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Dear

As descendants and/or relatives of those who are honoured on our Memorial, we wish to advise you of the Denmark RSL proposal to move and improve the existing Memorial.

You will notice this letter is marked CONFIDENTIAL. The RSL does not wish to get any person or organisation in Denmark concerned about possible changes to the Memorial if those changes do not proceed. We therefore respectfully request that you not discuss this matter with anyone, including the Denmark Shire, except those of your family that may have an interest. We assure you that we will discuss this with all relevant organisations and parties when it is appropriate.

The major part of the proposal is to move the Memorial to the **BACK** of the block. The reasons for doing this are:

Firstly, during the recent few years there has been a marked increase in participation at the ANZAC Day Ceremonies. This has necessitated closing off the road at the intersection of the Highway where it crosses the bridge. The Shire has therefore hinted, on a couple of occasions, that they would like to move the Memorial to another site! This in our opinion is **TOTALLY** against the spirit of "Remembering" the sacrifice your relatives have given. In the opinion of the Denmark RSL, the current site is the **BEST** site in town as it has the historical connection with your predecessors and it is in the prime viewing position of any person crossing the bridge.

Secondly, it will provide more space to the front of the Memorial, and allow a greater crowd to participate without endangering anyone from passing traffic

Thirdly, with the Memorial at the back of the site, it will give a more spacious area in the front enabling seats to be placed for people to sit and view the Memorial.

Finally, it was the RSL who purchased that land for the specific purpose of building a Memorial to **those** who gave their lives. The RSL believes that that site should stand in perpetuity to **their** memory.

There are several changes we are considering to the Memorial.

The "Ode" which is currently split between the front and back of the Memorial will be placed entirely on the front.

We are hoping to give greater detail of those who have given their lives. We are considering placing a metal plaque with the Full Name, Regimental Number and Unit, Date and Theatre of Death together with an etching of the person on the face of the Memorial for each name on the Honour Roll. The wings of the memorial would be extended in order to enable this.

Attachment 8.5.1



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The RSL currently has an authenticated Turkish "Lone Pine" sapling that we wish to plant at the site with a suitable plaque.

There have been others who have died outside of the actual conflicts where they participated. They too could be given recognition of their participation by a wall of remembrance where their names will be recorded.

There is also proposed recognition, similar to the Korea, Malaya and Vietnam patch that recognises those conflicts since Vietnam. It would be of generic wording so as to include any future such warlike or peacekeeping activities.

Attached is a sketch of the site showing memorial's current location, and the proposed reconstruction location.

**The Denmark RSL requests that you contact the RSL in writing with your comments about this proposal. We hope they are positive and support these changes. We have enclosed an addressed envelope for this purpose.**

Please be assured the RSL of Denmark has the most sincere intention of acknowledging the service your predecessors have given to Australia, and only seek to strengthen and perpetuate the previous recognition shown to those service men and women who gave their lives.

