



WORKPLACE DESIGN

When designing a workspace it is important to optimise the users performance, productively, safety, health and well-being. Creating zones for collaborative working and communication, whilst analysing flow through the office is key. Over the years, many businesses have noticed how they need flexible working environments to meet their changing needs. These spaces include hot desks, breakout zones, informal meetings and breakout zones for informal meetings and private work areas and conference rooms for formal meetings. Having a successful and resourceful workplace environment with the correct layout, ergonomics and human needs can allow a worker to feel more valued and want to remain in the space. The arrangements of desks and chairs should aim to create a worker friendly atmosphere. Covid 19 encourages an ongoing way of hybrid working. A well designed workspace can help to encourage people to leave their homes to work, promote the client's business and attract candidate interest through the workplace set up.

WELL-BEING

NATURE

It is known that Incorporating nature through indoor plants and biophilic elements in a workplace can improve the user's wellbeing through alleviating stress, improving concentration and mental health and enabling us to focus better. This leads to boosting productivity.

NATURAL LIGHT

Allowing as much natural light as possible inside a building, will regulate circadian rhythms, lessen eye strain, reduce tiredness and enable users to feel comfortable and safe when executing tasks.

REDUCE UNWANTED NOISE

Using construction materials that absorb or block sounds or adding soundproofing materials to the walls to prevent sound escaping or vibrating through to adjacent spaces can reduce unwanted noise. Noise travels through to the ceiling before it reaches the walls, meaning when considering acoustics it is important to place them higher depending on if there are any spaces above.

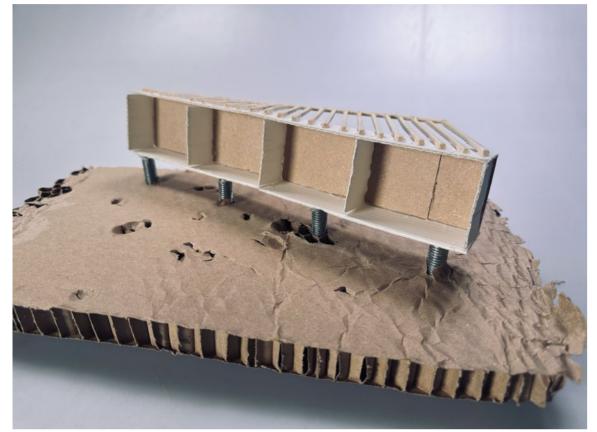
Another way to reduce noise could be placing pods in an office to create private and quiet spaces.

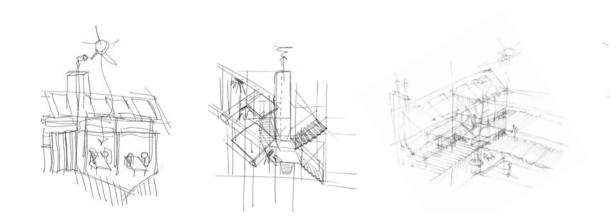
IMPROVING VENTILATION

Poor ventilation can be a distraction and negatively affect a worker's intellectual abilities and performance level. Having better air quality is known to improve health, performance and productivity. Indoor pollutants such as high carbon dioxide levels, dust and pollen can cause health issues and especially affect those with allergies. Designing a workspace which uses resources and materiality more efficiently, whilst considering energy saving measures can reduce the carbon footprint of the business. Other ways to improve the air quality could include adding office plants and allowing fresh air inside.

