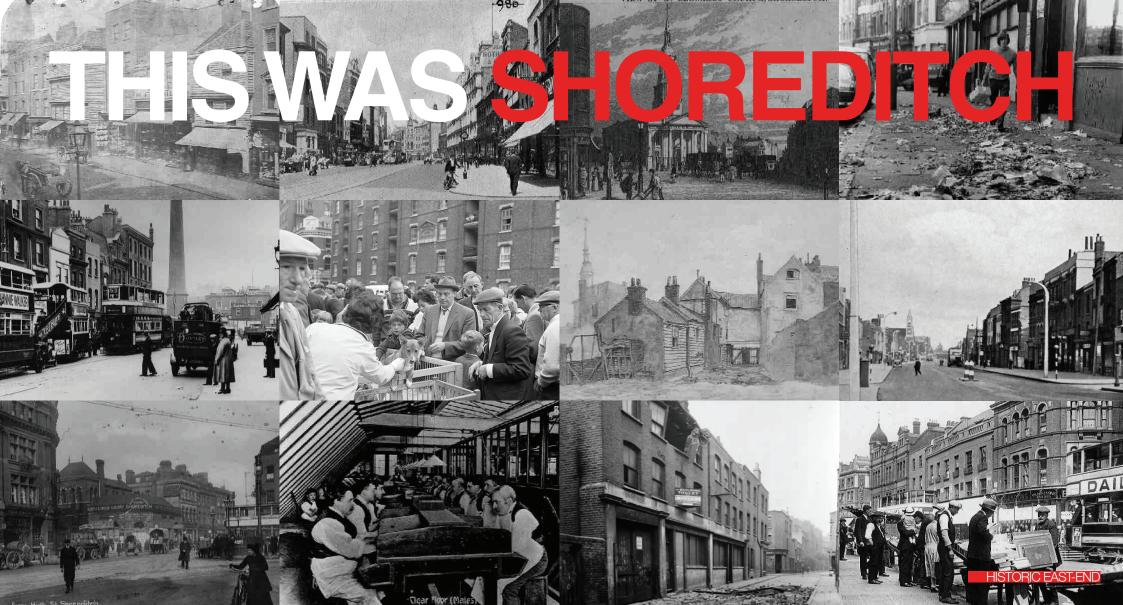
BUILDING



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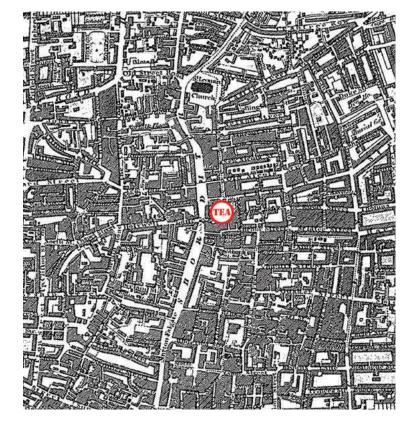
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Though now part of the inner city, Shoreditch was previously an extramural suburb of the City of London, centred around Shoreditch Church at the crossroads where Shoreditch High Street intersected Old Street. Shoreditch High Street lays on a small section of the Roman Ermine Street. This was a major coaching route to the north, exiting the City at Bishopsgate



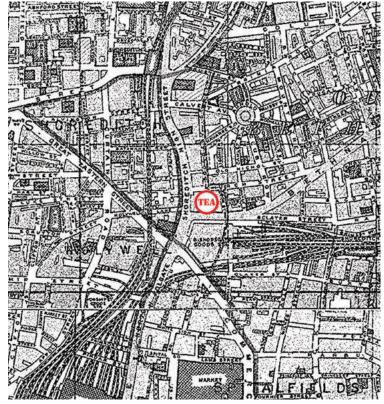
1746

The suburb of Shoreditch was an attractive location for early theatres because it was outside the jurisdiction of the City fathers. James Burbage built the first playhouse in England, known as 'The Theatre'. Some of Shakespeare's plays were performed here and at the nearby Curtain Theatre. During the century, wealthy traders and Huguenot silk weavers moved to the area, establishing a textile industry centred to the south around Spitalfields.



1827

By the 19th century Shoreditch was also the locus of the furniture industry; now commemorated in the Geffrye Museum on Kingsland Road. However the area declined, along with both textile and furniture industries, and by the end of the 19th Century, Shoreditch was a byword for crime, prostitution and poverty.



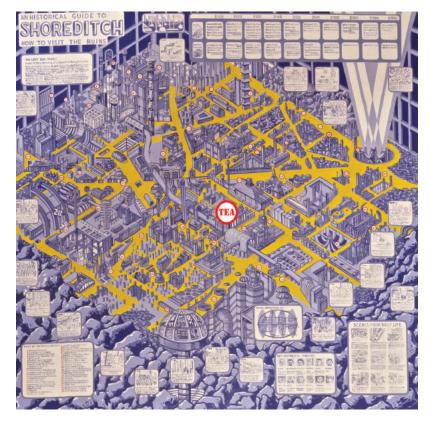
1930

In the early twentieth century Shoreditch was a centre of entertainment to rival the West-End and boasted many theatres and Music halls. Sadly, none of these survive today. For a brief time, Music hall was revived in Curtain Road, by the temporary home of the Brick Lane Music Hall, this too, has now moved on. Shoreditch was hit by extensive devastation during the Blitz of World War II and replaced with insensitive redevelopment of the post war period.



