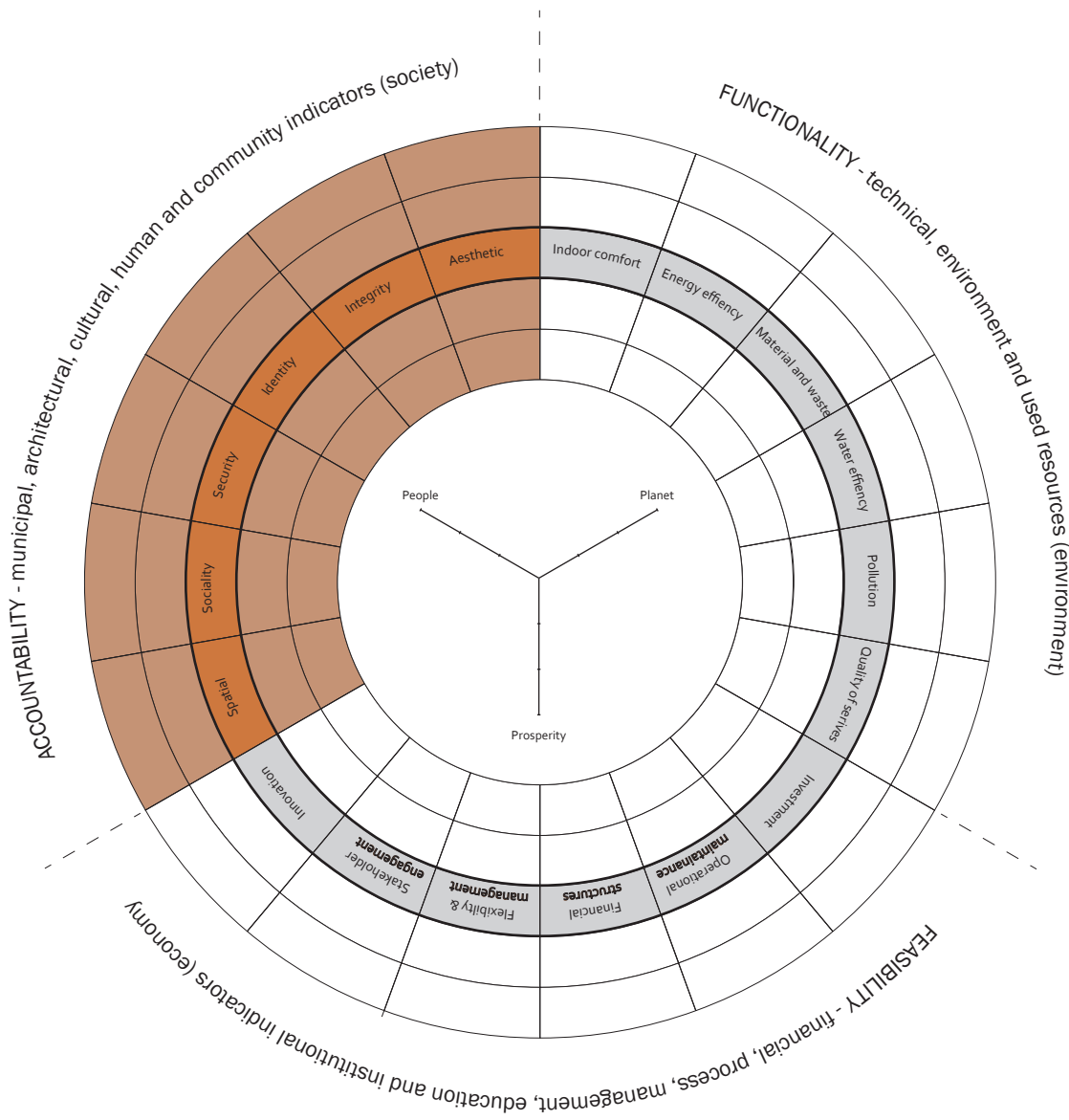


Fig. 9 'Accountability' within sustainability: undervalued sustainability category. Adapted *Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation* by Kamari et al., 2017, p. 344.

2 Methodology

2.1 Research design

The first part of the collective studio work was dedicated to developing renovation models. In preparation for this an analysis of Goedewerf in the domains of architecture, building technology and culture was made collectively by the New Heritage group. In addition to this, the results of the 'Speurtocht' survey for the research project 'Respectful Renovation'¹ were examined. The 'Speurtocht' results consist of what different stakeholders mention what they think is valuable about the neighbourhood, public space and complex. Based on the knowledge gained, a preliminary value assessment of Goedewerf was made using our own adapted version of Kamari's 'Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation' (2017, p.344). Through a brainstorm session two or three Kamari criteria were combined and renovation models were created with the aim of achieving a higher score in these areas. The renovation model that comes closest to this project's aim was the model called 'Beautification'² where the categories 'Aesthetic' and 'Energy efficiency' were combined to focus on strengthening aesthetic value while improving the energy efficiency. I chose to do this model with Goedewerf because it showed similarities with some of the urban renewal architecture I was familiar with, for example the 45 degree angle sloped roofs, but I was confronted with insecurity in terms of how to relate to this existing aesthetic identity and spatial aspects in the redesign. What is the value of this aesthetic and spatial identity? And how far can we go with exterior insulation and additional building volumes in this neighbourhood for example? This renovation model however does not take into account possible heritage values in aesthetic or spatial attributes. Therefore additional Kamari criteria will be paid attention to in this project: 'Integrity' because this category includes the sub-criteria 'Site protection - Cultural heritage privacy', and 'Spatial' because next to 'Aesthetics', this is an important component to be able to identify the characteristics of the architectural Post 65 vocabulary.

The aesthetic and spatial identity is defined as architectural aspects and concepts elements or principles that provide a spatial identity or effect. Without qualifying it as positive or negative. The aim

1 The 'Respectful Renovation' research project focuses on the renovation of housing built between 1965 and 1985. The purpose of the research is to develop a method by which values can be incorporated in design decisions aimed at sustainable housing renovation. <https://www.tudelft.nl/en/2021/bk/respectful-renovation>

2 In retrospect, 'Makeover' would have been a more fitting name.

of this research is to find what the identity is, without directly forming an opinion about it. That would be personal opinion anyway, most likely influenced or coloured by existing views and opinions, which is exactly what needs to be avoided in this study because I believe that the opinions by prominent persons in the field of architecture have dominated the debate on Post 65 in the past and to some extent have created the popular opinion on Post 65 suburban architecture. I need to keep an open mind as possible and I should not be guided, consciously or unconsciously, by opinions of others.

2.2 Data collection approaches

The first start of the identification of the Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity was done through listing the elements and aspects mentioned in the relevant existing literature (Bosma et al, 2007; De Vletter, 2004; De Vreeze, 1993; Abrahamse, 2019; Blom et al., 2019; Somer, 2020). Only there was a suspicion that this information combined still did not give a true picture of Post 65 housing. I suspected that certain elements appeared more often in the literature than in reality, for example the 'zitkuil' [conversation pit].

A way was needed to look at a large number of Post 65 housing projects that was as random as possible. Geographically, but also to what extent the projects were known. It had to be as representative as possible of the large quantities of Post 65 suburban housing. For that purpose the real-estate marketing website 'Funda' was used to get a more trustworthy image of Post 65 suburban housing. Hundreds of houses that were built between 1965 and 1989 were looked at. From this visual distillation of various aesthetic and spatial elements and aspects the Visual Lexicon of Post 65 housing Aesthetic and Spatial Identity was created. It consists of schematic drawings of each aesthetic or spatial element or aspect and they are accompanied by multiple examples of projects where they were applied in the design. The collection of elements and aspects provide an overview and a source of inspiration which can be used to achieve richness in spatiality and aesthetic quality within the scope of Post 65 aesthetic and spatial architectural vocabulary.

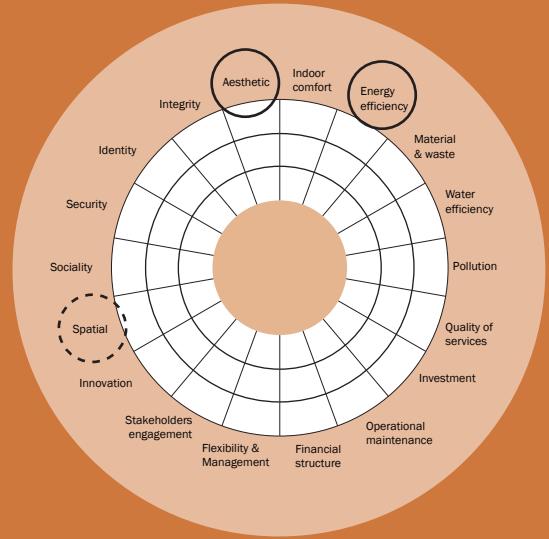
Real-estate marketing website, Funda was used to get a more trustworthy image of Post 65 suburban housing in the Netherlands. The search filters were housing up to €500.000 (with a few exceptions) and built between 1965-1989³.

3 The delineation in time is a consequence of the time periods used by the Dutch Cultural Heritage Agency (RCE, Rijksdienst voor het Cultureel Erfgoed) and because the public debate often refers to the group: 70s and 80s architecture.

PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT GOEDEWERF

ABC building analysis

RmR research 'Speurtocht' results



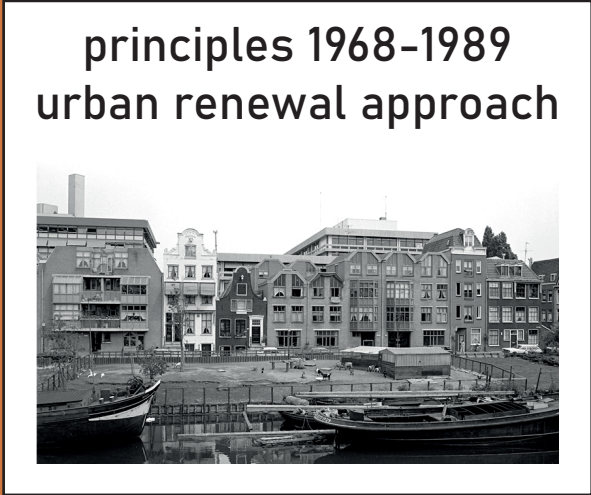
Adapted version of 'Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation' (Kamari et al., 2017, p.344)

Visual Lexicon of Post 65 Aesthetic and Spatial Identity

FUNDA VISUAL ANALYSIS POST 65 SUBURBAN HOUSING

RESEARCH QUESTION

Can the principles of the '1968-1989 urban renewal' approach provide a viable strategy to revitalize Post 65 neighbourhoods, such as Goedewerf (1978) in Almere Haven?



'Energy efficiency'
Reduction Energy Consumption

x

'Aesthetic'
Temperature
Harmony

STUDIO QUESTION
How could renovation and densification strengthen qualities and help solve current problems, without compromising heritage values and identities?

BEAUTIFICATION
energy efficiency x aesthetics
Goedewerf, Almere Haven

Scale Block
The aim of this model is to strengthen the aesthetic value and improve the energy efficiency. Different renovation methods can be used to improve thermal performance of the existing facade and roof. 'Roofers' weight is added!

Reference: Renovation Stedenwijk-Noord (Almere)

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'Spatial'
The articulation between space and its boundaries, and between adjacent spaces

+

'Integrity'
Site protection - Cultural heritage privacy

*in retrospect, makeover is a better name



IDENTIFICATION
POST 65 SUBURBAN
HOUSING AESTHETIC &
SPATIAL IDENTITY



Literature Analysis

Woningbouw, Inspiratie & Ambities

De kritische jaren zeventig The Critical Seventies

Bouwen in Nederland 600-2000

POST 65 AESTHETIC AND SPATIAL DESIGN STRATEGY

- CONSERVATION**
protect and preserve heritage attributes
- WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN**
inspiration from unrealized design ideas
- TRANSLATED LOOSELY**
personal design associations
- SUPER-SIZING**
emphasizing aesthetic fundamentals by increasing them in size, quantity or density
- CITATION**
copying aesthetic fundamentals from the relevant architectural style or period



design methods

ASSESSMENT
Kamari wheel
scores before and after redesign

GROUP RESEARCH

INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH

RESEARCH INFORMED DESIGN

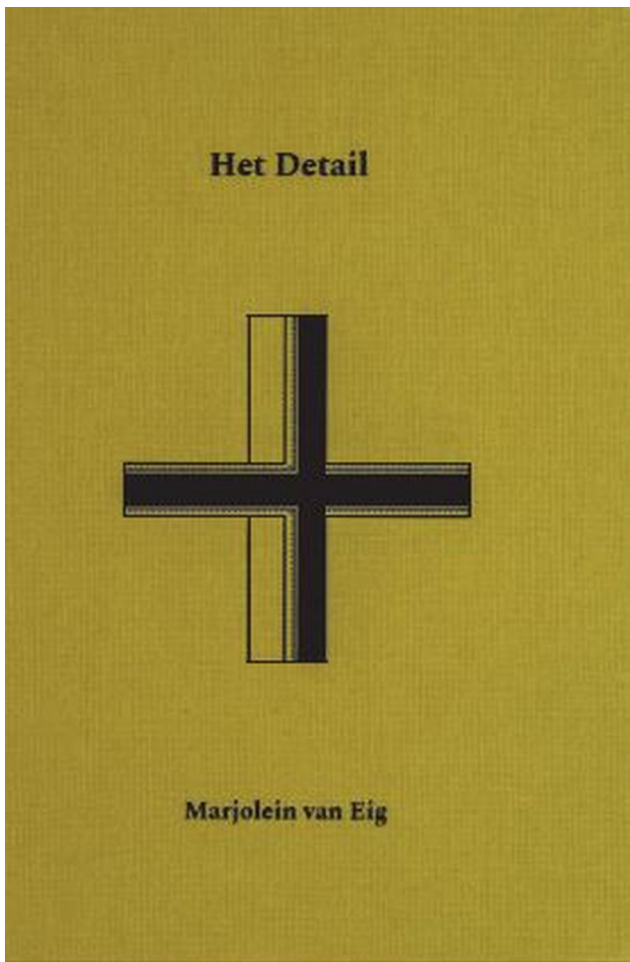


Fig. 10 *Het Detail*, by Van Eig, 2021.

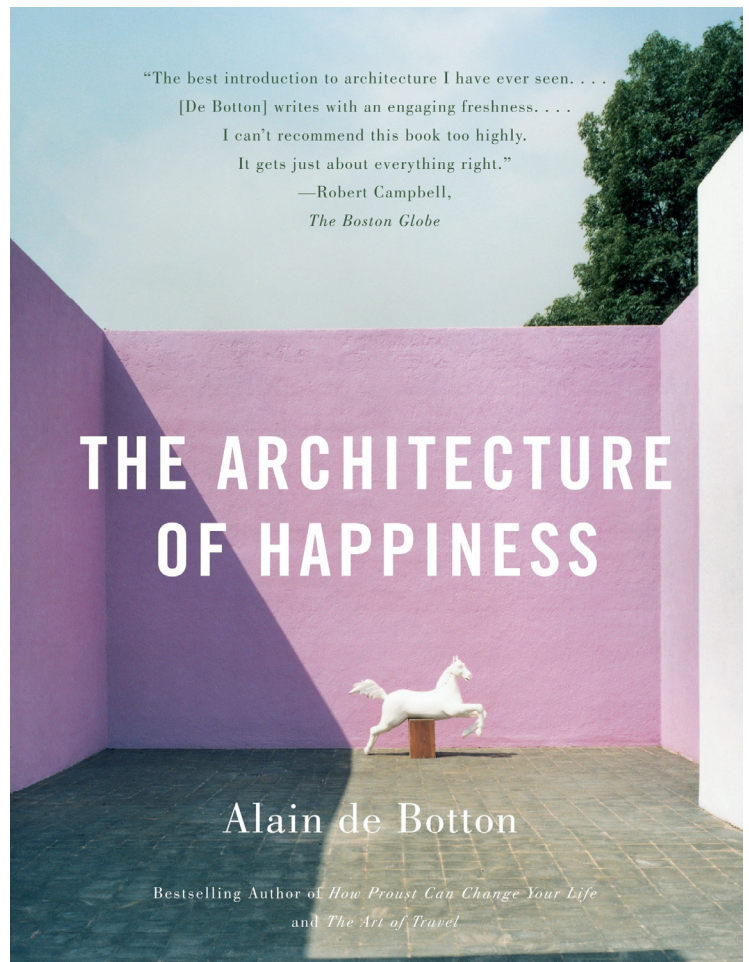


Fig. 11 *The architecture of happiness*, by De Botton, 2014.



Fig. 12 *De magie van het jaren '30 huis*, by Kingma, 2012.

ARCHITECTUUR

Waardering voor details

Meer dan 8.000 mensen deden mee aan de Smaaktest Nederlandse Woningbouw. Bijna allemaal houden ze van de Amsterdamse School.

✎ Bernard Hulsman ⌚ 8 december 2007 ⌚ Leestijd 3 minuten

Lezers van De Telegraaf houden meer van retro-architectuur dan lezers van NRC Handelsblad. Ook vrouwen waarderen retro meer dan mannen.

Dit zijn een paar van de uitkomsten van de grote Smaaktest Nederlandse Woningbouw, de enquête die architectenbureau FARO een paar maanden geleden op het internet zette (zie kader). Eerst verscheen een artikel in NRC Handelsblad over de test, een paar weken later volgde er een in De Telegraaf. „Na het artikel in De Telegraaf werd de waardering voor retro onder de deelnemers aan de smaaktest plotseling groter”, zegt Jurgen van der Ploeg, een van de vier FARO-architecten en bedenker van de enquête. „We hebben kunnen vaststellen dat ongeveer vijftig procent van De Telegraaf-lezers van retro-architectuur houdt en veertig procent van de NRC-lezers.”

Fig. 13 *Waardering voor details*, NRC Handelsblad, by Hulsman, 2007.

3 Frame of reference

3.1 Theories on 'Aesthetics'

This research touches upon the field of architectural aesthetics, or in other words: beauty in architecture. Van der Ploeg (FARO) stated that the aesthetic problem of Dutch 70's architecture is that it lacks detail and therefore is not valued as much as Amsterdamse School or 1930's architecture for example, where there was (supposedly) much more attention paid to detail. Van der Ploeg concluded on the basis of the 'Smaaktest' results that detailing is very important for the appreciation. The results showed that a house with an elegant eave and door frame is considered more beautiful than one with standard details, regardless of what architectural style it was. However, it is important to emphasize this is only a hypothesis. Ofcourse 70's architecture has detail but Van der Ploeg suspects they are valued less. Among architects the attention for detailing has always been a popular topic. Van der Ploeg's line of thinking fits in with the line of thinking which is represented by popular phrases like 'God is in the details', attributed to Mies van der Rohe, but also recently quoted again by Bekkering (2019) and acting as the foundation in *Het Detail* by Van Eig (2021). Furthermore, it was Rem Koolhaas who complained: 'No money, no details.' However, there are also other theories on aesthetics where 'detail' or 'detailing' is not explicitly mentioned. The popular book by De Botton, called *Architecture of Happiness*, presents a list of certain 'aesthetic virtues' (2006, p. 249). De Botton argues that in architectural designs attention should be paid to 'Order', 'Balance', 'Elegance', 'Coherence' and 'Self-knowledge'. In addition, there is Kingma who proposes a different theory of why a certain aesthetic is valued (2012, p. 95). He argues the 1930s style is widely loved because it is the perfect balance between rationalism (function, impression, modern, reason) and romanticism (beauty, expression, traditional, feeling), and between the urban (cultural, creative, fast, innovative) and the rural (nature, organic, slow, conserving). According to Kingma, this is crucial for appreciation because balance is an integral part of the Dutch bourgeois residential culture based on certainty and civilisation.

By collecting different theories and comparing different theses, a wide range of aesthetic principles in architecture emerges. The aesthetic foundations of the Post 65 architecture can then be placed in a broader context of aesthetics. The frame of reference in this case will be used to provide a reasoned argumentation of potential value in Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity.

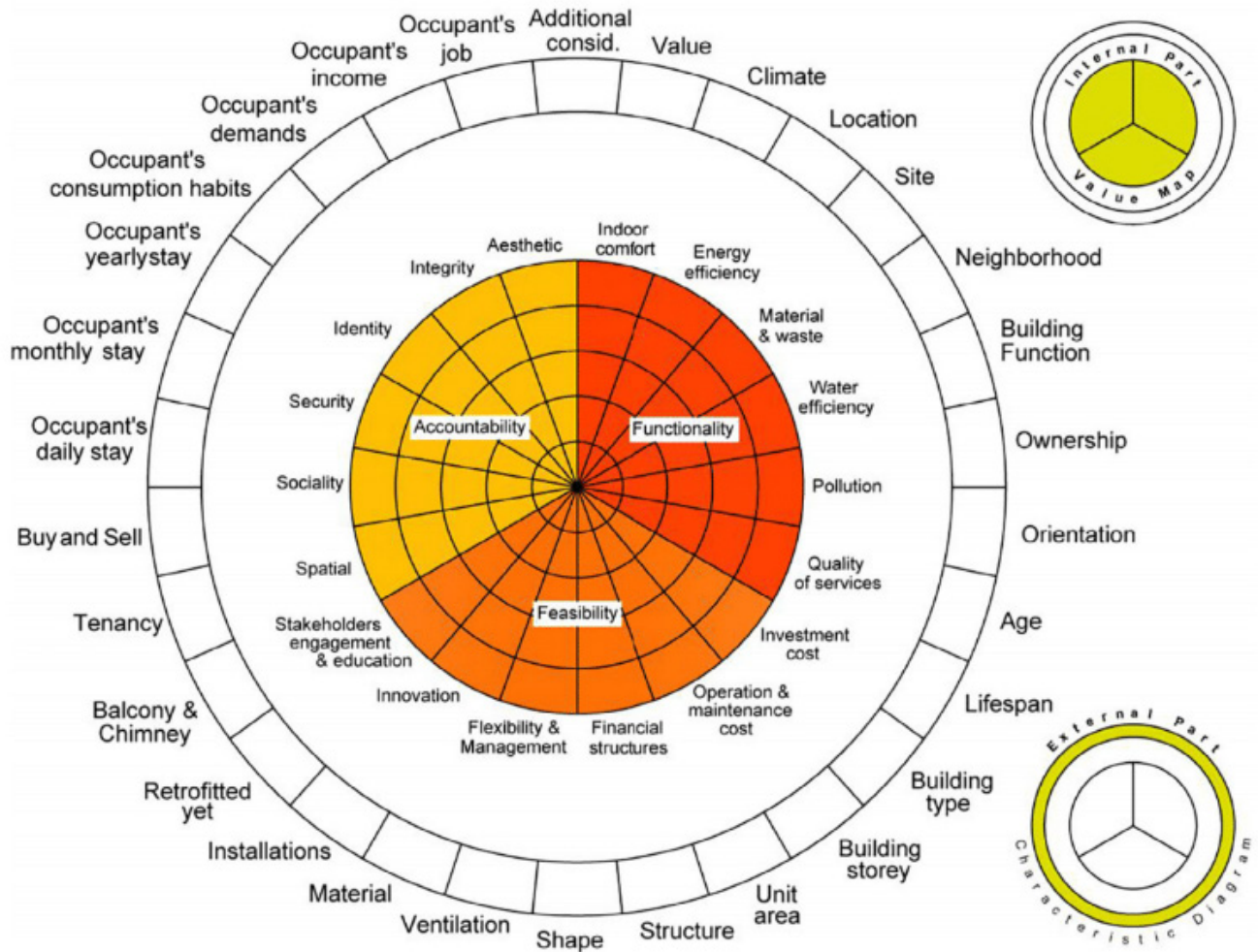


Table 4 (continued)

Column A: Category

Column B: Criteria

Column C: Indicators or sub-criteria

Column D: Source of creation

| A | B | C | D | |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|--|------|
| Accountability | Aesthetic | Temperature | Intensity of perceivable details | 1, 4 |
| | | | Density of differentiations | 1, 4 |
| | | | Curvature of lines and forms | 1, 4 |
| | | | Intensity of colour hue | 1, 4 |
| | | | Contrast (amongst other colour hues) | 1, 4 |
| | | Harmony | Reflectional symmetries on all scales | 1, 4 |
| | | | Translational and rotational symmetries on all scales | 1, 4 |
| | | | Degree to which distinct forms have similar shapes | 1, 4 |
| | | | Degree to which forms are connected geometrically one to another | 1, 4 |
| | | | Degree to which the colours harmonize | 1, 4 |

Fig. 14 'Aesthetic' within sustainability 'Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation' by Kamari et al., 2017, p. 344.

3.2 Application of the notion of 'Aesthetic'

It is tempting to go along with such theories and to reason from this perspective why Post 65 architecture is not appreciated. That seems too short-sighted and unscientific¹. I would like to argue instead for a broader approach to aesthetics where we are not guided or distracted by less attractive standard detailing or worn materials. In that case, only the buildings with big budgets, with the application of expensive materials and special detailing would qualify for aesthetic appreciation, which is the case now. That is too limited. In the case of Post 65, we could focus on composition, coherence and form for example. There is enough beauty to be found there. Fortunately, 'Aesthetic' is defined by Kamari et al. in a more neutral and broad way (2017, p. 342). According to Kamari et al. 'Aesthetic' consists of 'Temperature' and 'Harmony', with a further breakdown of what aspects are covered by these criteria. Thereby, an account was provided of how this definition of aesthetic was created.²

Kamari et al. do not give a conception of aesthetics but a more neutral definition of the constituents of aesthetics, in other words what kind of aspects make a 'aesthetic'. It seems to me that it makes more sense to follow this way of thinking about aesthetics, given that we can avoid personal taste in this way. A neutral view is needed to look at this architecture.

1 As far as scientific research into aesthetics is possible.

2 Column D 'refers to the procedure which the indicator has been created from. In this regard, '1' refers to the indicator which was extracted from Literature Review; '2' refers to the indicator which was extracted from considering of the existing assessment methodologies (BREEAM, LEED, CASBEE, and SBTool in addition to the items considered in Jensen et al. (2017), '3' refers to the indicator which was outlined from the Interviews, and '4' refers to the indicator which was resulted from the Group discussion.

4 Findings

4.1 Background Post 65 suburban housing

Housing construction in the 1970s and 1980s is often dismissed as unenlightening, boring and predictable, but underlying this architecture are great ideals. The building production of that time was in fact a major countermovement to the reconstruction period and its modernist urbanism (Abrahamse, 2019, p. 4). Biggelaar explains in 'De Ielijke jaren zeventig' (2018) how a new generation of architects manifested itself after the post-war reconstruction period. A group of young, critical, and often academically educated architects had a different vision on public housing compared to modern architects and planners. This 'group' focused on the human experience and social interaction. After years of relatively great economic prosperity and progress, there was room again for human well-being. The modernisation in housing had resulted in spacious, light and healthy homes with separate bedrooms and private sanitary facilities accessible to a large group of people. But this new functional living environment undermined the possibility for spontaneous social interaction and individual expression, which some architects considered fundamental to being human. The fixation on the functional and material well-being of residents would lead to 'geestelijke armoede en een gebrek aan verbeeldingskracht' [spiritual poverty and lack of imagination]. Aldo van Eyck was the main exponent of this counter-movement within CIAM: Team X (Team 10). This new generation of architects tried to reform modern architectural theory by incorporating various social science disciplines. Human needs and experience of the individual user should be central again in architectural design. In the early 1960s, stories regularly appeared in the media about the poor quality of new buildings, presented as the cause for mental health problems such as 'flat neurosis' and social isolation (Biggelaar, 2018, p. 102).

Urban Renewal 'Bouwen voor de buurt'

The urge for renewal manifested itself strongly in the discussions on urban renewal Somer explains (2020, p. 10). At the same time, the uniform and large-scale extension districts, dominated by high-rise buildings and terraced houses, and the 'imponerarchitectuur' of the 1960s were faced with increasing unpopularity. The ideas of residents and others about a different way of urban renewal found resonance. In 1968, Minister Schut pointed out the importance of 'rehabilitation' in urban areas instead of the usual practice of demolition and reconstruction. This meant improving housing while preserving its original character as much as possible. Minister Schut also radically broke with the incentive policy for cast construction, and in the mid-1970s high-

rise construction came to a rather abrupt end (Somer, 2020, p. 12).

'Groeikernen' en 'bloemkoolwijken'

In the 1970s and 1980s, a huge number of suburban neighbourhoods were built. In order to cope with the increase in the urban population, designated overflow areas were needed. These were so called 'groeikernen' such as Almere, Zoetermeer, Alkmaar, Capelle aan den IJssel, Nieuwegein. Partly due to the changed views on the city as a recognisable and welcoming human biotope, housing construction in the urban renewal areas, expansion areas and 'groeikernen' quickly changed. Important was a growing attention for residential and architectural quality and the aspiration to achieve greater differentiation in housing types, building block composition and the incorporation of site characteristics.

Although this group of architects did not form an official group and their architectural views were quite varied, Somer (2020) and De Vletter (2004) explain, you can speak of a 'Forum' generation that, with Van Eyck as its sort of spokesperson, had a great deal of influence on Dutch architecture at that time. This was expressed in a striving for a small scale, recognisability and 'herbergzaamheid'; for a merging of urban planning and architecture in a built environment that was based on the human scale and had to offer opportunities for encounter, a form of surprise and 'individuele ontplooiing' (Somer, 2020, p. 13).

Abrahamse (2019) describes in *Opkomst en ontwikkeling van de bloemkoolwijk Het ontwerp van woonwijken in Nederland en de zoektocht naar identiteit* three design characteristics that architecture in cauliflower neighbourhoods have in common:

Façade

The diversity and variety in the urban space and building volumes was to be achieved by façade articulation: differences in form, plasticity, texture and colour. This meant that the exterior of a building had to be more (again) than the simple expression of the functional programme (Abrahamse, 2019, p. 13).

'Drempelzone' [threshold zone]

One of the fundamental ideas of Forum, especially of Van Eyck and Hertzberger, concerned the 'threshold zone' between the home and public space. In housing construction in the 1970s, great importance was attributed to this: the transition from the individual dwelling to the public space, the place where social interaction takes place, was specifically designed.

Recognisability

The keywords identification, perception, recognisability, needs, orientation, participation, were considered to be represented in the design.

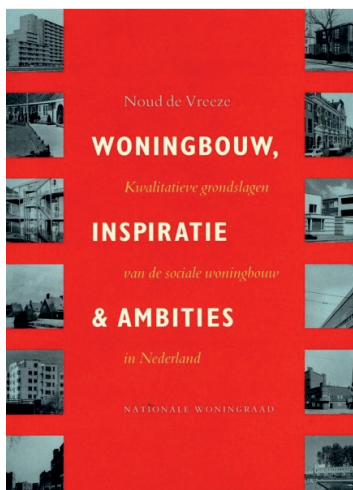
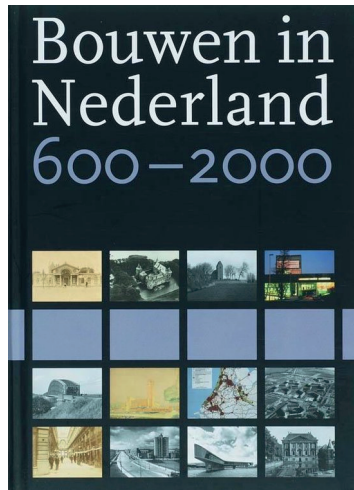
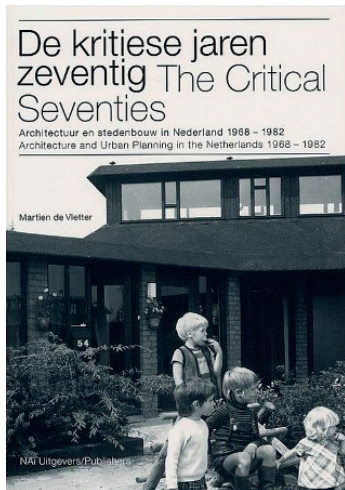


Fig. 15 Consulted literature in first identification Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity

4.2 Literature findings Post 65 Aesthetic and Spatial Identity

Looking at the existing literature only brief summaries of Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity can be found (e.g. exploratory research reports by the RCE). Often these are general descriptions without examples and almost always no visual presentation. These publications do not delve into the origin and refrain from explaining on what basis the lists of aesthetic or spatial attributes were compiled. Furthermore, the literature that presents overviews of Dutch architecture through the past centuries (e.g. Bosma et al, 2007), only give brief general descriptions of Post 65 architecture. And in the available monographs of prominent Dutch Post 65 architects only background on individual developments of architectural aesthetics is outlined. This research aims to solve this problem by combining the existing knowledge together with new additional analysis, in order to create a more complete picture and knowledge of the Post 65 aesthetic and spatial Identity. In my research I tried to make a contribution to this literature by systematically taking account of every element that was mentioned and how often it was mentioned. The aim was to get an idea how the existing literature defines the Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity of suburban housing and to combine the existing knowledge to see where there is overlap or gaps or where certain aspects might contradict each other.