Yours sincerely,

**Mark Davies  
Honorary Secretary  
Denmark RSL Sub-Branch**

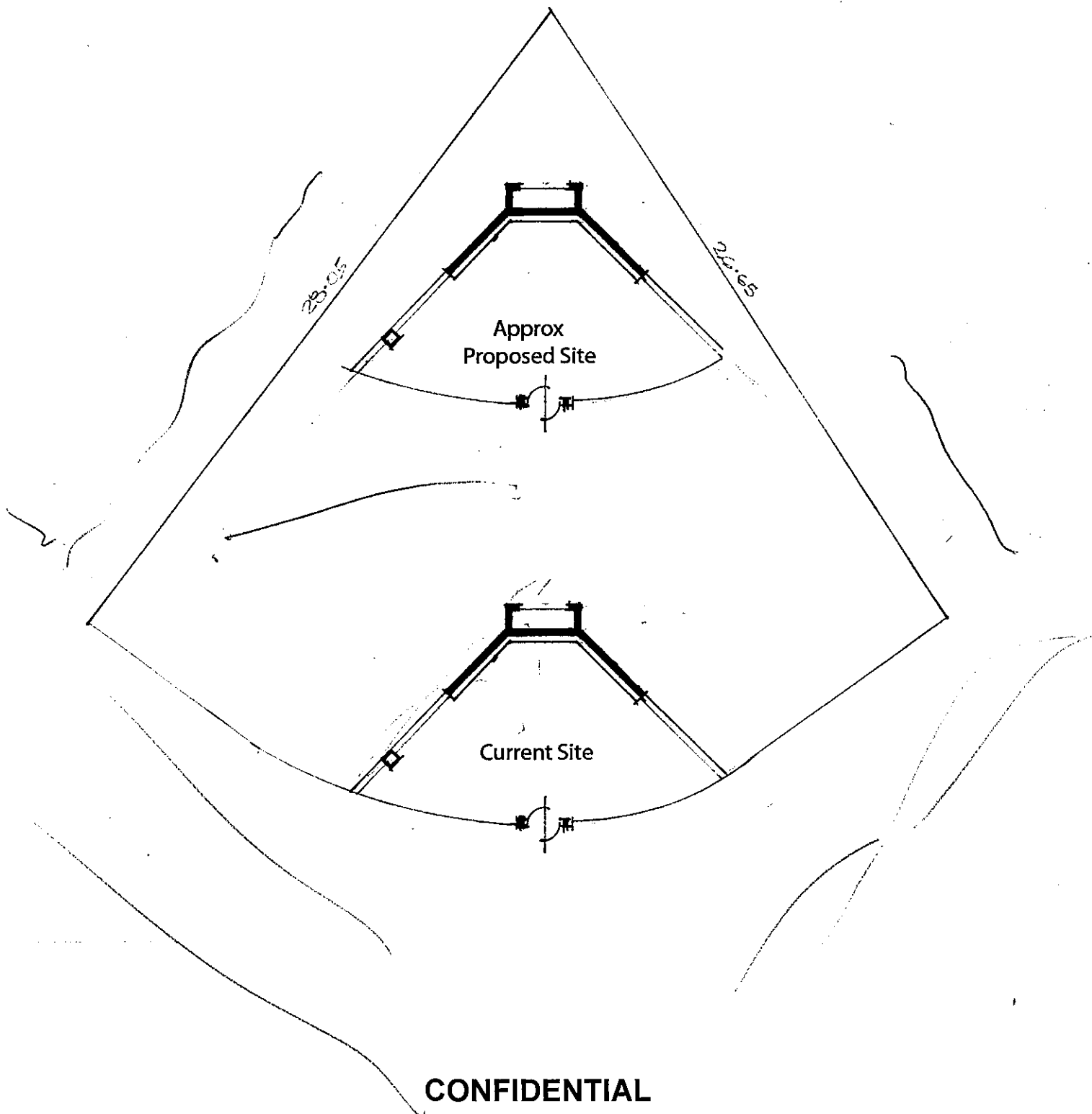
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The diagram shown is an approximation of the block layout, indicating the proposed relocation site of the Memorial to the rear of the block.

There will be additional steps taken to ensure the surroundings are appropriate.



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## DENMARK WAR MEMORIAL REFURBISHMENT

### DETAILED REQUIREMENTS

#### Overview

The Denmark War Memorial is to be moved further back on the existing site.

The current design and facade is to be maintained. The finished refurbished Memorial is to look just like the current Memorial with the addition of the Dais and the re-positioning of the Flame Plinth.

#### Details

1. The memorial to be sand finished to be suitable for painting all external surfaces.
2. Termite treatment is to be applied where necessary.
3. The angle of the wings in relation to the centre piece to be increased.
4. The "Ode" front and rear to be recovered from the demolition intact and re-built into the new wings as per the drawing.
5. The marble Honour Roll plaques to be recovered intact and relocated on the new wings centrally as shown.
6. The Bass Relief to be recovered intact and relocated centrally as indicated on the drawing.
7. The Header on the capital 'In Grateful Memory .....' to be recovered intact and relocated centrally above the new centrepiece as indicated on the drawing.
8. The three plaques at the top centre of the current memorial are to be reformed after the design of the existing WW1 and to replicate the working on the current three plaques. The lettering is to be of the same font/design of the wording above "In Grateful Memory .....".
9. The 'wreath' plinth is to be sharing the same footing as the wings to size as shown.
10. The presentation finials to be recovered and relocated as shown.
11. The clock to be recovered and refurbished (i.e.: cleaned, sanded, joints resealed) prior to installation centrally located in the new Memorial as shown.
12. The rear of the clock is to be accessible for the storage of the control unit and is to be independently lockable.
13. The enclosure at the rear of the Memorial is to be single brick construction with waterproof lockable door with metal jams and substantial durable furniture.
14. The roofing of the rear enclosure as shown on the drawing and flashed to the rear of the new Memorial as appropriate.
15. The new Dais is to be 2400mm wide and NOT 1500mm wide as shown on the diagram. The new Dais is to be constructed as indicated is to be sand finished and to be located on site in consultation with the Denmark RSL.



