

Ysgol Treferthyr, Criccieth

BREEAM Pol 03: Flood Consequences Assessment

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Introduction

Waterco has been commissioned to undertake a Flood Consequences Assessment addressing Pol 03: Surface water runoff of BREEAM 2018 in relation to a proposed primary school on land off the A497, Criccieth, LL52 0RY.

The purpose of this report is to identify the risk of flooding to the site from all sources.

Local guidance documents including Anglesey & Gwynedd Joint Strategic Flood Consequences Assessment (SFCA) (May 2013) and the Gwynedd Council Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA) (February 2011 and its 2017 addendum) have been reviewed for site specific information.

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Existing Conditions

The site covers an area of approximately 2.24ha and is located at National Grid Reference (NGR): 249272, 338060. A location plan and an aerial image are included in Appendix A.

Online mapping (including Google Maps / Google Streetview imagery, accessed October 2020) shows that the site currently comprises undeveloped, agricultural land. The site is bordered by the A497 with undeveloped land beyond to the north, Lon Fel (road) and residential properties to the east, a railway line to the south and agricultural land to the west. Access to the site is provided from the A497.

Local Topography

Topographic levels to metres Above Ordnance Datum (m AOD) have been derived from a 1m resolution Natural Resources Wales (NRW) composite 'Light Detecting and Ranging' (LiDAR) Digital Terrain Model (DTM). A review of LiDAR data shows that the site slopes from approximately 28m AOD in the east to approximately 20m AOD in the south-west.

Topographical information is provided as Appendix B.

Development Proposals

The proposed development is for the construction of a single storey primary school with associated sports field, hard surface playing areas, Multi-use Games Area (MUGA), access and car parking. Development plans are included in Appendix C.

Flood Zone Classification

The Welsh Government Development Advice Map, included in Appendix D, shows that the site is located within Flood Zone A – an area considered to be at little or no risk of fluvial or tidal flooding, with a less than 0.1% (1 in 1000) annual probability of flooding.

The NRW 'Flood Map for Planning' (Appendix D), shows that the site is located within an area outside of the extreme flood extent (Flood Zone 1), meaning it has a less than 0.1% annual probability of flooding.

Sources of Flooding and Probability

Fluvial

The nearest watercourse is an unnamed watercourse which is located approximately 115m south-west of the site. The watercourse originates in this location and flows west parallel to the adjacent railway line. The unnamed watercourse eventually discharges into Ceredigion Bay. There are no other watercourses in the immediate vicinity of the site.

The site is located within Flood Zone 1, meaning it has a less than 1 in 1000 annual probability of flooding from rivers. The NRW 'Historical Flood Map' (Appendix D) indicates that there have been no records of fluvial flooding at or near to the site.

The unnamed watercourse south-west of the site is situated at approximately 17m AOD and is a minimum of 3m below site levels. Any potential flooding of this watercourse would therefore not affect the site.

It can therefore be concluded that the risk of fluvial flooding is very low.

Tidal

The site is situated at a minimum of 20m AOD and is significantly above sea level. Therefore, there is no risk from tidal flooding.

Surface Water

Surface water flooding occurs when rainwater does not drain away through the normal drainage system or soak into the ground. It is usually associated with high intensity rainfall events but can also occur with lower intensity rainfall or melting snow where the ground is saturated, frozen or developed, resulting in overland flow and ponding in depressions in topography. Surface water flooding can occur anywhere without warning. However, flow paths can be determined by consideration of contours and relative levels.

The NRW 'Flood Risk from Surface Water' map (Appendix D) indicates that the site is at very low risk of surface water flooding, meaning it has a less than 0.1% annual probability of flooding.

There are no records of surface water flooding at the site. Any potential surface water flooding arising at or near to the site would be directed south-west, away from the site, following the local topography. There are no distinct flow routes in the area which would direct any potential surface water flooding towards the site.

It can therefore be concluded that the risk of surface water flooding is very low.

Sewer

Flooding from sewers can occur when a sewer is overwhelmed by heavy rainfall, becomes blocked, is damaged, or is of inadequate capacity. Flooding is mostly applicable to combined and surface water sewers.

Dwr Cymru Welsh Water sewer records (Appendix E) identify a 225mm public combined sewer in the A497 immediately east of the site. There are no other sewers within the immediate vicinity of the site.

