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1. Introduction

1.1 Background

AECOM have been appointed on behalf of Dublin City Council (DCC) to prepare a drainage and watermains planning report in support of a planning application for the proposed alterations to an approved part 8 development at High Lane Gallery. This report will detail the existing and proposed drainage and watermain infrastructure for the proposed development.

1.2 Proposed Development

The proposed Part 8 application includes the provision of a new energy centre on the roof of the existing Hugh Lane Gallery (HLG), a connection between the existing HLG building and the proposed library building (a separate planning application) and the relocation of an existing block of toilets from ground floor level to basement level of the existing HLG building.

Refer to Error! Reference source not found. for site location.

Refer to Figure 2 and 3 for the layout of the existing toilet block to be removed and proposed new toilet blocks respectively. The proposals include the removal of 6 No. existing toilets, 1 No. existing through urinal and 7 No. existing wash hand basins. These will be replaced with 8 No. proposed toilets (2 No. at ground floor level) and 5 No. proposed wash hand basins (2 No. at ground floor level).

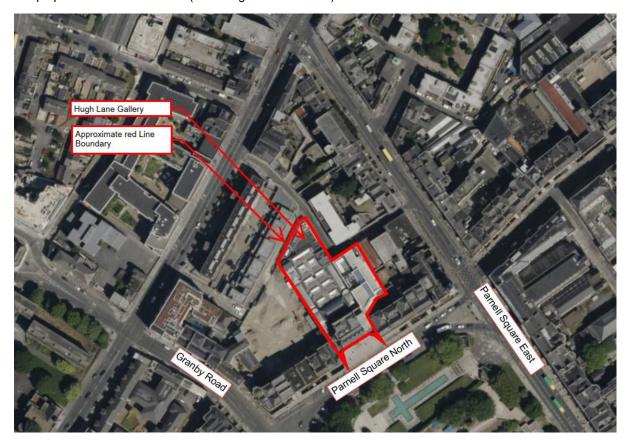


Figure 1. Site Location Map (Source: Bing Maps)

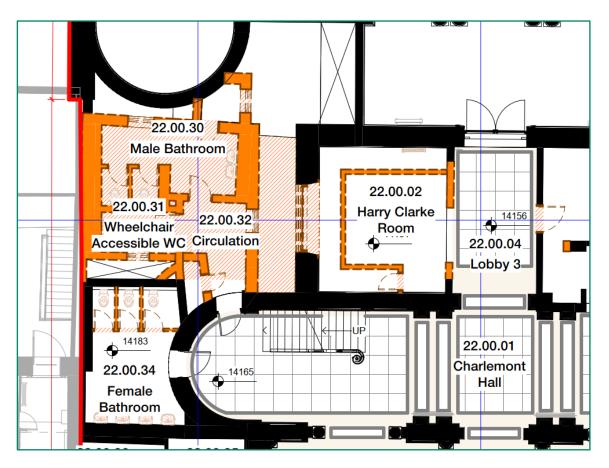


Figure 2. Existing Hugh Lane Gallery Toiler Block to be Removed (Shown in Orange, Source: Hawkins Brown Architects).

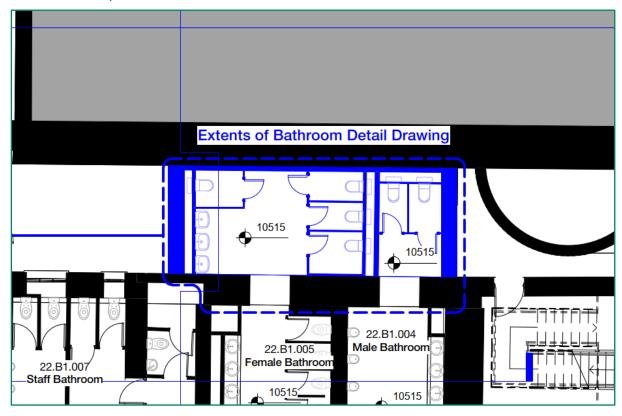


Figure 3. Proposed Hugh Lane Gallery Basement Toilet Block (shown in Blue, Source: Hawkins Brown Architects).

2. Surface Water Drainage

2.1 Existing Surface Water Drainage

Based on existing drainage records, refer to figure 2.1 below, there does not appear to be any existing surface water sewers located in the vicinity of the proposed site, but there are existing combined sewers. Therefore, based on the available record information, it appears that existing surface water runoff discharges to the existing combined sewer network.

The existing drainage systems on the site are mainly combined foul and surface water drains. There is an existing 2450 x 780 mm combined sewer along Parnell Square North to the south of the site, a 300 mm combined sewer on Bethesda Place and a 300 mm combined sewer on Frederick Lane North both to the north of the site. It is noted that several surface water road gullies are located along the north of the development and appear to discharge into the existing combined sewer.