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Neighbourhood

Buurt ordeningsprincipe

woonerven¹
woonerven²
woonerf³
woonerf⁴
erven⁵

hofjes⁶

verkavelingsstructuren met veel korte autovrije straatjes⁷
autovrije straatjes in compacte verkavelingen⁸

eengezinshuis met tuin, gelegen aan een woonerf, dat vrij is van doorgaand verkeer⁹
grondgebonden eengezinswoningen gegroepeerd rond openbare ruimtes (hofjes, straten of woonerven)¹⁰
kleinschalige, dorpsachtige bebouwing, georganiseerd rond woonerven¹¹

grote variatie in zichtlijnen¹²

een enorme variatie straat- en pleinvormen¹³

een enorme variatie in verkavelingstypen¹⁴

onderling sterk afwijkende, per buurt vormgegeven woonwijken¹⁵
autonome vormgeving op buurtniveau¹⁶

grote variatie aan woningtypen en gebouwwormen¹⁷

bloemkoolwijken in vele soorten, maten en vormen¹⁸

suburbane huizenzee¹⁹

doorgaande routes verdoezeld²⁰

lage dichtheid²¹

[bloemkoolwijken] zeer breed scala aan gebouwtypen²²

grondgebonden eengezinswoningen²³

appartementen in laag- of middelhoogbouw²⁴

[woonerf] op het grote schaal kleinere omgevingen te ontwerpen²⁵

oplossingen voor het autovraagstuk²⁶

milieudifferentiatie²⁷

ontbreken van een duidelijke hiërarchie in het stratenpatroon²⁸

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| 1 | Vletter, 2004, p. 9 |
| 2 | Vletter, 2004, p. 10 |
| 3 | Vletter, 2004, p. 17 |
| 4 | Vletter, 2004, p. 141 |
| 5 | Vletter, 2004, p. 61 |
| 6 | Vletter, 2004, p. 61 |
| 7 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610 |
| 8 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610 |
| 9 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 405 |
| 10 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 4 |
| 11 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 5 |
| 12 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610 |
| 13 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 354 |
| 14 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 354 |
| 15 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 405 |
| 16 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 405 |
| 17 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 405 |
| 18 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 4 |
| 19 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 9 |
| 20 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 16 |
| 21 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 17 |
| 22 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 18 |
| 23 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 18 |
| 24 | Vletter, 2004, p. 21 |
| 25 | Vletter, 2004, p. 101 |
| 26 | Vletter, 2004, p. 101 |
| 27 | Vletter, 2004, p. 61 |
| 28 | Vletter, 2004, p. 10 |

Building mass form

Bouwmassa vorm

grillige massa's²⁹
grilligheid³⁰
grote variatie in verrassende bouwblokvolumes³¹
variatie³²
veelvormigheid³³
hoogteverschillen³⁴
ritmeveranderingen³⁵
verspringingen³⁶
een enorme variatie bouwblokvormen³⁷
wijken opgedeeld in kleine eenheden, ruimtes en volumes³⁸
onregelmatige verdeling van die rijtjes over het grondoppervlak³⁹
typische structuralistische laagbouw⁴⁰
verspringende rooilijnen⁴¹
verspringende gevels⁴²
verspringende bouwhoogten⁴³
verspringende daklijnen⁴⁴
verspringende rooilijnen⁴⁵
verbrokkelde en gelaagde vormen⁴⁶
gebroken configuraties⁴⁷
verschillen in vorm⁴⁸
verschillen in vorm⁴⁹
onregelmatige bouwwormen⁵⁰
een schikking van maximale mate van onregelmatigheid⁵¹
ongenuanceerde springerigheid⁵²
schakelingen van bouvvolumes⁵³
uitstulpingen⁵⁴
inspringingen⁵⁵
overdonderende labyrinthische sfeer⁵⁶
diagonalen⁵⁷
schuine lijnen⁵⁸
een bijna chaotische kleinschaligheid⁵⁹
architectuur is kleinschalig⁶⁰
geen lange lijnen⁶¹
geen doorzichten over te lange afstanden⁶²

laagbouw⁶³
laagbouw⁶⁴
laagbouw⁶⁵
laagbouw de norm⁶⁶
Vier of vijf bouwlagen het maximum⁶⁷
twee lagen en split-level waren populair – vaak in combinatie met toegang tot een galerij⁶⁸
nieuwe vormen van middelhoge meergezinshuizen⁶⁹
open bouwsels op uiteenlopende schaalniveau's⁷⁰
patio's⁷¹
patio's⁷²

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| 29 | Vletter, 2004, p. 9 |
| 30 | Vletter, 2004, p. 21 |
| 31 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610 |
| 32 | Vletter, 2004, p. 221 |
| 33 | Vletter, 2004, p. 221 |
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| 44 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 18 |
| 45 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 20 |
| 46 | Vletter, 2004, p. 10 |
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| 48 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 13 |
| 49 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 13 |
| 50 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 20 |
| 51 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 16 |
| 52 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 20 |
| 53 | Somer, 2020, p. 13 |
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| 56 | Vletter, 2004, p. 10 |
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| 63 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 4 |
| 64 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 354 |
| 65 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 9 |
| 66 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 14 |
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| 71 | Vletter, 2004, p. 61 |
| 72 | Vletter, 2004, p. 221 |

Building envelope feature

Gebouwschil karakteristiek

erkers⁷³
erkers⁷⁴
erkers⁷⁵
erkers⁷⁶
erkers⁷⁷

balkons⁷⁸
balkons⁷⁹
balkonnetjes⁸⁰
balkonnetjes⁸¹

oversteken bij de voordeur⁸²
portieken⁸³
portieken⁸⁴
portieken⁸⁵
afdakjes⁸⁶
afdakjes⁸⁷
afdakjes⁸⁸
nisjes⁸⁹
dakoverstekken⁹⁰
loggia's⁹¹
loggia's⁹²

dakkapellen⁹³
dakkapellen⁹⁴
dakkapellen⁹⁵

uitgebouwde bergingen⁹⁶
uitgebouwde bergingen⁹⁷

bergingen⁹⁸
bergingen⁹⁹
carports¹⁰⁰
carports¹⁰¹
garages¹⁰²
garages¹⁰³
pergola's¹⁰⁴
pergola's¹⁰⁵
pergola's¹⁰⁶

onregelmatige geplaatste ramen¹⁰⁷
onregelmatige geplaatste balkons¹⁰⁸
onregelmatige geplaatste overbouwde buitenruimtes¹⁰⁹

korte galerijen en trappen¹¹⁰
galerijen die door middel van trappen zijn verbonden met de openbare ruimte¹¹¹
binnenstraten die door middel van trappen zijn verbonden met de openbare ruimte¹¹²
trappen¹¹³
trapjes¹¹⁴

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| 73 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610 |
| 74 | Somer, 2020, p. 13 |
| 75 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. 405 |
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| 112 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 18 |
| 113 | Somer, 2020, p. 13 |
| 114 | Vletter, 2004, p. 221 |

Roof

Dak

schuine daken¹¹⁵
schuine daken¹¹⁶
schuine kappen¹¹⁷
hellend dak¹¹⁸

[eerste wijken uit de jaren ve...

grote variatie in dakvormen¹²⁰
uitbundige kapvormen¹²¹
uitbundige kapvormen¹²²
kappen in alle mogelijke richtin...

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| 115 | Vletter, 2004, p. |
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| 117 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. |
| 118 | Vletter, 2004, p. |
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| 120 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. |
| 121 | De Vreeze, 1993, p. |
| 122 | Somer, 2020, p. |
| 123 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. |

Fig. 16 Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity according to existing literature

Facade Gevel

grote variëteit¹²⁴
een enorme variatie gevelbeelden¹²⁵
gebrek aan monumentaliteit¹²⁶
bescheiden vormtaal¹²⁷

een verhevigde plasticiteit¹²⁸
verschillen in plasticiteit¹²⁹

verschillen in textuur¹³⁰

verschillen in kleur¹³¹

de kant van het openbaar gebied vaak een zeer gesloten
gevelbeeld¹³²
gesloten gevel naar het woonef¹³³
het meer open geveldeel ligt aan de eigen tuin¹³⁴

grote glasvlakken werden niet meer toegepast¹³⁵

ontbreken van een verticale geleiding in de architectuur¹³⁶

Materialisation Materialisatie

een enorme variatie materiaalkeuzen¹³⁷
diversiteit in (toepassing) materialen¹³⁸

baksteengevels¹³⁹
baksteenindustrie vierde hoogtij¹⁴⁰
baksteen¹⁴¹
metselwerk¹⁴²
herinroductie van baksteen als gevelmateriaal¹⁴³
baksteen¹⁴⁴
baksteen¹⁴⁵

hout¹⁴⁶

hout¹⁴⁷

hout¹⁴⁸

incidentele gebruik betonsteen en grindbeton¹⁴⁹
B2-blokken¹⁵⁰

rode en bruine pannendaken¹⁵¹
met pannen gedekte kappen¹⁵²
pannen- of asbestdaken in gedempte bruin- en grijstinten¹⁵³

Interior Interieur

modern doe-het-zelfmeubilair¹⁵⁴

zitkuilen¹⁵⁵

zitkuilen¹⁵⁶

zitkuil¹⁵⁷

zitkuil¹⁵⁸

complexe en ambigue ruimten¹⁵⁹
plattegronden werden ondoorgrondelijker¹⁶⁰
experimentele woningplattegronden¹⁶¹

bewoonbare zolder onder de kap¹⁶²

entrees van de woningen zijn gericht op de woonerven¹⁶³
woonkamers georiënteerd op de privetuin¹⁶⁴
bergingen en keukens vaak aan de voorkant¹⁶⁵

split-level¹⁶⁶

vrijheid van de plattegrond¹⁶⁷

binnenshuis en buitenshuis ontmoetingsplekken¹⁶⁸

extreme gevarieerdheid van plattegronden¹⁶⁹
plattegronden flexibel in kunnen delen¹⁷⁰

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| 158 | Vletter, 2004, p. 17 |
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| 160 | Vletter, 2004, p. 17 |
| 161 | Abrahamse, 2019, p. 20 |
| 162 | Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610 |
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4.3 'Funda' visual analysis distillation Post 65 Aesthetic and Spatial Identity

After the literature analysis there was the suspicion that this information combined still did not give a true picture of Post 65 housing. I suspected that certain elements appeared more often in the literature than in reality, for example the 'zitkuil' [conversation pit]. The findings of the following 'Funda' visual analysis that resulted in the 'Lexicon of Post 65 Aesthetic and Spatial Identity' proves that the attributes mentioned in the existing literature do not give a representative picture of the Post 65 suburban housing aesthetic and spatial identity. The Lexicon also identifies the other, yet unmentioned attributes, such as the 'hemelraam'. It shows the variety and diversity of Post 65 suburban housing. There is so much diversity that general qualifications do not apply to this housing. However the 'Lexicon' does try to identify different types, and to see whether any different aesthetic groups can be distinguished at all. Vletter (2004, p. 3) described this possibility of a subdivision shortly in *De kritiese jaren zeventig* but without presenting it with such a identification and examples.

De behoefte aan (en de mogelijkheid tot) een veelheid van keuzes leidden er in de architectuur toe dat geen enkele nieuwe stijl of stroming dominant werd in Nederland, terwijl vreemd genoeg de resultaten wel als typische 'jaren zeventig architectuur' herkenbaar zijn. Er ontstonden kleine groeperingen, elk met zijn eigen kenmerken, zoals afwisselende en nieuwe vormen, de menselijke schaal, herwaardering voor de oude stad, gebruik van prefabelementen voor een flexibele plattegrond, of hybridische omgevingen.
(De Vletter, 2004, p. 23)

This research's identification of 'types' has been done on the basis of the aesthetic 'language' of the housing projects. The materialisation and composition were particularly paid attention to in this process. It would also have been possible to make the distinction on the basis of other characteristic. But in this case, it focuses on the Post 65 aesthetic identity, hence the name: 'Aesthetic Families'.

At the same time, the lexicon also shows the underlying ideals better. For example, the pursuit of spatial richness in mass housing. It is an underexposed characteristic, that is only present in the literature implicitly. As the visual Funda analysis has shown, there are many examples of housing in which something unusual has been incorporated in the design to add spaciousness. For example, surprising sightlines within the house, (partly) vaulted ceilings, split levels and mezzanines or with special windows, corner windows, skylights, also in special unusual shapes. They are experienced as something playful or special, especially within the context of mass housing project. Even in the enormous quantity of Post 65 housing

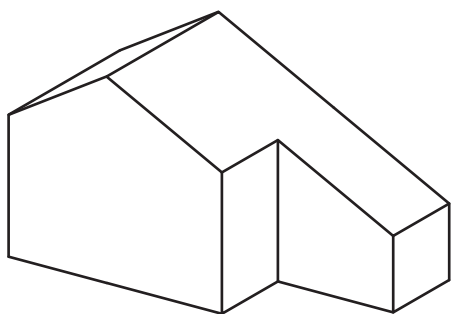
that was built, often an attempt has been made to incorporate something special, unusual and playful in the design. As can also be seen in the first sketch designs of Goedewerf by the architectural firm Inbo, there are several spatial elements and characteristics that fit within the Post 65 aesthetic but there was not enough money available to include them in the design. The ambition was greater than they were able to realize. This aspect of the pursuit of something special within the ordinary is great quality and could be rare in recent affordable housing architecture. It is an aspect that justifiably requires more attention.

Lexicon

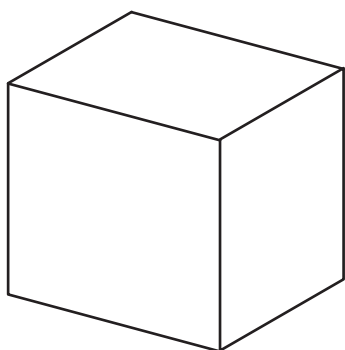
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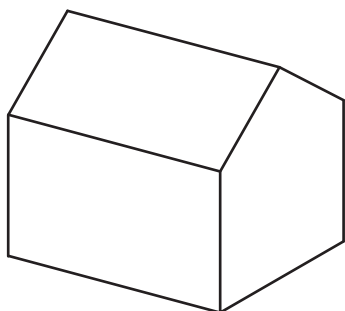
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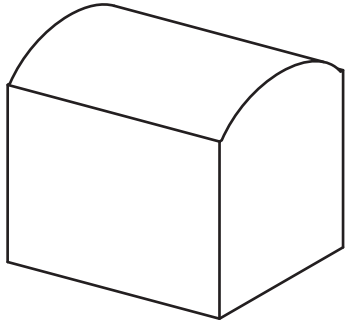
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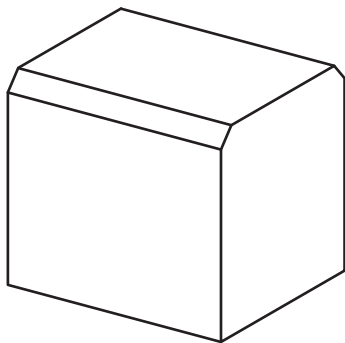
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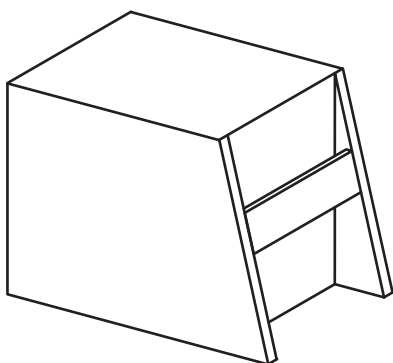
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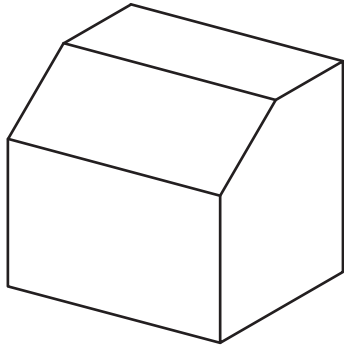
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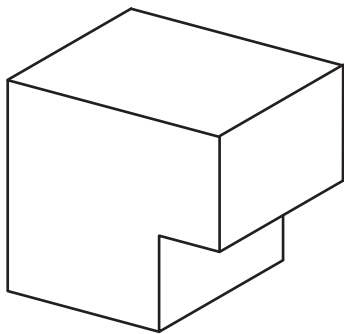
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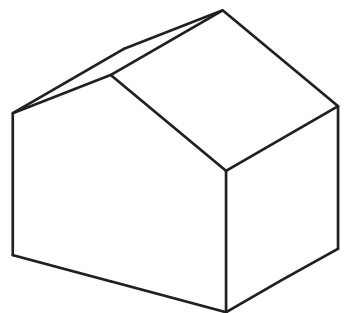
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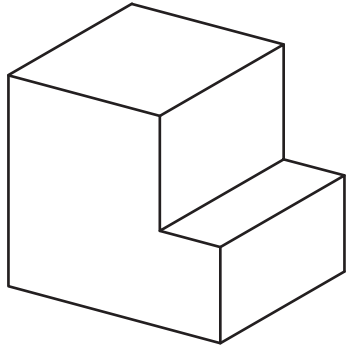
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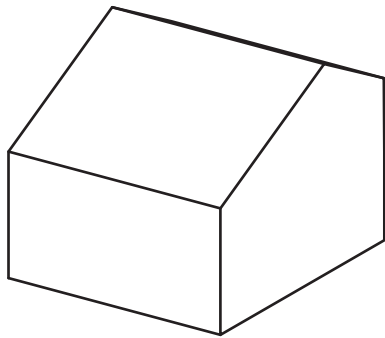
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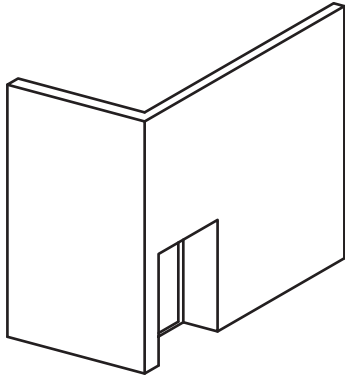
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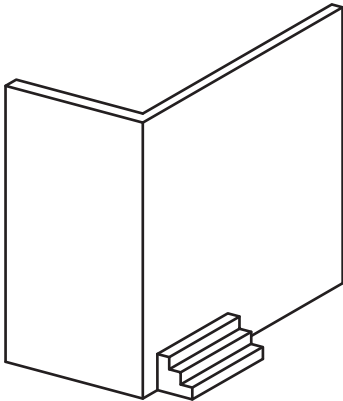
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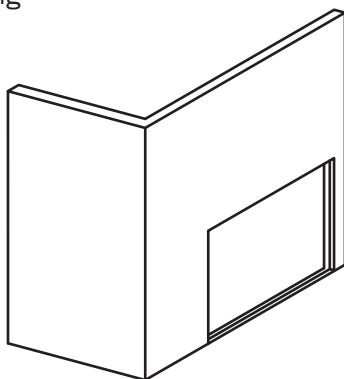
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Stairs to front door

Voordeur aan de straat



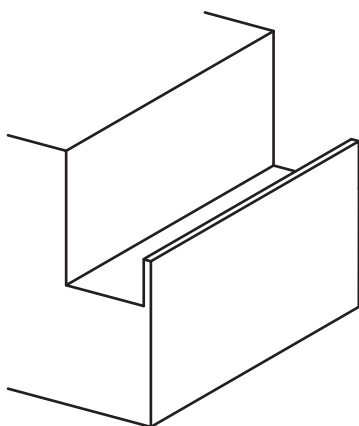
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Elevated street

Verhoogde straat



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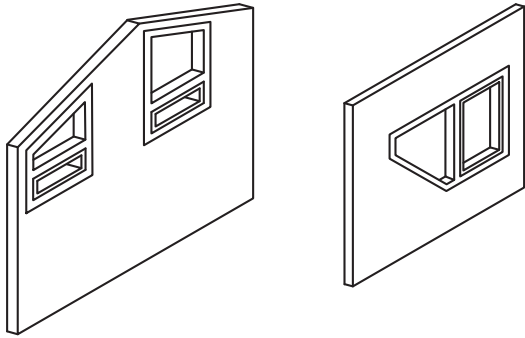
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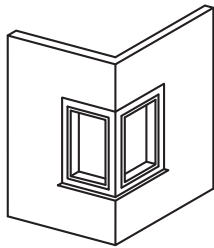
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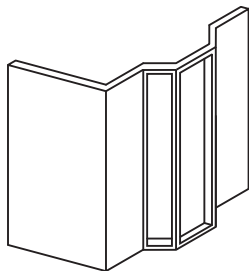
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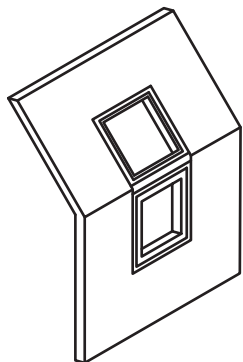
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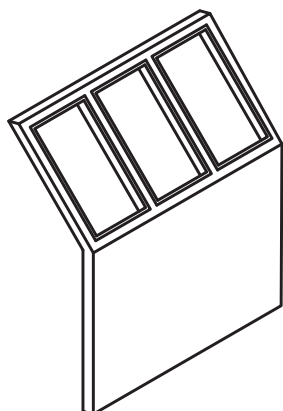
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Skylight

Lichtstraat



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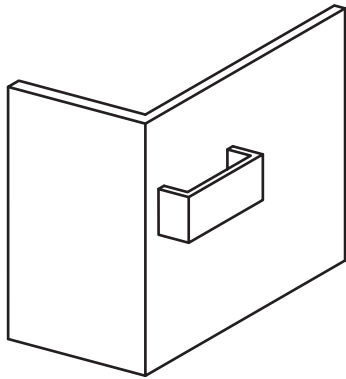
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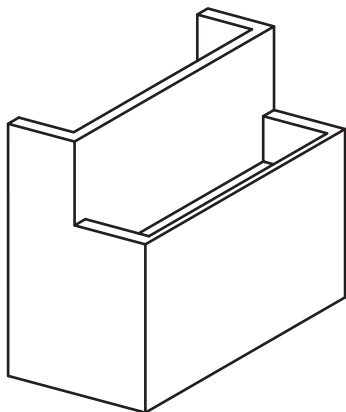
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Balcony

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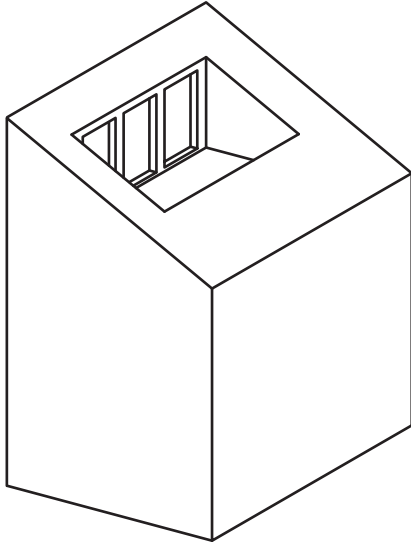
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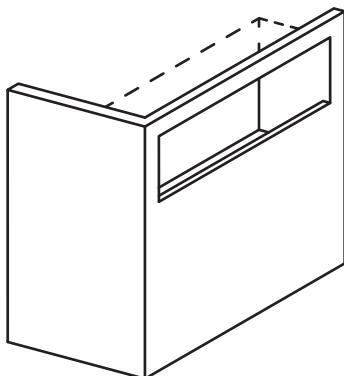
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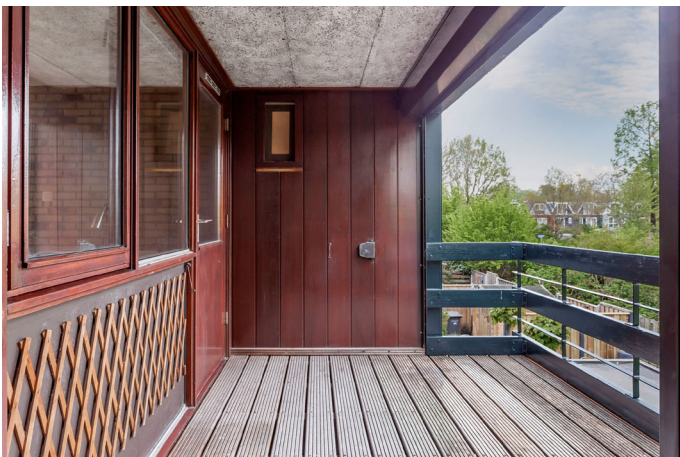
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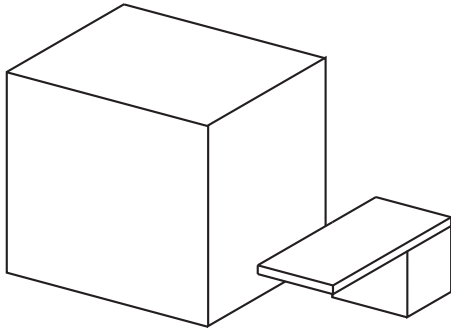
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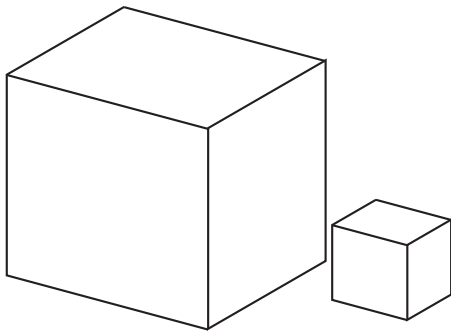
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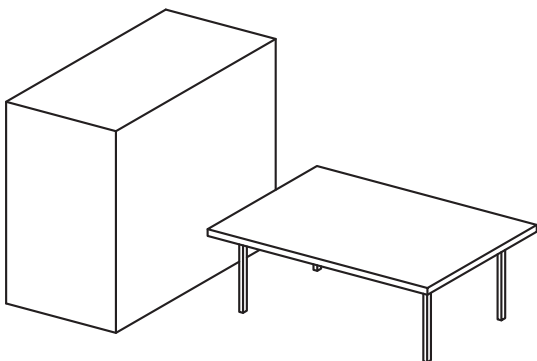
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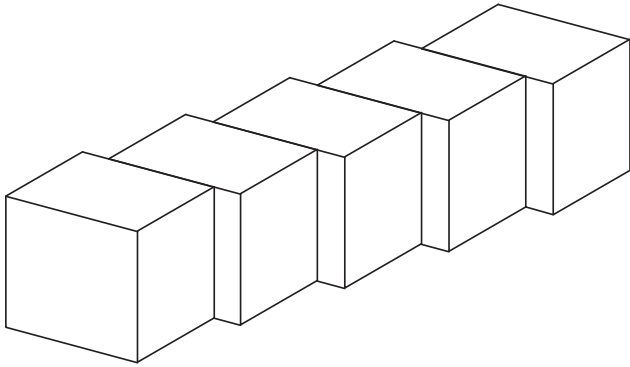
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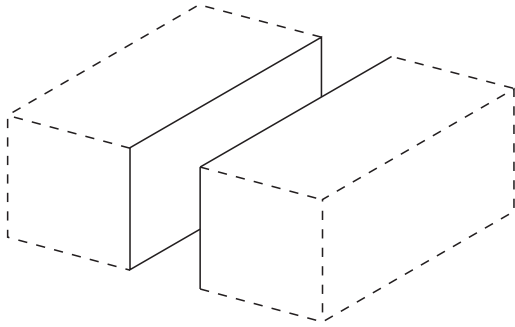
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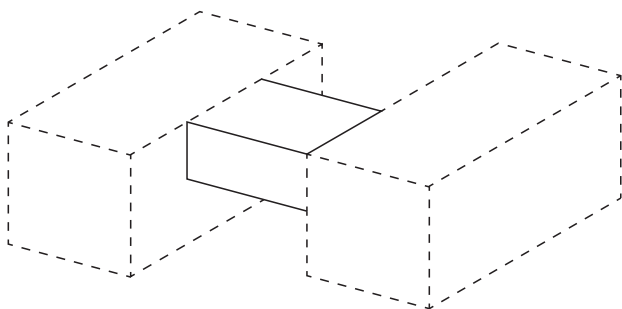
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Parking under the housing

Parkeren onder de woningen



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Vaulted roofs
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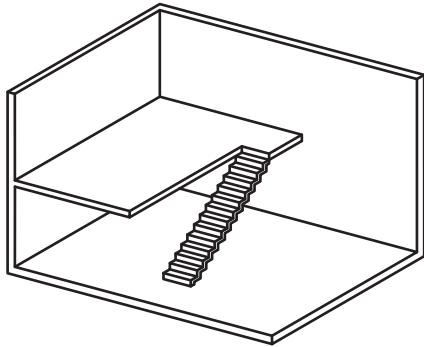
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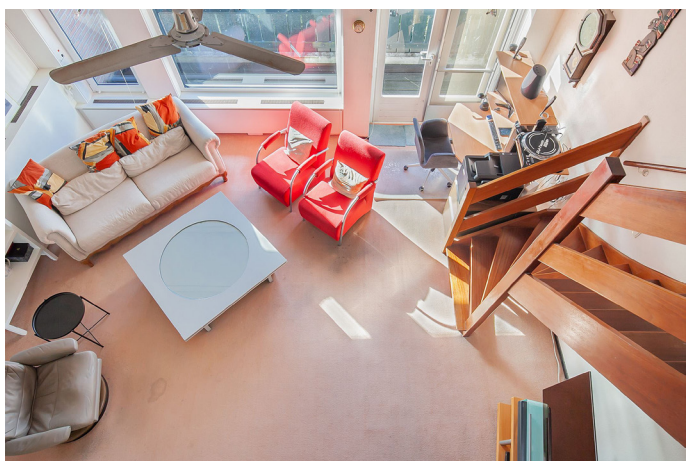
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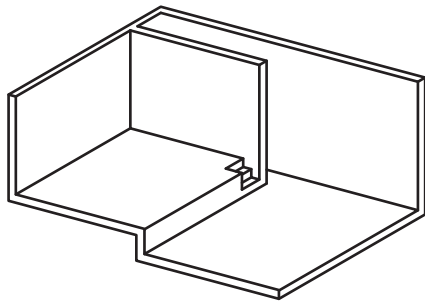
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Split-level home

Splitlevel woning



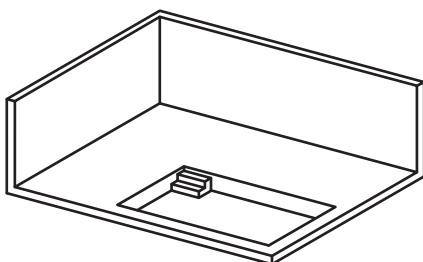
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Open and central staircase

Open en centrale trap



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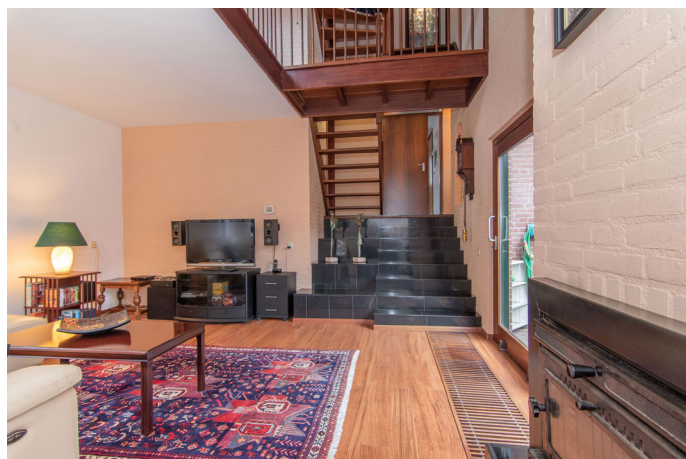
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Living area on first floor
Leefverdieping op de eerste verdieping



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Fireplace

Haard



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Built-in cupboards as buffer

Inbouwkast als buffer



Lenningenhof 26, Eindhoven (Funda, 2022)



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Prefab concrete 'kwaaitaal' floor

Kwaaitaalvloer



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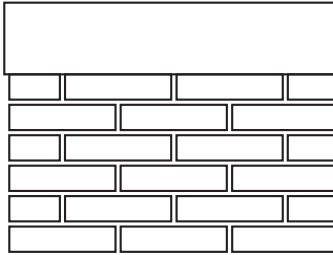


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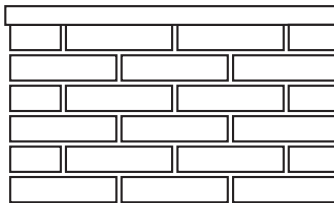
'Boeiboord'



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Aluminium roof edge

Aluminium daktrim



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Bricks stick outward at corners

'Muizentand'



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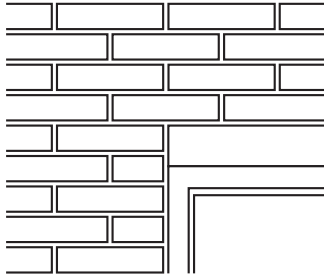
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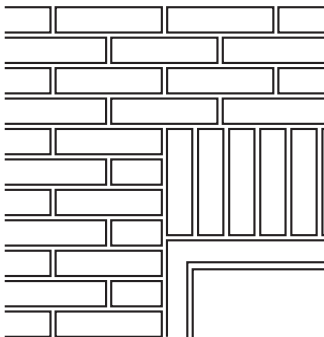
Beton latei



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Aesthetic families



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Karel van Doorman 146, Papendrecht (Funda, 2022)

NEW AMSTERDAM SCHOOL

Much of Amsterdam's recent building, especially social housing, is sufficiently similar in forms and finishes to be identified as a new Amsterdam School. Typically the buildings are brick-faced, with bulging concrete balconies and simple steel balustrades, gaily painted timber windows (usually in shades of blue) and elevations that often evoke traditional gables. Inspired by housing projects by Van Eyck & Bosch (for which Theo Bosch was primarily responsible) this style is now used with greater or lesser degrees of conviction and success all over Amsterdam—and most other towns too. It has become what architects elsewhere have hoped to achieve—a contemporary vernacular.

But as well as this mainstream, there is another stream of serious and skilled architects (including both Van Eyck and Bosch) whose work is not stylistically always similar, but nevertheless shares common aspirations and a similar approach which each interprets and elaborates in his own way. It is the work of these architects, who are not a group of similar age but a stream of successive age groups, that is included here.

Common to their work is a commitment to the social aspects of architecture (and direct social action, too), and a concern with use (or, more accurately, use-full-ness) such as inspired the best of Modern Architecture. Indeed, in the continuing exploration and elaboration of these themes this stream is the true inheritor of Modern Architecture, faithful not to its forms but to its most generous spirit. And the work of all of them is steeped in local and physical context and so is strongly Regionalist as well.