There are no records of sewer flooding at the site. Any potential flooding arising from the public combined sewer in the A497 east of the site would be directed south, away from the site, following the local topography.

It can therefore be concluded that the risk of sewer flooding is very low.

Groundwater

Groundwater flooding occurs when water levels underneath the ground rise above normal levels. Prolonged heavy rainfall soaks into the ground and can cause the ground to become saturated. This results in rising groundwater levels which leads to flooding above ground.

The PFRA states that *'groundwater flooding is not considered to be a significant source of flooding across the joint local development plan (JLDP) area although there might be local issues.'* There are no records of groundwater flooding at or near to the site.

It can therefore be concluded that the risk of groundwater flooding is low.

Artificial Sources

There are no canals within the vicinity of the site. The NRW online reservoir flood risk map shows that the site is not at risk of flooding from reservoirs. It can therefore be concluded that the risk of flooding from artificial sources is very low.

Summary of Code Compliance

It can be concluded that the risk of flooding from all sources is very low. Therefore, the development is entitled to two flood risk credits under Pol 03 of BREEAM 2018.

Conclusions

The proposed development is for the construction of a single storey primary school with associated sports field, hard surface play area, Multi-use Games Area (MUGA), access and car parking.

The site is located within Flood Zone A on the Welsh Government Development Advice Map – an area considered to be at little or no risk of fluvial or tidal flooding, with a less than 0.1% (1 in 1000) annual probability of flooding.

The risk of flooding from all sources has been assessed and the flood risk to the site is considered to be very low. Therefore, the development is entitled to the **two credits** available for flood risk under Pol 03 of BREEAM 2018.

Recommendation

Submit a copy of this report to the BREEAM Assessor to confirm that this report satisfies the evidence relating to flood risk under Pol 03 of BREEAM 2018 and that the development qualifies for a total of two Pol 03 credits.