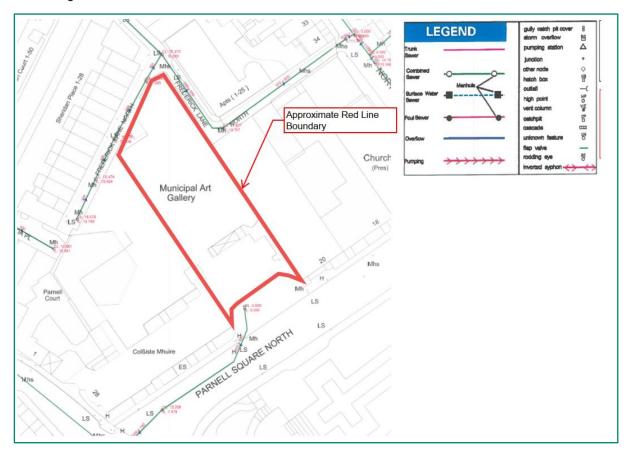


Figure 4. Existing Combined Sewers Network (Source: Irish Water)

2.1 Proposed Surface Water Drainage

The current proposals are not expected to have any impact on the existing surface water drainage of the Hugh Lane Gallery and it is expected that this will continue to operate as normal upon completion of the proposals.

3. Foul Water Drainage

3.1 Existing Foul Water Drainage

The existing networks are the same combined sewers as outlined in Section 2.1 of this report, which includes the existing 2450 x 780 mm combined sewer along Parnell Square North to the south of the site, a 300 mm combined sewer on Bethesda Place and a 300 mm combined sewer on Frederick Lane North both to the north of the site. Refer to Appendix A for the existing drainage records.

Based on a site visit undertaken on 16th February 2024, it has been observed that the existing toilet blocks within the basement of the existing Hugh Lane Gallery appear to be conveyed via an existing 150mm dia. gravity basement drainage network towards the existing brick arch sewer located within Parnell Square North (by gravity). The invert level of this outfall has been measured to be 9.79mOD, which discharges by gravity to the existing 2450mm × 780mm brick arch sewer located within Parnell Square North. Refer to Drg. PSL-ACM-XX-B1-DR-C-000503 for indicative existing drainage layout. The exact details of the existing basement drainage within the existing Hugh Lane Gallery basement are yet to be confirmed, including invert levels and pipe gradients.



Figure 5. Existing Drainage outfall Manhole within Hugh Lane Gallery Basement (Source: AECOM).

3.1 Proposed Foul Water Drainage

Foul drainage from the proposed toilet block are currently proposed to connect to the existing High Lane Gallery basement drainage network, which outfalls, by gravity to the existing Uisce Eireann combined sewer network located within Parnell Square North. It is not currently expected that any external drainage will be required to be upgraded as part of the current proposals.

Refer to Drg. PSL-ACM-XX-B1-DR-C-000503 for indicative proposed drainage layout. The exact details of the proposed connections are to be finalised at detailed design stage, upon review of further investigations and surveys of the existing basement drainage network.

It is proposed that all new manholes within the proposed basement are provided with triple hydraulically sealed manhole covers.

AECOM, in parallel with this Part 8 application, will submit a Pre-Connection Enquiry to Uisce Eireann for the proposals.

4. Water Supply

4.1 Existing Water Supply

Several Irish Water watermains are situated in the vicinity of the development, specifically a 250mm Ductile Iron main on Parnell Square North and a 125mm HPPE main on Frederick Lane North.

There is an existing water supply connection to the existing Hugh Lane Gallery, which is understood to be fed from the existing 250mm Ductile iron watermain located on Parnell Square North.