2011

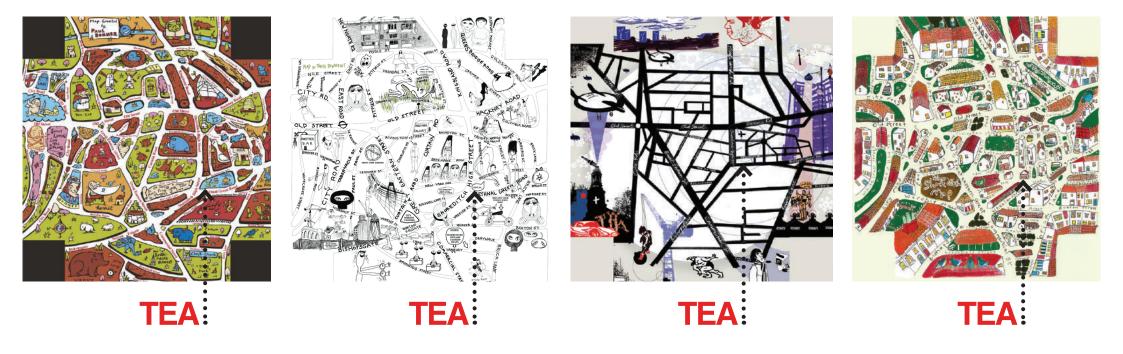
Shoreditch is prevalent for being full of stereotypical scenesters, home to approximately four million art galleries, fashion boutiques and hairdressers specializing in silly haircuts. But under the surface Shoreditch is still a deprived area of central London, but uses this to feed on its huge music, art, design and fashion scenes. It is an ideal place for young enthusiastic professionals to get a foothold in the retail market: to launch their brand. It is also host to a lively nightlife, with hundreds of bars, pubs and restaurants. Next to TEA a private members club sits at Shoreditch House.

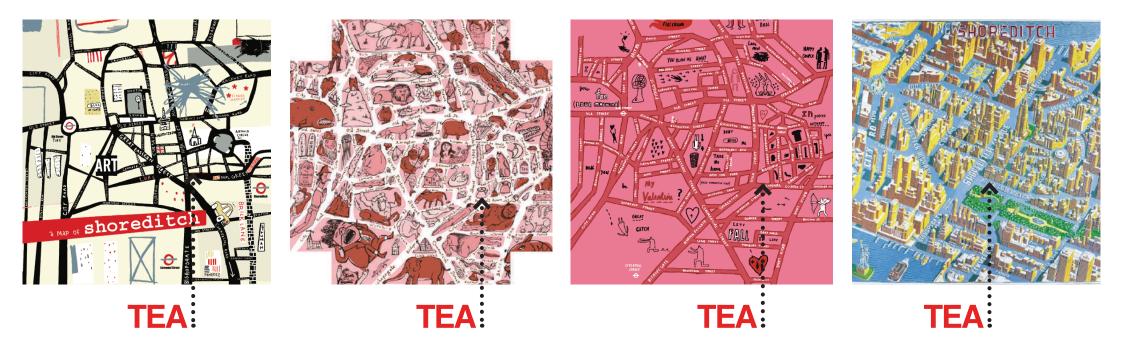


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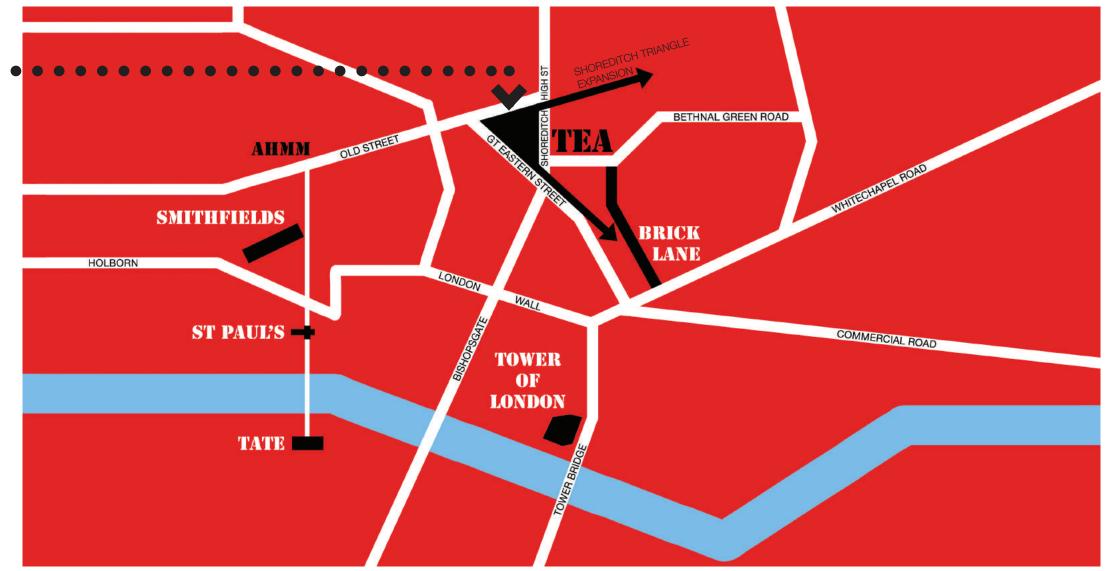
Adam Dant's Dystopian vision of the year 3000; Shoreditch is all that remains intact among the ruins of human civilisation. The view is looking South from the Hackney Mountains. On the former Old St roundabout a new transport hub enables passengers to travel upon beams of light. Where the Prince's Drawing School once stood is a collection of British cultural relics including Stonehenge, St Paul's and Big Ben, in the same manner you might see fragments of lost civilisations at the British Museum today.