The stream springs from the Forum group and its fountainhead is Aldo Van Eyck, whose two latest designs show not just continuing fertility and development, but that he still remains a few paces ahead. Theo Bosch, Van Eyck's ex-partner, is a talented architect and his own man—yet almost every line shows the inspiration of Van Eyck. His Pentagon housing and Languages Faculty (p20) are both obviously derived from the Mothers' House (AR March 1982), though they are much more restrained—and at their scale and setting the better for it.

Between them Van Eyck and Bosch developed an architecture concerned with giving maximum value in terms of richness of possible uses and experiences. They also took

ALDO VAN EYCK

Through the eminence grise of Dutch architecture, Aldo van Eyck is still also its enfant terrible. He has lost none of his capacity to surprise and shock, as evidenced by his recent rainbow-hued Mother's House (AR March 1982) and now the projects published here.

Van Eyck's contribution to architecture, both within Holland and internationally, has been very considerable. He was instrumental in the break-up of CIAM and in replacing it with Team X. Under his guidance 'Forum' became the forum reacting against the reductionism of post-war architecture and advocating buildings that were more elaborate agents to support an enriched lifestyle. Van Eyck brought particular resources to this leadership for his milieu is not just architecture, but art and literature, and anthropology.

Both as a writer and as a loquacious professor at Delft (and visiting professor to many other parts) Van Eyck is referred to, without disparagement, as Holland's greatest verbal-architect. This is not a aside reference to his limited number of built works, but rather to his skill at articulating and relating architectural concepts and human experience. His verbal inventions

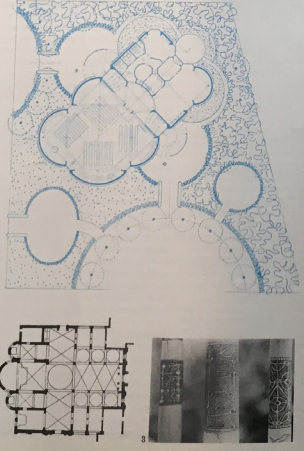
VAN EYCK WRITES ABOUT NON SPACE, ROSSI AND COCCUCCI

The site is the usual kind of space-void planer one in the habit of leaving between suburban row houses. Since one can't really build in (and anything to non-space is not to the kind of architecture that generally goes with it, I envisaged this unfortunate space-void to be utilised and the required built spaces scooped out of the void.

Since the traditional church going ceremony begins at home some time before the actual service as an intimate family affair, getting to the church—the way there—is regarded as a formal prelude to entry.

With the kind of suggestive—or inverted—space notion in mind, I did away, so to speak, with all exterior walls by having roses grow up this trelliswork screen right round the church (and looping out and over the entrance porches)—30 cm away from the walls. Roses with a similar colour will also feature in the surrounding garden linking it to the building.

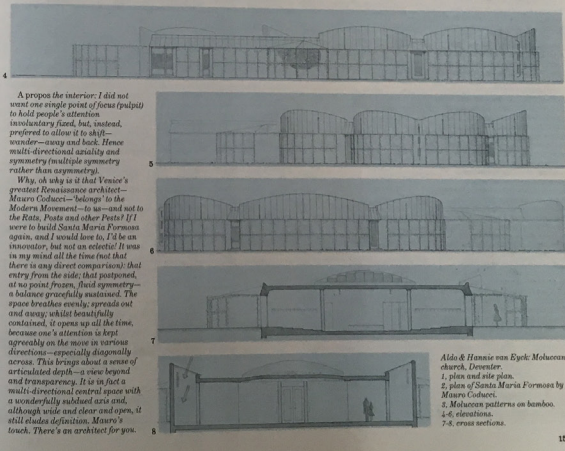
Inside the exterior perimeter walls will be adorned all over with traditional Moluccan (pre-Christian) motifs adapted in the flat from decorated bamboo tubes. These motifs are distinctly vegetative. So with ample light from above, the church interior should echo the exterior. Both sides will be 'outside' with the difference all the more marked by the partial opacity. By this 'seeing' the walls on both sides they will be subdued—partially annihilated—which is what planned non-space asks for.



architecture and planning into the battle-ground of social action by stirring opposition to massive redevelopment and preparing alternative plans. And they won: they stopped the intrusion of motorways into the old city of Amsterdam; and, in a seminal plan for rebuilding the Nieuwmarkt area—retaining the line and scale of traditional streets as well as an active ground floor of shops, arcades and dwellings—they maintained a cohesive neighbourhood.

Arne van Herk (with Kees Rogelvoort) fought similar battles in the Haarlemmer Houttuinen area and built housing for the local community. Van Herk has recently prepared a plan for the local community on Wiltenburg island in the Oosterdok area (p24). He is now building social housing for the community, as is Paul de Ley, who once worked for Van Eyck & Bosch and also for Herman Hertzberger, who also built in Haarlemmer Houttuinen, participation belongs and incompleteness, attempt to provoke a continuing relationship of interaction—or participation—between building and user. Hertzberger, though young at the time, was a fine and influential architect: he is an important theoretician and polemicist. Just as Van Eyck imitate but extends, so Hertzberger includes both the early Moderns and Van Eyck (and as Paul de Ley, Lucien Lafor (AR October 1984) and several others. This sense of a continuing tradition through Modernism is perhaps unique to this Amsterdam stream. It should be the modern architecture—which Van Eyck opposed in 'Forum'—are now attempting to re-establish links with tradition.

Including Sjoerd Soeters in this stream will probably surprise some (including members of the stream) who may see him as a stylish semi-Post-Modernist. Closer inspection shows that Soeters is as much concerned with function and use-full-ness as the others and that the influence of Van Eyck (so obvious in the Kinderbuurt nurseries and school) is also everywhere. Soeters is a child of his time, and so dresses his architecture with colour, wit and grace. (Unfortunately now being tempered in the work of both) but the Brutalist finishes prevent fine buildings from achieving greater popularity and habitability.



A propos the interior: I did not want one single point of focus (palpit) to hold people's attention involuntarily fixed, but, instead, preferred to allow it to shift—wonder—away and back. Hence multi-directional spatiality and symmetry (multiple symmetry rather than asymmetry).

Why, oh why is it that Venice's greatest Renaissance architect—Mauro Codacci—belongs to the Modern Movement—to us—and not to the Renaissance? I would like to see in his hand Santa Maria Formosa again, and I would love to, I'd be an inventor, but not an eclectic! It was in my mind all the time that there is any direct comparison: that entry from the side that postposed, at no point frozen, fluid symmetry—a balance gracefully maintained. The space breathes evenly, permeates out and away; whilst beautifully contained, it opens up all the time, because one's attention is kept agreeably on the move in various directions—especially diagonally across. This brings about a sense of articulated depth—a view beyond and transparency. It is in fact a multi-directional central space with a wonderfully subdued ease, and, although wide and clear and open, it still eludes definition. Maria's touch. There's an architect for you.

Aldo di Henric van Eyck: Mothers' House church, Delft. 1. plan and site plan. 2. plan of Santa Maria Formosa by Mauro Codacci. 3. Moluccan patterns on bamboo. 4-6. elevations. 7-8. cross sections.

Fig. 17 New Amsterdam School, Architectural Review, by Buchanan, 1985.

4.4 Characterisation Post 65

In this chapter, an overview is presented in which the characterisations of Post 65 suburban architecture, which have been collected from the aforementioned selection of literature, will be assessed on the basis of aforementioned research findings. It is recognisable that in all attempts to give a name to Post 65 housing architecture 'style' there is no name that has really stuck with the public and/or professionals. The RCE also goes as far as not finding it very interesting to give a name to Post 65 architecture. The RCE argues that the architectural appearance is by no means always linked to a certain architectural style or architectural movement. However I have not found evidence in my research that that is the case.

De algemene leidraad voor architectuurhistorisch onderzoek is veelal de indeling van stijlperiode en de chronologisch ordening. Voor de jongere en jongste bouwkunst is de architectonische verschijningsvorm echter lang niet altijd gekoppeld aan een bepaalde bouwstijl of architectuurstroming. Karakteristieke en eventuele waardering komen eerder in samenhang met bijvoorbeeld de omgevingskenmerken, de vormgeving, de toegepaste materialen en de constructie tot stand, en ook in relatie tot sociaalmaatschappelijke en beleidsmatige ontwikkelingen.
(Blom et al, 2019, p. 9)

Despite the reluctance to make a division of style period, in the RCE publication *Groei, verandering, differentiatie. Architectuur in Nederland 1965-1990* Somer (2020, p. 13) does make an effort. Somer emphasizes the contradiction that there is great diversity in aesthetic appearances but at same time it is viewed as 'typically 70s'.

De architectuur van deze periode wordt vaak als 'typisch jaren zeventig' aangeduid, maar in de vele uitingsvormen is niet een dominante stijl of stroming te onderscheiden. Als we er een trefwoord aan zouden willen toekennen dan is dat wel 'kleinschaligheid'.
(Sommer, 2020, p. 13)

Various other authors have made an attempt. For example Buchanan naming it 'The New Amsterdam School' as was the case in an Architectural Review issue from 1985.

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what architects elsewhere have hoped to achieve - a contemporary vernacular. (...) Between them Van Eyck and Bosch developed an architecture concerned with giving maximum value in terms of richness of possible uses and experiences.'
(Buchanan, 1985, p. 14)

More recently, Buch (1993) and De Vletter (2004, p. 28) and also describe this parallel but this name however has never stuck.

'Opnieuw ontstond er een synthetische stijl, waarbij traditionele materialen ontdaan van een directe historische verwijzing naar nieuwe betekenissen, in dienst staan van sociaal verantwoorde doelen. Een groot verschil met de Amsterdamse School is echter dat de blokken in de jaren zeventig 'geen kop en geen staart hebben' (Ben Loerakker en daarmee de monumentaliteit missen die de architectuur van de Amsterdamse School juist zo aantrekkelijk maakt.'
(De Vletter, 2004, p. 29)

Sometimes the namegiving is done with a degree of cautiousness, only going as far as calling it a new form of modern architecture:

De discussie over de stad en de gebouwde omgeving resulteerde in een nieuwe vorm van moderne architectuur. In de jaren zeventig werd er overal in Nederland geëxperimenteerd met nieuwe interpretaties van moderne architectuur.
(Biggelaar, 2018, p. 156)



Fig. 18 'Monumentality' in Post 65 suburban housing, Albatroshoek, Spijkenisse (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 19 'Regionalism' in Post 65 suburban housing, Het Salm 29, Zaandam (Funda, 2022)

Reputation

As mentioned earlier in the Introduction, Post 65 suburban housing is subject to a very negative reputation. It does not help that in books such as *Bouwen in Nederland*, edited by prominent Dutch architectural historians, relatively firm negative statements are presented. The general qualifications do not help and encourage opening one's eyes to make a (new) assessment of the (heritage) value.

Wie de visuele en woontechnische kwaliteit van stadsvernieuwingsprojecten uit de jaren zeventig en tachtig vergelijkt met de nieuwbouw zogenaamde uitbreidingslocaties moet wel tot de conclusie komen dat de context van stadsvernieuwing meestal toch een ambitieuzer architectonische en stedenbouwkundige inzet van ontwerpers en opdrachtgevers opleverde. In de stadsvernieuwing werden in veel gevallen karaktervolle en vernieuwende projecten gerealiseerd (...) In de uitbreidingsnieuwbouw lijkt in deze periode iedere inspiratie op het gebied van architectonische en stedenbouwkundige vormgeving te ontbreken. (...) Bijna ongemerkt werd tussen 1975 en 1985 de nieuwbouwproductie van sociale huurwoningen in uitbreidingsgebieden teruggebracht tot fantasieloze rijen van heel veel dezelfde woningen. (Bosma et al, 2007, p. 611)

It is correct that there 'fantasieloze rijen van heel veel dezelfde woningen' exist, but a general qualification like this is incorrect. What is also often referred to is the alleged lack of monumentality¹. The findings of the study show that this general qualification does not apply to all Post 65 housing. An examples is given in Fig. 18.

Veel bloemkoolwijken zijn naar binnen gekeerd en er zijn hooguit wat onopvallende achtergevels te zien tussen het groen, soms met allerlei aanbouwen, schuttingen en schuurtjes. Afwezigheid is eigenlijk het belangrijkste kenmerk van de architectuur van bloemkoolwijken. Er is uitdrukkelijk niet gestreefd naar een al te nadrukkelijke, laat staan een monumentale architectonische uitdrukkingsvorm naar buiten toe. (Abrahamsel, 2019, p. 16)

De gemene deler is de afwezigheid van monumentaleiteit, de onnadrukkelijkheid van de architectuur: de gebouwen hebben geen presentie maar gaan op in het grotere geheel. (Abrahamsel, 2019, p. 18)

Postmodernism 65

The fact that giving Post 65 housing a name has never really succeeded will probably be due to the huge diversity in aesthetic and spatial appearance. The naming attempts that have been made have been correct only for a certain subgroup. This research argues the strongest contender would be qualifying it

as 'postmodernism' as was also cautiously done by De Vletter (2004, p.29).

Het valt te beargumenteren dat in Nederland toch een vorm van postmodernisme is ontstaan in de jaren zeventig. Het postmodernisme heeft als attitude zeker navolging gekregen, maar tevens een heel eigen architectonische uitwerking gehad. De monumentaliteit van Aldo Rossi of Ricardo Bofill ontbreekt. In Nederland is duidelijk met een bescheidener vormentaal naar een andere geschiedenis gezocht. (De Vletter, 2004, p. 29)

The RCE however denies this relation with postmodernism in two publications from 2019. However Somer (2020) does not, only by also bringing in the familiar characterisation of lack of monumentality again.

Het postmodernisme, in diverse andere landen een reactie op het modernisme, komt in Nederland als stroming nauwelijks van de grond. (Blom et al, 2019, p. 10)

Postmoderne architectuur, die verwees naar een historische architectonische beeldtaal, met symmetrie in façades en in veel gevallen voorzien van historische elementen, zoals timpanen of zuilen, waren in de Nederlandse volkswoningbouw, en dus ook in de bloemkoolwijken, geheel afwezig. (Abrahamsel, 2019, p. 19)

Zo kreeg in Nederland het 'postmodernisme' in de jaren zeventig een eigen architectonische uitwerking, die zich kenmerkte door een gebrek aan monumentaliteit en een bescheiden vormentaal. (Somer, 2020, p. 14)

As Charles Jencks describes in his publications about postmodernism there are multiple forms of postmodernism. Within his overviews of the evolution of postmodernism (Fig. 20), Post 65 could be categorised as originating from neo-vernacular roots resulting in forms of 'regionalism' and 'critical regionalism', as I interpret it both being forms architecture that strived for recognisability but differences in how explicit references to the architecture of the past are made.

1 Monumentality is interpreted in this context as 'massive', 'imposing', 'exceptionally great, as in quantity, quality, extent or degree'

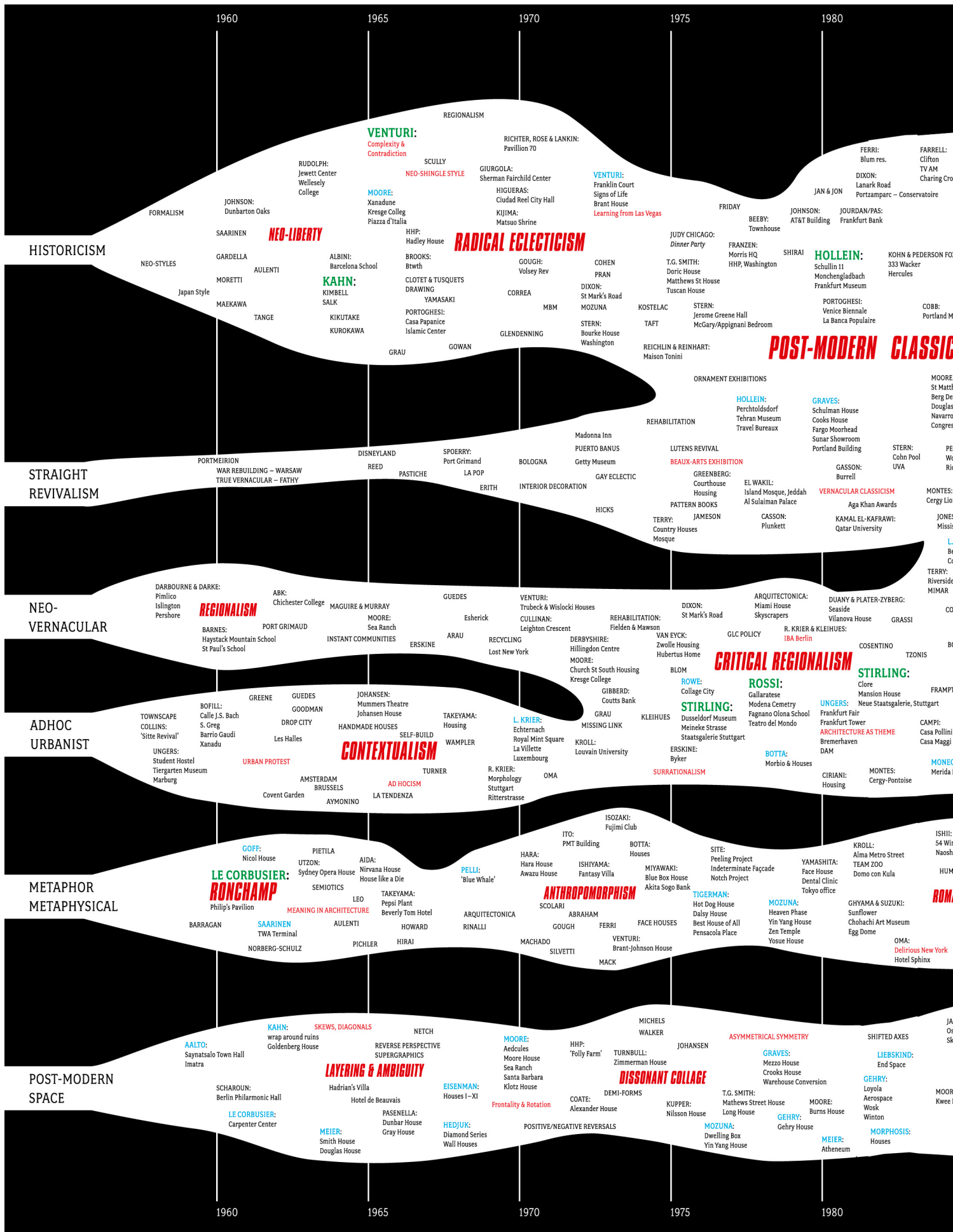


Fig. 20 'Post-Modern Evolutionary Tree' from *The Story of Post-Modernism* by Jencks, 2011. The six underlying traditions are classified far left; the 16 major architects are in green; 24 major movements in red, 74 significant architects in blue; and 500 architects and keywords in black.





Fig. 21 Romanticism in Post 65. The habitable attic under the roof. Schepemakersdijk 12, Edam (Funda, 2021)



Fig. 22 Romanticism in Post 65. The habitable attic under the roof. Goedewerf 32, Almere (Funda, 2021)

Learning from Las Vegas

Parallels can also be drawn with the findings from *Learning from Las Vegas* (Venturi & Scott Brown, 1972) and the previous described Post 65 characteristic of 'recognisability' on page 27. Venturi and Scott Brown found rich layers of meaning in the symbolism applied to otherwise-boring buildings. They were inspired to integrate signs and symbols in their own designs, for example Guild House, perceived as an early work of postmodernism (Kohlstedt, 2016). In post 65 suburban housing, many elements can be found that have a symbolic and romantic function that refer to well-known associations about the concept of a 'home'. The 'Stichting Nieuwe Woonvormen' and the 'Vereniging Centraal Wonen' introduced a whole series of romantic ideas into housing design, such as reviving the habitable attic under the roof (Bosma et al, 2007, p. 610). The enormous numbers of pitched roofs and attic rooms testify to the longing for these romantic concepts on living.

ALONG THE HIGHWAY YOU FIND 2 KINDS OF ARCHITECTURE :

① THE DECORATED SHED
The modest building with the big sign
The shelter with symbols over it

② THE DUCK
The building is the sign

Both are valid historically: Chantres & Palazzo Rucellai are decorated sheds; Parthenon is a duck. But — we think the decorated shed is what is valid today: although architects are designing dead ducks. Our work is generally a study in the decorated shed: using the symbolism of the Ordinary over that of the heroic & original.

BORING ARCHITECTURE IS INTERESTING • ARCHITECTURE IS THE DECORATION OF SHELTER.

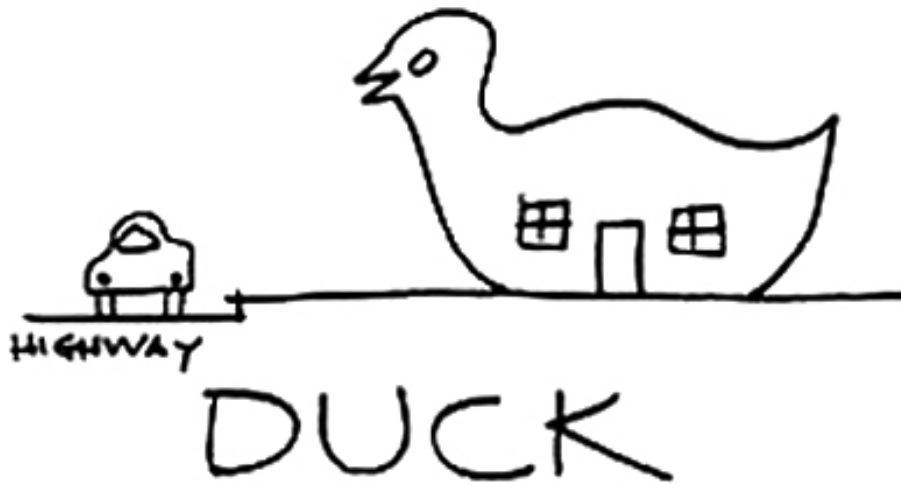


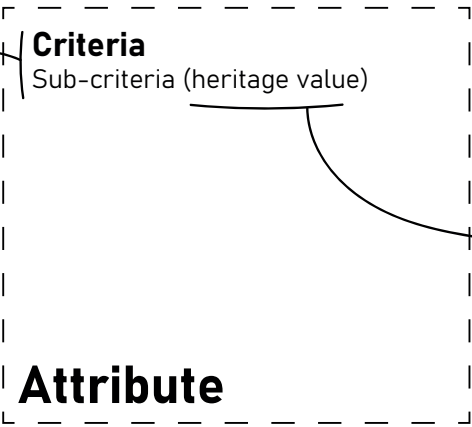
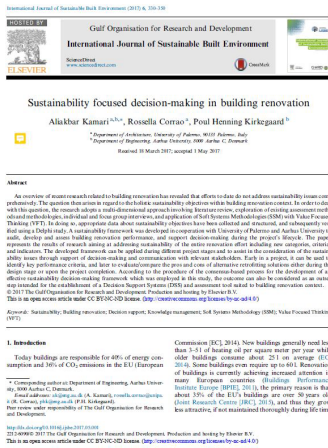
Fig. 23 Illustrations from *Learning from Las Vegas*, by Venturi, Scott Brown & Izenour, 1972.



Fig. 24 Post 65 home as 'decorated shed': 'Pitched roof' symbol for 'home' or reference to architecture symbol of classicist tympanum. Keverberg, Weert (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 25 Post 65 home as 'duck': The supersized gable roof as the symbol of a 'home' Donkergaarde 26, Nieuwegein (Funda, 2021)



Source



Designing from Heritage: Strategies for Conservation and Conversion (Kuipers, M. & de Jonge, W., 2017)

Sustainability focused decision-making in building renovation (Kamari et al. 2017)

Fig. 26 Reading guide 'Value Assessment'

5 Value Assessment

5.1 Value mapping method

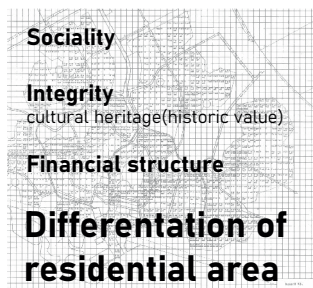
In the following two sections the qualities and weaknesses of Goedewerf are identified via this value assessment which gives qualitative insight into which aspects are important to solve or strengthen to then revitalize the Goedewerf neighbourhood.

The most important qualities and weaknesses are identified and for each attribute to which sustainability criteria and subcriteria from Kamari's et al (2017) they relate to is mentioned.

When the attribute concerns Kamari's et al (2017) sustainability criteria of 'Integrity' and classifies as (potential) cultural heritage, the relevant heritage value is attributed to this quality or weakness by means of the Rieglian+ values¹ (also used in the H&A 'Heritage Value Matrix').

1 Age value, Historical value, Intentional commemorative value, Non intended commemorative value, Use value, Newness value, (relative) Art value, Rarity value (+), Other relevant values (+)

5.2 Qualities



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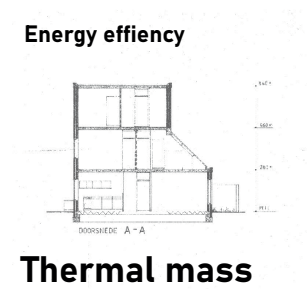
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5.3 Weaknesses



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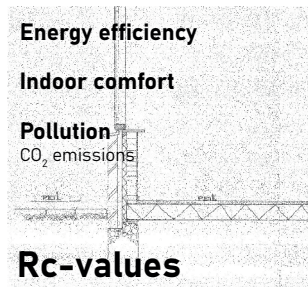
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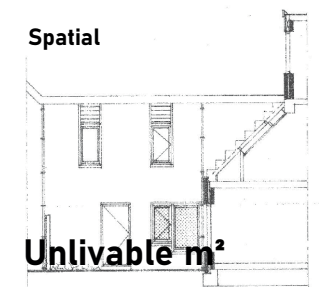
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Fig. 27 'Green' networks between neighbourhoods. Wilgengriend, Almere (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 28 'Blue' networks between neighbourhoods. Nimfkruidvaart, Zoetermeer (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 29 Relatively large amount of public space. Aragon, Leusden (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 30 High quantities of thermal mass: loadbearing structures made of concrete or brick. Dapperstraat, Tilburg (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 31 Large amounts of roof area. Verenwei, Arnhem (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 32 Relatively low density of residents. Noordmark, Almere (Funda, 2022)

5.4 Common characteristics Post 65 suburban housing

With regards to a sustainable future of the Post 65 housing estates, it is not only essential to have know-how with respect to the aesthetic and spatial identity. There are other similarities to be found within Post 65 suburban housing that can play a role in the revitalisation of these neighbourhoods.

6 Design Process

Although the focus in this project is Accountability, which includes the underrated aesthetic and spatial post 65 identity as criteria, the other two sustainability categories 'Functionality' (i.e. environment) and 'Feasibility' (i.e. economy) will be discussed in this chapter as well.

This graduation studio addresses the current urgent issues of housing, i.e. the housing shortage and the energy performance and energy transition of existing housing stock. According to the Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations the housing shortage in 2021 was estimated at 279,000 homes, 3.5% of the housing stock. Although the number of new homes will increase significantly in the coming years, the number of households will grow faster, causing the housing shortage to increase (BZK, 2022, p. 7). Therefore the Netherlands need to build 900.000 homes before 2030, of these 600.000 need to be affordable homes, of which 300.000 need to be built by the public housing associations. Corporations are very much needed in the renovation and restructuring of the existing housing stock, the energy transition, the housing of vulnerable groups and the quality of life in the neighbourhoods. On average 35% of Post 65 suburban housing is social housing.

The other major challenge in housing is the energy transition. According to the IPCC sixth assessment report drastic reduction in our environmental impact needs to happen. 40% of energy consumption and 36% of CO₂ emissions is related to buildings (Kamari et al, 2017). Every year, just under a thousand buildings are upgraded to energy-neutral or energy-positive. To meet the 2050 targets this needs to be at least a thousand (TNO, n.d.). Although due to the crisis in the early 1970s, more demands were put on the energy efficiency of homes, the Post 65 housing does not meet the current standards on energy performance. Typically, the cavity walls (60-100 mm) in this housing were often only partially insulated with 30-40 mm of insulation (Energieket, 2022). A significant part of the entire building stock is the Post 65 building stock. 31% of the entire housing stock in the Netherlands, was built between 1965 and 1985 (CBS, 2021).



CONSERVATION

protect and preserve heritage attributes

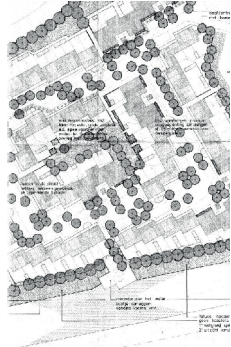


Renovation Het Schip, Archivolt architecten



WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN

inspiration from unrealised design ideas



Design drawings Goedewerf 1976 (unrealised), Inbo



TRANSLATED LOOSELY

(personal) design associations



Kasteel de Haar, Pierre Cuypers



SUPERSIZING

emphasizing aesthetic fundamentals by increasing them in size, quantity or density



Intelli Hotel Zaandam, WAM architecten



CITATION

copying aesthetic fundamental(s) from the relevant architectural style or period



Housing Strijp R, Hilberink Bosch Architecten

Fig. 33 Design methods to incorporate or strengthen Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity attributes or concepts in the revitalization design of Goedewerf, Almere Haven.

6.1 Designing with the Lexicon Post 65 Aesthetic and Spatial Identity

In order to safeguard the heritage values present and to ensure a sustainable future, the Post 65 housing can have similar approach to that of urban tissue in Dutch inner cities during the urban renewal period (1968-1989). Residents are also rooted in neighbourhoods and the architectural and spatial characteristics of the 'woonerf' and 'bloemkoolwijken' need to be protected and strengthened as is clear from the research done. A background on the 1968-1989 urban renewal principles is provided in the next section.

For the architectural design of renovation of existing housing and the new infill architecture I strived for a contemporary translation of Post 65 architecture, in other words using the same vocabulary as the existing architecture. Which elements or aspects were chosen to include in the redesign of Goedewerf were picked intuitively and by testing them in sketches and digital models. Different design methods (Fig. 33) were used that explain in what way a certain Post 65 aesthetic or spatial identity attribute or concept is incorporated or strengthened in the project.

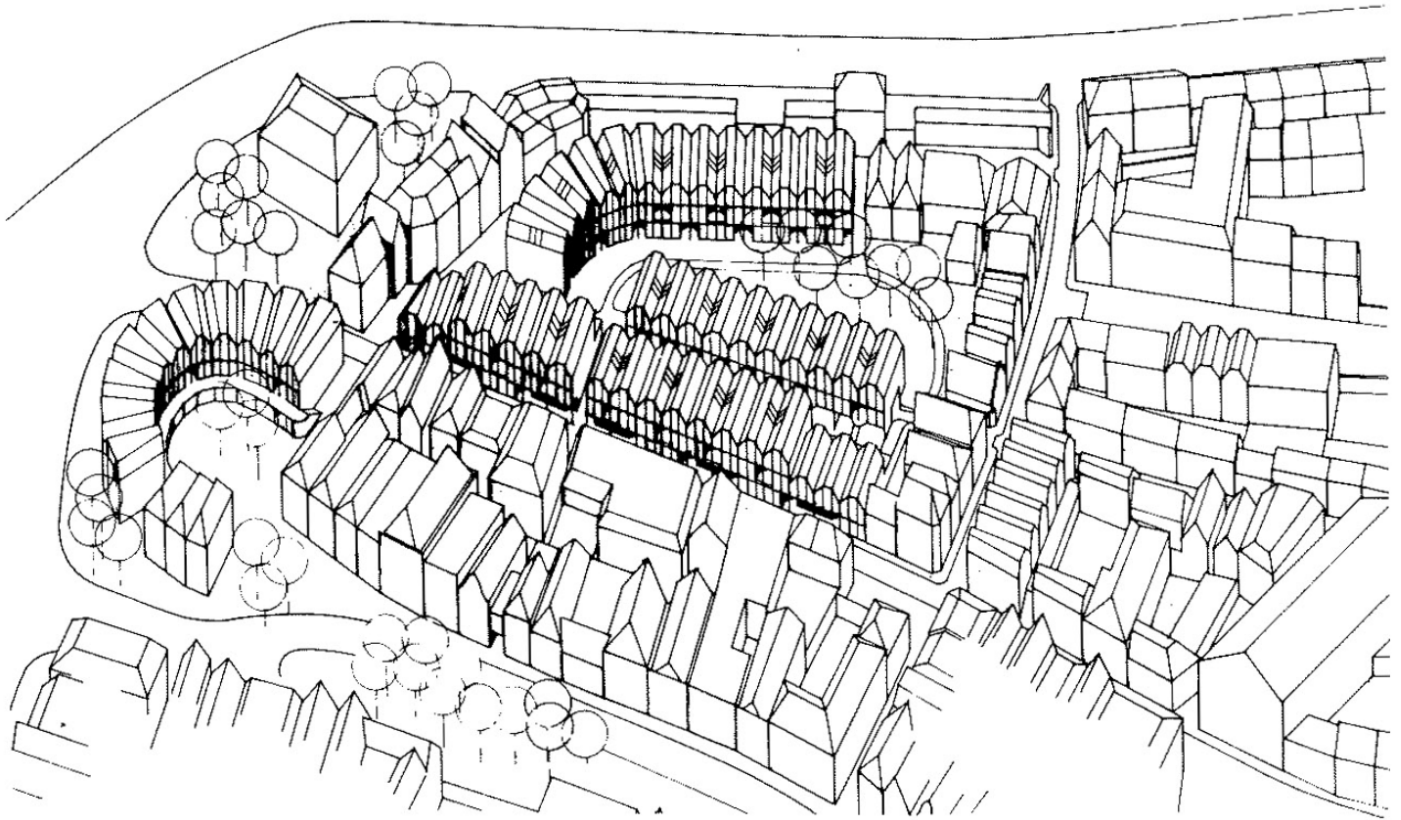


Fig. 34 Spatial impressions from 'Onder de bogen' via project documentation BONAS. The parcellation is expressed by the mansard roofs. The varying ridge heights and window sections contribute to a varied street scene.

