

THE CONSCIOUS FACTORY

IT STARTED AT THE BEGNING OF THE DAY...

"I have nothing to wear!"

Having a conflict with picking up an outfit from a wardrobe that can't even squeeze more clothes in?

You like that piece, It's on trend this month, but can't wear it today. Few weeks later, new collection released, more new clothes stacks on top of the old piles.

Retailers are making us feel left out unless we buy. Then we feel satisfied.

"It takes only 15 days for a garment to go from a designer's brain to being sold on the racks". -SARA IDACAVAGE

Really?

"The wave of fast fashion has already consumed 1.5 times our planet's

Minney 2016

"The planet doesn't need us to survive—

Gisele Bündchen



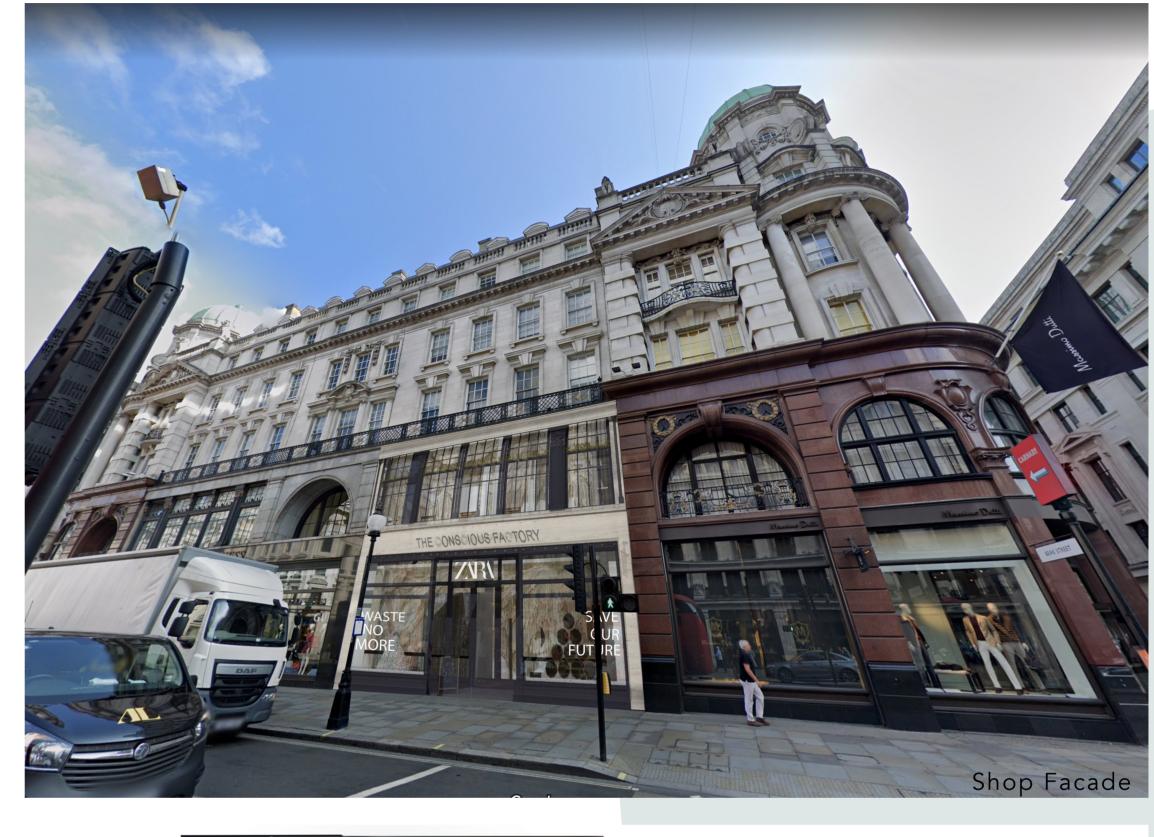
THE BRIEF

The Conscious Factory is occupied in the Linen Hall on Regent Street London, which is a well-known high street for shopping. Collaborating with the most impactful fast fashion retailer, Zara have the ability and responsibility to demonstrate how to transform their business towards slow fashion.

'In a nature's economy the currency is not money, it is life.'

Vandana Shiva

The experience of a new Zara retail store on site is deemed to encourage conscious consumerism and therefore to educate customers buy less, be more conscious.





MAINTENANCE

Customers will learn some tricks of how to maintain their clothes for the best quality of longevity.



IMPACTS

A vending machine that sell dollar clothes, video of fast fashion impacts will be show on screen to raise customer's awareness.