SHOREDITCH MAPS





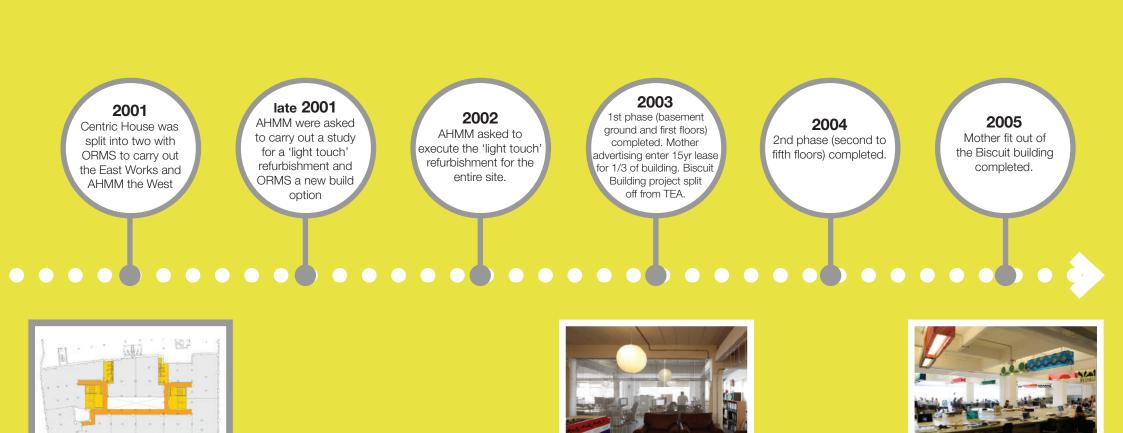


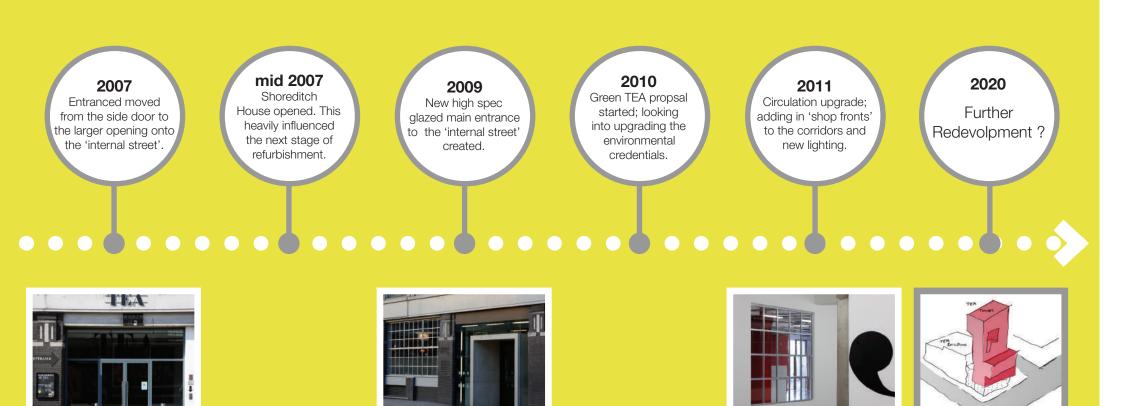


TEA LEGEND



TEA building : 12



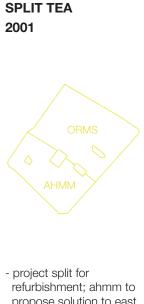


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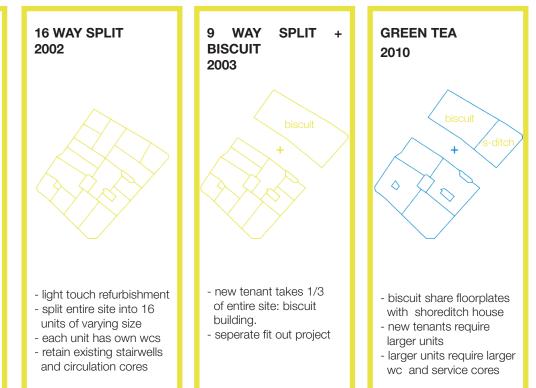
TEA BREWING

CENTRIC HOUSE CENTRIC HOUSE 1890 - 1999 AHMM early 2001 - open floorplates - tailored for storage - four lightwells - singular tenant

- entire site proposal - encorporate lightwells into usable floorplate - two new atrium - two central lift cores
- new communal service cores around atria

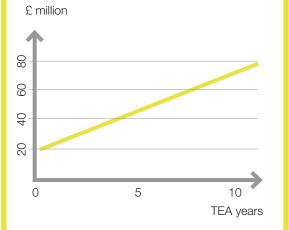


propose solution to east orms to the west - retain existing lightwells and enlarge central for atria and circulation

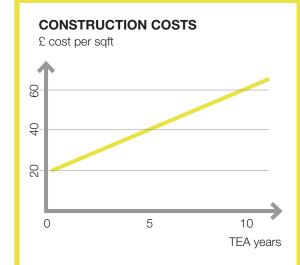


MARKET INFLUENCE

BUILDING VALUE

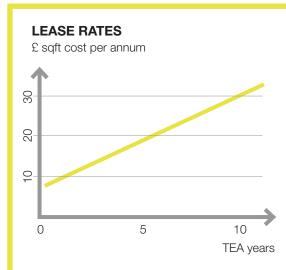


The building was purchased from Hayes for around $\pounds 25m$ in 2000. Since this time, the value has increased. The value of the asset today is approximately $\pounds 75m$.