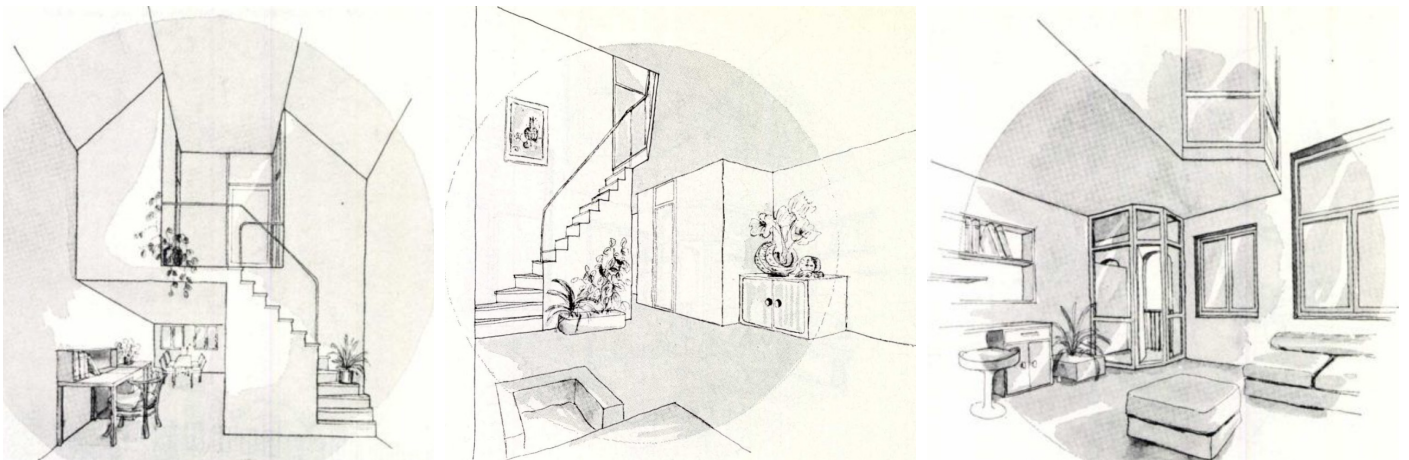


Fig. 35 Spatial impressions from 'Onder de bogen' via project documentation BONAS. The characteristic of the maisonnettes, semi-detached houses and porch stacked houses is how spacious and light homes have been created with a relatively small floor area.



Fig. 36 Waterstraat 6, Zwolle (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 37 Bitterstraat 24, Zwolle (Funda, 2022)



6.2 Design research: Urban Renewal (1968-1989) principles

Before the 1970s, inner-city neighbourhoods had been neglected in municipal policy (Es & Voerman, 2018, p. 6). The more affluent residents and healthy businesses moved to new expansion districts on the outskirts of the city or to growth centres in the provinces. Those who stayed behind were seen as the social underclass. You could say that exactly the opposite has happened in recent times. Villages and cities have been concentrating on keeping their centres vital.

Reason enough to look back at methods that have proven successful in history for revitalising existing urban fabric. So, how do you revitalize neighbourhoods? What was the strategy, what was strived for and what kind of architecture was used?

As already described on page 27, at the end of the 1960s the idea of how to deal with the existing city changed. Instead of demolition and new construction, administrators turned to 'rehabilitatie', a new term meaning housing improvement. Minister of Housing and Spatial Planning (VRO) W.F. Schut published the memorandum 'The future of the old housing stock', in which he pointed out the importance of rehabilitation. The existing urban structure of a neighbourhood could be changed to some extent, according to Schut, but only with a view to preserving or restoring its original character as much as possible. At the end of 1968, the National Planning Service added a social dimension to this starting point. In its annual report, the Dienst stated that the inner city should not only be an economic, but also a socio-cultural centre in which people could feel at home.

'Onder stadsvernieuwing wordt verstaan de stelselmatige inspanning zowel op stedenbouwkundig als op sociaal, economisch en cultureel gebied, gericht op behoud, herstel en verbetering - zomede, indien nodig, op herindelings- en sanering - van stadskernen en daarbij aansluitende stedelijke gebieden alsmede van andere door dichte bebouwing gekenmerkte centra van maatschappelijk leven.'

Artikel 1 van de Ontwerp Wet op de Stadsvernieuwing 1976.

An example of successful urban renewal is a project by Aldo van Eyck and Theo Bosch 'Onder de bogen' (1970-1975) in Zwolle. The project is located in an area of the inner city that was in a state of rapid decay after the war. Demolition had left open gaps in many places. Van Embden's city plan envisaged a traffic route on this site. However, the changed ideas about how the city should look and function meant that Van Embden's plan was no longer supported. As a result of the plans for the Nieuwmarkt district, the council invited Van Eyck and Bosch to design an alternative. This gave them

an opportunity to show how an old city centre can be renewed on the basis of a vision that demonstrates respect for the city and shows respect for the social, historical and urban planning structure.



Fig. 38 Urban renewal project 'Onder de Bogen', Zwolle by Theo Bosch and Aldo van Eyck (Funda, 2022) The transitions from the private domain of the home to the public space were designed with special attention. The density, small scale and building style are matched with the historical characteristics of the old Hanseatic town.



Fig. 39 Urban renewal project 'Onder de Bogen', Zwolle by Theo Bosch and Aldo van Eyck (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 40 Urban renewal project 'Onder de Bogen', Zwolle by Theo Bosch and Aldo van Eyck (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 41 Small infill development in Almere Haven. Proposed densification concept for Post 65 suburban housing.

'CAULIFLOWER' NEIGHBOURHOODS

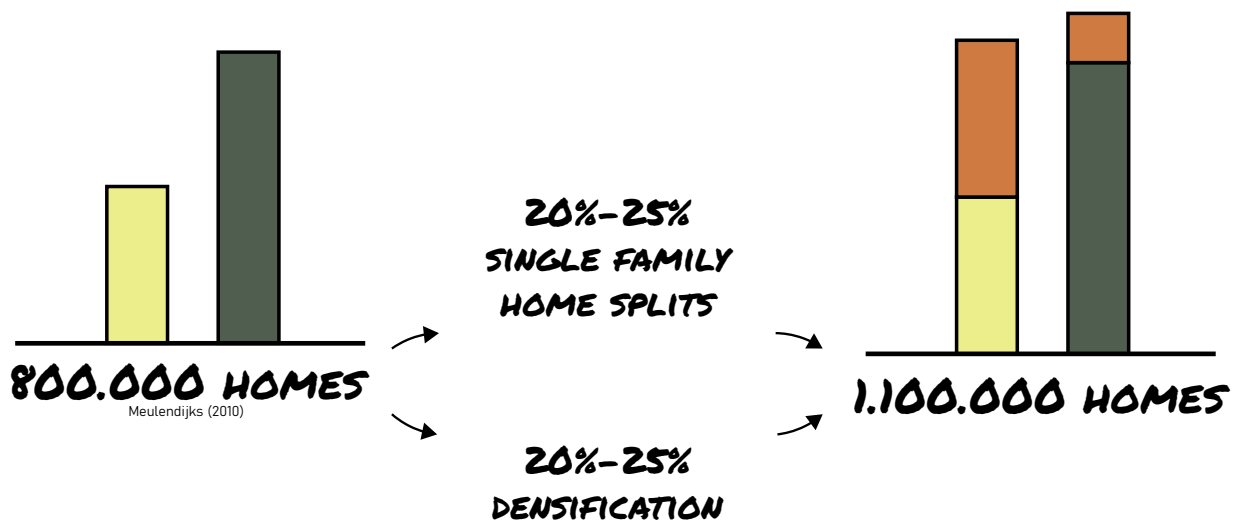


Fig. 42 Proposed concept for increasing population density in Post 65 suburban housing ('cauliflower neighbourhoods') by home splits and densification of small infill development.

6.3 Design research housing shortage (‘Feasibility’) Home splits and densification

In relation to the housing shortage, this project looks at the possibilities of densification in Post 65 suburban housing neighbourhoods. Since the density of Goedewerf is representative of Post 65 neighbourhoods there is potential applications of the results in practice.

It is estimated that there are 800.000 dwellings in cauliflower districts (Meulendijks, 2010; Abrahamse, 2019). My project argues that we can solve the 300,000 affordable houses that need to be built by housing corporations in those neighbourhoods. Often there is ‘gespikkeld bezit’. On average, 35% of these neighbourhoods is owned by housing corporations. But this does not have to be a disadvantage. This way, housing corporations can kill two birds with one stone in these neighbourhoods: renovation and new housing. The two tasks that the government is now confronting them with.

Whereas the average household size in the 1970s was 3.5 people, nowadays the average number of people living in a home is 2,2 (Van Bockxmeer & De Korte, 2021). In 1990, when all 8960 houses were built according the residential plans for Almere Haven by the Rijksdienst IJsselmeerpolders, 22355 people lived in Almere Haven, with an average household size of 2,5. In 2021, 23.530 people are living in Almere Haven in 11.041 houses (allecijfers.nl), so 2.1 people per house.



Fig. 43 Home split project in Nieuwkoop by 'Woningstichting Nieuwkoop', from jwdegroot.nl, retrieved June 1st, 2022)



Fig. 44 Generaal Berenschotpad 16, Eindhoven, where Corporatie Woonbedrijf is splitting homes to house more smaller households. (ED, 2022)

Densification

Post 65 neighbourhoods in general have relatively large spaces for infill development without affecting the characteristic structure. How many extra houses is Goedewerf able to adopt? Through testing different infill development within Goedewerf, a densification of 20-25% is possible.

Home split

But building extra homes brings a new dilemma. Is building extra homes, next to or on top of existing housing within neighbourhoods, alone the smartest way to solve the housing shortage? On average, there are 65 square metres of house per person in the Netherlands (van Bockxmeer & de Korte, 2021). That should be enough. Are there also other ways to distribute the available square metres more efficiently? The problem is that a large proportion of the dwellings are single family homes and households are becoming smaller and smaller without the population growth decreasing.














In order to determine whether this is a feasible plan, reference projects were sought. Research conducted by the (Kooiman, 2020) has shown that 19% of people of the age of 60 and older are actually willing to move but do want to stay in the same neighbourhood. Dividing their house and selling half could be a solution to this, since finding a suitable home in the area only rarely happens. This applies to private owners, but home splitting could also be feasible within social housing according to what is happening in practice. At the end of the 1990s, Woningstichting Nieuwkoop recognised the need to add smaller houses to their housing stock. Building smaller houses in the 'Groene Hart' was not possible. However, the number of single-family homes was large. By splitting a number of these houses, it was possible to create smaller houses. And in 2021 a trial was started with splitting up houses which is currently being conducted in Woensel (Eindhoven) by Corporatie Woonbedrijf (Theeuwen, 2022).

Given the arguments for house splitting and the room there is for infill development, I decided to consider these measures as legitimate solutions for the housing shortage. Besides, serious problems sometimes require radical measures. And in terms of the potential high cost of such an approach, the advantage is that no new infrastructure or facilities need to be set up. In relation to that 1.75 billion euros is available as an impulse for housing construction and large-scale housing locations; in addition to this, 388 million euros is available for bottlenecks and efforts to focus on vulnerable groups and housing for the elderly. And most importantly, there is also 7.5 billion euros available for infrastructure to provide access to new housing locations. Since no money is needed for these

purposes in this project's approach, it can be used for something else instead.

Hypothetically, one third of that 7.5 billion euros could then be used to help facilitate the deep renovations, small-scale infill development and home splits, If you were to reason that this amount could be divided proportionally over the entire 900000 housing construction. That would be 2.5 billion; divided by 300,000 new homes to be built by housing corporations, resulting in 8,333 euros per housing unit. It is not necessarily a more expensive approach perhaps, it is looking at the money available differently. 8,300 is a significant amount, considering that the cost of an average deep renovation for a single family house, depending on ambition: no more heating by gas or completely energy-neutral, is easily between 15,000 and 30,000 (NOS, 2019).

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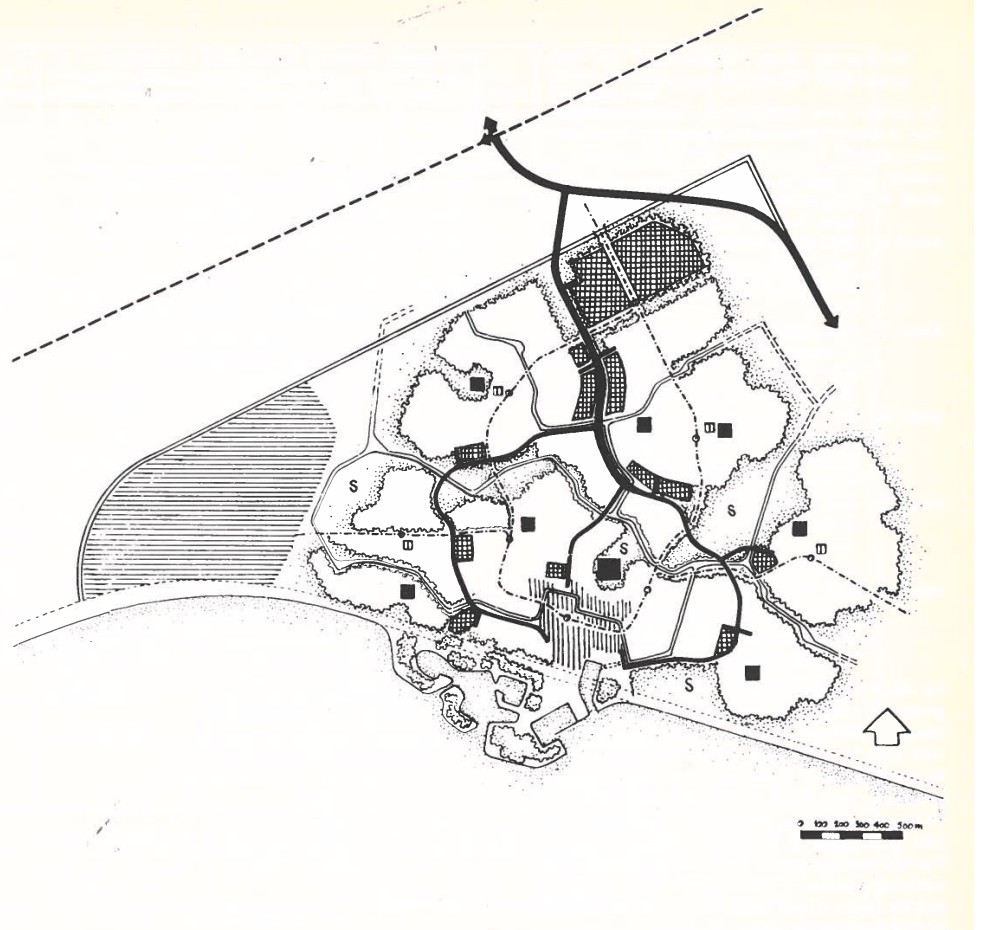


Fig. 45 Structure chart from *Programming tot karakterisering van de verschillende situeringen van woongebieden in Almere Haven* (Nawijn, 1974)

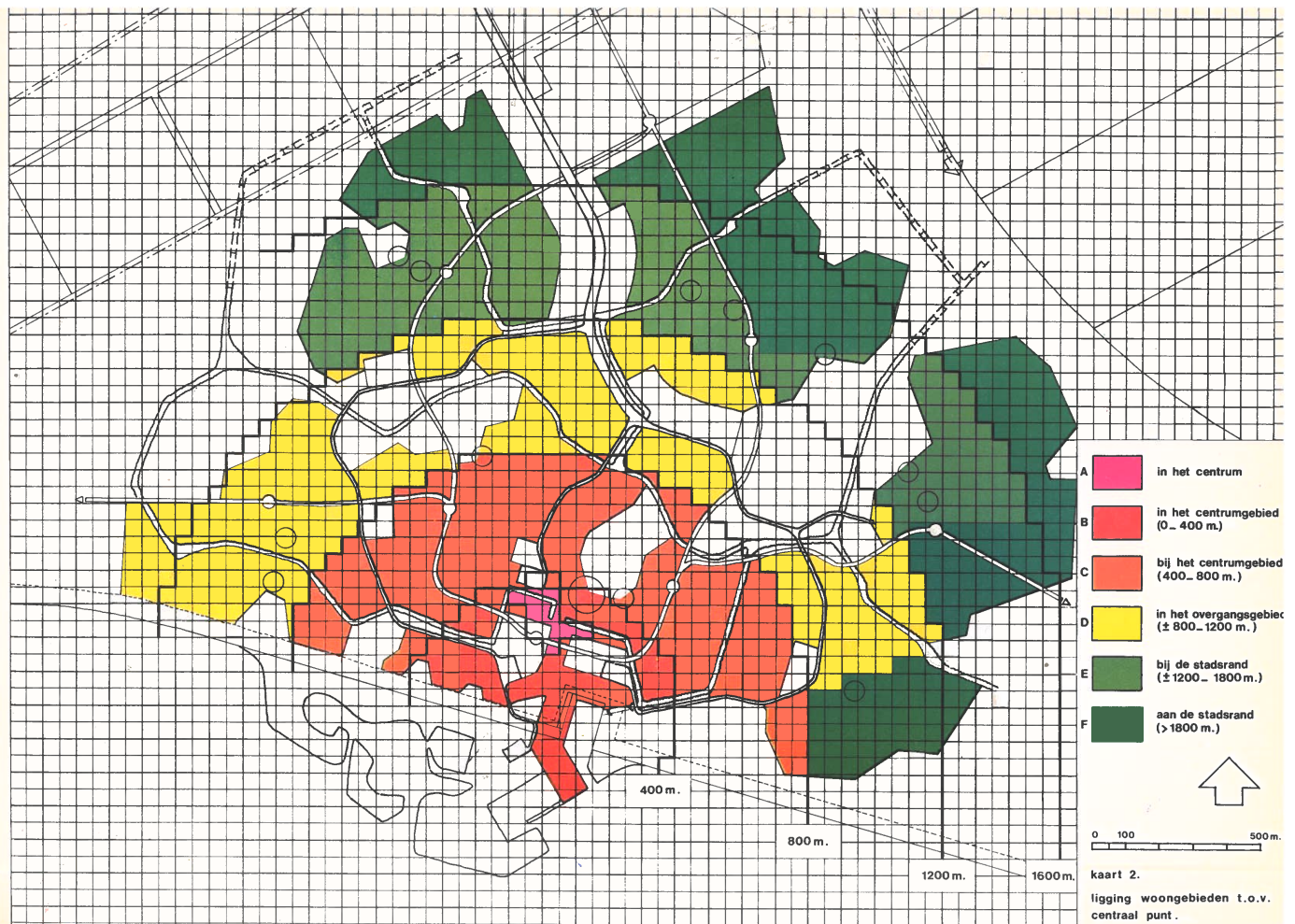


Fig. 46 'Ligging woongebieden t.o.v. centraal punt' from *Programming tot karakterisering van de verschillende situeringen van woongebieden in Almere Haven* (Nawijn, 1974)

Vitality of Post 65 suburban housing

The original resident density of Post 65 housing neighbourhoods could be achieved again by densification. This would also benefit the surrounding infrastructure, such as public transport, and the number and type of facilities that have been designed for Almere Haven that are essential for the vitality of the neighbourhood. This would also prevent the closing of local amenities and facilities that is happening in these neighbourhoods in recent years. This was already discussed as a problem in the eighties when Almere Haven was still being built.¹ We cannot say that we could not have seen this coming.

The density of residents was carefully designed for Almere Haven at the time, with associated infrastructure and space for facilities (Fig. 45 - Fig. 48). When this is no longer in the intended ratio, it affects the vitality of the neighbourhood. That is what we see happening in Almere Haven as well. The centre of Almere Haven has to deal with a lot of vacancy. In 2019, there was a vacancy rate of 14% of the available m², while in the rest of the Netherlands this was 6.7% (HavenHart2.0, 2020). With regard to facilities, in 2016 the local sportshall and swimming pool were demolished. The sportshall was replaced but the swimming pool disappeared for good, a new one was built in Almere Poort, much to the dismay of the residents of Almere Haven. A petition was organised because the loss of the swimming pool causes problems, especially for older inhabitants of Almere Haven, who used the swimming pool a lot. They cannot go to Almere Poort because they are disabled or do not drive a car (OmroepFlevoland, 2015).

¹ 'De groeikernbevolking gaat door de eenzijdige leeftijdsopbouw schoksgewijs vergrijzen, waardoor meer kleine huishoudens gaan ontstaan, die relatief snel van samenstelling veranderen. De eenpersoonhuishoudens bestaan verder zeker voor 2/3 uit vrouwen, merendeels weduwen en veelal 65 jaar en ouder. Locatie-aspecten worden voor deze groep steeds belangrijker, de aanwezigheid van hoogwaardige voorzieningen binnen handbereik wordt bittere noodzaak.'

'Het door vergrijzing hulpelozer wordende volksdeel, nu nog woonachtig in de perifere groeikernwijk raakt voor voorzieningen van niveau, te denken valt aan aangepaste huisvesting, verzorgingstehuizen en voorzieningen in de recreatieve sfeer, steeds meer aangewezen op de (donor-) steden. De wil en de financiële middelen om dat scala na verloop van tijd in de groeikernen te realiseren zal gaan ontbreken of ontbreekt nu al. Kleine huishoudens, jong en oud, arm en rijk concentreren zich in de grote steden en de resulterende eenzijdige bevolkingsopbouw wordt verscherpt en heeft uiteraard zijn keerzijde in de bevolkingssamenstelling van de groeikernen. De oververtegenwoordiging van gezinnen met kinderen blijft bestaan en de onevenwichtige bevolkingsopbouw wordt bestendig.' (Plan, 1987)



Fig. 47 'Overzicht van de karakteristieken per grid van 50 x 50 m in Almere Haven' from *Programmering tot karakterisering van de verschillende situeringen van woongebieden in Almere Haven* (Nawijn, 1974)

Tabel 1.

| Zones | A wonen boven en naast voorzie- ningen | B wonen in cen- trumgebied (0 - 400 m) | C wonen binnen invloed centrum (400 - 800 m) | D wonen in over- ganggebieden (800 - 1200 m) | E wonen binnen invloed rand (1200 - 1600 m) | F wonen aan rand (>1600 m) | |
|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------|
| Gebiedsgrootte | 2 ha | 14 ha | 48 ha | 66 ha | 53 ha | 72 ha | |
| Dichtheid | 50 won./ha | 45 won./ha | 16 ha--45 won./ha 32 ha--30 won./ha | 30 won./ha | 18 ha--20 won./ha 27 ha--30 won./ha 8 ha--45 won./ha | 47 ha--20 won./ha 25 ha--30 won./ha | |
| Aantal woningen | 100 | 600 | 1700 | 2000 | 1400 | 1700 | |
| Aantal bouwlagen | 4-7 (incl. voor- zieningen) 3-6 (vanaf maai- veld) | 75%--4 25%--3 | 50%--3 50%--2 | 2-3 | 1-3 | 1-2 | |
| Woning- grootte | 2-kam. 3-kam. 4-kam. 5-kam. 6-kam. | 15% 15% 20% 50% | 40% 25% 15% 20% | 10% 20% 20% 40% 10% | 5% 15% 25% 40% 15% | 5% 20% 25% 30% 20% | 20% 10% 20% 30% 20% |
| Parkeren | 0,6 pp./won. onder woningen; verder op centrum- parkeerterreinen | 310 won.-0,8 pp./won. waar- van 50% onder woningen; 90 won. - geen parkeer- plaatsen (auto- vrij gebied) | 0,8 pp./won. waarvan 25% onder woningen; 3 autovrije woon- gebiedjes van 50, 100, 150 woningen | 1 pp./won. | 1,2 pp./won. | 1,2 pp./won. | |
| Verkavelingstype | in winkelstraten | in straten en beschutte pleintjes | vnl. langs routes de autovrije ge- biedjes met smalle straatjes en be- schutte (speel) pleintjes | in woonbuurtjes, hofjes en groep- jes, en langs be- schutte fiets-/ voetgangers- routes | in woonbuurtjes, hofjes en groep- jes | in groepjes, langs stads- rand en fiets-/ voetgangers- routes | |
| Buitenruimte | min. 10 m ² /won. als erf, balkon of terras (voor hen die dit wensen bestaat de mogelijkheid tot huur van een volkstuin binnen 400 m afstand van de woning) | min. 10 m ² /won. max. 50 m ² /won. als erf, balkon terras of tuin | min. 50 m ² /won. max. 100 m ² /won. als erf of tuin | min. 50 m ² /won. max. 100 m ² /won. als erf of tuin | min. 50 m ² /won. max. 100 m ² /won. als erf of tuin | min. 50 m ² /won. max. 100 m ² /won. als erf of tuin | |

Fig. 48 The total residential area of Almere port is divided into six zones A-F from *Programmering tot karakterisering van de verschillende situeringen van woongebieden in Almere Haven* (Nawijn, 1974)



Fig. 49 Unrenovated home in neighbourhood Stedenwijk Noord. Renovation design (2012) by 19HetAtelier Architects (photograph from kamersocial.nl, 2022)

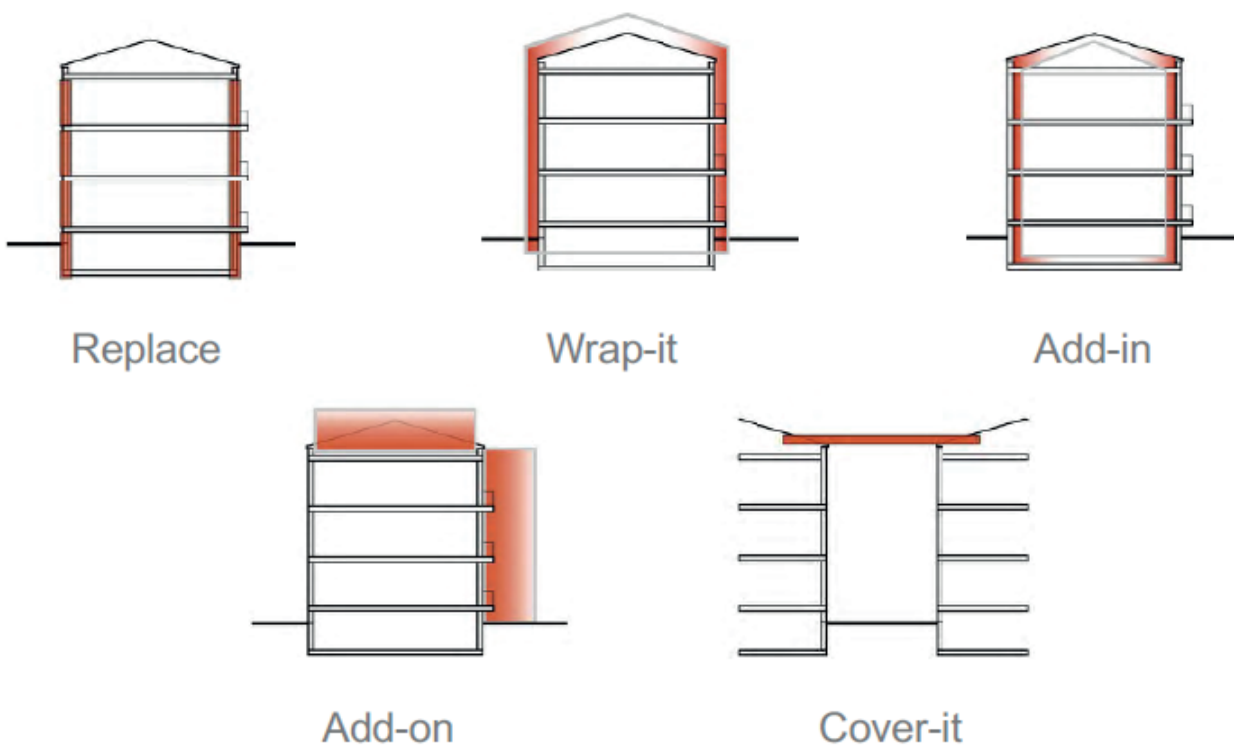


Fig. 50 Building Envelope Refurbishment Strategies (Konstantinou, 2021)

6.4 Design research energy transition ('Functionality') Building envelope refurbishment strategy

Within the the context of 'Functionality' this project focuses on the life cycle extension which has significantly less environmental impact than demolition and new construction (Konstantinou, 2021). In doing so, the project focuses, among other things, on the investigating and developing what a possible insulation strategy could be. The housing corporations have been given the task to build considerably more houses (300.000) and to make their existing housing stock more energy efficient. The Dutch government is aiming for an almost entirely sustainable energy supply in 2050 (Rijksoverheid, 2022). The aim is to no longer heat homes with gas-fired central heating but instead energy from renewable sources. From 2030 onwards, housing corporations and private owners are no longer allowed to rent out houses with an energy label of E, F or G. An energy label shows how energy-efficient a house is. There are major gains to be made with better insulation, in reducing energy demand and increasing indoor comfort.

Insulation strategy

With regard to the energy transition extra or new insulation is unavoidable. For most renewable sources of energy, higher insulation values are a prerequisite, because, for example, they use a heating system that operates at lower temperatures. Konstantinou (2019) defines different building envelope refurbishment methods to improve the energy efficiency. Looking at projects where the building envelope was refurbished I was motivated to explore a different strategy than the ones I came across, for example the renovation of Stedenwijk Noord. The major disadvantage of this strategy is the large negative aesthetic effect in the streetscape if a resident chooses not to participate in the building envelope refurbishment. Therefore, this graduation project explores another strategy instead, which is named 'patchwork'.

Since we cannot force people to participate in a renovation with (partial) exterior building envelope refurbishment, a strategy was sought that would not have a negative impact on the aesthetic coherence of the streetscape. Different methods were compared to find out which would be most suitable in the case of Goedewerf and a combination of 'replace' and 'wrap-it' was chosen. In the case of Goedewerf interior insulation would take away too much living area. In addition, it would not be wise not to use the thermal mass structures of (sand-lime) bricks and concrete to save energy.

A compromise was made for the purpose of aesthetic coherence of the streetscape, it was decided to leave the ground floor façade largely uninsulated. The masonry on the plinth continues as a result, and can still be experienced at the relevant height, namely the ground floor. The masonry was also noted as being valued in the 'Speurtocht' results.

This graduation project attempts to show that such a 'patchwork approach' is quite possible within Post 65 suburban housing. Moreover, there are enough examples of housing with 'patchwork'-like façade designs, (Fig. 51 - Fig. 54). It fits within the architectural aesthetic language of Post 65. In addition, if it was decided not to participate in the renovation, it is also possible to add external insulation at a later date, without it having a major negative impact on the aesthetics.



Fig. 51 Ds Rijperstraat 11, Amersfoort (Funda, 2021)



Fig. 52 Ringslangweide 32, Nieuwegein (Funda, 2021)



Fig. 53 Eekhoortjesbrood 19, Alphen aan den Rijn (Funda, 2021)



Fig. 54 Ringslangweide 32, Nieuwegein (Funda, 2021)



Fig. 55 Brickwork Goedewerf (photograph by author)

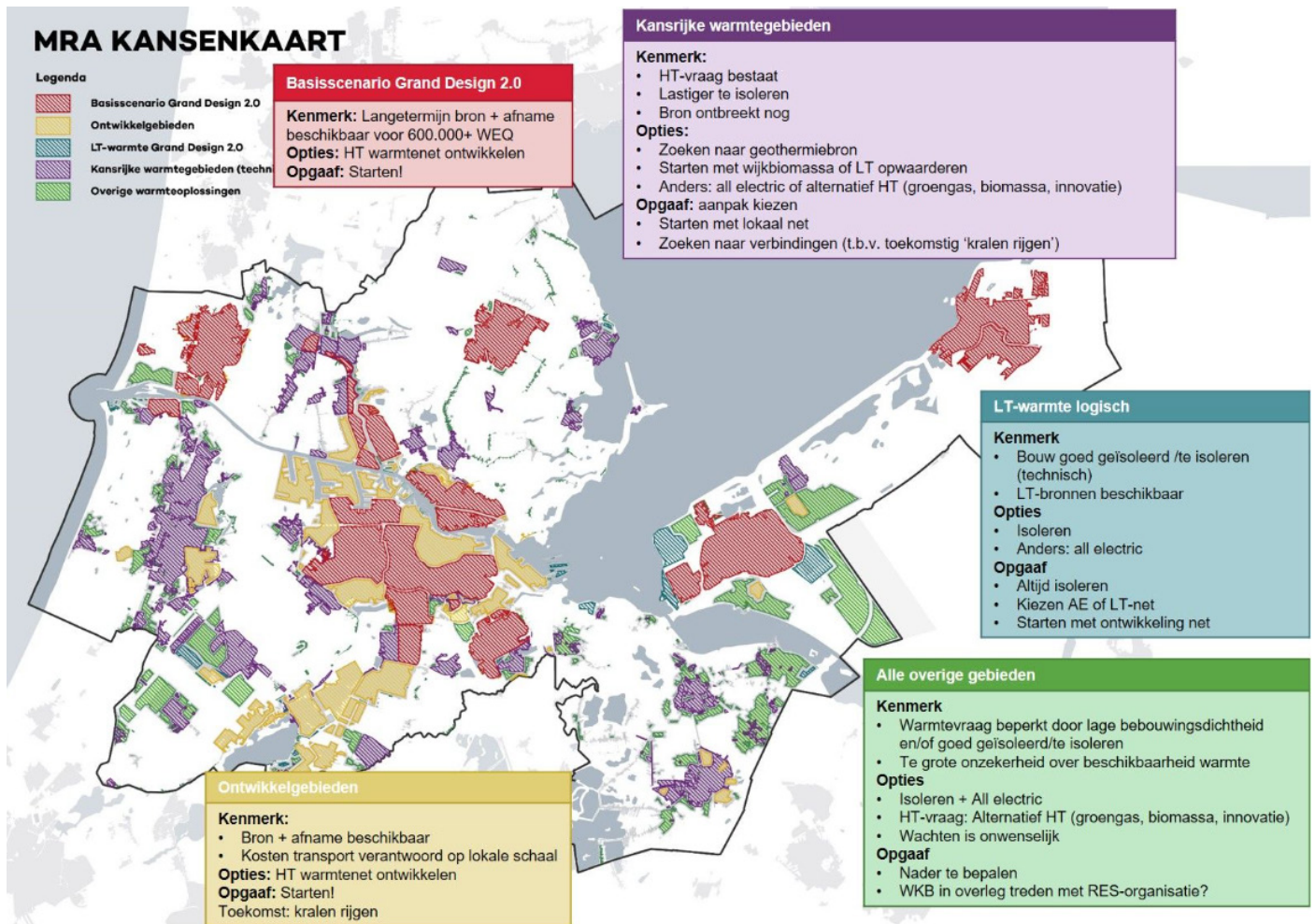


Fig. 56 'MRA kansenskaart' (mratuurzaam, 2018)

Renewable source of energy

The choice of what kind of renewable energy source to use can be very difficult and could potentially be, if it is not already, a bottle neck in the process of making Dutch housing sustainable so that CO₂ emissions drastically are reduced.