Appendix A Location Plan and Aerial Image



NOTES:
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LEGEND

- Site Boundary
- Watercourses / Water Bodies

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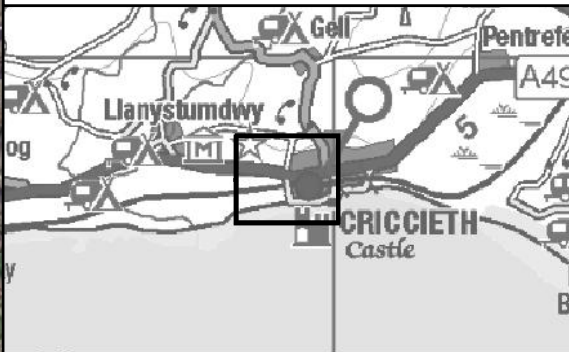
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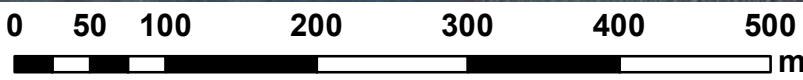
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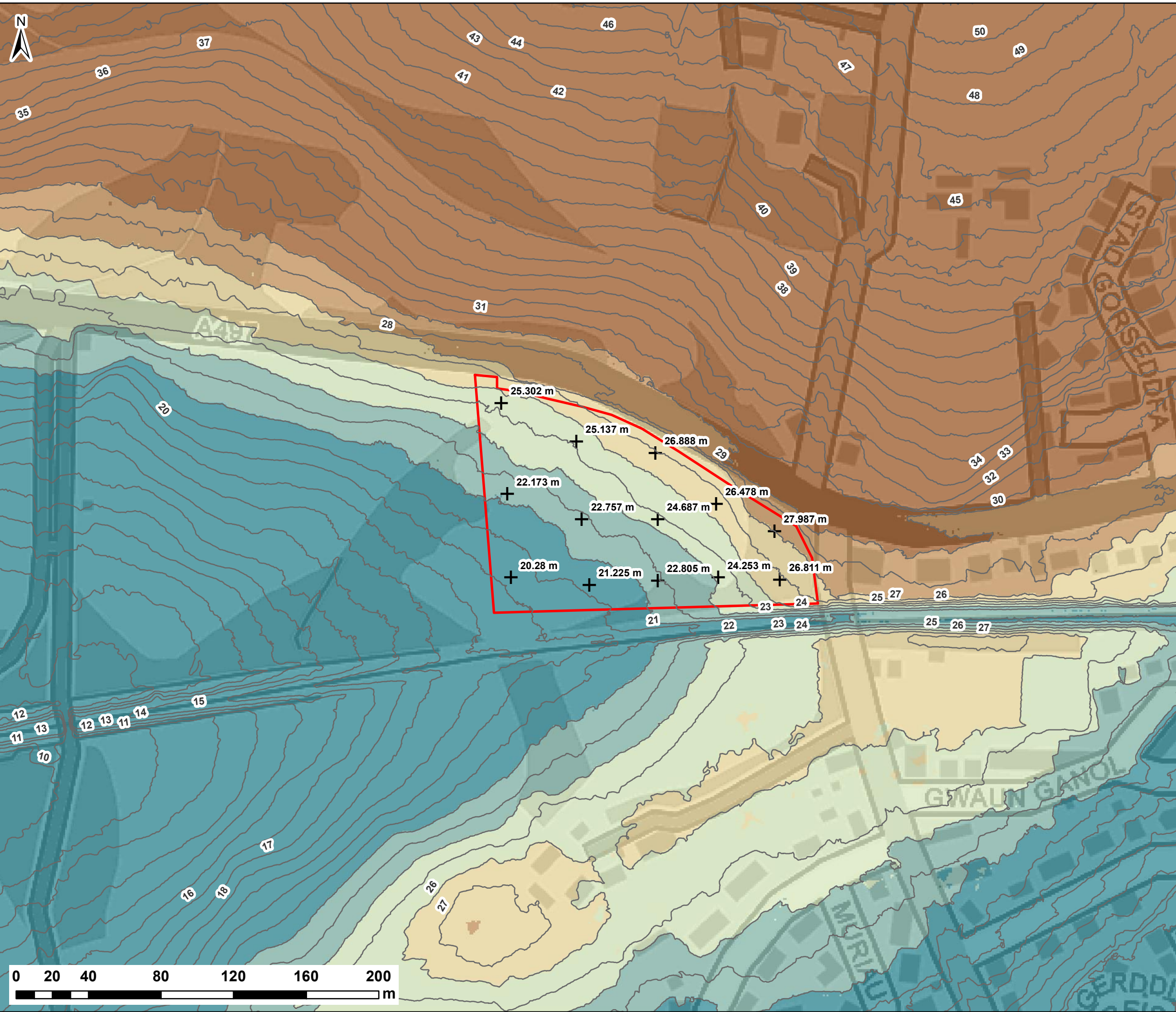
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Source: Esri, Maxar, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community

Appendix B Topographical Data



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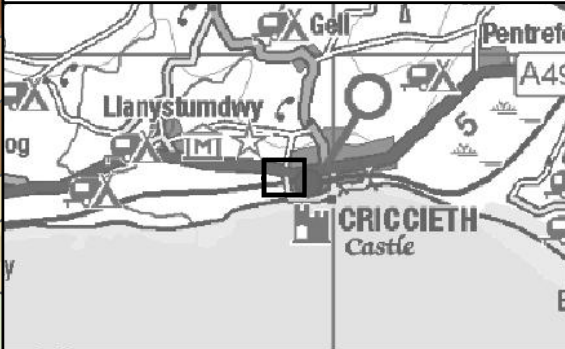
LEGEND

Site Boundary

+ Site Levels

Ground Elevation (m AOD)