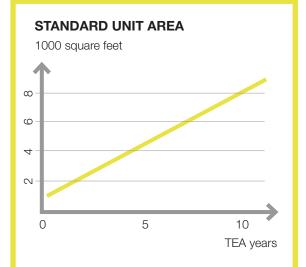
The original building costs for the Light Touch refurbishment was $22/\$ + the specification was basic.

The current Green Tea specification, with new windows and comfort conditioning, has a construction value of around $\pounds70$ /sqft. The more basic units at Tea (similar to the original specification) are around $\pounds35$ /sqft.

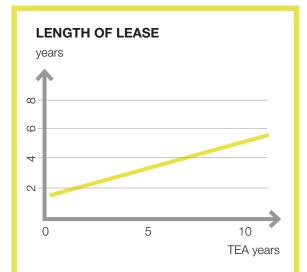


The original tenants signed for short tenancies at values around $\pounds12.50$ /sqft. This was banded and dependent on the amount of daylight, the deeper a unit, the less the space.

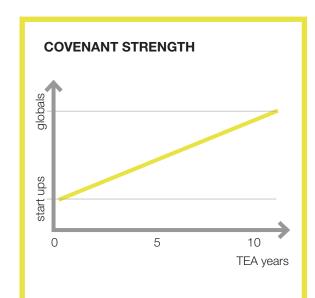
The latest unit lease rates are above 230/sqft for the new Green Tea specification.



The original Derwent London brief was to deliver as many small units (1,000-2,000 sqft) as was possible. The proposal was 16 units per storey that ranged in size from 1,250 sqft to 2,500sqft. As the building has matured, the number of tenants looking for more space has increased. Most units now range between 3,000sqft and 7,000sqft with a few exceptions.

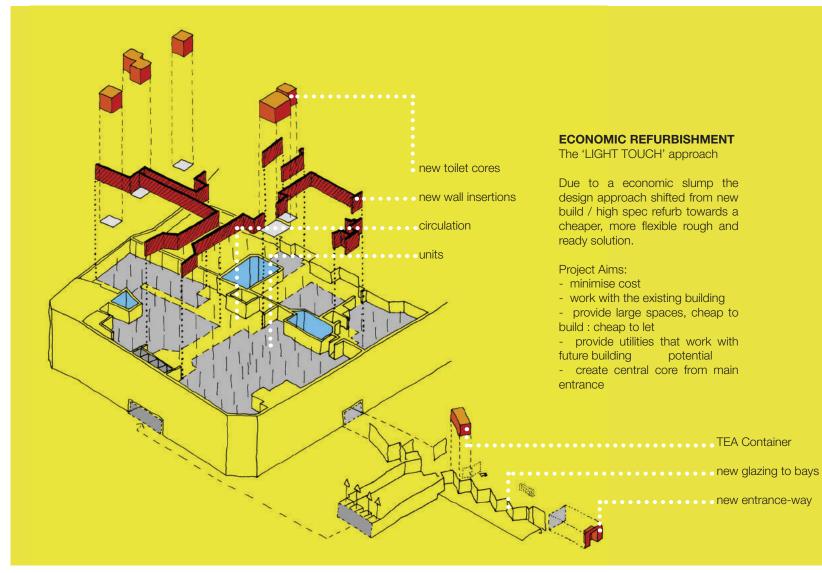


The original lease agreements were short, the success of the Tea Building was predicated on cheap space and short, low-risk lease terms. A number of larger occupiers signed significantly longer leases and as the building has established itself, all leases are now a lot longer.



The target market was young, creative, innovative and dynamic occupants. Tenants that would make the Tea Building a unique place. As the original tenants have matured, many have expanded within the building. Likewise, the 'waiting list' to become an occupant has increased demand and global companies have now begun to sign leases - to be a part of the community.





HOW YOU SPEND?

potential

Entrance -

Common Parts -

Toilet Fit-out -

Lighting -

Walls / Floors

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SMOKE DAMAGED CONCRETE ORIGINAL METAL FRAMED WINDOWS

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OPEN FLOOR

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INTERNAL STREET KEEPING TO ORIGINAL PLAN, WITH CONTAINER RECEPTION AND ART

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MANAGAN

TYPICAL UNIT: HIGHLY POLISHED FLOOR WITH WHITE PAINTED STRUCTURE WITH SPLASHES OF COLOUR

LIFTS RETATED WITH ORIGINAL TIMBER DOORS. COLUMNS HAVE VERTICAL LIGHTING AND SPACE HAS BEEN ENCLOSED MINMAL WORK EXCECUTED, REDRESS THE EXISTING EXPOSED STRUCTURE AND CREATES AN IDEAL WORKING ENVIRONMENT

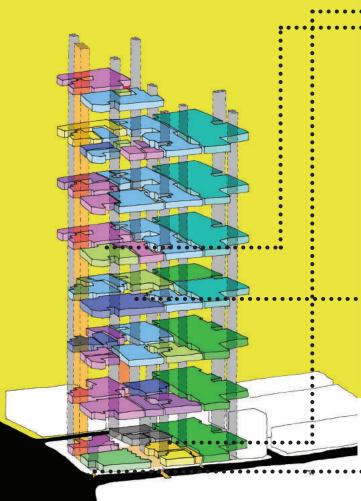
CREATIVE VARIETY

At TEA the huge success of the building lies with the flexible units and the tenants that use them. Naturally a warehouse environment tailors to the creative industries, but within TEA there is a good mixture ranging from restaurant through medical data research to advertising and marketing.