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16. All sand finishing throughout the construction is to include a waterproofing agent.
17. The current Flame plinth is to be removed. The Denmark RSL is to be contacted prior to removal so the "flame mechanism" can be recovered.
18. The new Flame plinth is to be as indicated with the flame mechanism provided by another in consultation with the brick layer and electrician.
19. The flag pole is to be recovered and placed at a location to be advised on site with the Denmark RSL.
20. The gates construction to be as shown. The gates to be recovered, sandblasted and enamel painted and upgraded lighting to be incorporated into the gate pillars as indicated. The type and size of the gate lighting to be discussed with the Denmark RSL. The gate lighting to be controlled by a light sensitive device as existing.
21. Brick paving to the extent shown on the drawing and to match and line with the existing footpath.
22. The Lone Pine Plaque to be provided by others.
23. Painting of the Memorial, the lettering on the Memorial, the Clock, the Gate pillars, the Gates, the vertical walls of the Dais and the Flame plinth is to be of the colour and style of the existing Memorial. Paint used is to be a commercial grade external gloss paint.

Damages to the Honour Rolls, the "Ode", the "Bass Relief" and any other recoverable items remain the responsibility of the contractor to make good.

Electrical works are to be installed by a qualified tradesperson.

The relocation of the water supply is to be by a qualified tradesperson.

The site is to be left in a clean and free of rubble etc.

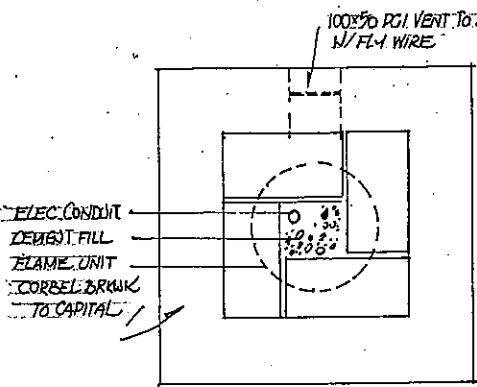
### Drawings

These details are to be read in conjunction with the drawings "Proposed Relocation and Structural Maintenance of Denmark War Memorial" by R. Cooper dated 25 Sep 10. Any deviation from the drawings is to be confirmed in writing by the Denmark RSL and the builder prior to work on any deviations commencing.

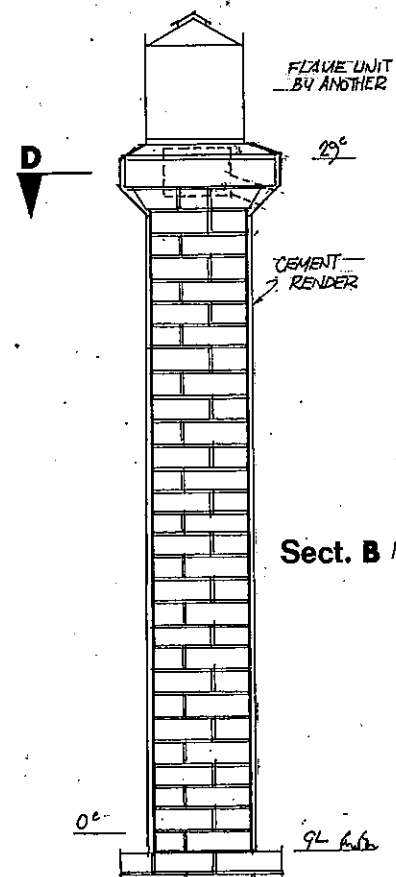
The Drawings remain the property of the Denmark RSL Sub-Branch and are to be returned to the Denmark RSL on demand.