HAPPINESS

An interactive digital installation will simply explain to customers that own happiness come from the person itself, not by endless consumption.

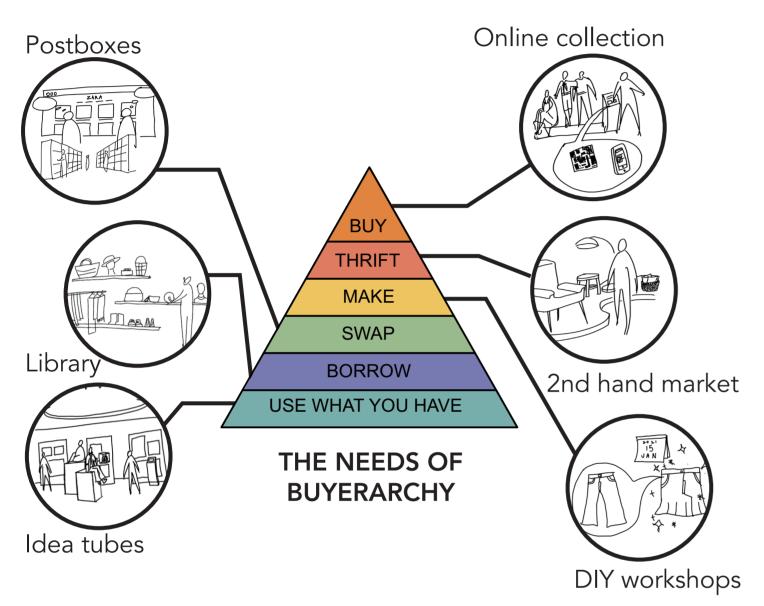


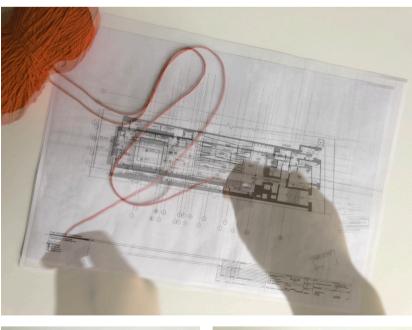
RE-CONNECT

Online shopping are seamlessly take over the interaction between us while we shop, the special designed air hockey table is to courage a conversation.

CONCEPT

The diagram on the left shows the hierarchy of slow fashion, In this project, the design strategy have follow the diagram, to prioritise what we need to do more or less regards to sustainable fashion. There are 4 extra hidden spaces in the project to educate customers on positive shopping behaviour.







DESIGN LANGUAGE

Yarn has a similar archetype with textile, both materials are soft, flexible and bendable. The structure of the textile wall was inspired by yarn laying down naturally, which brings organic curved lines and contrasting with a linear existing building.



Idea tubes
(Use What You Have)

This zone encourage customers try to use things they have already got at home instead of buying new things. When customers interact with each tubes, they may get some inspirations.



Library (Borrow)

Customers can borrow fashion accessories in the borrow section of the buyerachy with a monthly subscription.



Postboxes (Swap)

Customers can negotiate with other customers to swap items on the online platform that is provided with the monthly subscription. They can drop off or pick up the items in store.



DIY Workshop (Make)

Customers can attend different workshops from clothes to homewear, it changes regularly per month.

The unsold items form any Zara store will be used as workshop materials to reduce consumption waste.



2nd Hand Market (Thrift)