More public accessible firm such as the galleries and restaurant/nightclub are sensibly placed at ground floor with both a front door onto the street and accessible from within the internal street.

TEA knits well within the surrounding context which is understandable as it is TEA which acted as a catalyst to the surroundings' prevalence in fashion, design and boutique hotels. Opposite TEA on bethnal green road boxpark offers a number of converted shipping containers to be used as independent stores, galleries and cafes.





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a leading provider of data collection services to the medical and healthcare market research.



CONCRETECLUB in the basement below pizzaeast, this raw bar space hosts a variety of events and nights.

> architects

pizzaeast

art



HALESGALLERY

marketing

fashion

mother

media

a successful commercial gallery that has helped launch a number of british artists.



RALPH a media marketing firm they have worked with some of the biggest names in business.

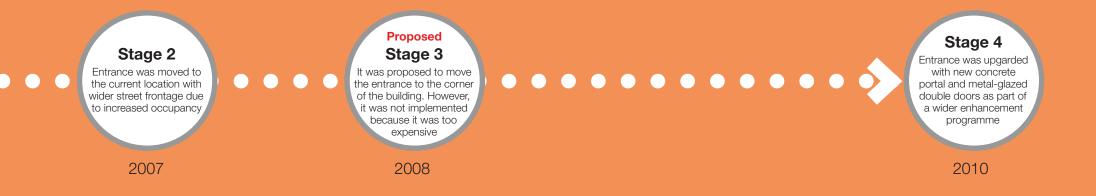
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s-ditch house

MAIN ENTRANCE









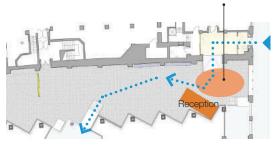




STREET LOBBY

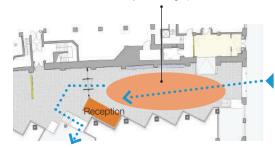
Original Lobby Area

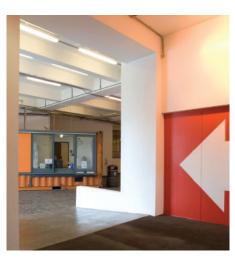
Original lobby area was much smaller than the current configuration as the amount of tenants in the building prior to the completion of "Phase 2" was significantly less. Access to the building was also via the less prominent doors to the side of the existing entrance.

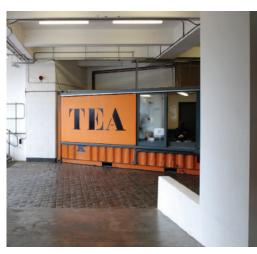


Lobby Gathering Space Enhanced Lobby Area

The reception container was subsequently moved to its current location to create a more generous lobby for the building. This is part of the enhancement programme which also includes the relocation of the entrance doors and creation of a new concrete entrance portal with double glazed doors. Lobby Gathering Space





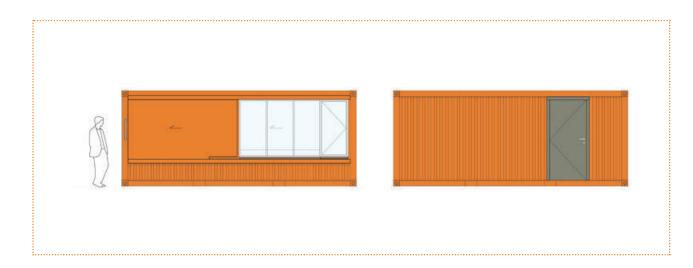




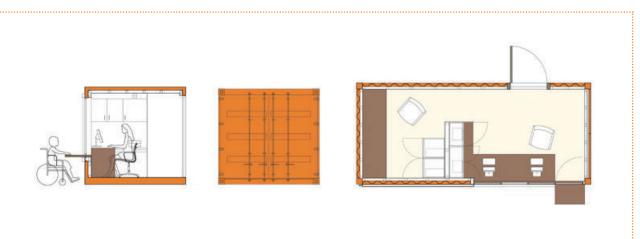


Reception Container

Main feature in the lobby is a bright orange container cabin which is used as the reception for the building. Its original location was much closer to the main entrance doors as the building had fewer tenants when it first opened.







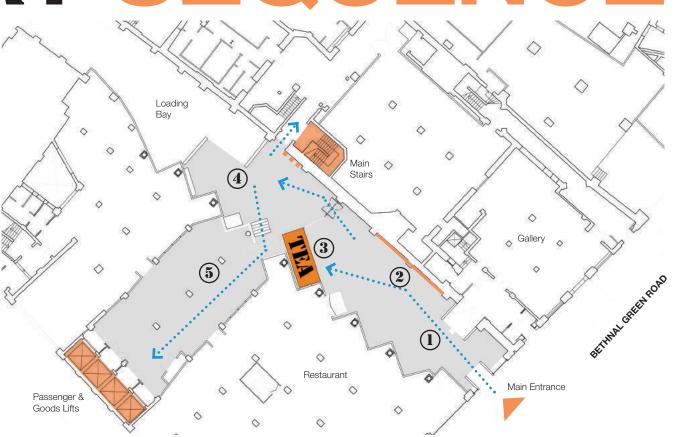
ENTRY SEQUENCE

From Entrance to the

The entrance sequence becomes an event at TEA with a variety of art and events offered to visitors and residents alike.