**Mark Davies**  
**President**  
**Denmark RSL Sub-Branch**

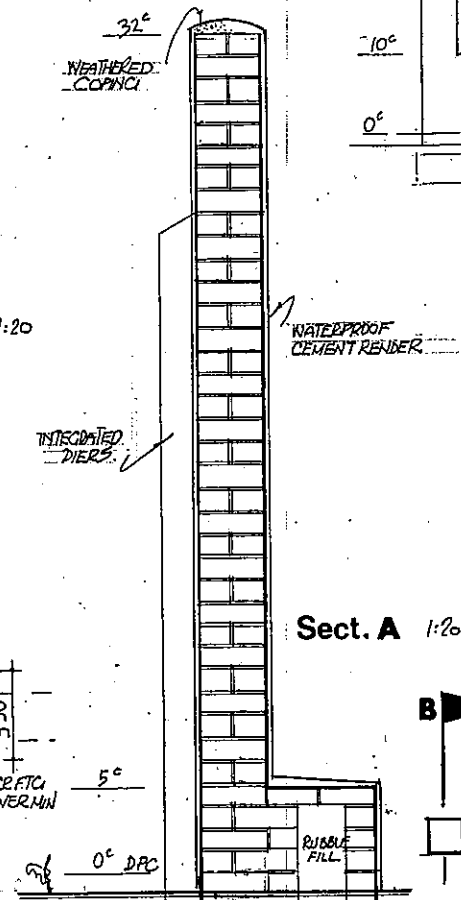
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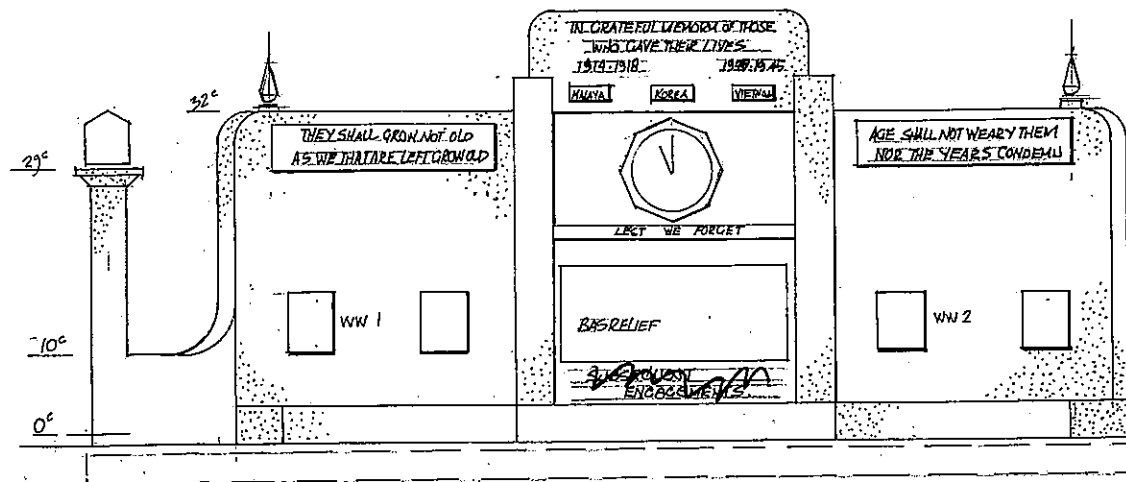
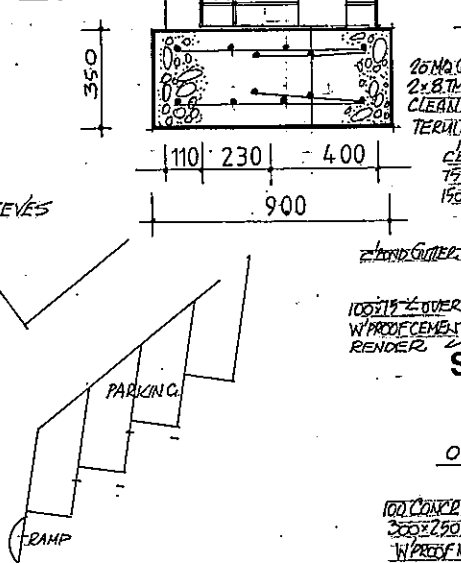
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