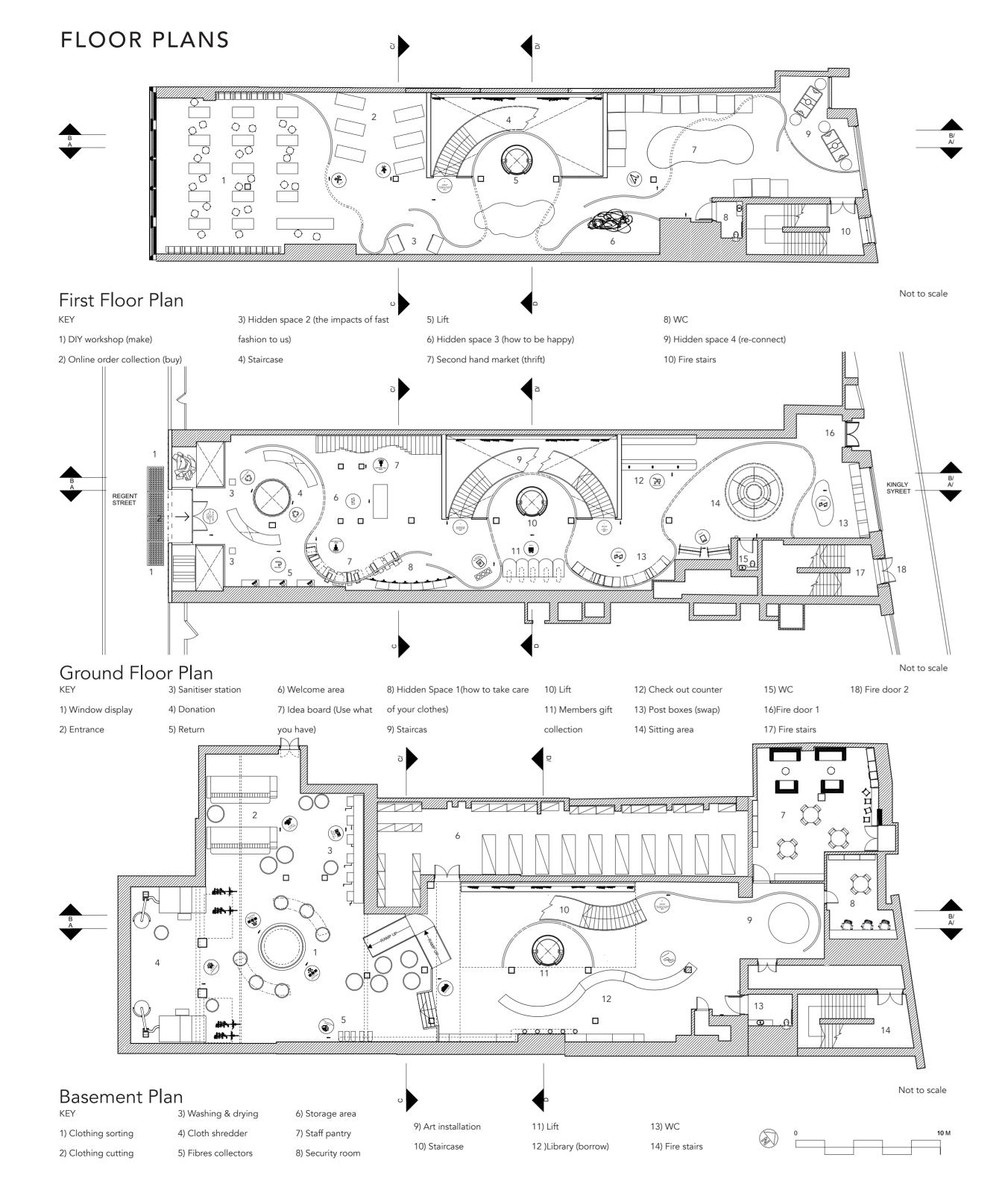
Unsold or donated furniture will be put in the thrift section, customers can chose home delivery services.



Collection Point (Buy)

Customers can choose to pick up their online order in store with the self-service collection machine.







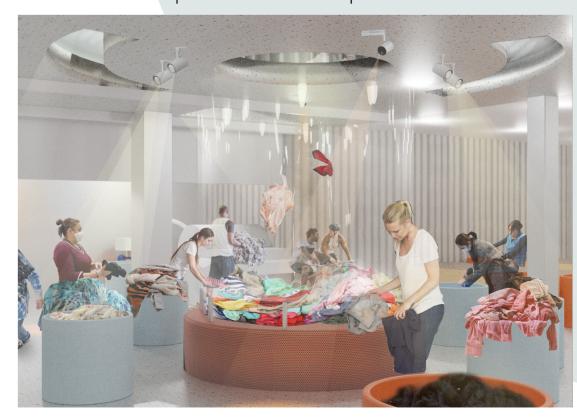
Donation & Return

Customers have to donate at least a fashion item as a token for entrance. Customers can also use the self-return station to return their online order and items borrowed from the library



Art Installation

The expressive discarded textiles art installation creates a dramatic effect, that sends a message to consumers of the impact of over consumption.



Fibres Factory

In the fibres factory there are five steps to complete to recycle the consumer's old clothes. The experiences are sorting, cutting, washing, drying, shredding and storing.