Roadmaps like the one shown here for the 'Metropool Regio Amsterdam' can provide the essential help that is needed. Housing corporations that own large numbers of homes in particular need to have insight into the visions that municipalities have for how all homes can be supplied with sustainable sources of energy. It makes quite a difference to the choice of a sustainable source, in terms of investment, whether heat networks are planned to be constructed in the relatively short term for example. The 'MRA Kansenskaart' provides local and regional insight into the potential of sustainable heat networks for all residents in the MRA. Almere Haven is located in the green colored area. Green stands for 'Alle overige gebieden', which means that the heat demand is limited due to low building density and/or well-insulated/insulated housing being present. And there is too much uncertainty about the availability of heat.

Goedewerf

Because the construction of a heat network for the whole of Almere Haven is therefore unlikely, applying a collective Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage (ATES)¹, as is proposed for Goedewerf in this project, would not be a poor investment. It is also important to check if a ATES is allowed at the desired location. With the 'WKO-bodenergietool' a quick scan was made to determine whether an open or closed ground energy system may be constructed at a location.

1 ATES systems pump up groundwater, use the relative heat or cold of the groundwater to heat or cool the building, and then return the groundwater to the soil. ATES systems can only be used in combination with a system for low temperature heating in the building (underfloor heating and/or wall heating). Because of the pumping of groundwater, these systems are also called 'open bodemenergiesystemen'. When the building is heated, the groundwater temperature is lowered by a few degrees, and when the building is cooled, the groundwater temperature is raised by a few degrees. ATES systems always consist of at least two wells, which are placed next to or above each other in the underground. On average, ATES systems are located at a depth of 20 - 120 metres.

7 Goedewerf Suburban Renewal

GOEDEWERF, ALMERE HAVEN

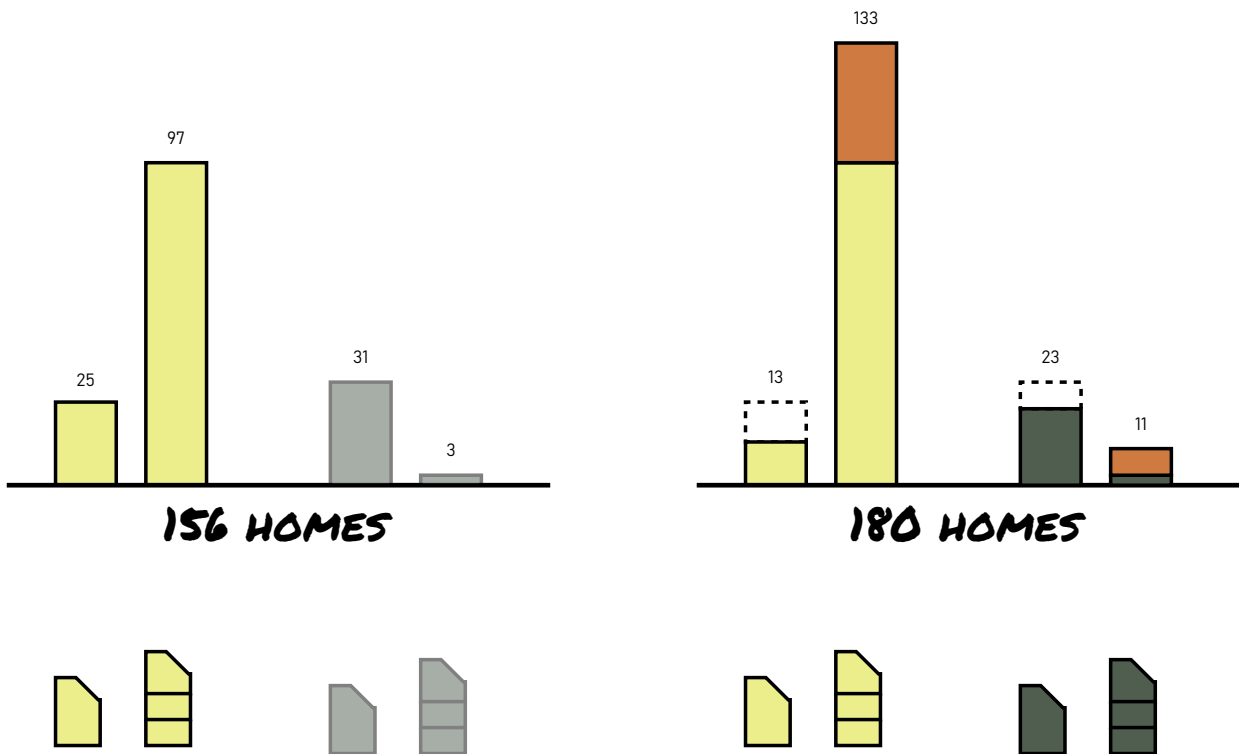


Fig. 57 Proposed concept for increasing population density in Goedewerf, Almere Haven by home splits and densification of small infill development. Yellow = Ymere, Green = private ownership



Fig. 58 Proposed concept for increasing population density in Goedewerf, Almere Haven by home splits and densification of small infill development.



7.1 Site 1:1000



Fig. 59 Site 1:1000



7.2 Possible variants densification and renovation participation 1:100

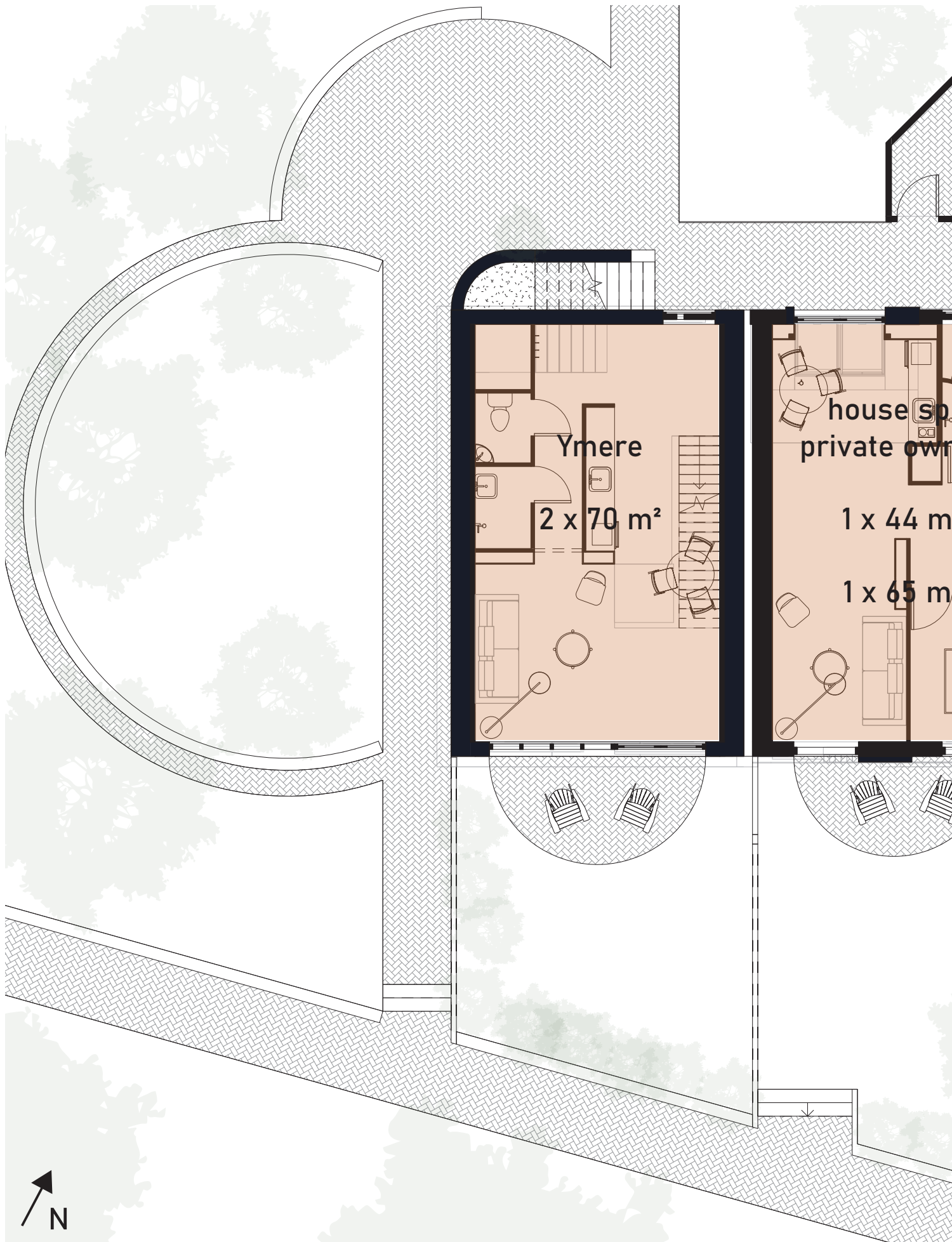
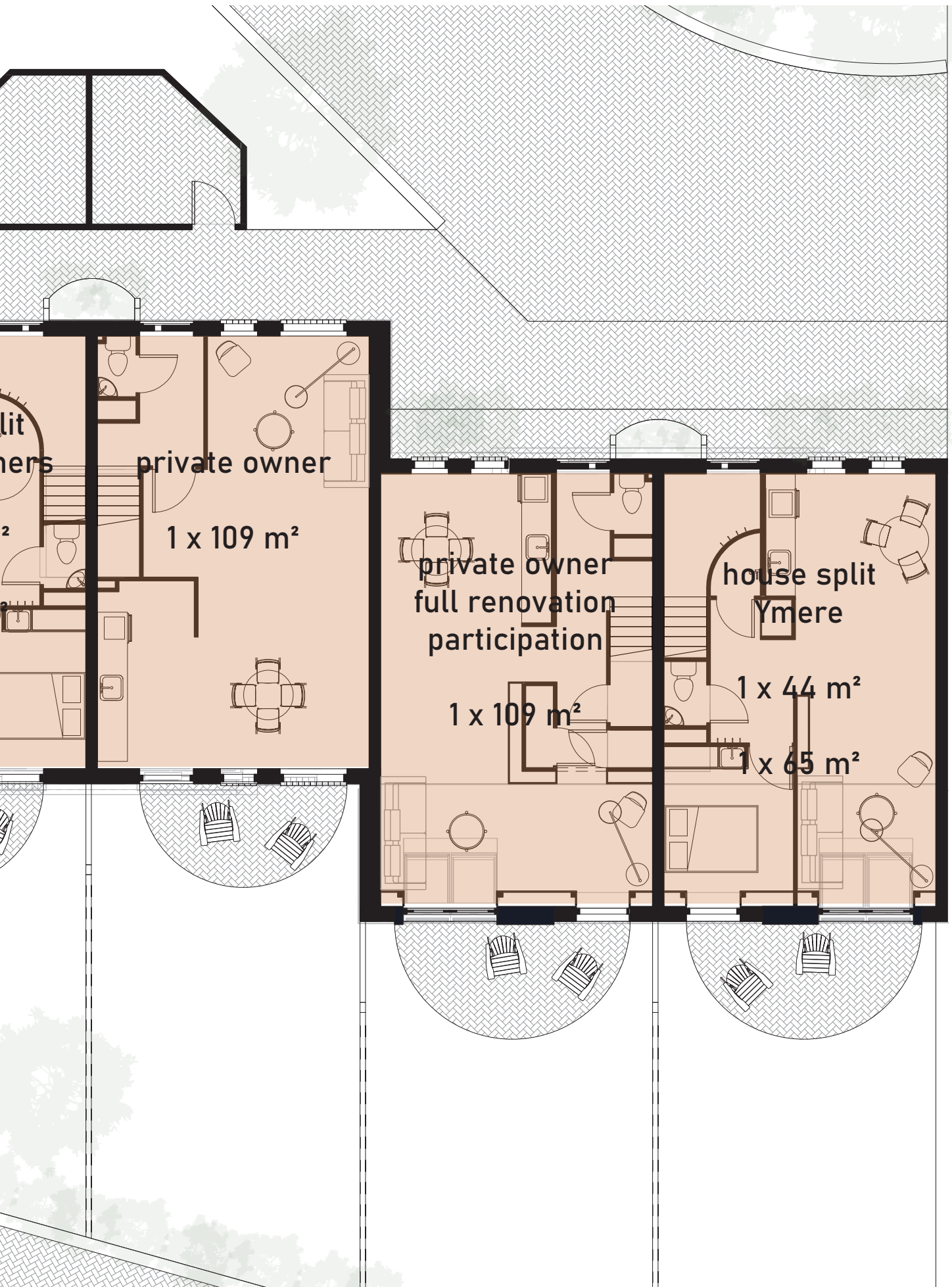


Fig. 60 Plan ground floor 1:100



7.3 Plans 1:100

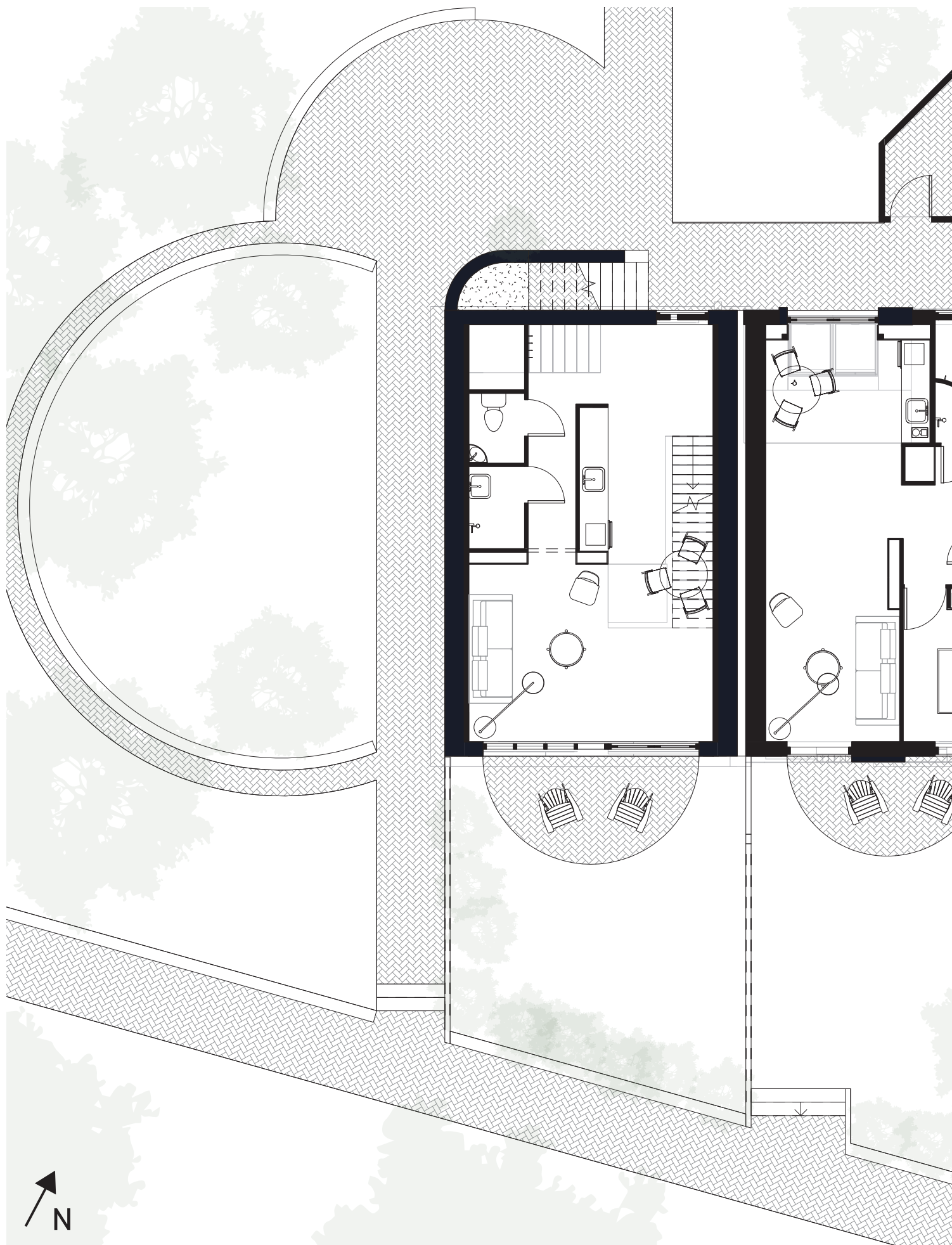
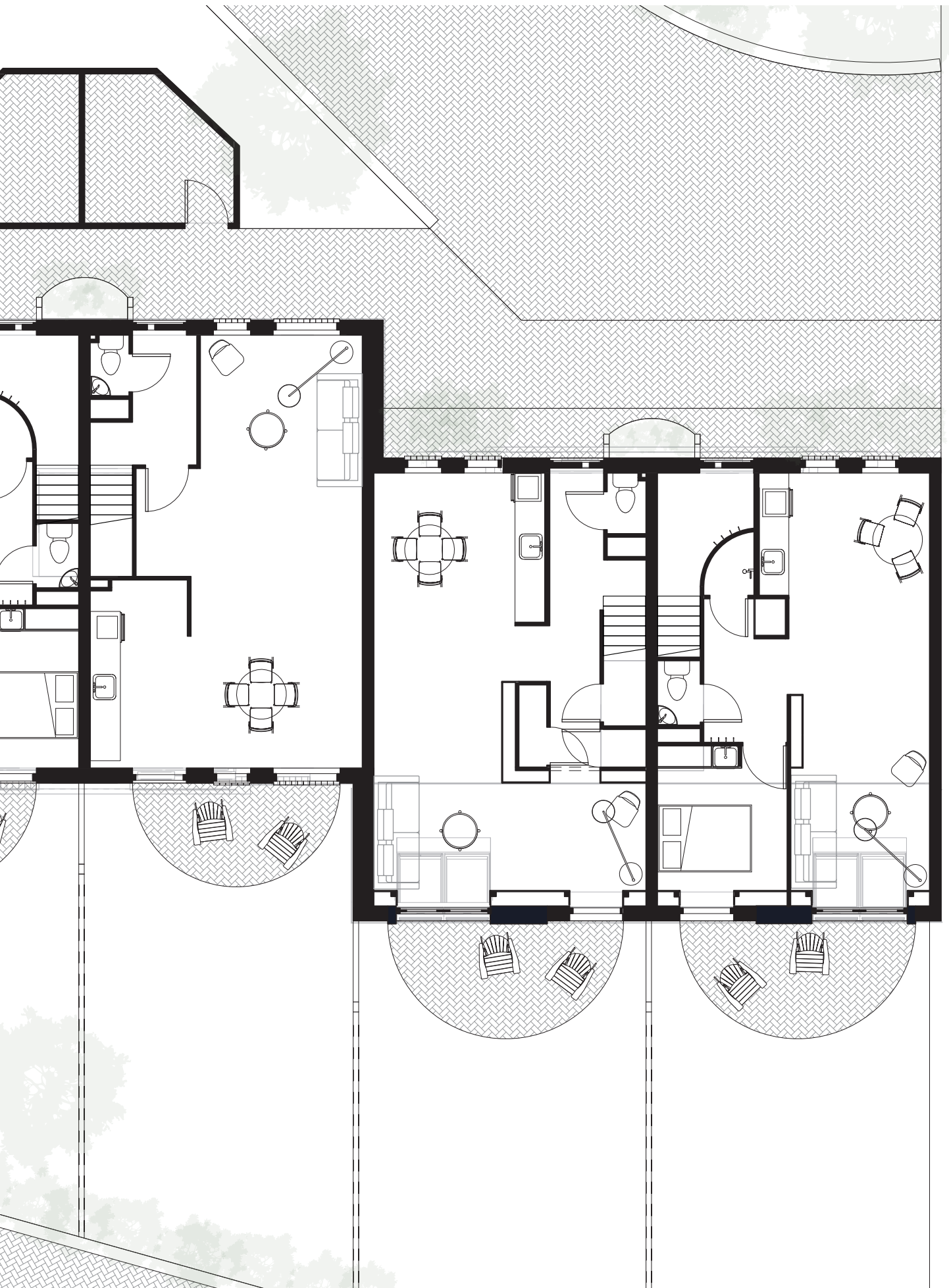


Fig. 61 Plan ground floor 1:100



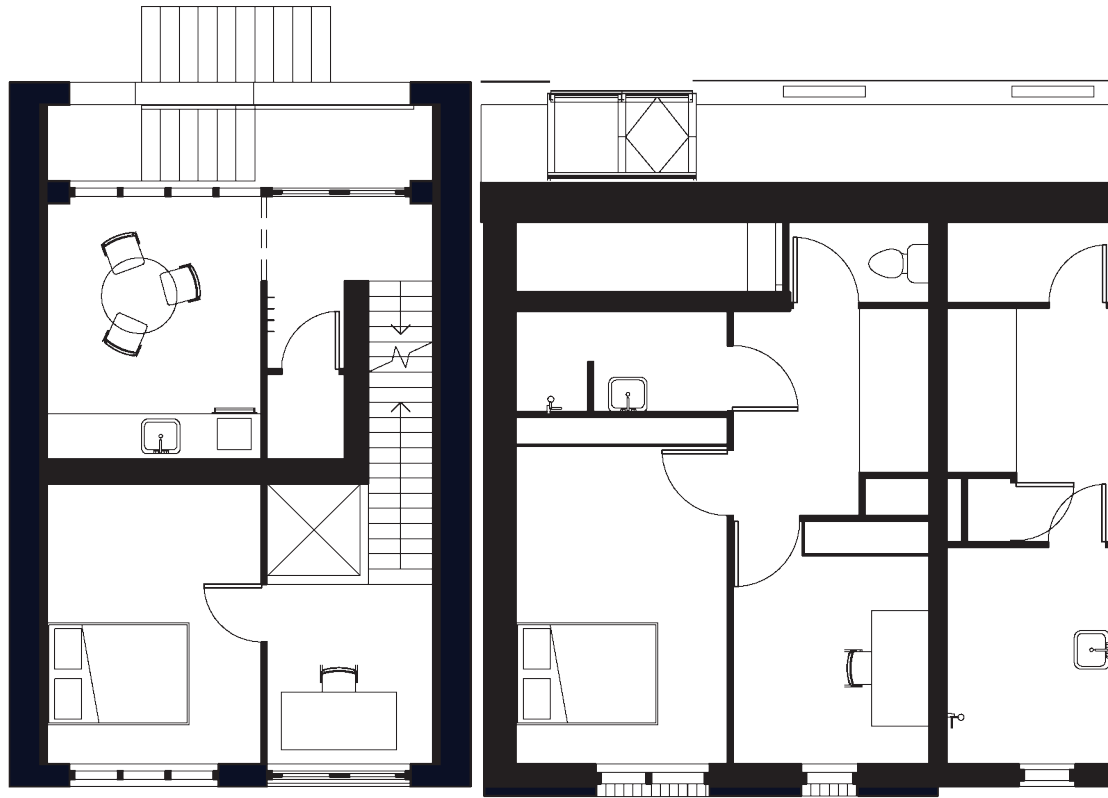


Fig. 62 Plan first floor 1:100

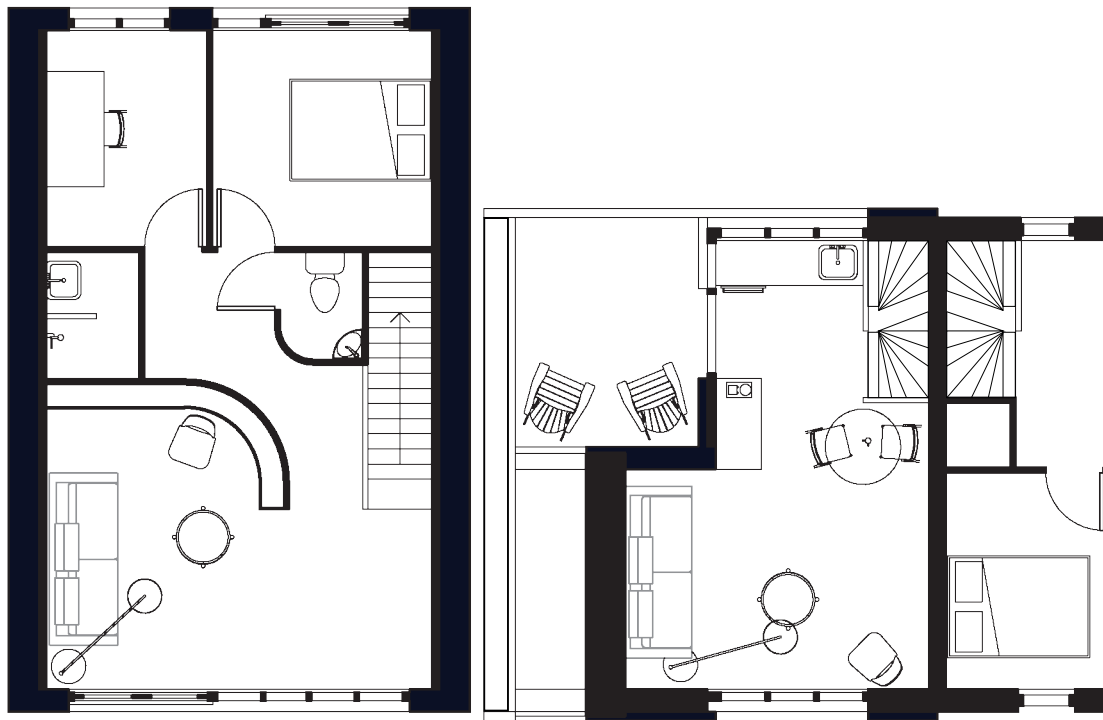
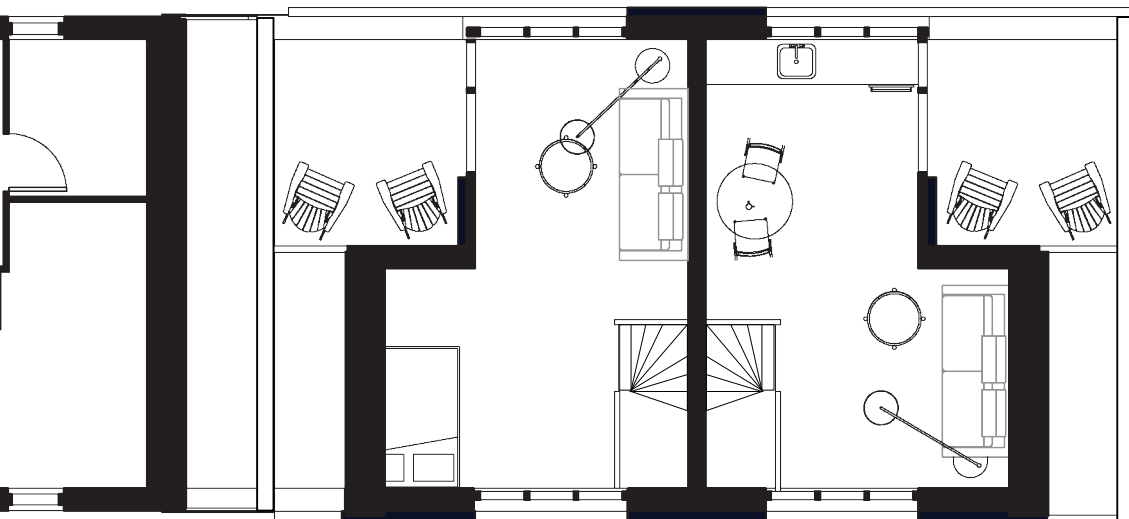
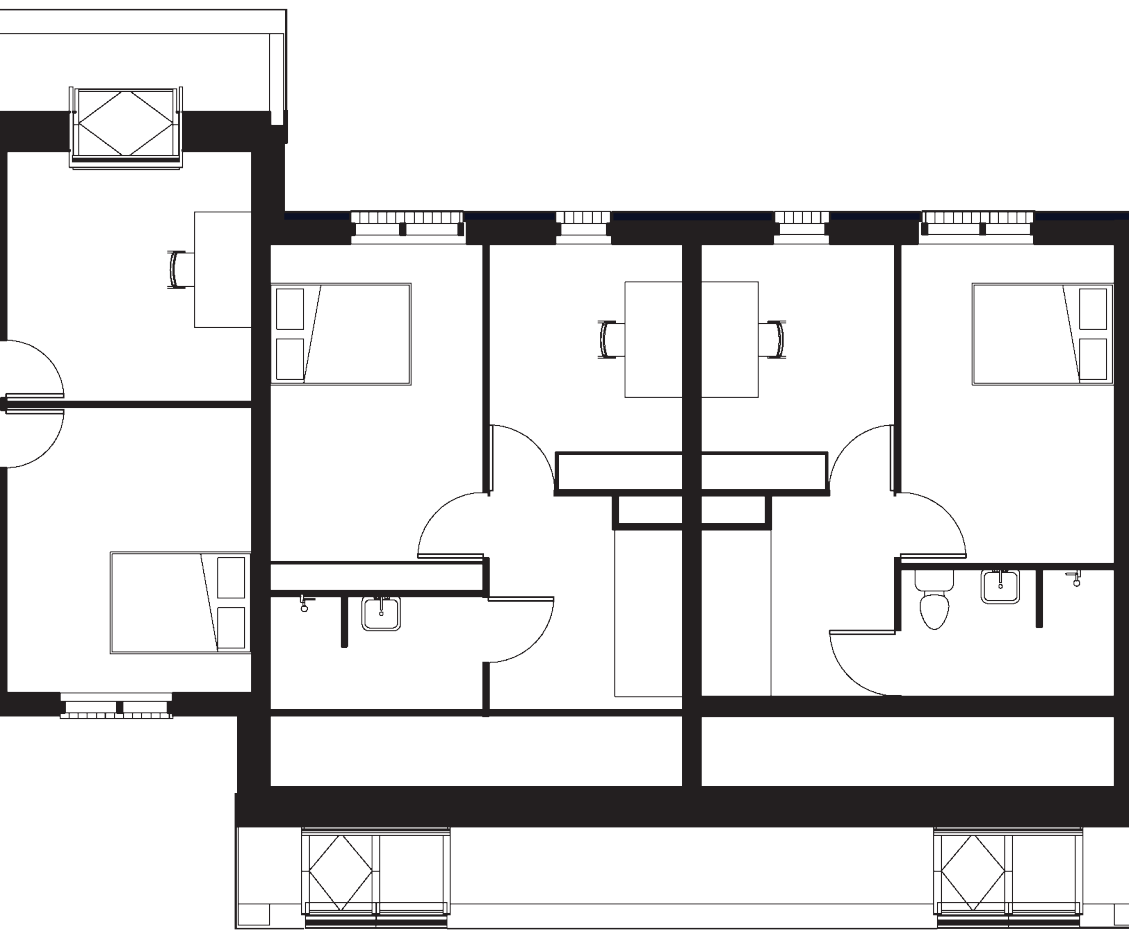