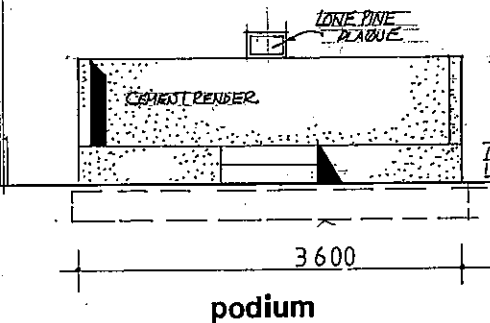
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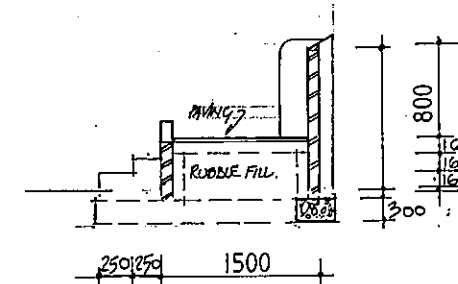
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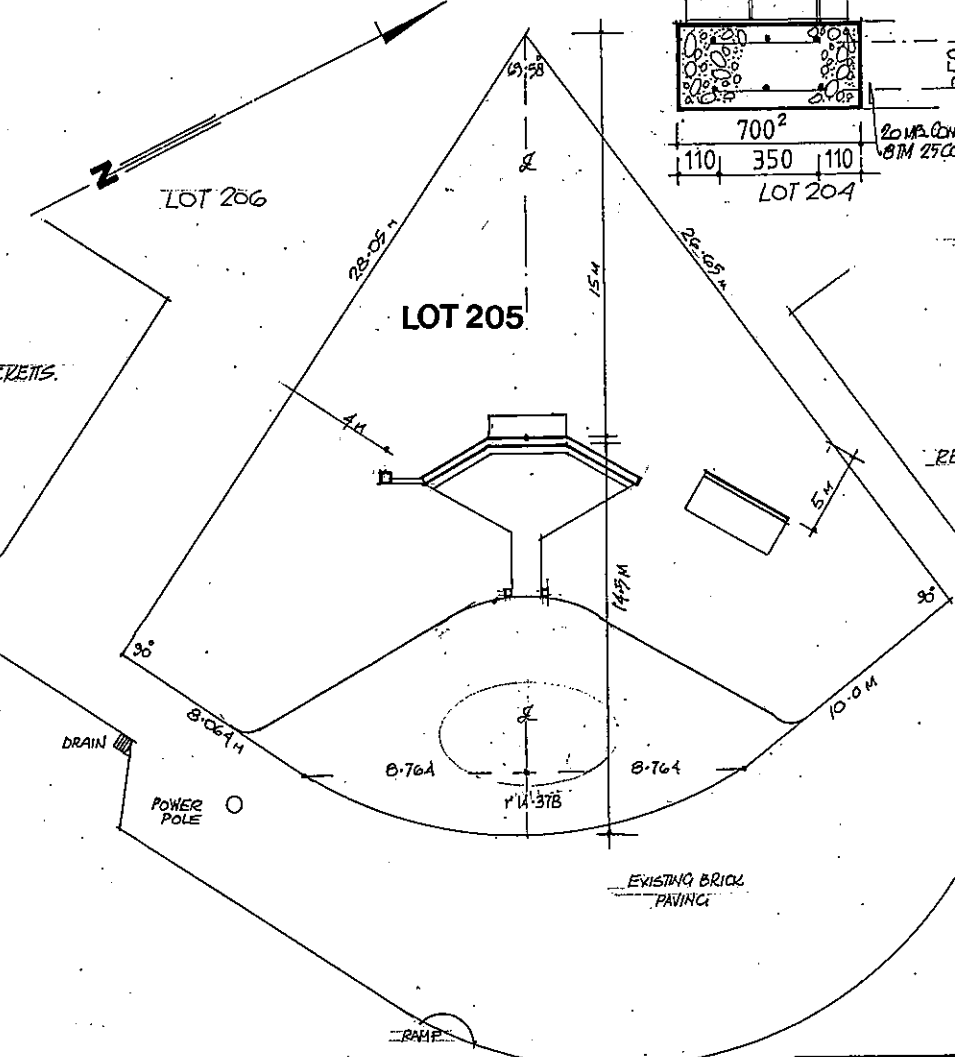
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