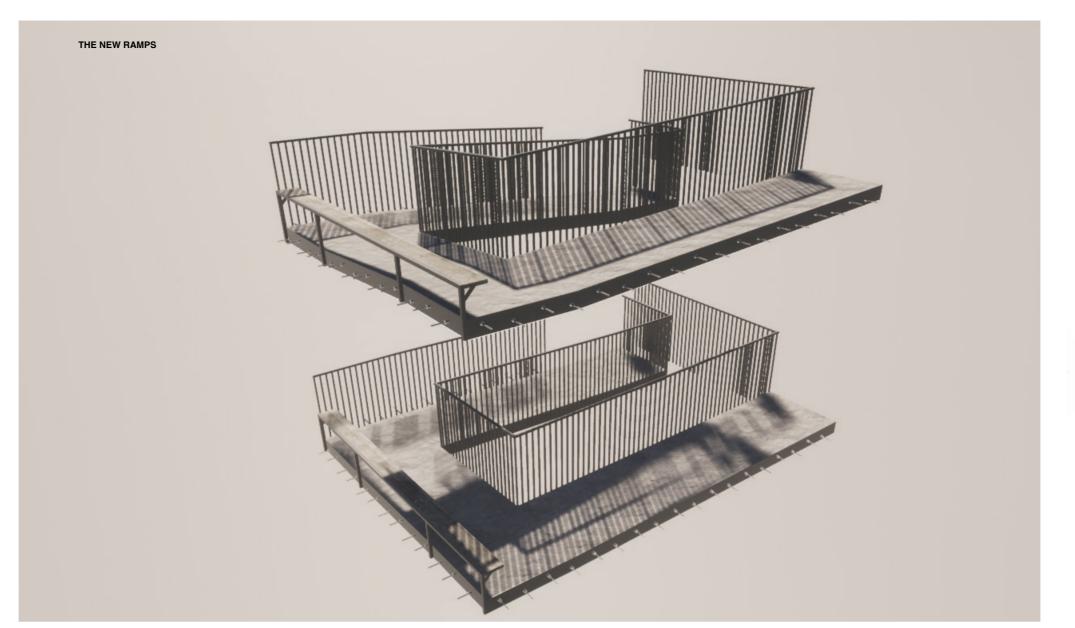
It is important that adapting existing structure impacts the users postively, through considering the elements