Fig. 63 Plan second floor 1:100



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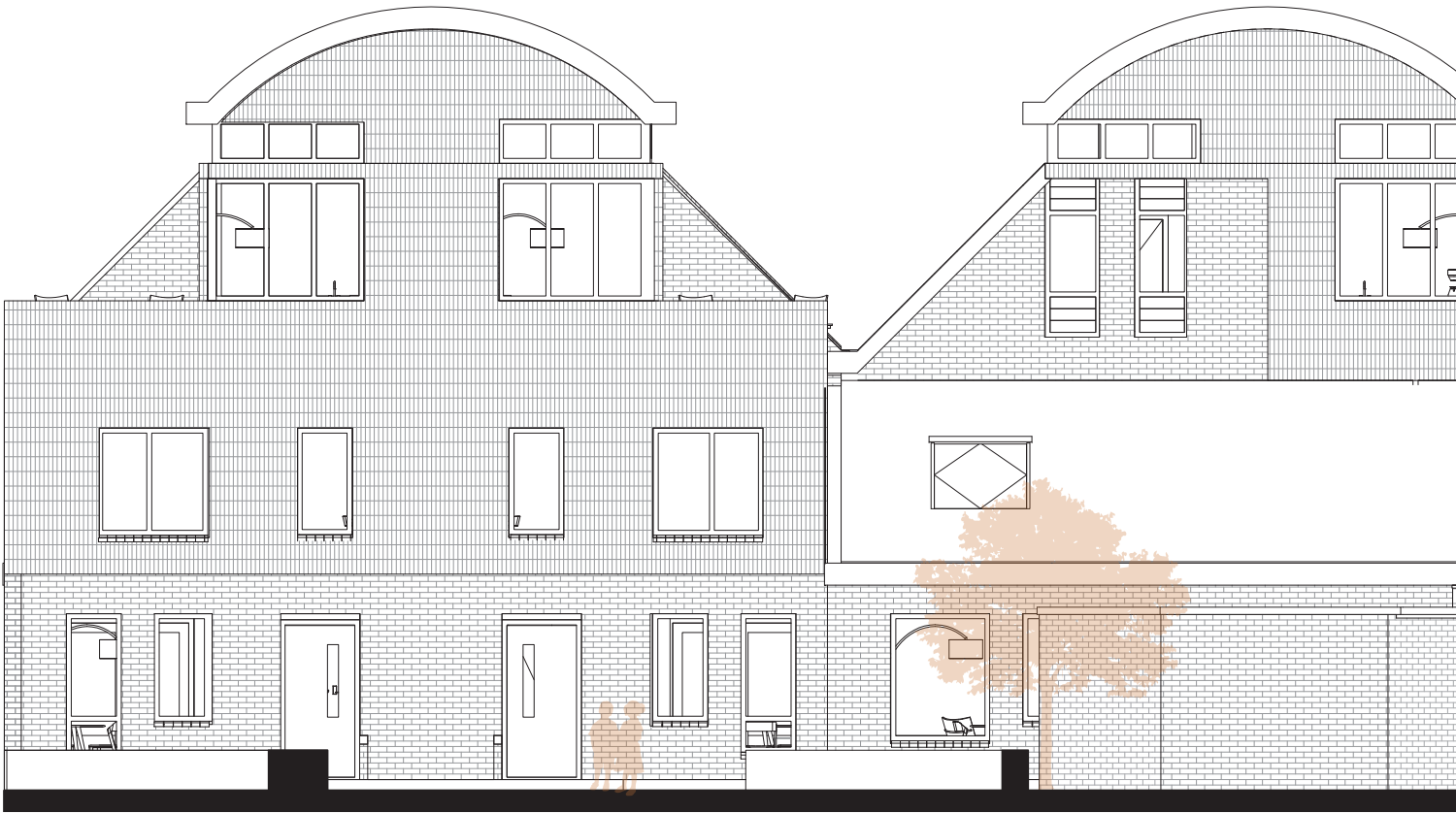


Fig. 64 Elevation street side 1:100



Fig. 65 Elevation garden side 1:100



7.5 Section 1:100

Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage (neighbourhood)

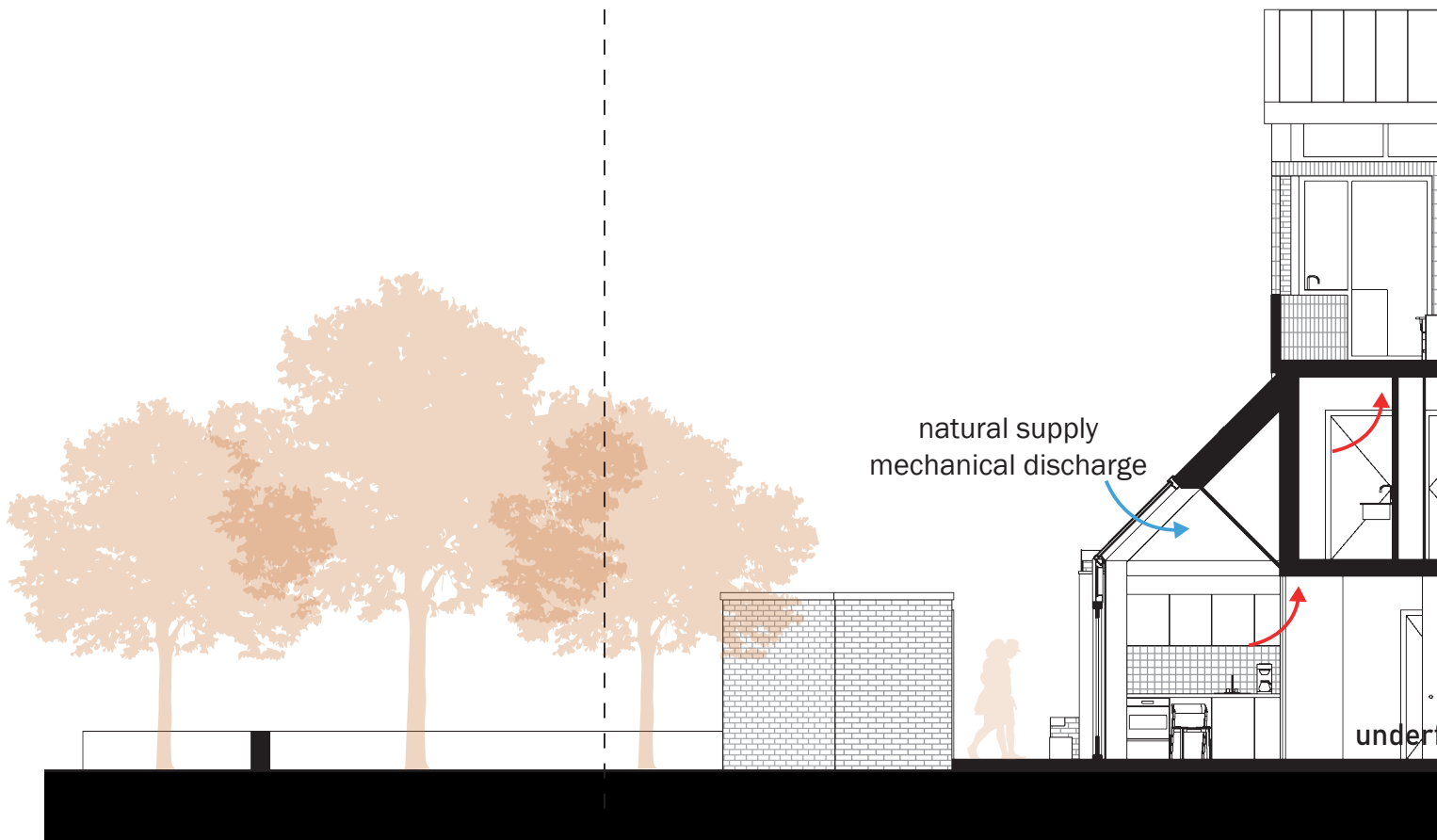
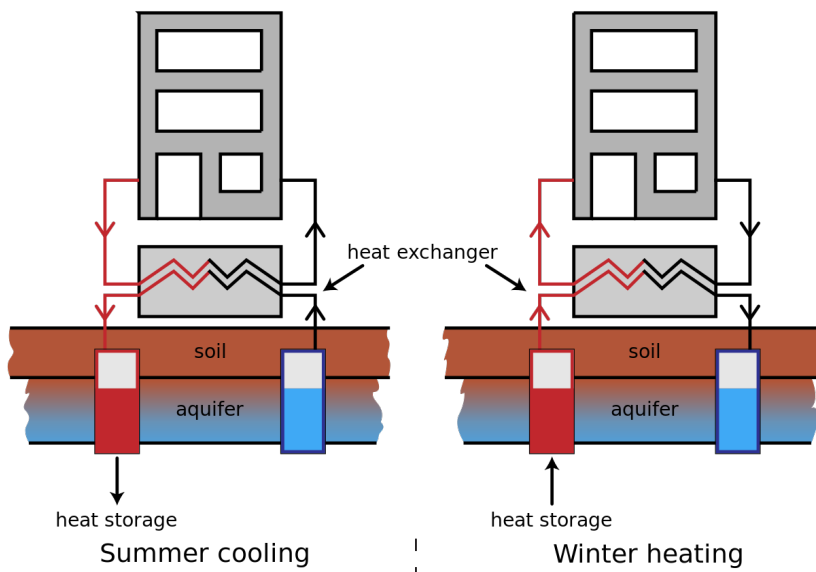


Fig. 66 Section with climate design principles 1:100

Thin-film solar cell

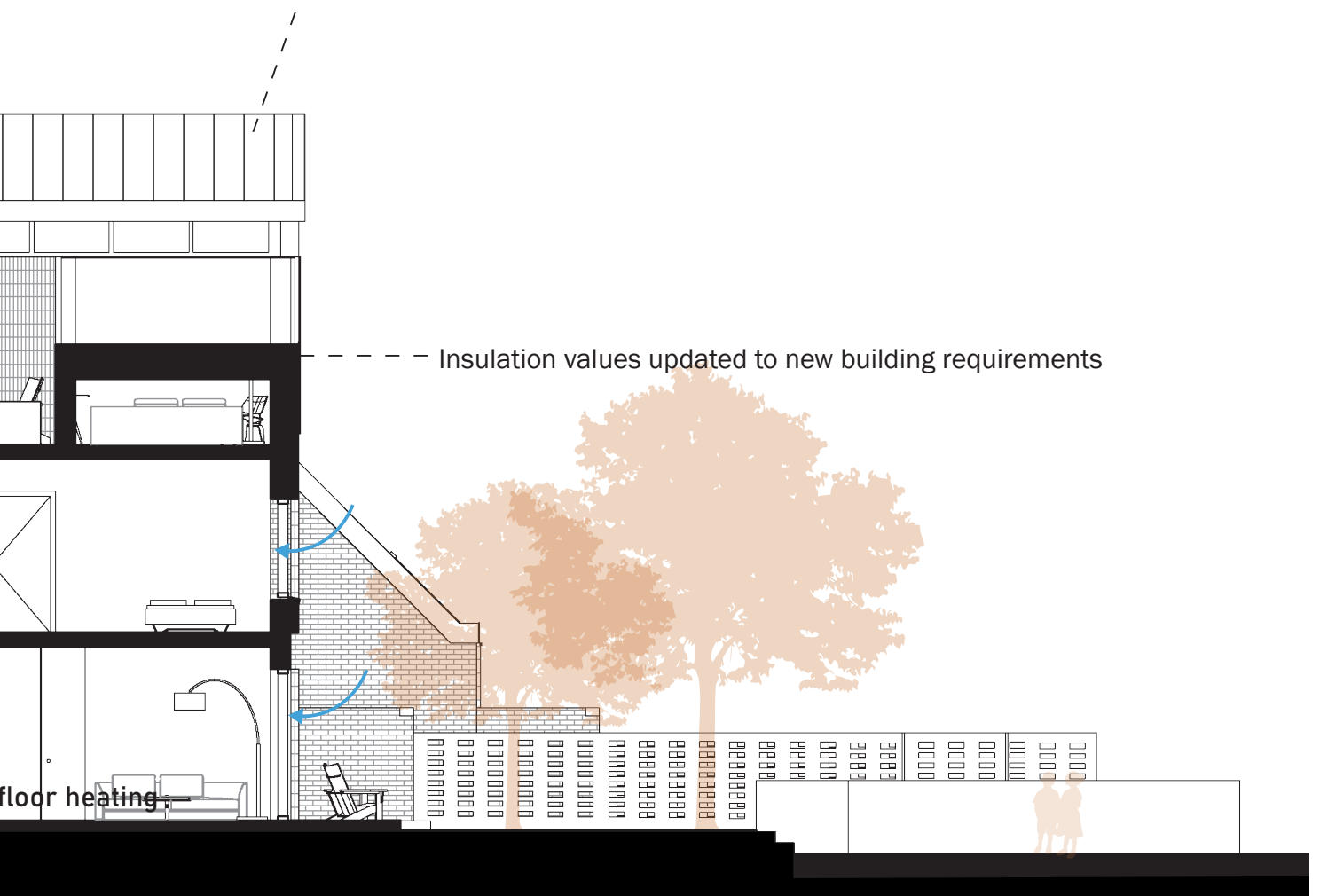
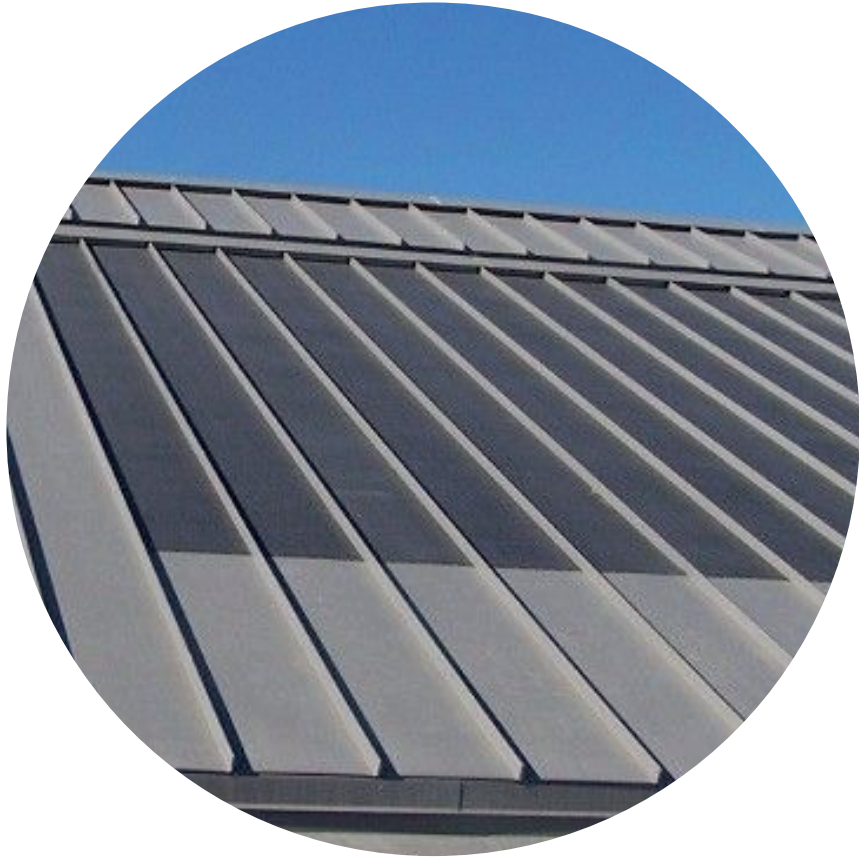
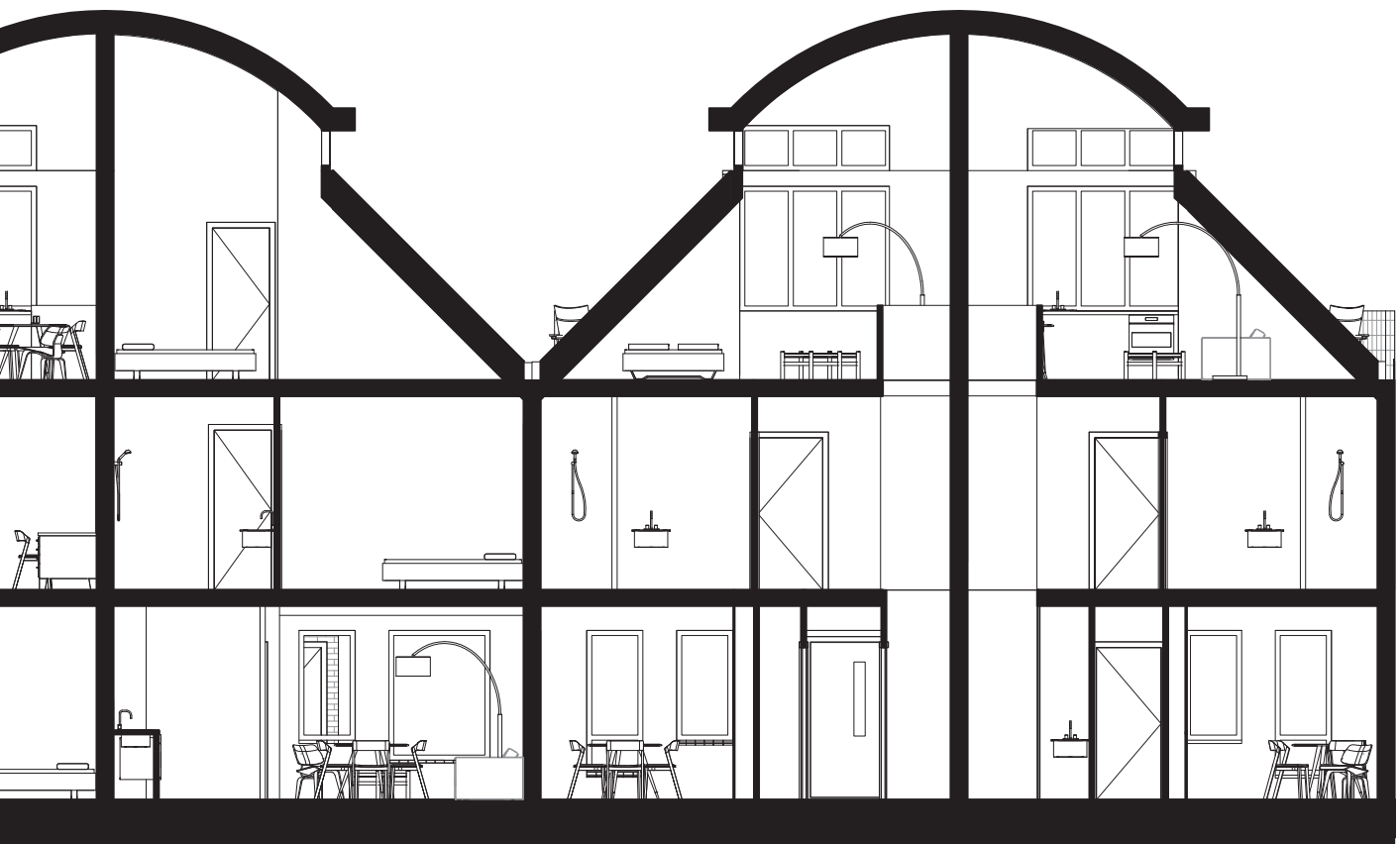




Fig. 67 Section 1:100



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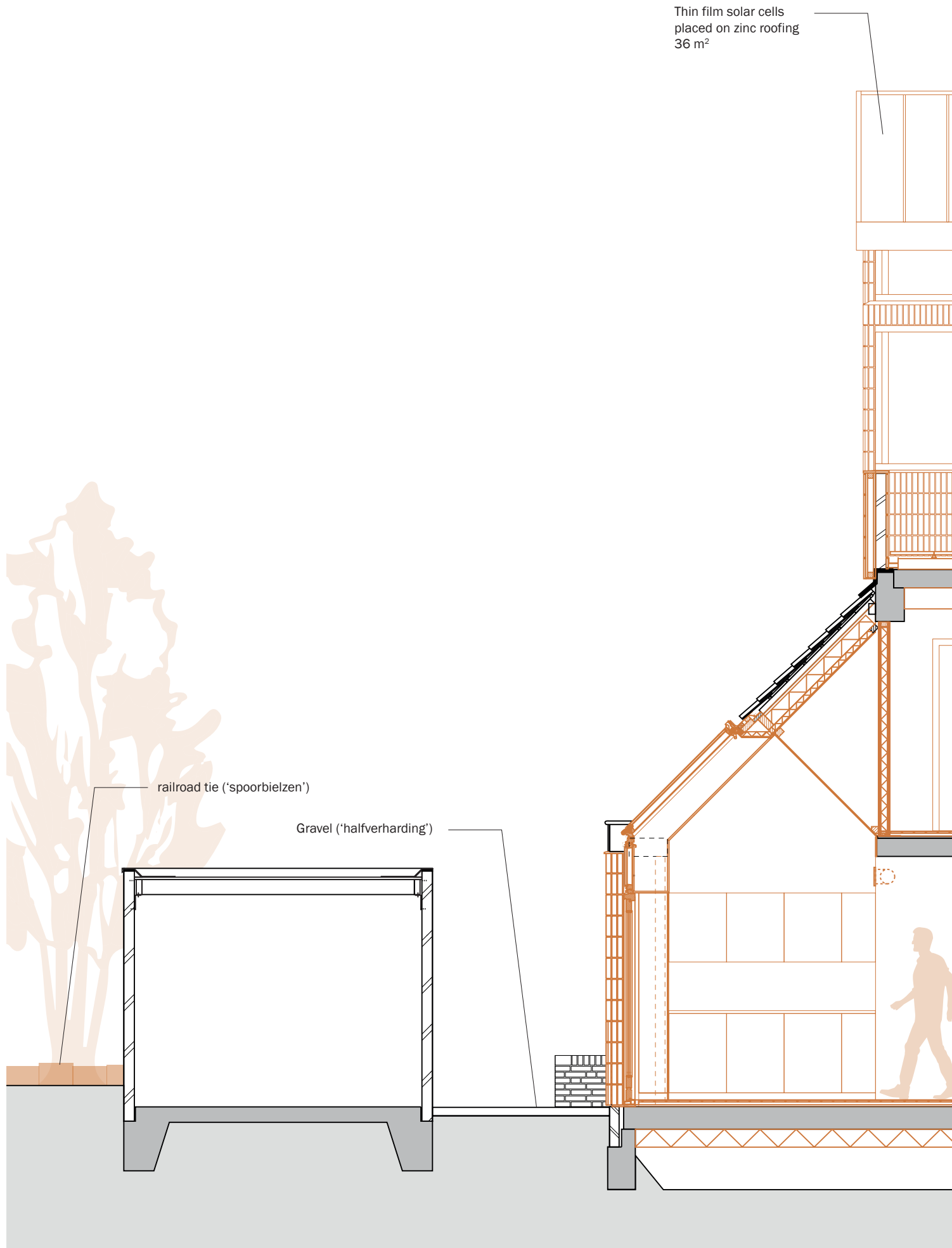
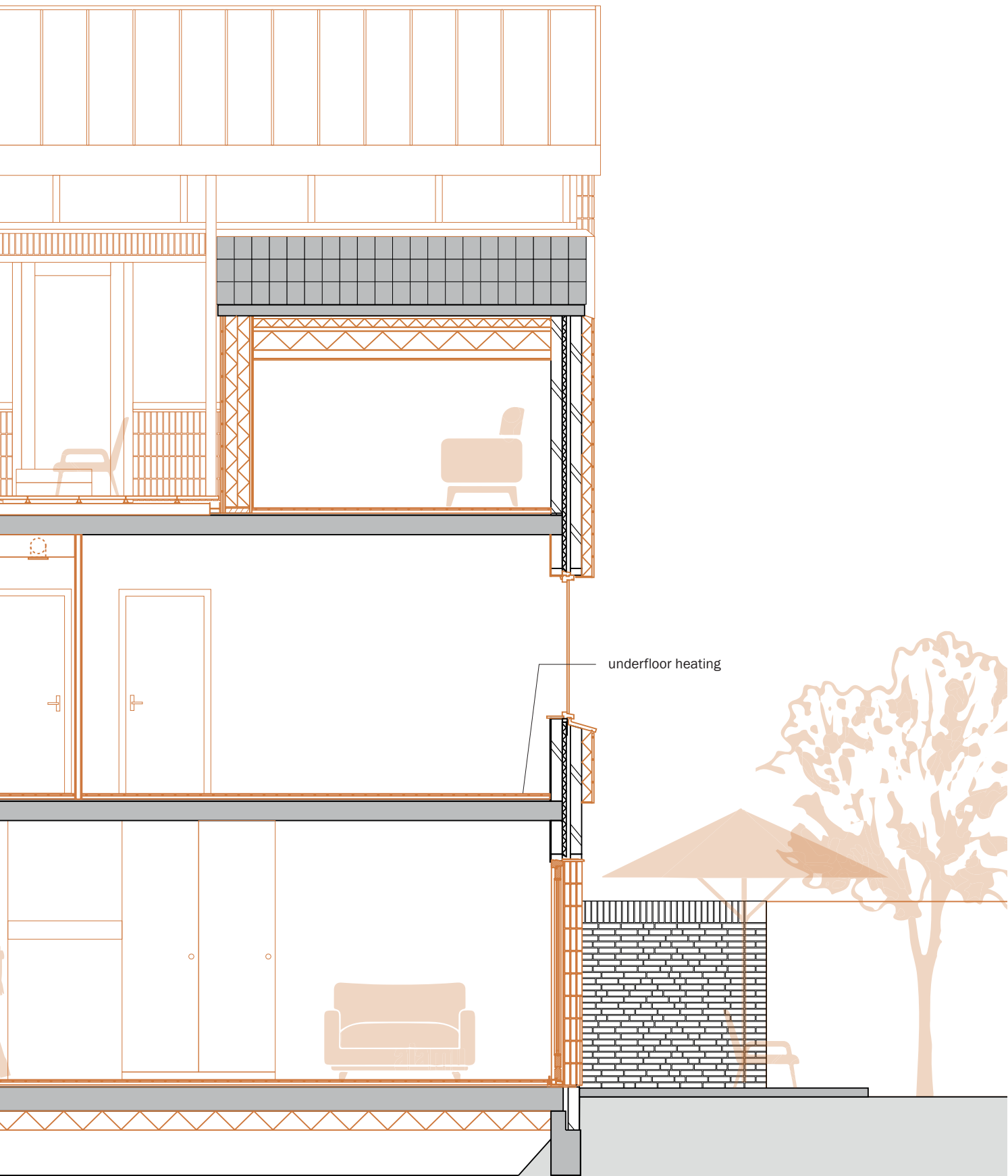


Fig. 68 Section 1:50 (orange = new)

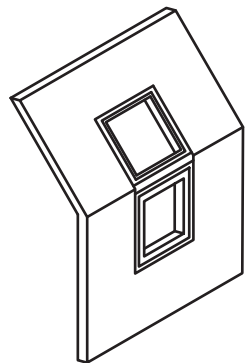
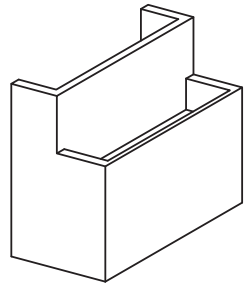
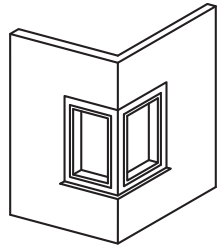
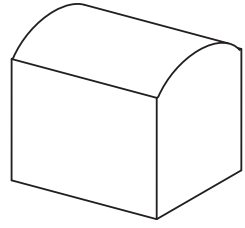
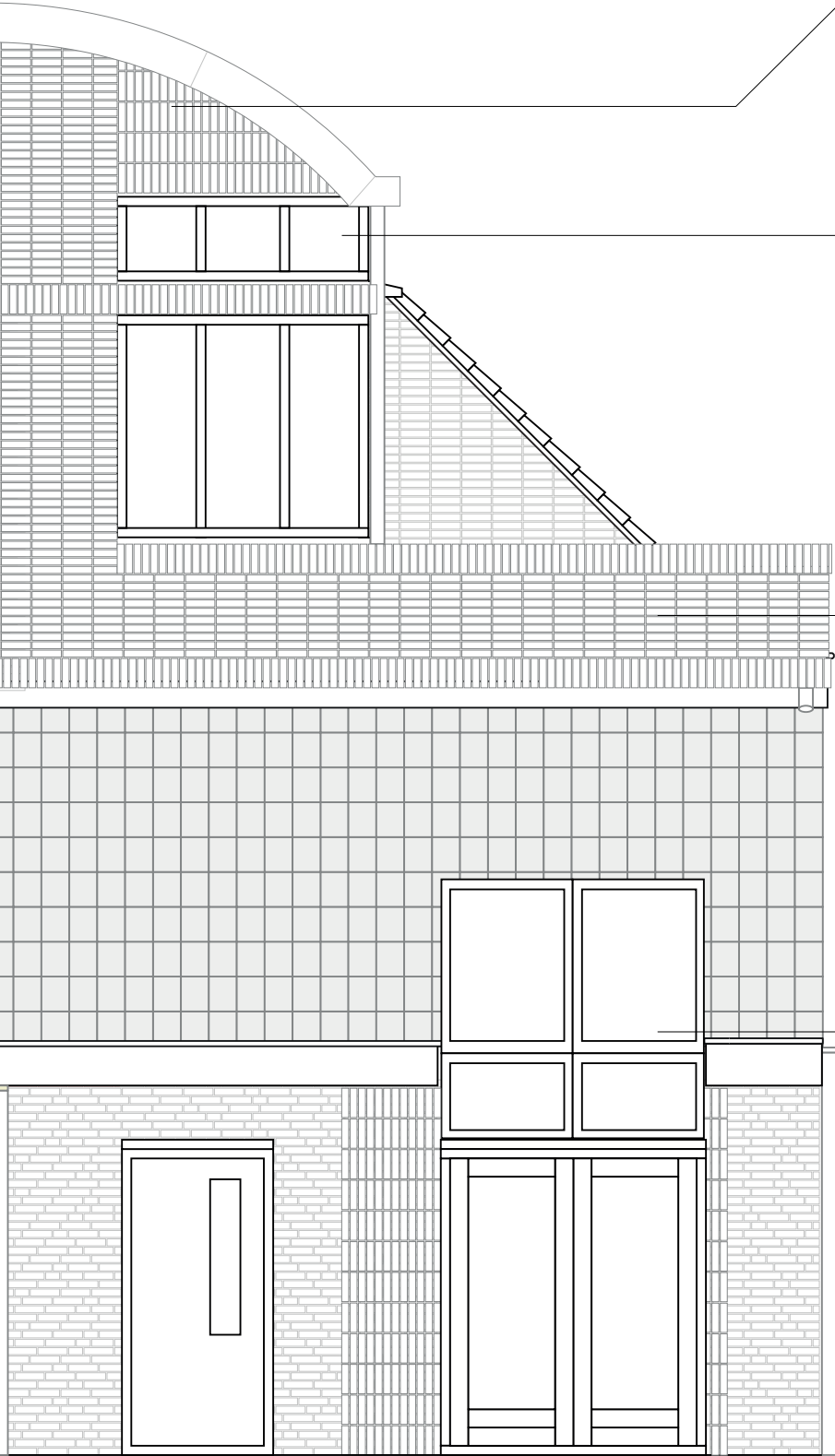


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7.7 Facade 1:50

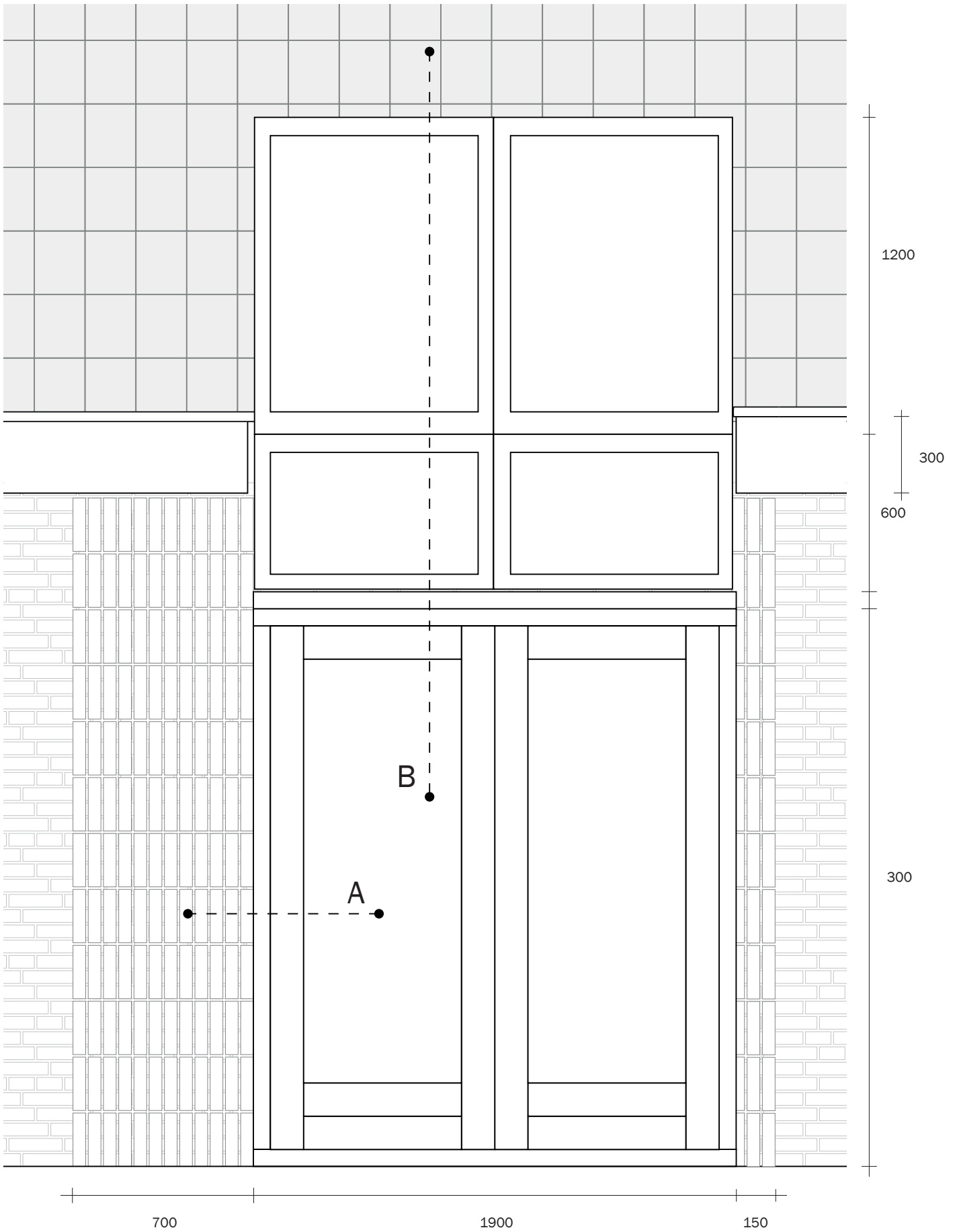


Fig. 69 Facade design 1:50, left: private that does not participate in full renovation, right: Ymere home with home split and full renovation