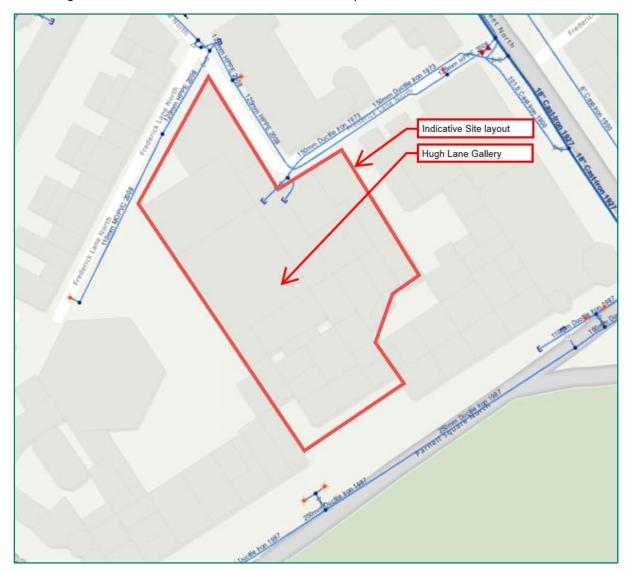


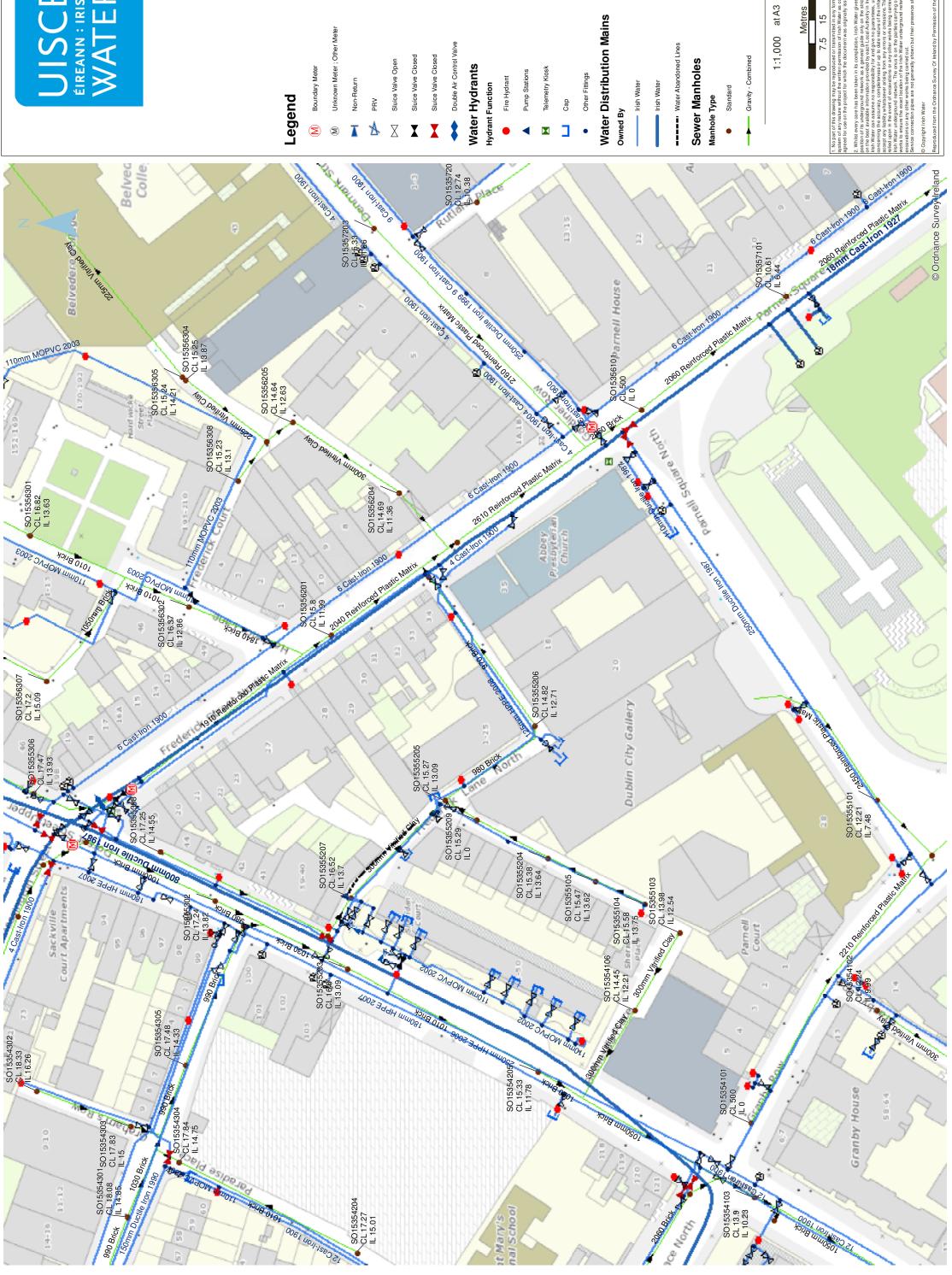
Figure 6. Existing Watermain Network (Source: Uisce Eireann).

4.2 Proposed Water Supply

It is not currently envisaged that any external upgrades will be required to the existing Hugh Lane Gallery water supply, as a result of the current proposals. The internal water supply connections between the existing Hugh Lane Gallery potable water supply pipework, will be designed at detailed design stage by a Mechanical Engineer as part of the Mechanical Engineering works for the proposals.

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Appendix A – DCC Drainage Diversion and Watermain Records





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