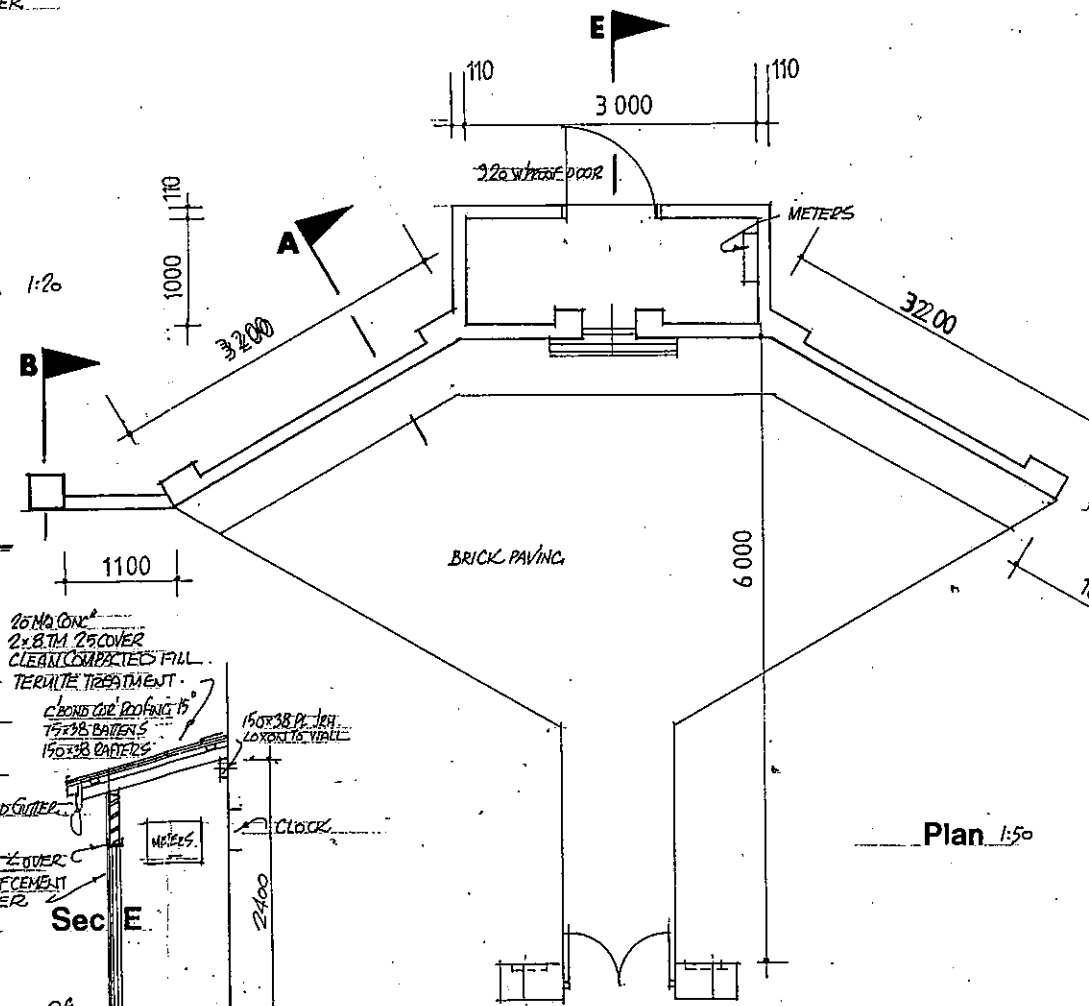
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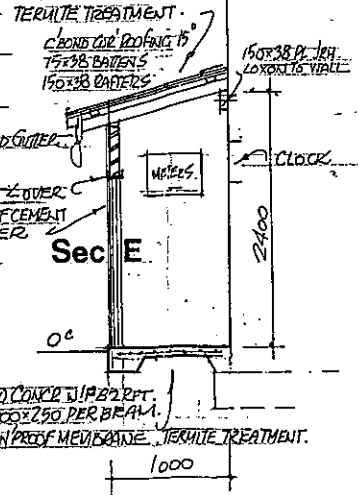
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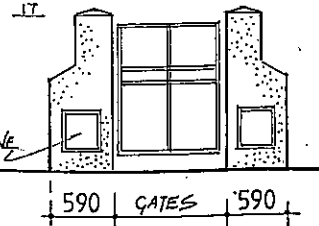
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