 Enter through the well detailed concrete portal onto the original cobbled street
 past the quirky American post boxes to pick up the daily correspondence
 onto the shipping container reception and through the industrial galvanised gateway where you are presented with a decision
 do you take the stairs or

5. walk onto the platform and take the lift







1 ENTRANCE LOBBY



2 POSTBOXES



3 RECEPTION CONTAINER



4 DIRECTIONS

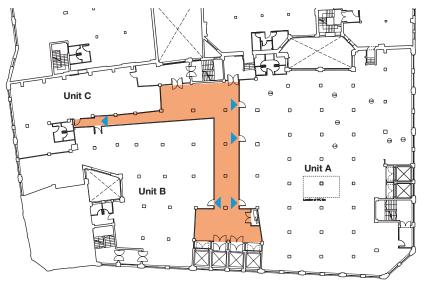


5 LIFTS

CORRIDORS

Original : Corridors

The original corridor solution was a golden industrial affair with exposed services, raw materials and vertical column laid lighting. It was enclosed and heavily relied upon graphics and wayfinders with gem like units hidden behind the walls.

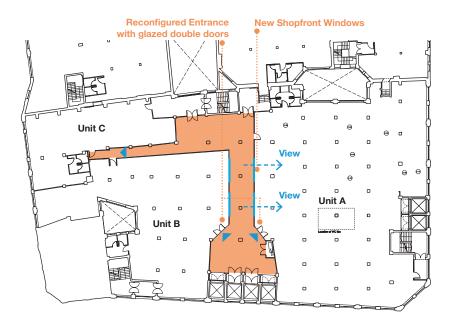




to STREETS

Enhanced : Streets

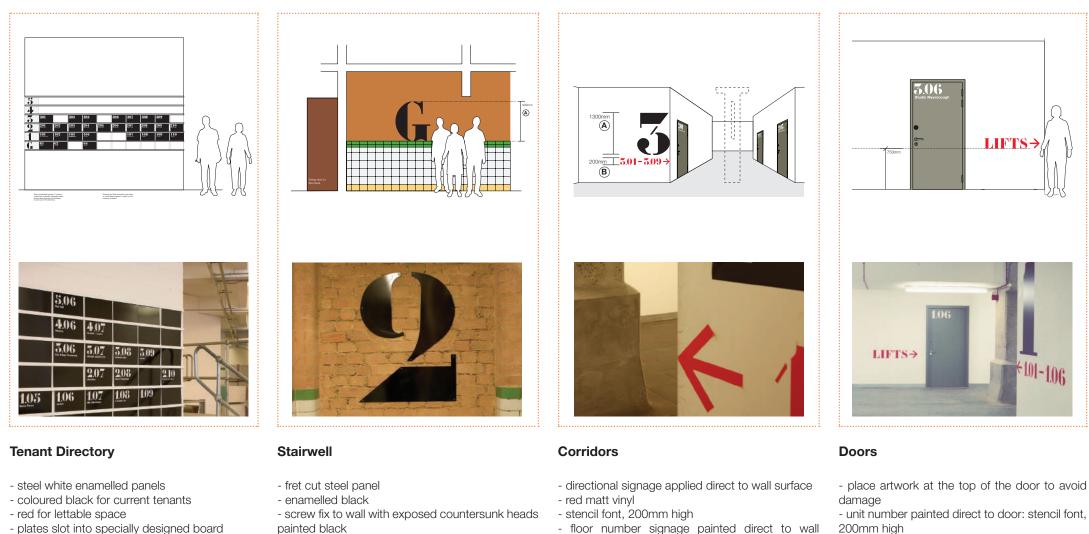
Since the original fitout the corridors are taking a complete overhaul; gone are the column laid lights which have been replaced with a much whiter fluorescent version. The exit from the lifts has been opened up and now feature glazed doors on the chamfers but the most effective change has been to introduce shop front to the units which open up the corridors and bring some active life to the passages.











- stencil font, 900mm high

- unit number: white, 85mm high, stencil font

- tenant: white, 16mm high, helvetica 75 font

- floor number signage painted direct to wall surface
- stencil font, 1300mm high

- 200mm high
- tenant name in white vinyl applied direct to door: helvetica 75 font, 48mm high



KINDPORST 0123456789

ART AT TEA

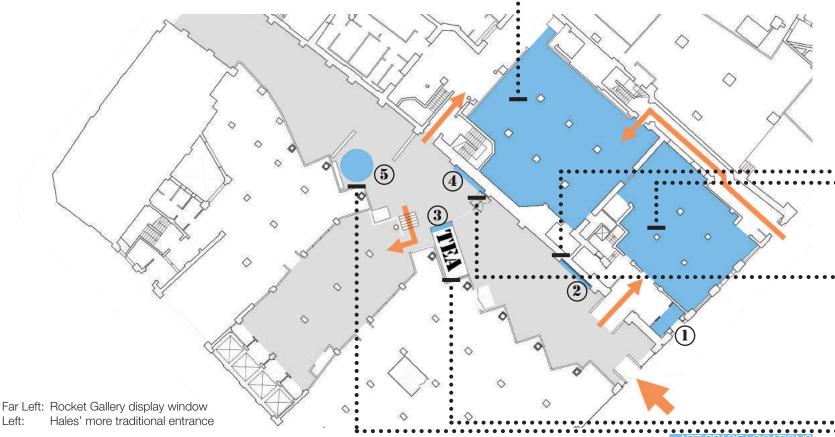
Art is an integral part of what makes the TEA building so successful. Artwork is displayed everyday and has a rotation of around 3 months per space, work comes 50/50 from the temporary exhibitions held at both rocket and hales galleries.

The industrial 'light touch' backdrop provide a perfect setting to both expressive and minimal art displays.

The internal 'street' acts as a small gallery providing 5 art spaces to everyone who arrives from the grafitti rich world of shoreditch through the doors into the inner sanctom of TEA.