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7.8 Sky window

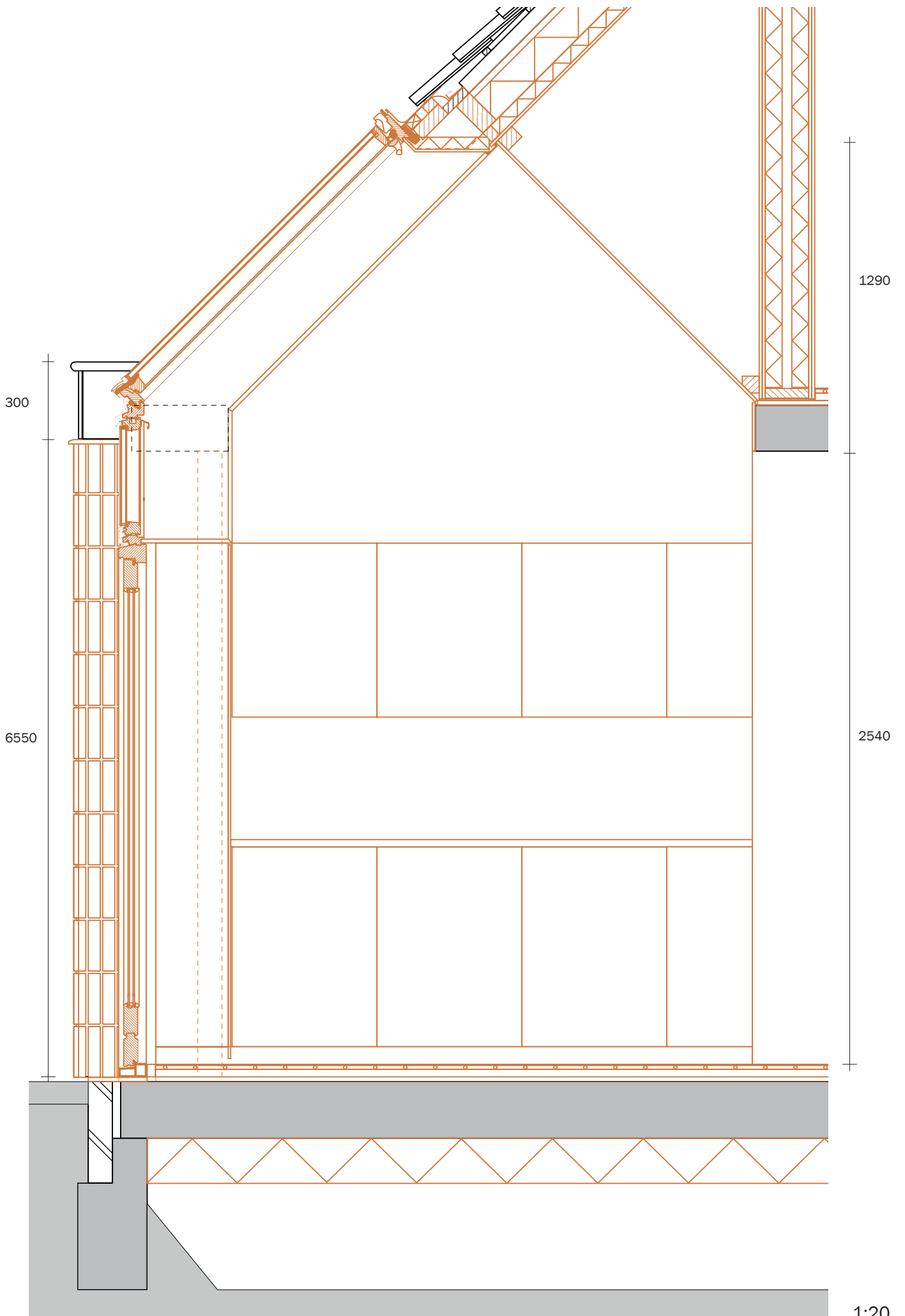


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Fig. 71 Kitchen 'split home' with sky window





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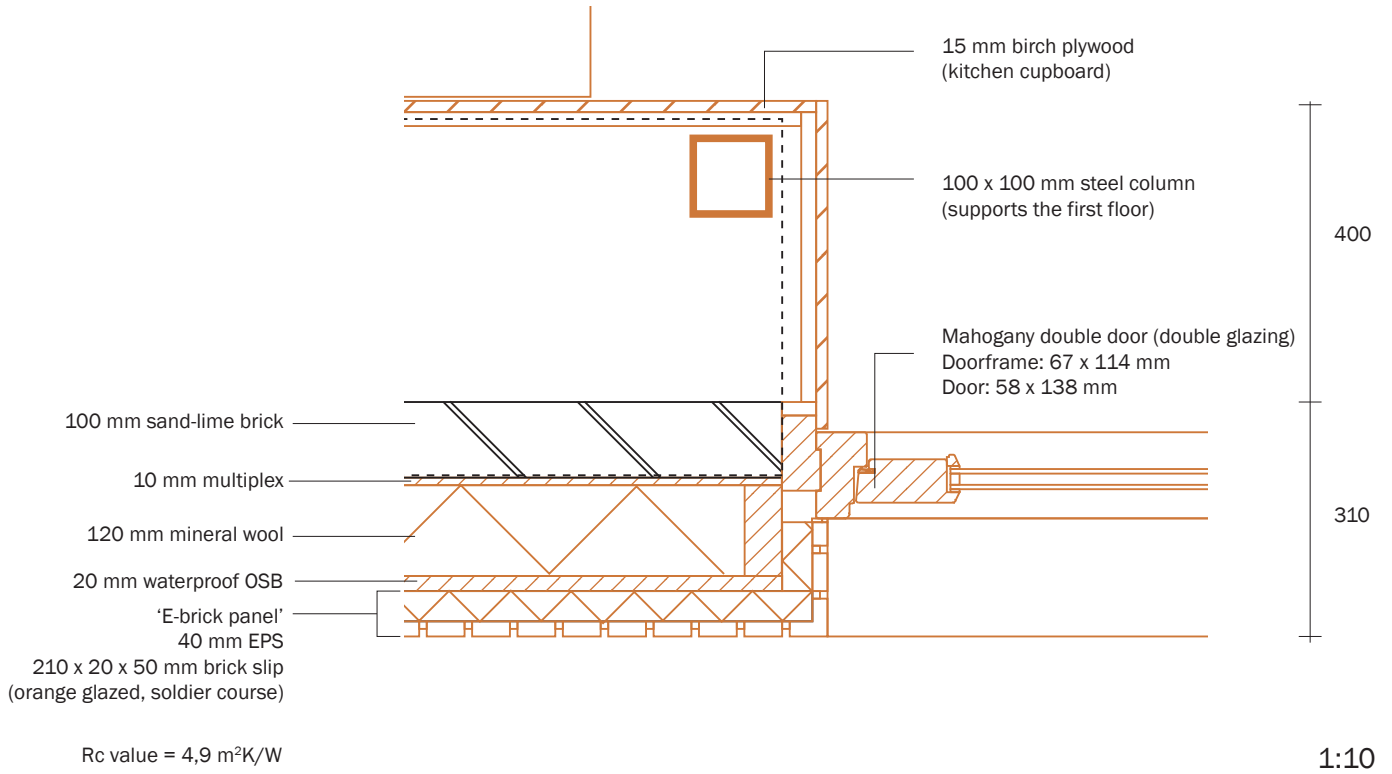
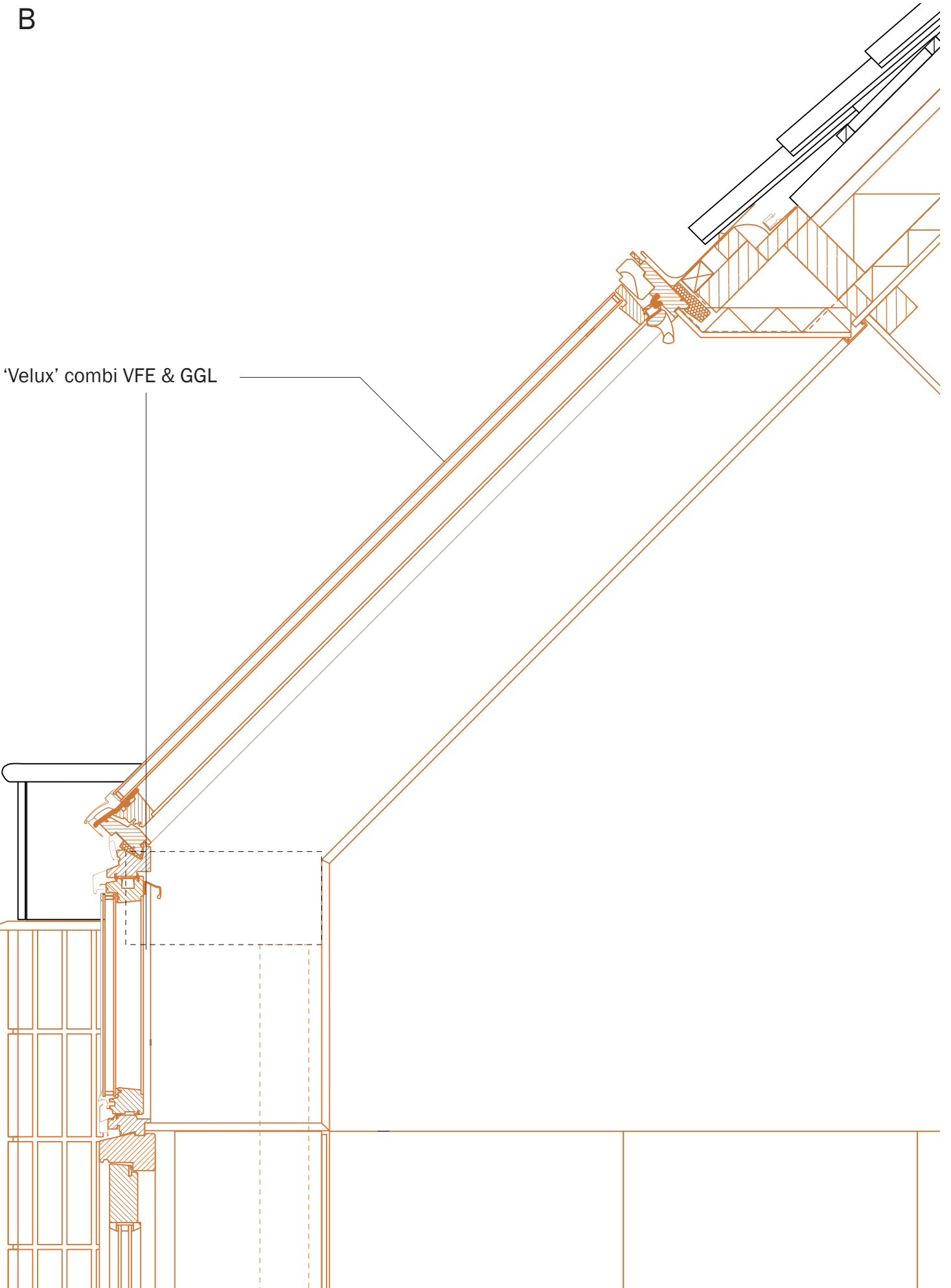


Fig. 73 Detail A 1:10

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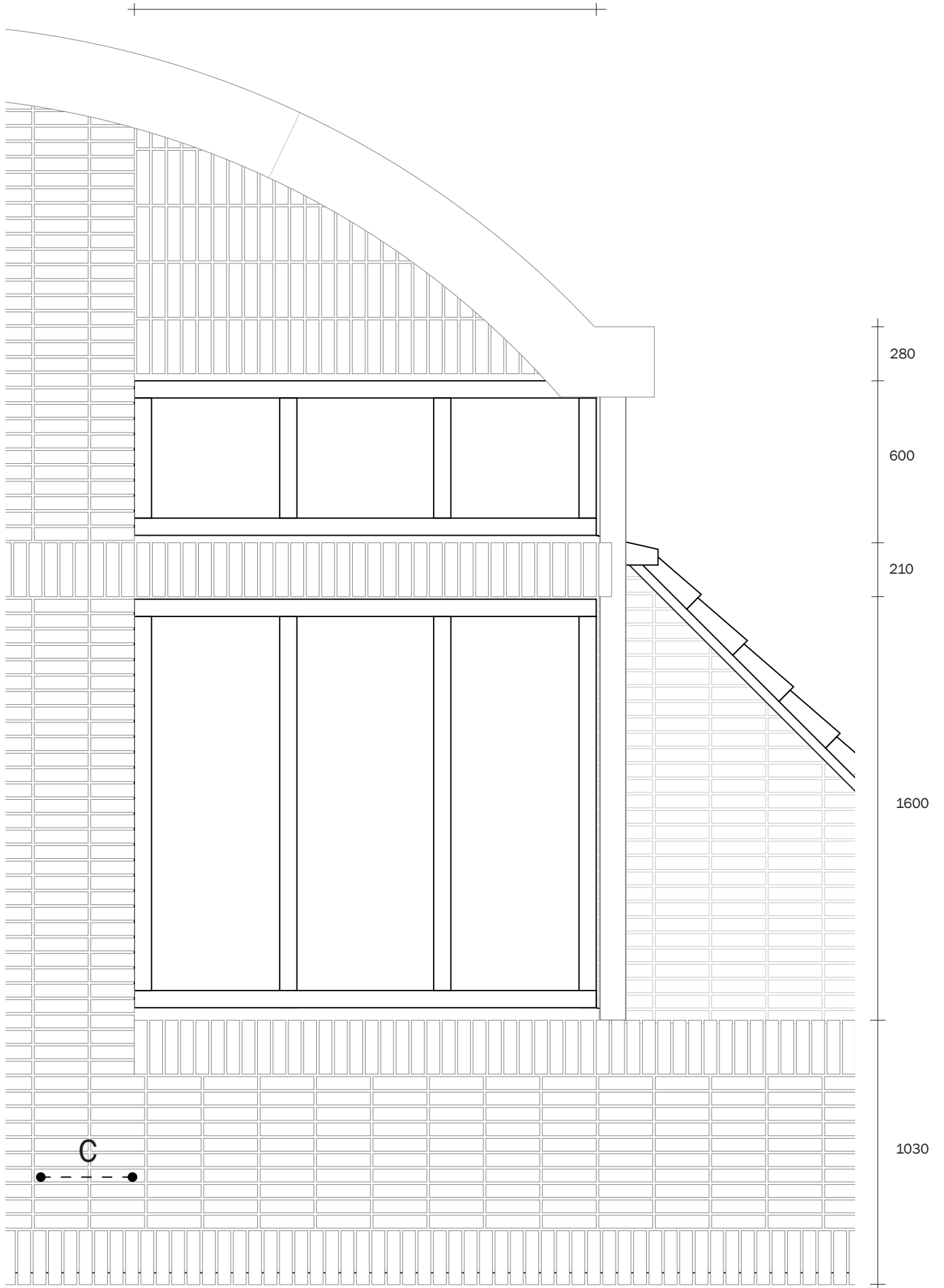
'Velux' combi VFE & GGL

Fig. 74 Detail B 1:10

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7.9 'Doorzonzolder'

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Fig. 76 'Doorzonzolder'



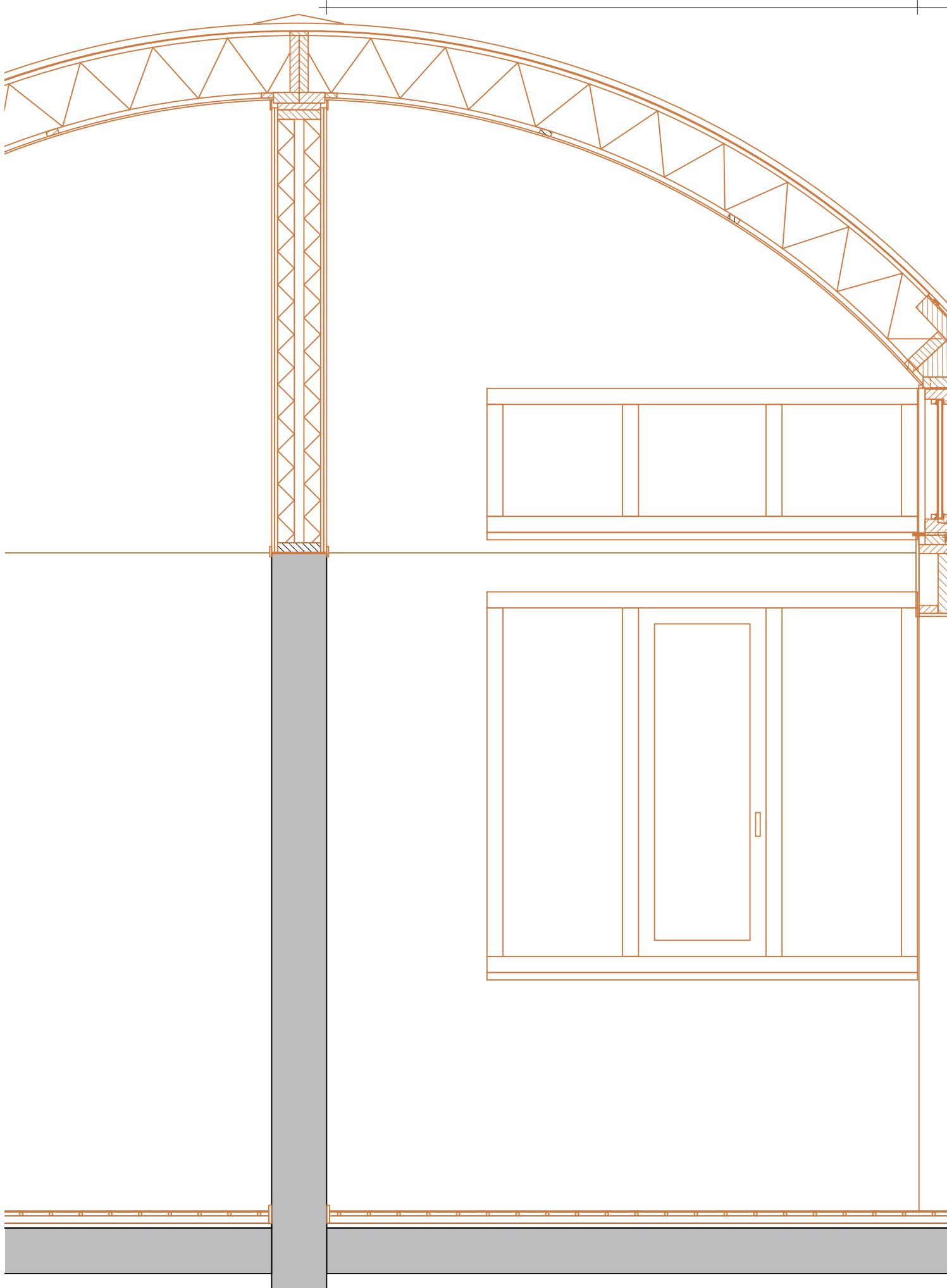
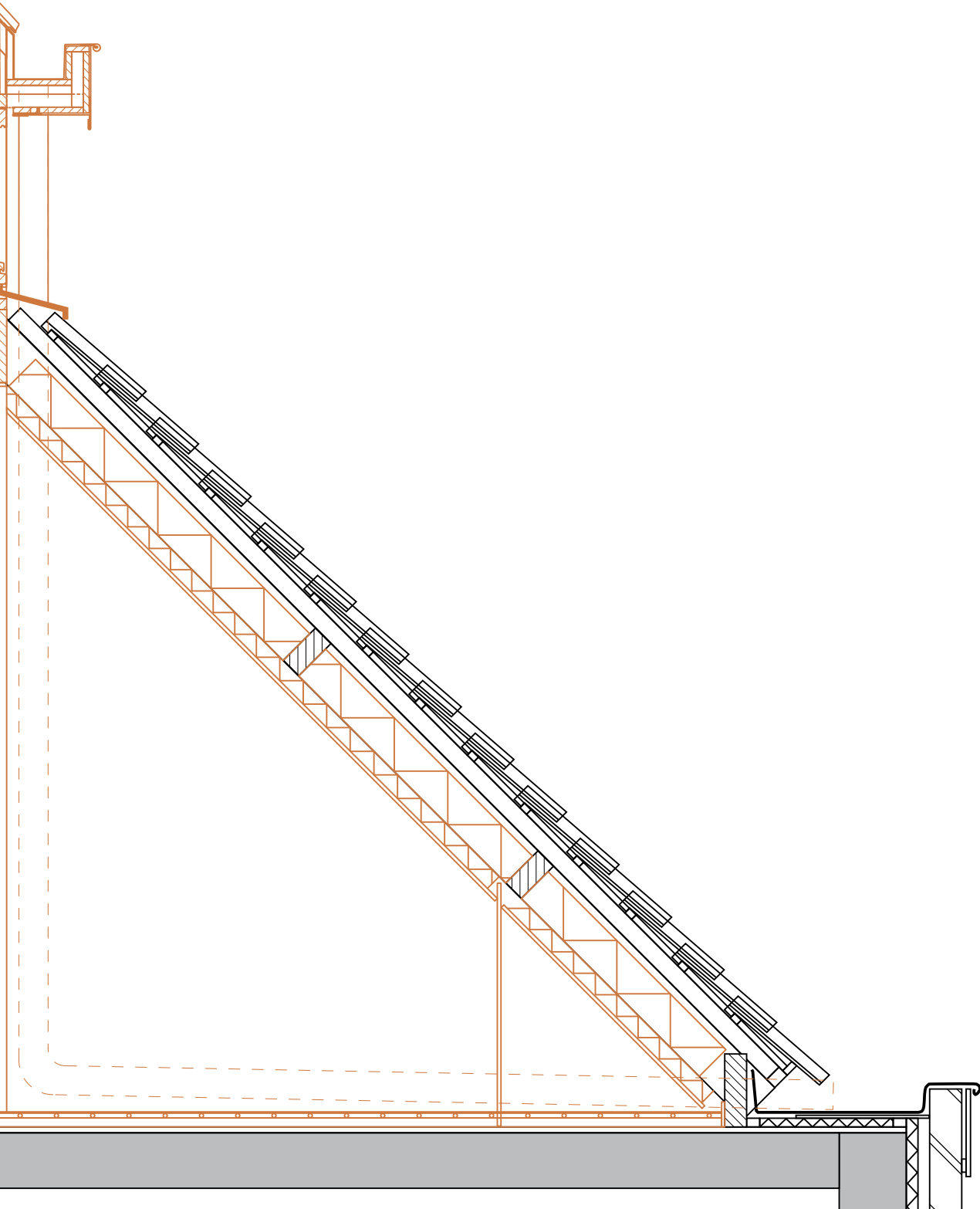


Fig. 77 Section 'doorzolder' 1:20

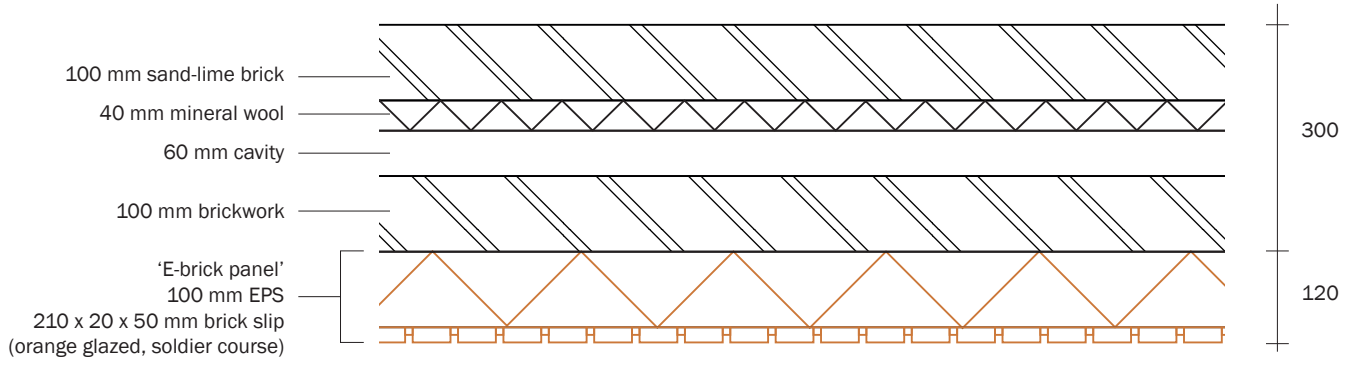


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C



Rc value = 4,9 m²K/W

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Fig. 78 Detail C 1:10

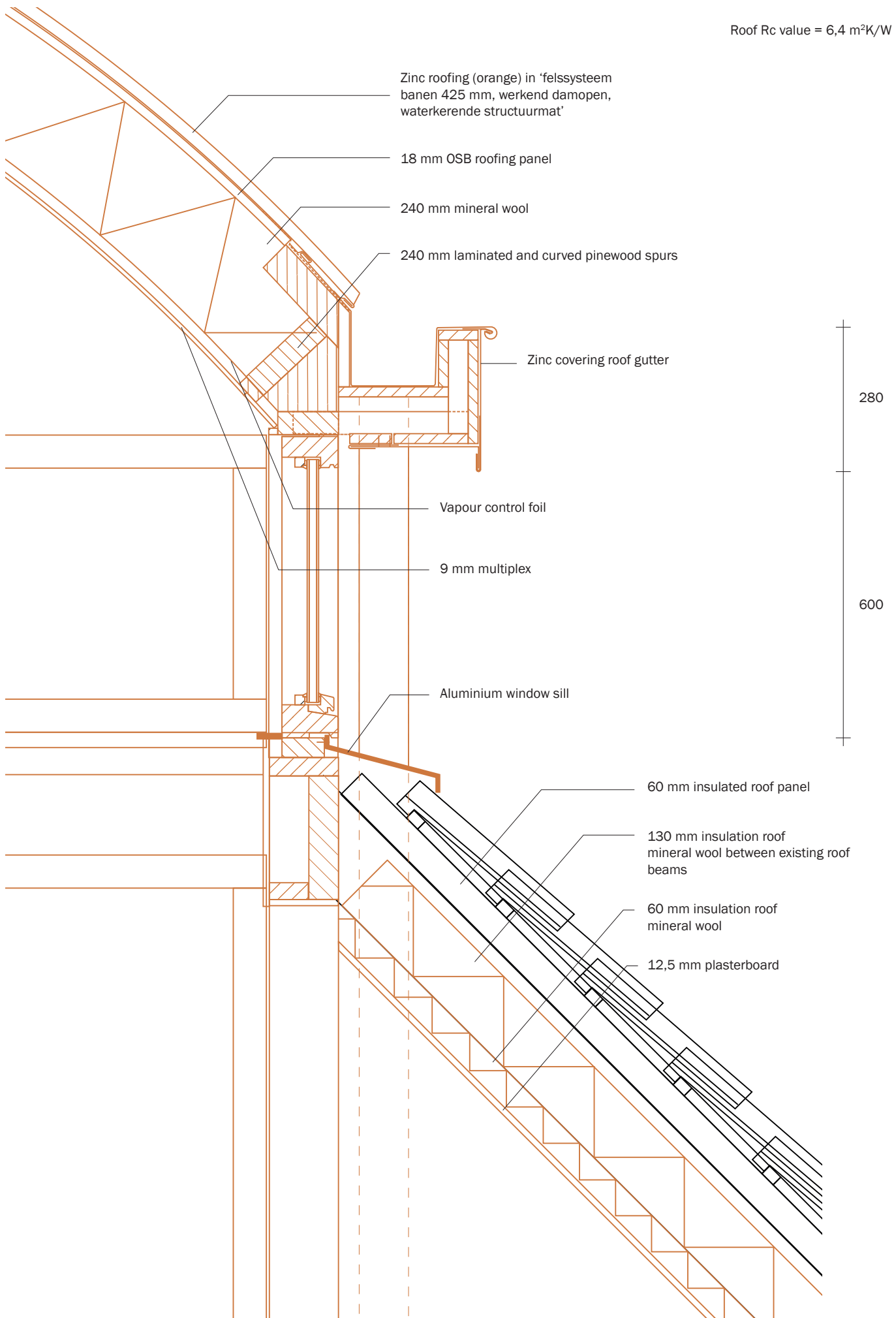


Fig. 79 Detail D 'doorzonzolder' roof connection 1:10

7.10 Construction sequence

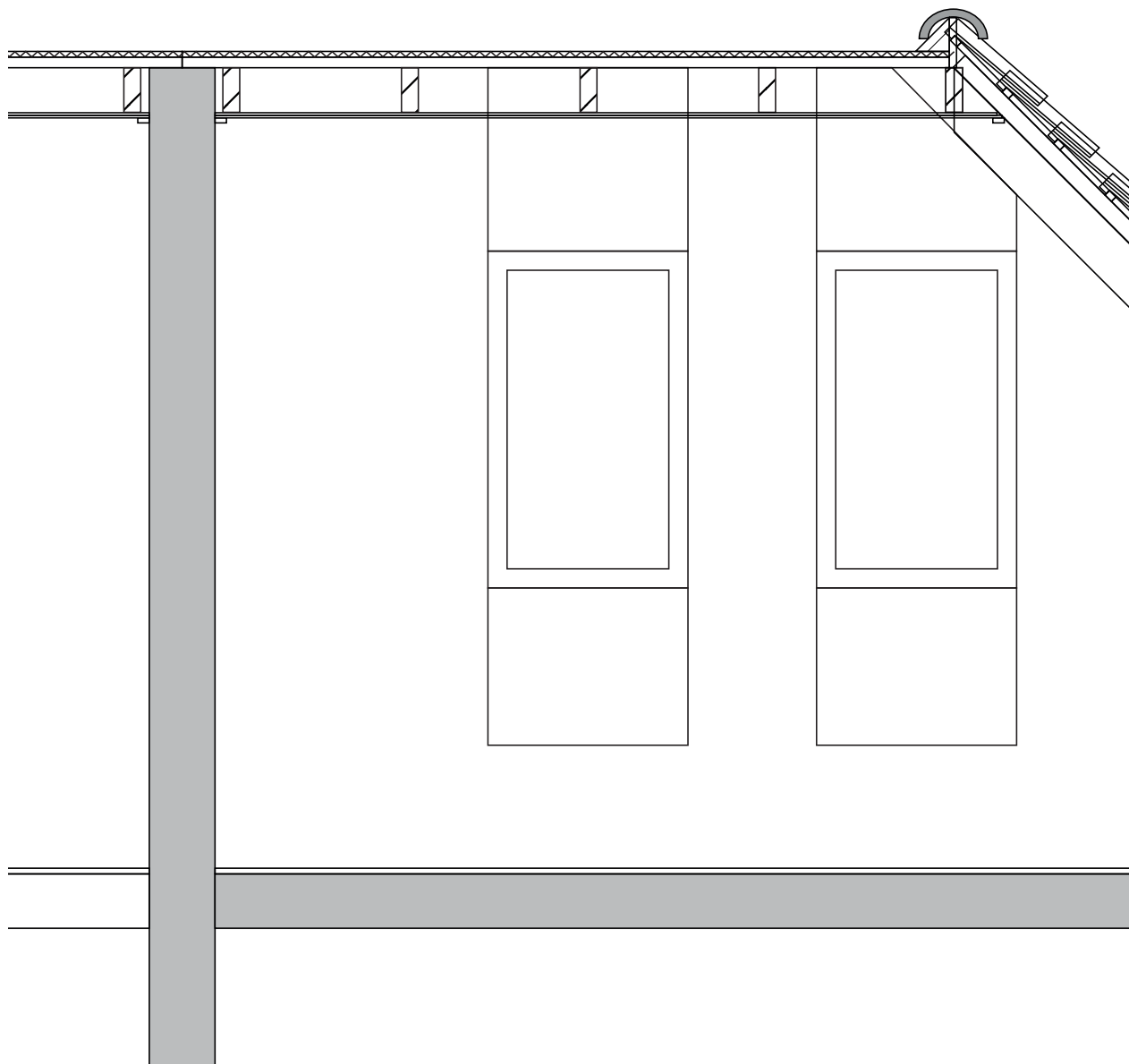
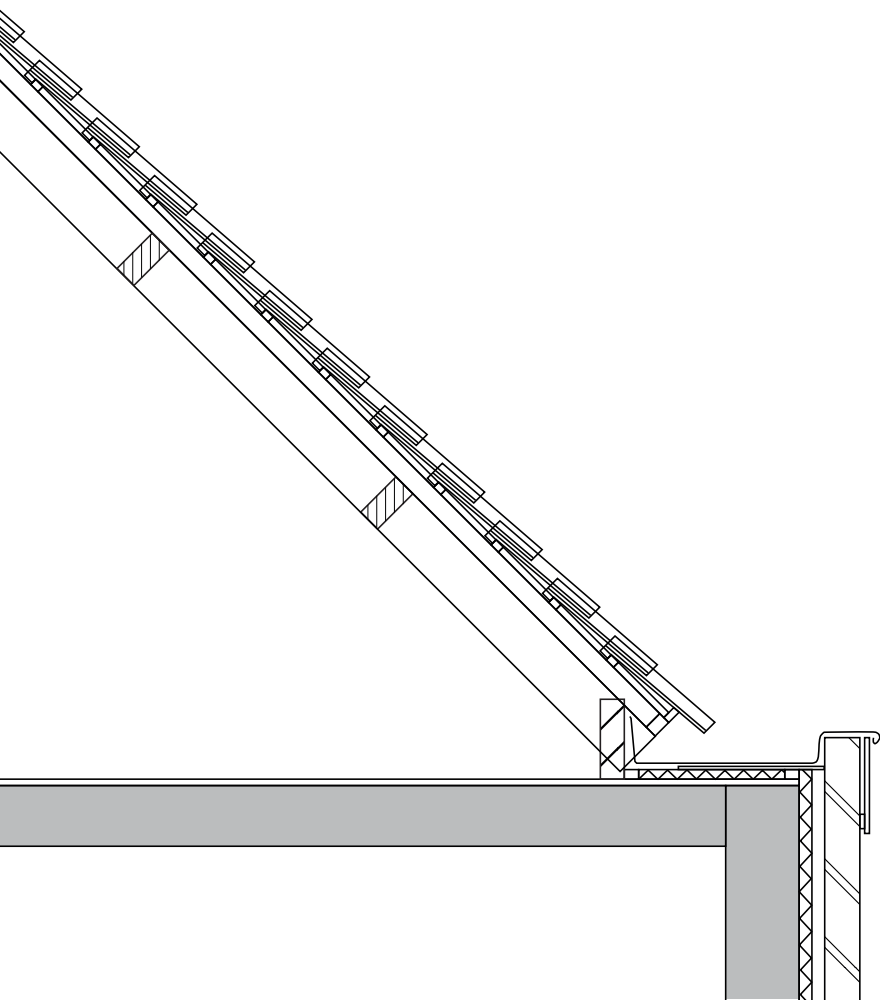