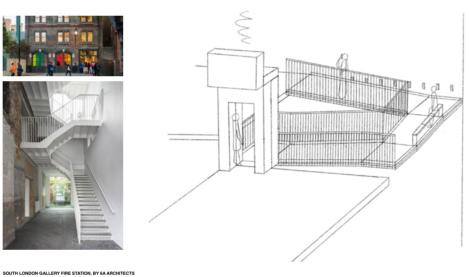






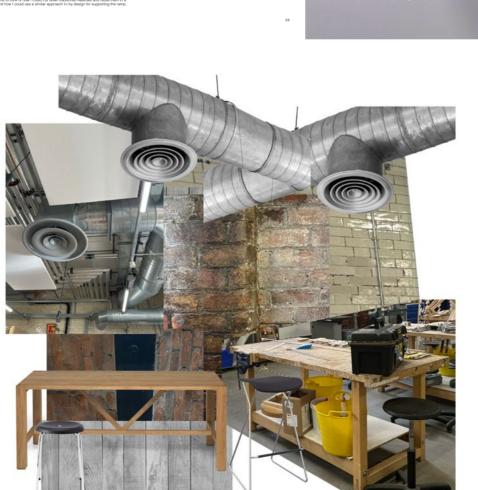


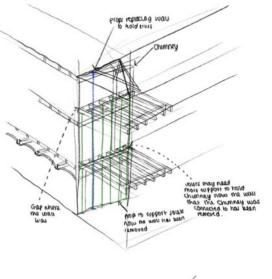


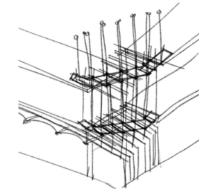


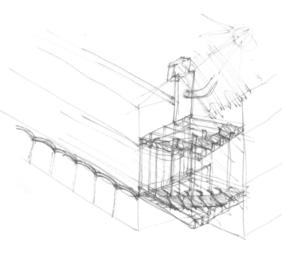