	< 22
	22 - 24
	24 - 26
	26 - 28
	28 - 30
	> 30



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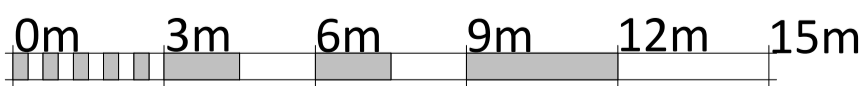
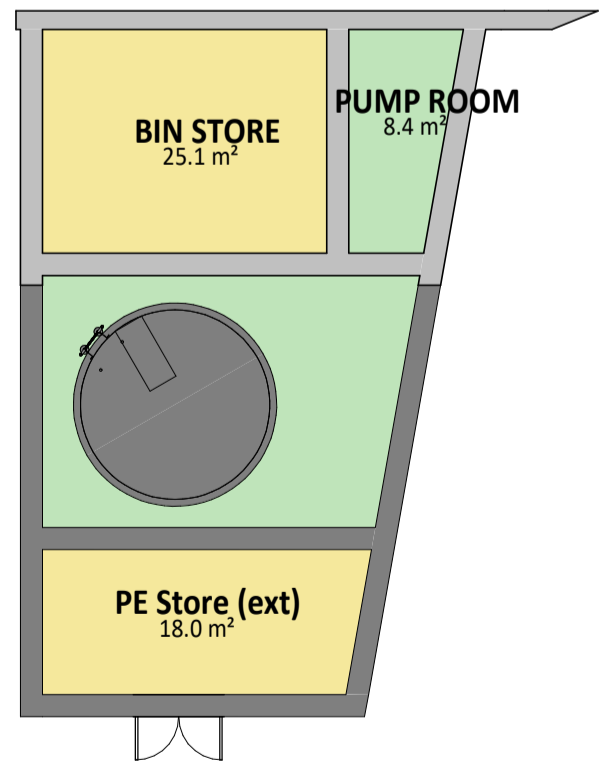
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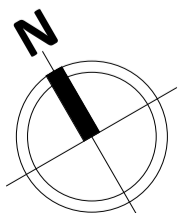
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Appendix C Proposed Development Plans

1 | 00 - GROUND FLOOR
SCALE 1 : 150



VISUAL SCALE 1:150 @ A1



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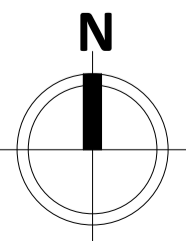
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1 | PROPOSED SITE LAYOUT
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Appendix D NRW Flood Maps



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LEGEND

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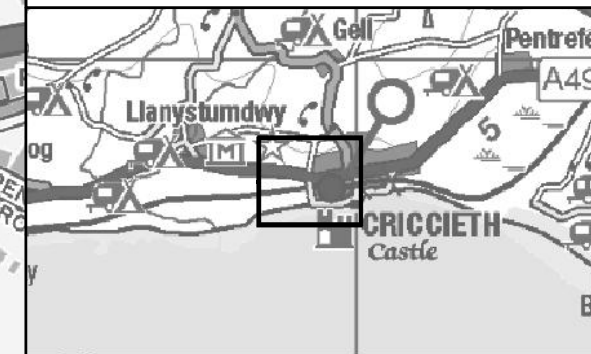
TAN15 Classification

Zone A

Zone B


Zone C1

Zone C2



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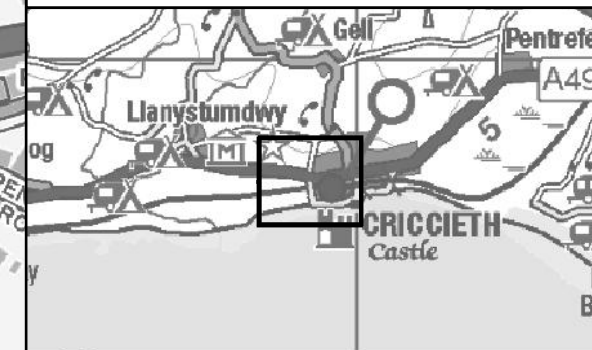
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-  NRW Flood Zone 3
-  NRW Flood Zone 2