Rocket gallery gives back to the street by having shop windows displaying their collection to the passing public





ART SPACE LOCATION



HALESGALLERY moving from its original '92 home in deptfor in '04; hales gallery has represented artist with international backgrounds. accessibl by two side entrances, hales gallery has infiltrated it's way into tea.



BYTHEDOOR

the second piece of artwork seen on a worker's approach; is a wall hanging space to the left of the old entrnace by rocket gallery.



ROCKETGALLERY

established in '94 in the west end, it made a move to the creative east in '05. it has an international acclaim to investigating the crossover of modern art, architecture and design. rocket also sells vintage furniture.



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BYTHEGATE the 4th art piece observed, the space next to the gate is a sure fire way to get noticed.



TEACONTAINER

on the inside wall of the reception container this small hanging space gives the visitor something to look at when at the desk.



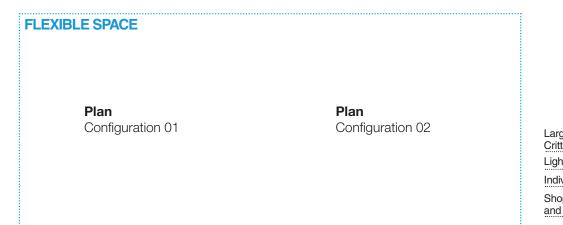
FINALPIECE

this larger art space is by the steps up to the main circulation space; it's size means it can be used for sculpture, installations and hanging pieces.

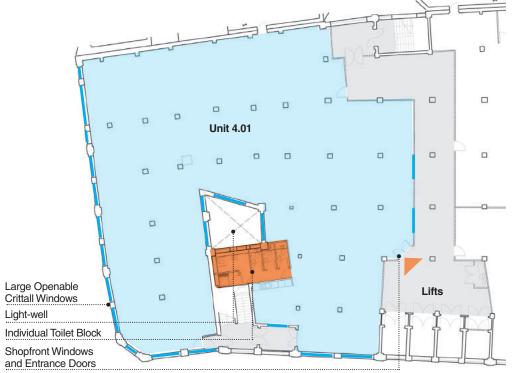


Blank canvas unit to be adapted to suit any business

The TEA units offer a standard level of readiness for any tenant to move in and put their own stamp on the place; whether corporate, bespoke or a bizarre combination of play and work spaces. They can build internal partitions, cellular desk spaces and adaptable meeting rooms. All units have access to natural light from the external face and some benefit from an internal light well. All adhere to regulations in terms of means of escape and toilet provision for the maximum number of occupants designed for the floor area.



Typical Unit Plan



TENANCY CHANGE

Tenancy Change

The evolution of TEA is facilitated by the continuous tenancy renewal or change of the units in the building.

Tenancy change provides an opportunity to refurbish, upgrade and link up existing units to create larger super-units which have become more popular and marketable for new tenants. For the existing tenants, they could also look at expanding their unit when the adjoining unit becomes available.

This is also accompanied by the refurbishment to the common parts which is also carried out in a rolling programme across the building.



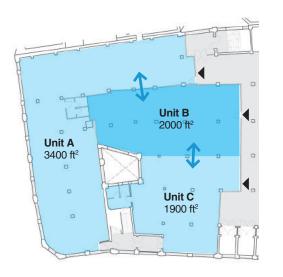
Creation of Super-units

As part of the evolution of TEA, the unit size has gradually increased from a typical size of 2000 sq ft when the building first opened to 8000 sq ft in present days. The rent per sq ft has also risen to about £35 per sq ft. This could be attributed to the ongoing improvement to the building which has made it more attractive to higher profile and well established tenants.

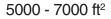
The large floor plate of TEA also made the reconfiguration relatively straightforward as the partition between adjoining units could be easily removed to create the Superunits.

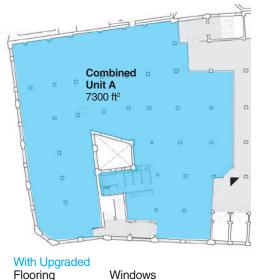
£12/ft² ORIGINAL

2000 - 3000 ft²



£35/ft² ENHANCED





Windows Lighting Shopfront Windows & Doors

Heating

Toilets

UNIT ENHANCEMENT

Higher spec finish

As the tenancy agreements are constantly rolling it provides an opportunity to carry out upgrades to the unit's basic fitout. These upgrades provide more efficient and flexible solutions, for instance using encapsulites mounted on the ceiling. Upgrading the poor performing single glazing with openable double glazed units that allow occupants control over the ventilation. Where a higher specification is most noticeable is within the unit's toilet cores. Here a higher standard of finish is applied with fixtures more aesthetically pleasing.