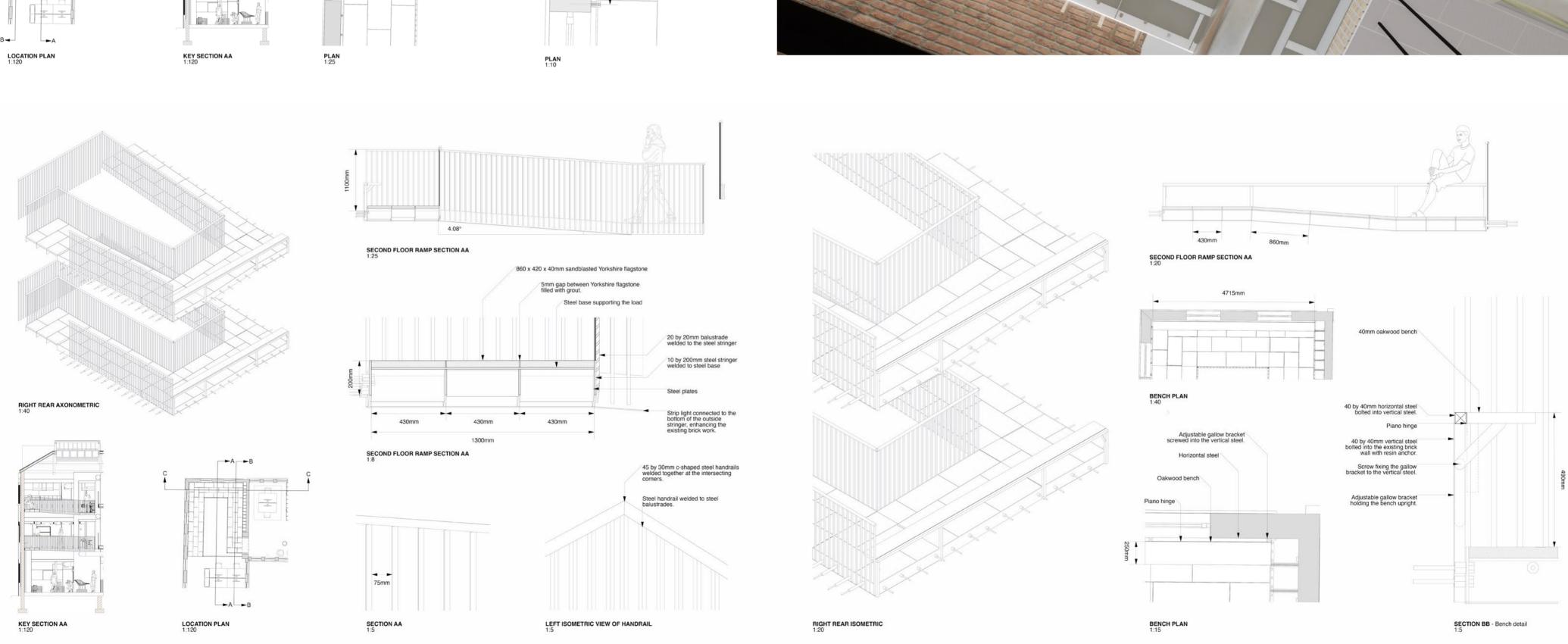




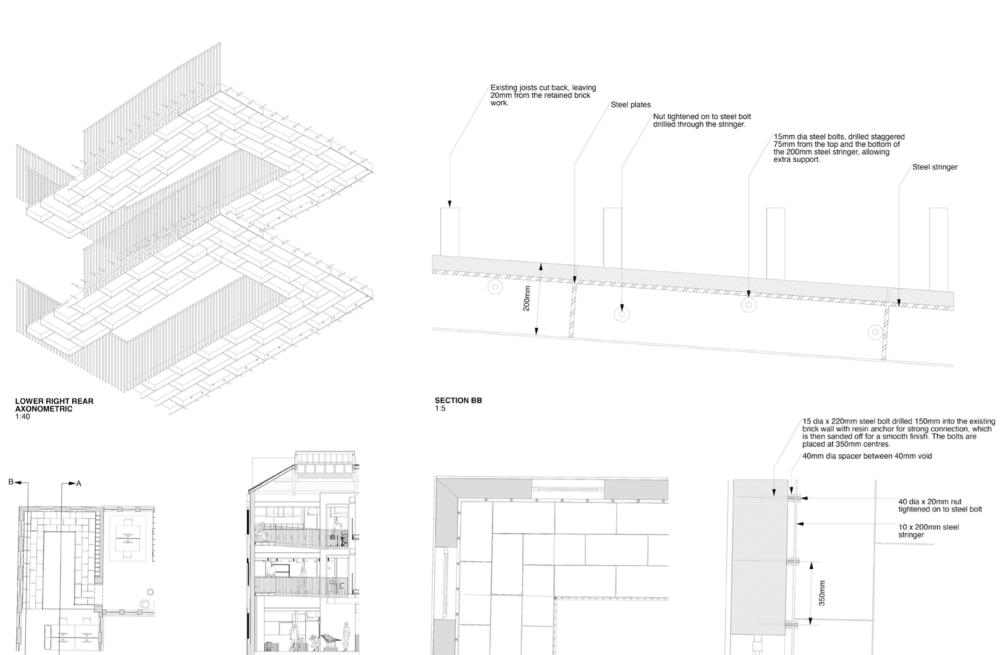






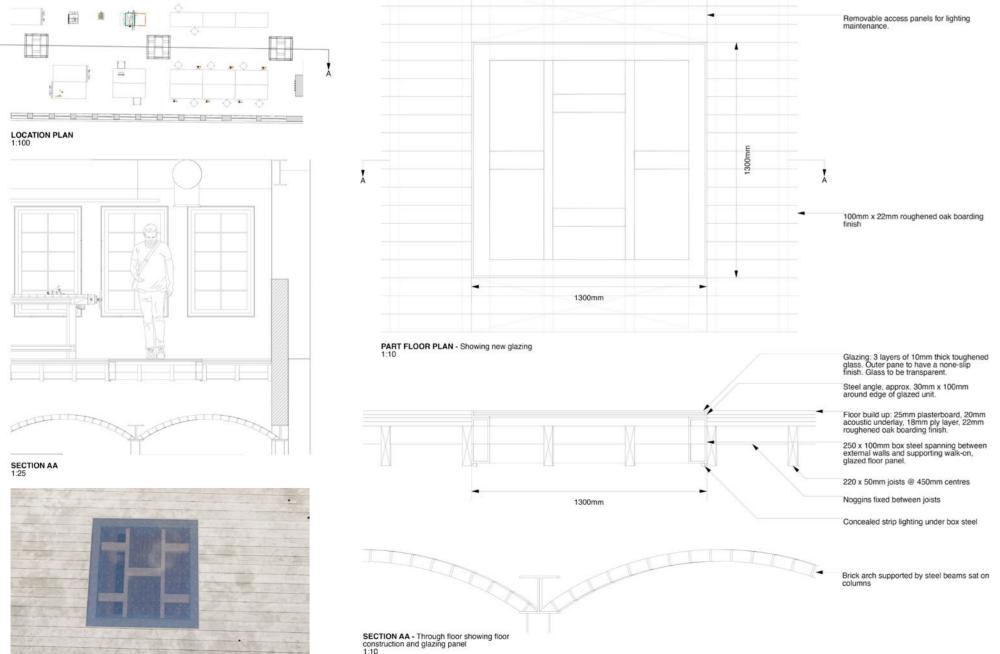


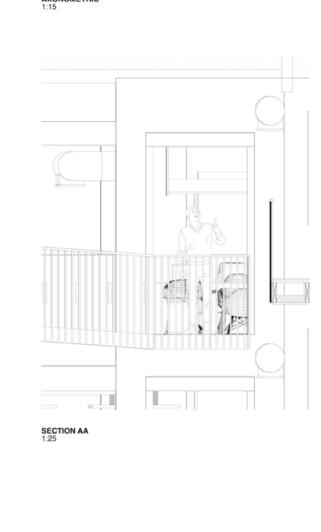
REPLICATING THE EXISTING BRICK WORK IN A MODERN WAY