Zoomed Section B-B

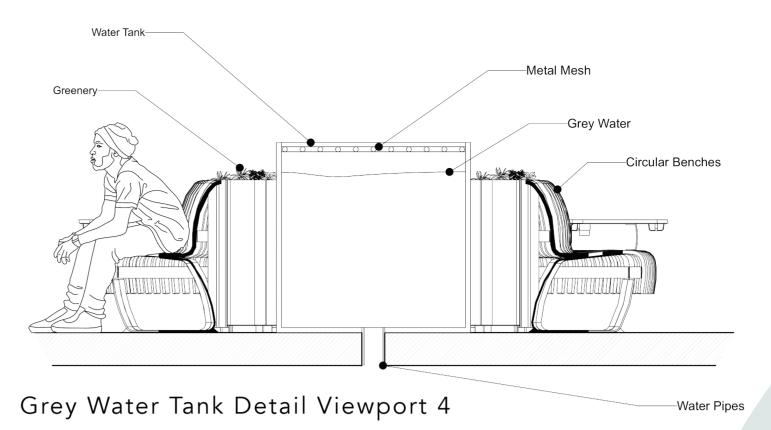
MATERIALS



Minimal material board

Maximal material board

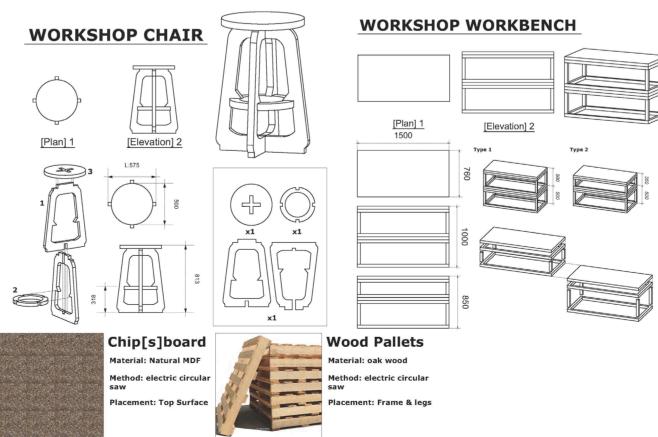
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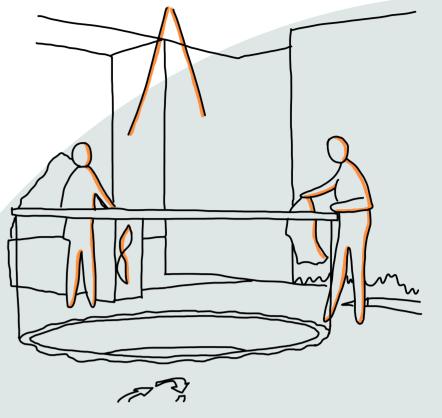
Statement

■ The Conscious Factory" is a project focus on Sustainable fashion, which is reacting to climate change issues. A slower manufacturing process means more responsible consumption and production, while customers are educated on conscious shopping and manufacturers transformed their business model into a decent work and economic development. Consumers are the key to take part in the change of the fashion industry. This project aims to raise awareness of poor labour conditions among the garment workers, but also to educate the public on the importance of being a conscious consumer could protect the workers from exploitation by the manufacturers, improving quality of lives in manufacturing countries, reducing resources waste and improve customers well-being. By reusing most of the fixtures and generate clean energy and resources on site, it is enhancing the sustainable goals. Construction and surface materials are made with clean energy, natural resources, humane labour, which has protected different species and the environment.

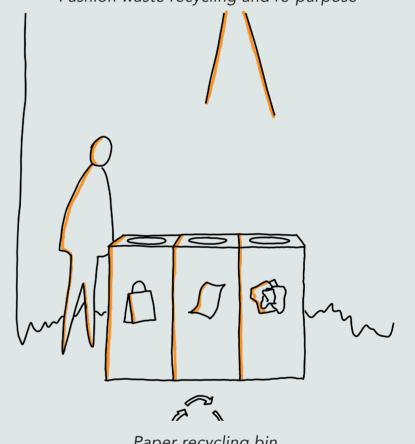
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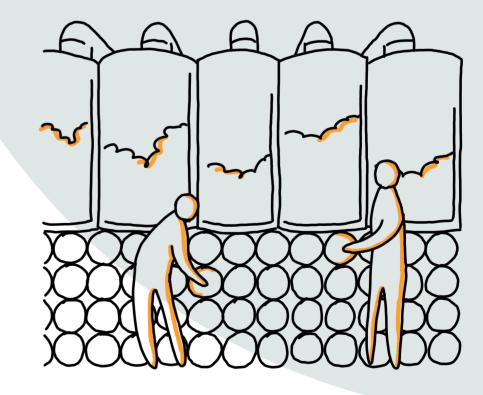
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Fashion waste recycling and re-purpose



Paper recycling bin



Educating on Conscious Consumerism