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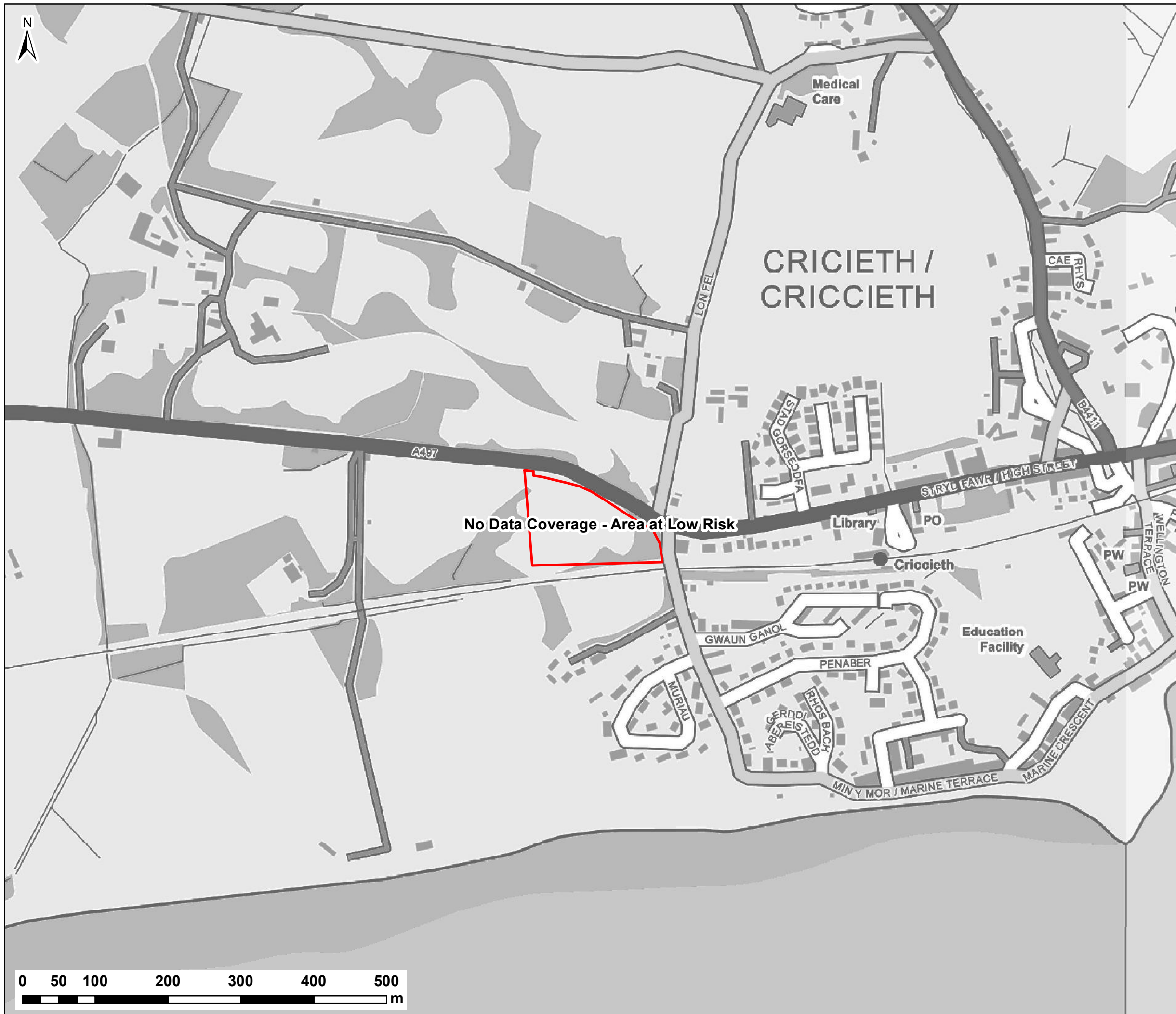
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LEGEND

- Site Boundary
- Historical Flood Map

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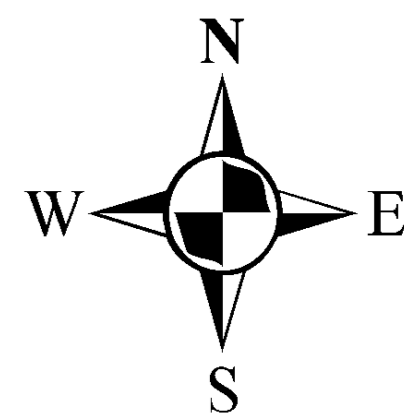
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Appendix E DCWW Sewer Plan



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LEGEND(Representative of most common features)

- Waste network:
- | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|
| | Foul chamber | | Outfall |
| | Surface water chamber | | Lamp hole |
| | Combined chamber | | Storm Overflow |
| | Combined sewer overflow | | Rising main |
| | Special purpose chamber | | Gravity sewer |
| | Treatment works | | Private sewer |
| | Pumping station | | Private sewer subject to Sect. 104 adoption agreement |
| | Combined | | Private Sewer Transfer |
| | Surface Water | | Lateral Drain |
| | Foul | | Inspection Chamber |
| | Former S24 sewers (for indicative purposes only) | | |
- NB: Sewer symbol colour indicates the type.

Notes:

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EXACT LOCATIONS OF ALL APPARATUS TO BE DETERMINED ON SITE.

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