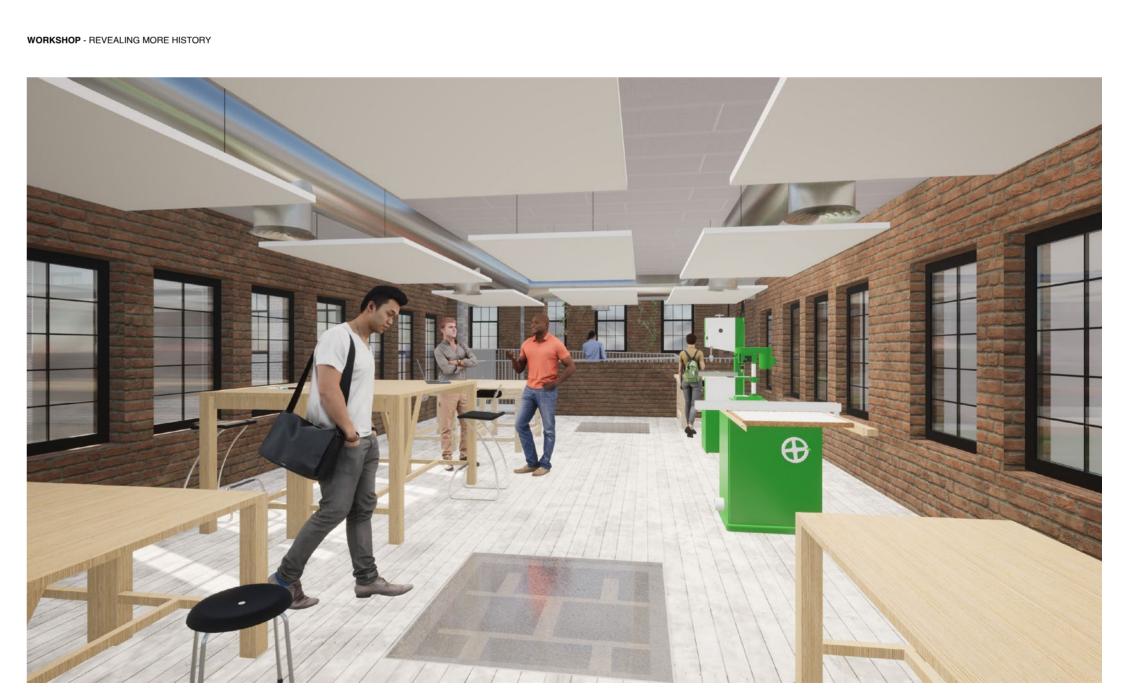








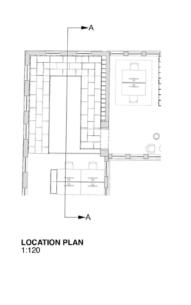




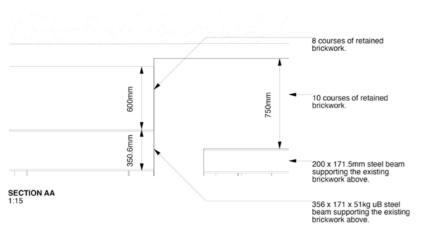
Walking through what was once just an old chimney, through to a new modern ramp feature, which becomes a space to socialise. 37



INTERACTION WITH RETAINED ELEMENTS



KEY SECTION 1:120 CHIMNEY PLAN 1:15



350.6 x 171.5 x 51kg uB steel beam supporting the existing brickwork above the new opening.

Existing old imperial brick

100mm of new curved brick preventing the old imperial brick from crumbling due to cutting through it for the new access opening.

200 x 171.5mm steel beam supporting the existing brickwork above the new access chimney opening.

New steel chimney projecting through the roof, extending from the existing chimney, removing used air and dust. Pad stone beneath steel beam