Fig. 80 Section existing situation 1:20



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1. Cutting out masonry for the placement of new windows

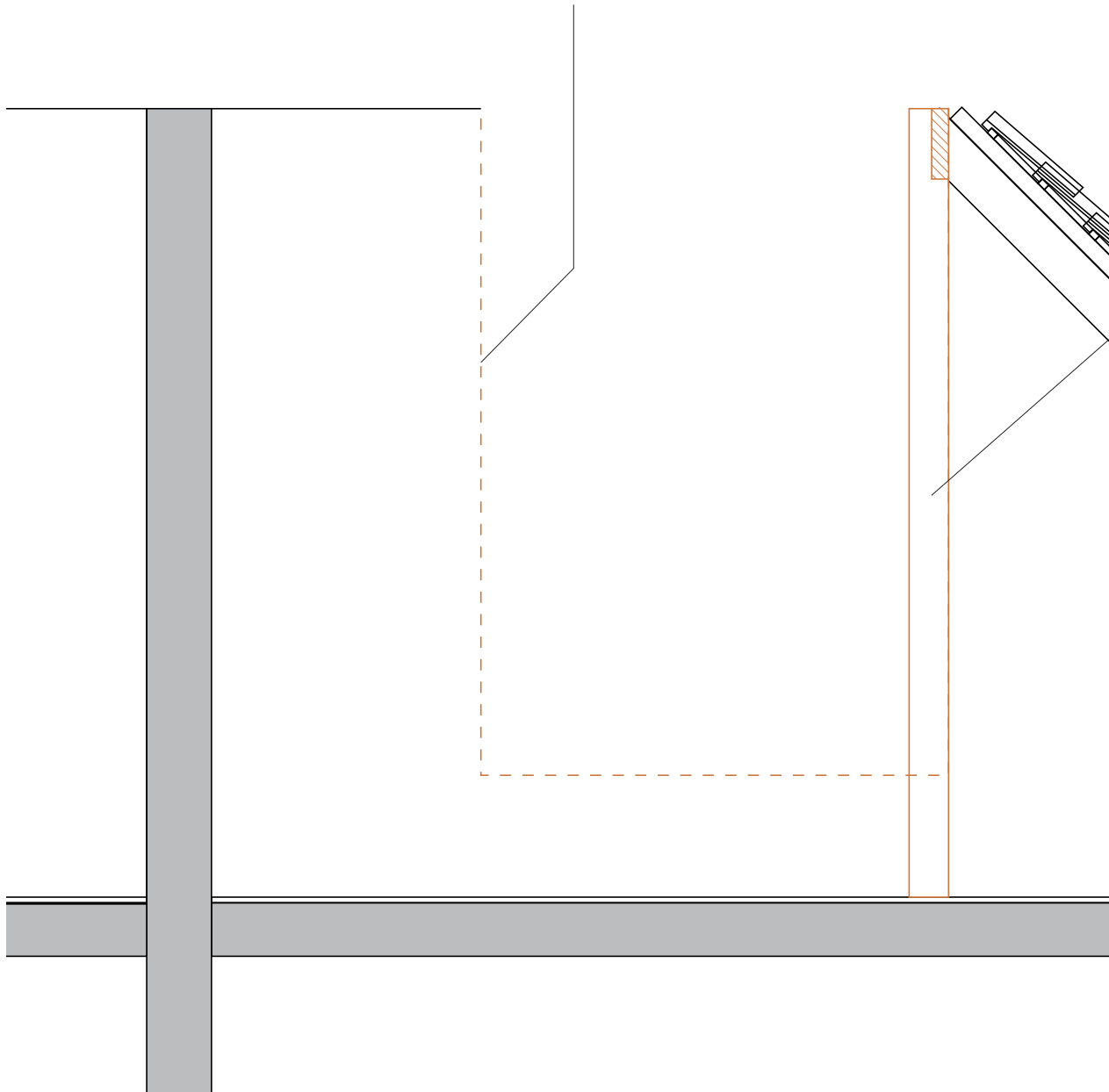
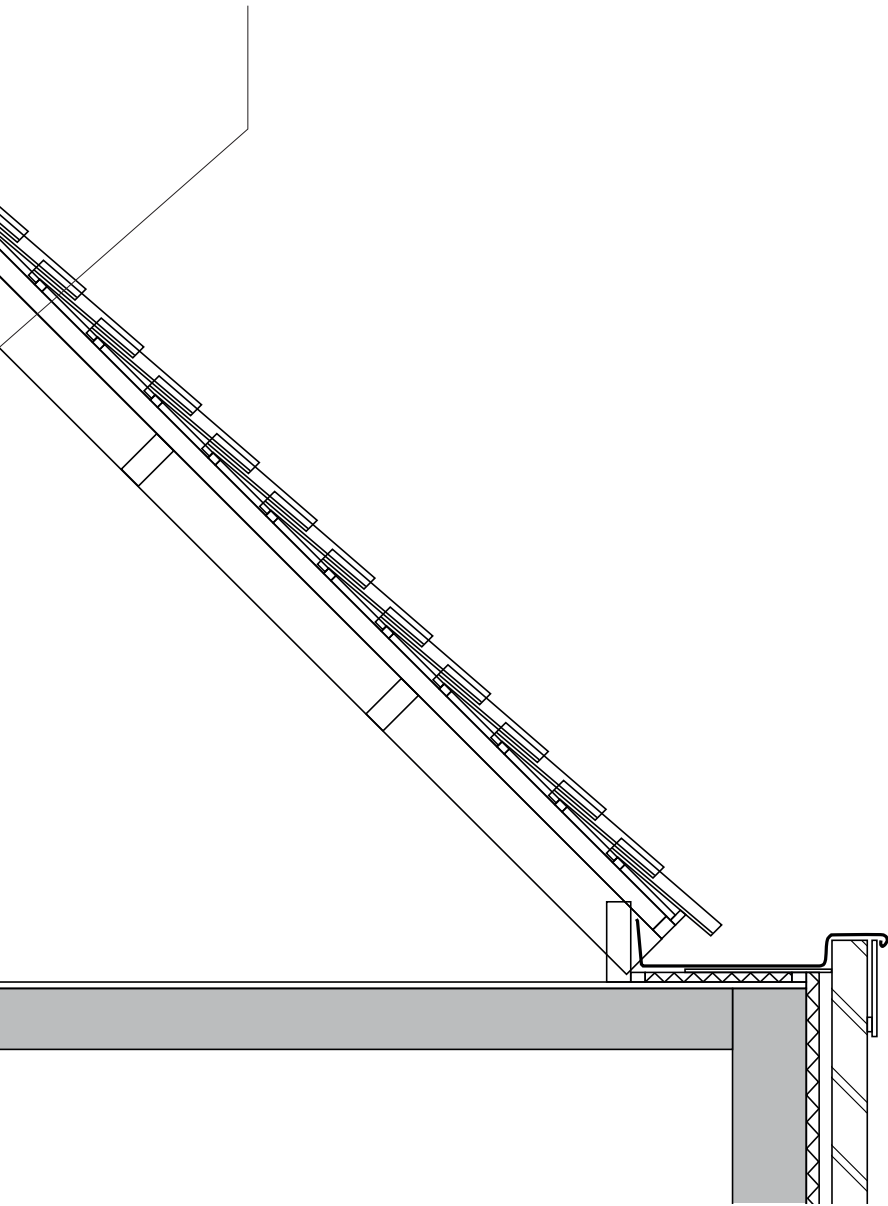


Fig. 81 Section 1:20

2. New crossbeam and column to support roof after demolition of part of roof for roof terrace



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3. Installation of the timber frame party wall

4. Installation of the new topping up timber-frame facade parts and windows

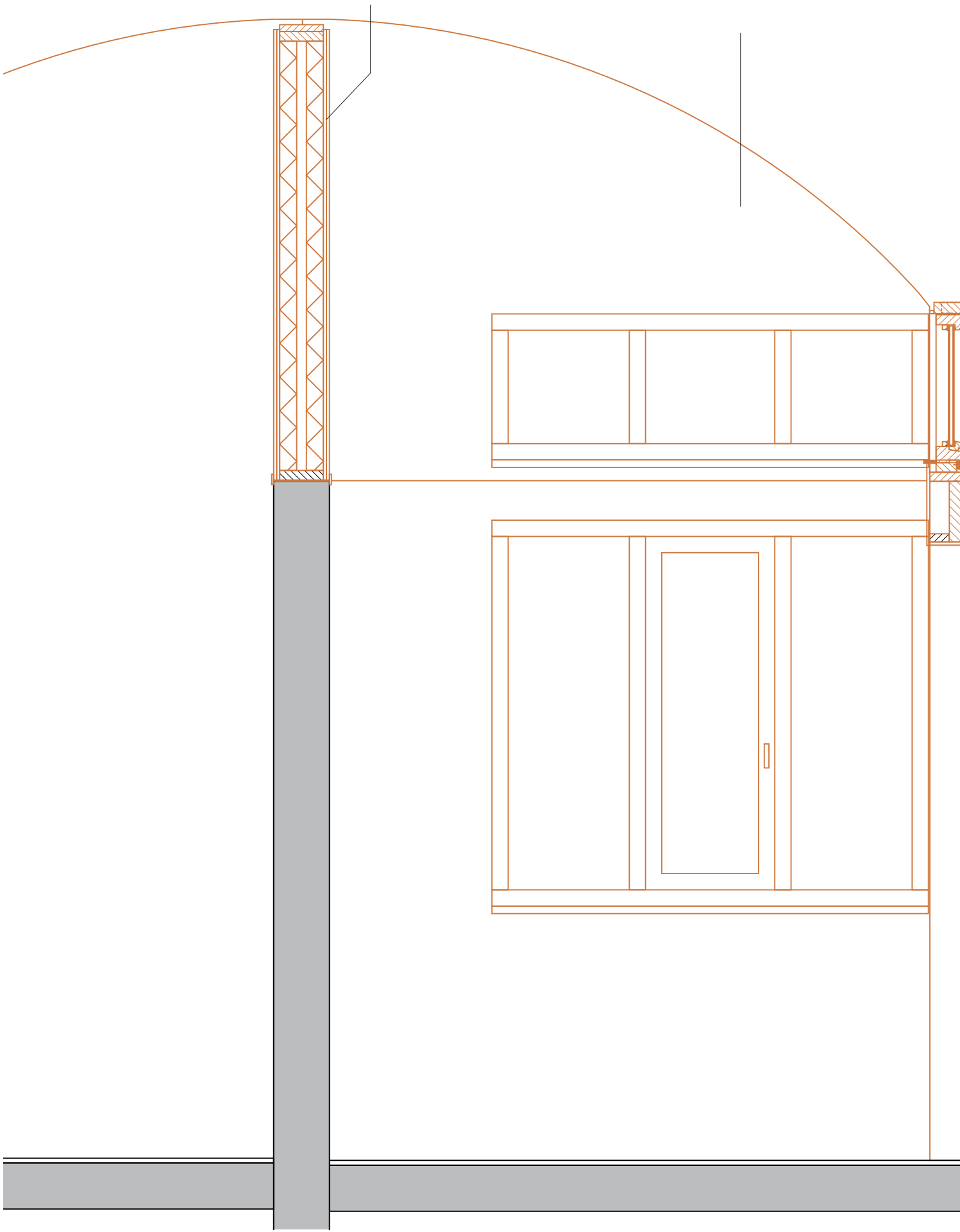
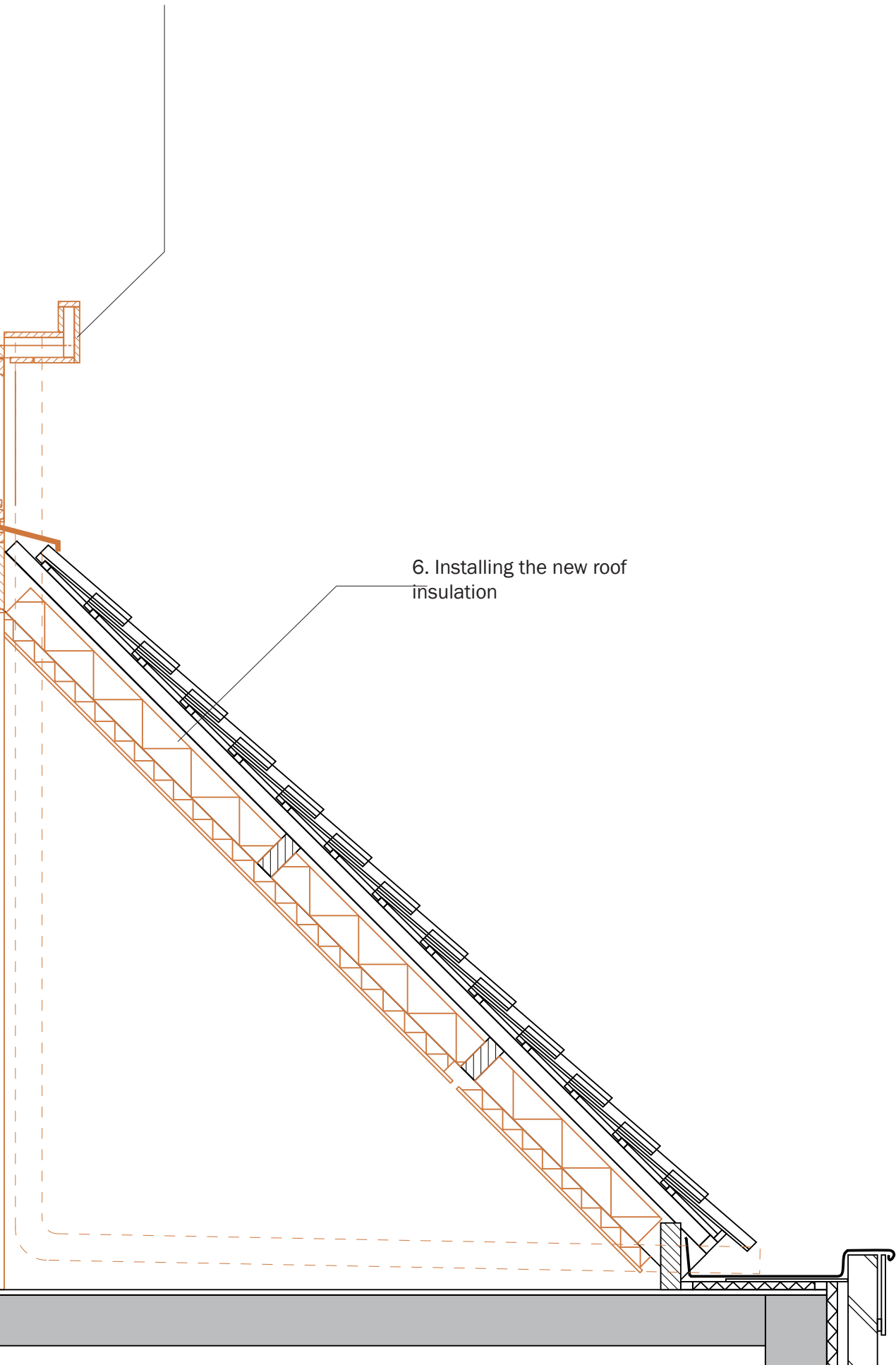


Fig. 82 Section 1:20

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5. Placing the gutter



6. Installing the new roof insulation

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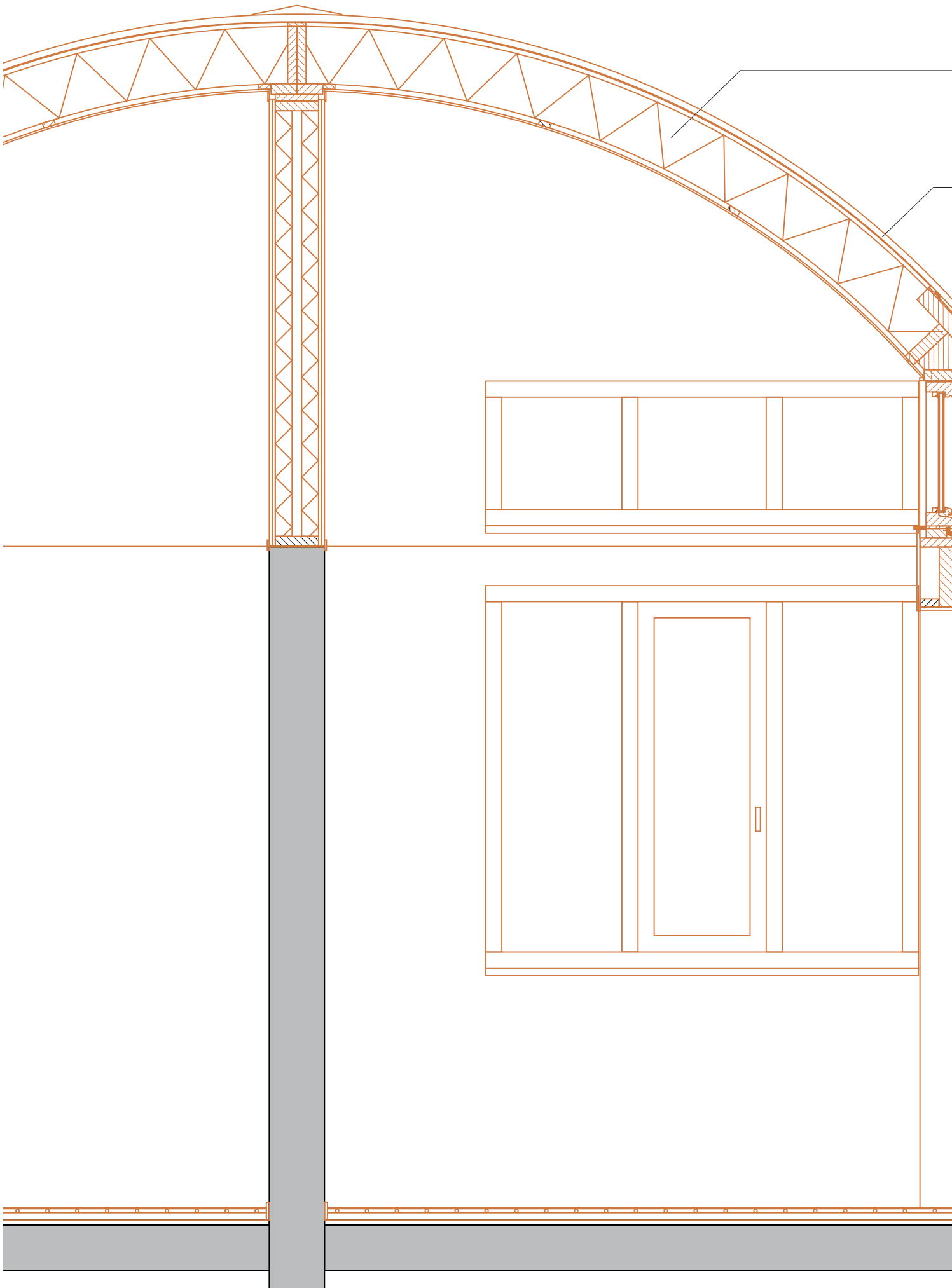
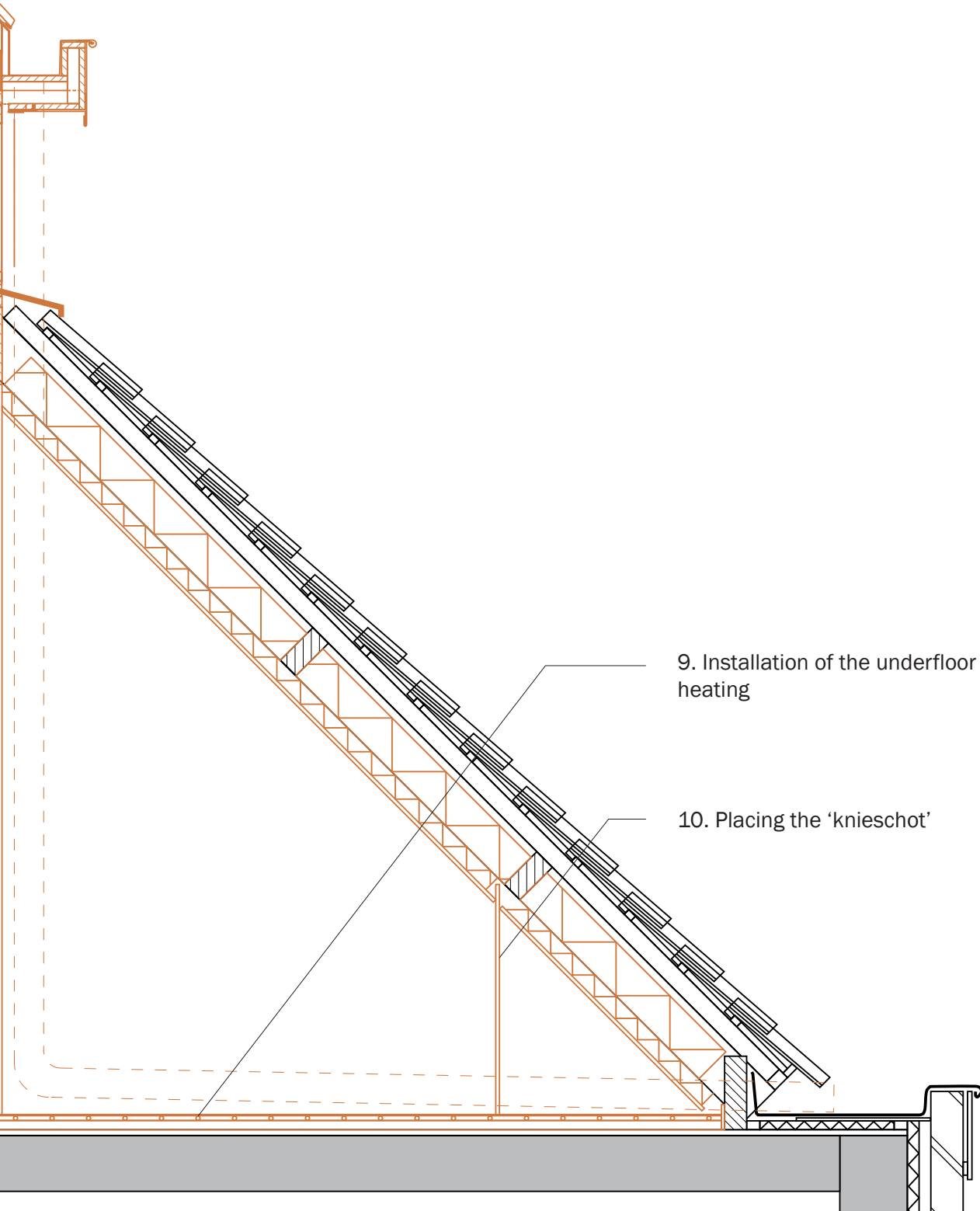


Fig. 83 Section 1:20

7. Placing the prefabricated timber frame roof elements

8. Installation of the zinc roofing and the thin film solar cells



9. Installation of the underfloor heating

10. Placing the 'knieschot'

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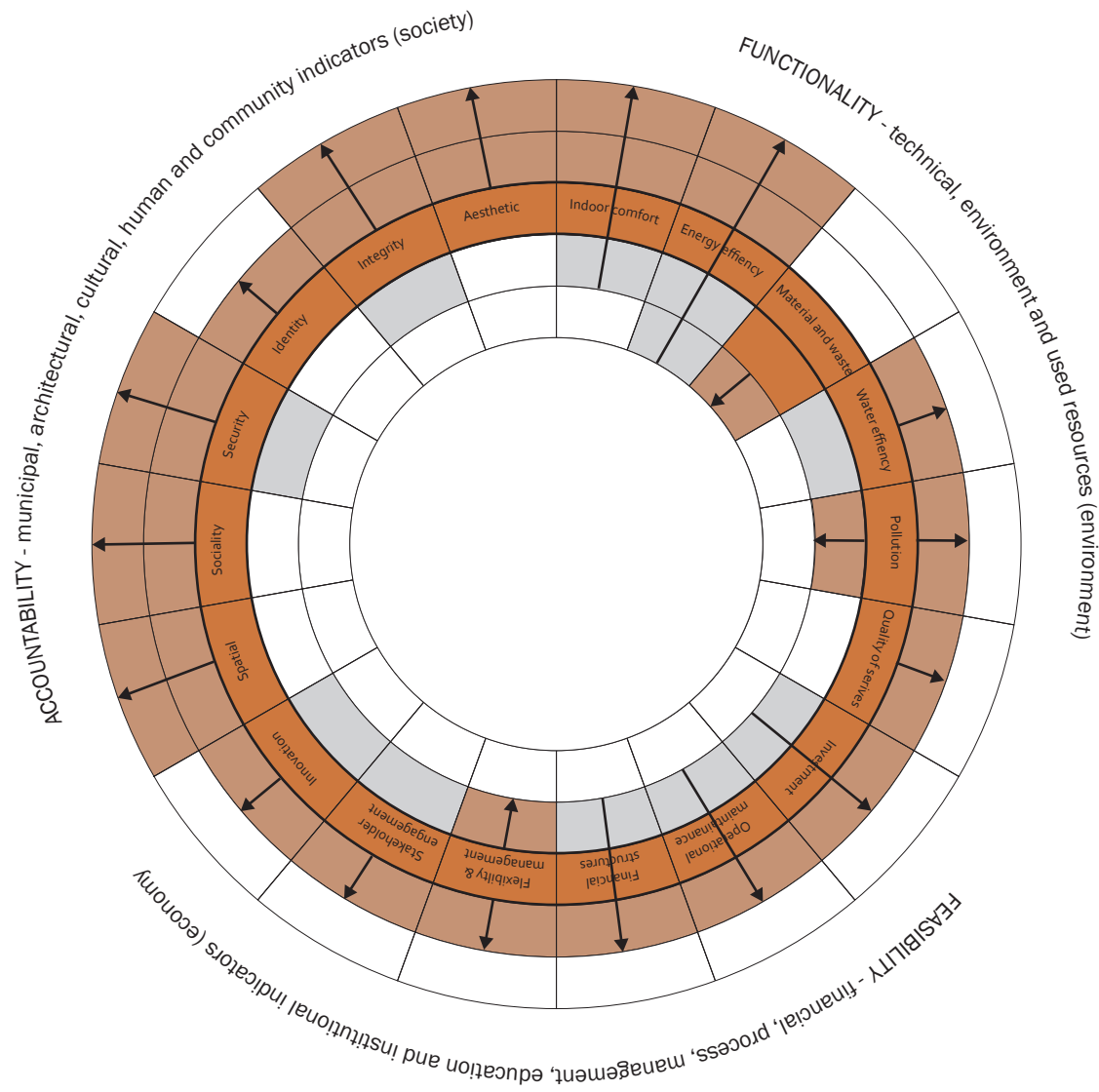


Fig. 84 Scores before and after revitalisation design for Goedewerf, Almere Haven. Adapted *Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation* by Kamari et al., 2017, p. 344.

8. Conclusion & Recommendations

8.1 Conclusion

To determine if the approach is successful, is assessed on the basis of the Kamari et al. wheel scores before and after renovation. The preliminary results show positive impact in almost all categories, except at 'Material and waste' for example, because the necessary new building materials. It can be concluded the principles of the '1968-1989 urban renewal' approach can provide a viable strategy to revitalize Post 65 neighbourhoods, such as Goedewerf (1978) in Almere Haven. By applying the principles of the '1968-1989 urban renewal' approach, which offer room for the incorporation of existing aesthetic and spatial identity in redesigns, the project shows there is a future for the valuable Post 65 aesthetic and spatial identity in renovation practice.

This project shows that by strengthening and/or adding Post 65 aesthetic and spatial attributes, 'Accountability' is strengthened and thus the possibility of a more sustainable future can be assured because (potential) embodied cultural energy is not lost.

In the case of little qualitative Post 65 aesthetic or spatial identity present, elements can be chosen from the Post 65 Lexicon and these can be incorporated in a redesign or renovation. It is important to consider whether the element or feature to be added provides enough quality that it is worth the investment.

This project shows that densification and home split is a solution worthy of further investigation. Currently, finding new building locations is a bottleneck. By making building lots available within existing neighbourhoods, housing corporations could both build new houses and renovate existing ones at the same time. This might not necessarily be more expensive, given that no new infrastructure and facilities would have to be put in place.

Relevance

Goedewerf has a broad validity and was therefore suitable as a case study. The neighbourhood represents a subset of Post-65 housing architecture that strived for small scale and complexity. Furthermore, Goedewerf has a number of characteristic features that are representative of Post 65 neighbourhoods: low rise, sloped roofs, mixed ownership, relatively low density, surrounded by nature, relatively many single family homes.

The graduation project addresses the societal relevance of the increasingly urgent sustainable renovations of a significant part of Dutch housing stock (31%) (CBS, 2022). The combination of aesthetics and building envelope renovation is particularly relevant in the light of the necessary improvement of energy performance (e.g. insulation, detailing). Through testing the urban

renewal approach and development of know-how for contextualist design that uses Post 65 aesthetic and spatial vocabulary in renovation this projects creates guidance for future-proof renovations for a lower probability of compromised heritage values. And with reference to the Kamari's et al. framework for 'Holistic sustainability decision-making support framework for building renovation' (2017, p. 344): the categories 'Aesthetic', 'Integrity' and 'Spatial' in particular are addressed in this project. These are categories that stand a good chance of being underexposed in renovation practice because of the lack of public appreciation of Post 65 architecture and the still developing body of knowledge. The academic relevance of this project is characterised by the critical historiographical perspective on existing literature that discusses Dutch Post 65 architecture. The research output is a contribution to this still developing body of knowledge on Dutch Post 65 architecture. Furthermore is the used method relevant, the funda method could also be applied to other building periods or typologies.

Added value research findings

The nature of my project is also educational, I think it is important for a sustainable future for Post 65 suburban housing to encourage everyone to open up their eyes and teach everyone how and what qualities can be recognised.

The added value of developed knowledge, compared to already existing knowledge, is that it shows that Post 65 is architecturally very rich, contrary to popular belief. This project attempts to show the diversity and richness of Post 65 housing architecture, which has previously received little attention.

In addition, the research results show that within Post 65 suburban housing several aesthetic families can be discovered. This can provide guidance in renovation or redesign projects. For example, in the sense of which attributes from the Lexicon can possibly be present and which attributes can possibly strengthen the existing aesthetic and spatial identity. In addition, the revitalisation design for Goedewerf has made it clear that there does not exist something as one ready made solution for all Post 65 suburban housing.

After the research done into the aesthetic and spatial identity of Post 65, I dare say that there is something special in almost every Post 65 suburban house. Even if it does not appear so from the outside. Take, for example, Noordmark 38 in Almere Haven, which has a beautiful spatial connection between the ground floor and the first floor through the open staircase and a small void with skylights (Fig. 85 - Fig. 90). I think in my research I have discovered only the tip of the iceberg.



Fig. 85 Noordmark 38, Almere (Funda, 2022)



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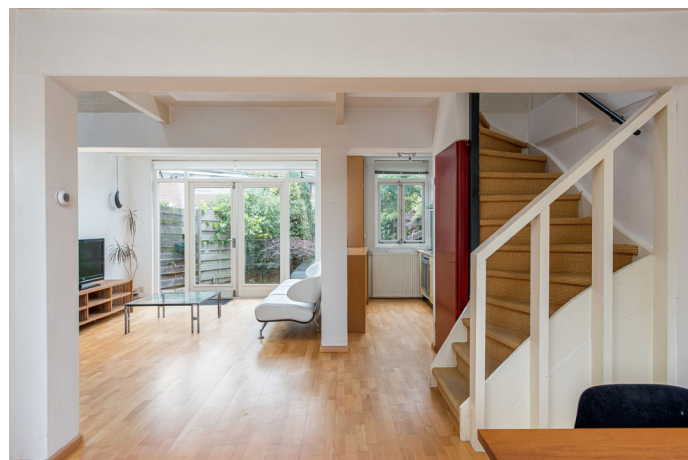


Fig. 88 Noordmark 38, Almere (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 89 Noordmark 38, Almere (Funda, 2022)



Fig. 90 Noordmark 38, Almere (Funda, 2022)

8.2 Further studies

Ecology and Biodiversity

Often there are green 'belts' on the edges of cauliflower neighbourhoods. They offer enormous opportunities for strengthening and improving the green-blue networks in terms of ecology and biodiversity. Research is needed into how this can be realised in a feasible way.

Renewable sources of energy

In relation to which energy sources are to be used, it is worth investigating to what extent the blue structures can be used within cauliflower neighbourhoods.

Car in front of house as social interaction 'incubator'

Research into the role of the car in Post 65 suburban neighbourhoods. To a large extent, I have moved the parking space to the edges of the neighbourhood, for the benefit of safety and quality of public space. But isn't the car at the door perhaps an important 'incubator' for social interaction. In the case of the Eurowoningen (Leusden), the car has been given a place but, in my opinion, does not compromise the safety and quality of the public space. Various models could be investigated, also in relation to the characterisation of the neighbourhood. Goedewerf, for example, is located near the centre of Almere Haven, which means that several activities can be done on foot or by bike. The role of the car is therefore already less important.

Home splits

In terms of the number of divisions of single family homes, the project targets 20-25% of single-family homes. Further research will have to show whether this is a feasible percentage. There is a lack of data whether this is a realistic figure. For example resident surveys could be conducted where residents are asked whether they would consider participating in this.

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