1 Floor ORIGINAL



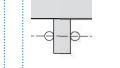
ENHANCED Existing flooring is cleaned and treated with a gloss layer

2 Lighting ORIGINAL



ENHANCED Enhanced lighting to allow more flexible use of space





3 Windows

ORIGINAL Fixed single-glazed windows

ENHANCED Openable double-glazed windows

4 Heating ORIGINAL Panel Heater

ENHANCED Bisque Radiators









5 Toilets

Ideal Standard WC (stand-alone in disable WC)



Shower tray

Ideal Standard WC pan



system concealed behind tiled wall





Ideal Standard wall-mounted WC

Washbasin

Chrome plated Jasper Morrison shower faceplate

Encapsulite Waterguard Lighting placed vertically

Chrome bottle trap



Existing galvanized ventilation ductwork to be thoroughly cleaned

Grohe sink mounted taps

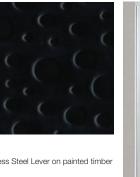


Stainless Steel Lever on painted timber

Black gloss textured rubber flooring



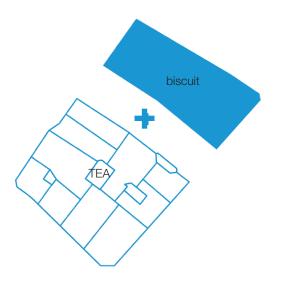
Shower Unit (and rendered partition)





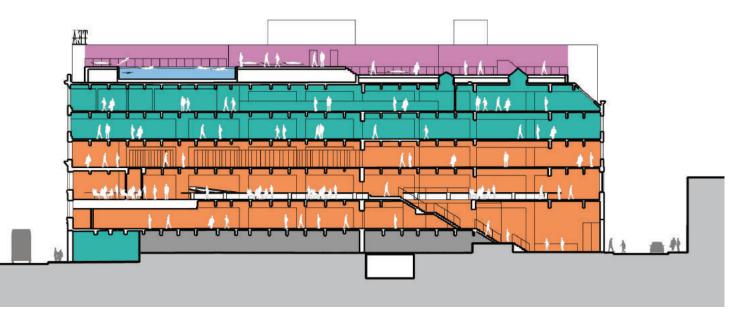






Biscuit split from TEA

When Mother advertising came on board as a high profile tenant; they requiered a huge amount of office space. For this reason the biscuit building split off from TEA and a full 'fit-out' was delivered. This long term tenant specific 'fit-out' was in contrast to the design aims of TEA which defined it as a seperate set of principles.

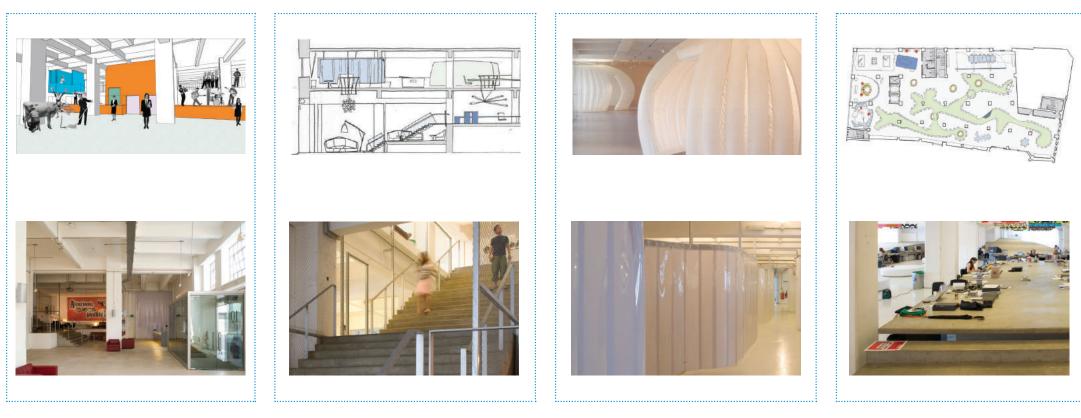


Broken Section

The section of the biscuit building is an interesting and complex study; seven floors with differing functions on each. Mother require an inviting ground floor reception and 2 large open plan office spaces. All this hovers over a large ground floor back of house zone, holding the bin store, plant and general storage. Shoreditch House have a private street entrance with a private lift which takes members up straight to the fifth floor and then internal circulation to the sixth and roof terrace. Here lies the pièce de résistance; the swimming pool, outdoor bar and restaurant offering views across the City.

mother house swim garden store





Arrival

exciting active entrance space with luxury seating and zen garden, full working kitchen and dinings space for the mother team Big open stair

expansive and inviting concrete staircase that leads all the linked floors

Meat-in rooms

pod like meeting rooms strategically placed within the open framework of an industrial floorplate. enclosed with pvc meat curtains californian skateramp inspired concrete more

californian skateramp inspired concrete monolith desk loops round the entire second floor

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SHOREDITCH ROOMS EAST LONDON









COWSHED



Shoreditch House

Shoreditch House is a private members' club covering the three floors. 4th Floor has the Biscuit Tin, a flexible space with its own bar and the Biscuit Pin, a two-lane bowling alley.

5th Floor is the main floor and includes Sauna and Steam Rooms, Gym, Cowshed Spa, Square Bar, Games Room, Snug, Restaurant, Sitting Room and Private Dining Room.

The Rooftop is home to a 16 metre heated swimming pool, bar, kitchen and lounge.

Shoreditch Rooms

26 bedrooms featuring vintage twists within an urban setting. The rooms are spread across five floors. Bedrooms are available in Tiny, Small and Small+ sizes, with four rooms hosting private balconies, overlooking views the City skyline. All rooms feature bespoke furniture and the 'Borrow Me' collection includes vintage books, games amongst other quirky items for guests to enjoy.

Cowshed

Found on the 5th floor of Shoreditch House; Cowshed is now open to the public for the first time and offers Cowshed's trademark social grooming in an indulgently comfortable surrounding with a retail space to purchase the spa ointments.



The 'PAC' Strategy

The Approach

The Tea Building was constructed as light industrial space in the days before the cost of energy or its environmental impact was considered a problem. The walls have no thermal insulation, the windows are single glazed with metal frames and the roof is of solid concrete construction.

The current fit-out of the Tea Building utilises direct electric panel heaters.

In 2009 the building used a hefty 3,255,671 kWh of electricity. (This is the equivalent of 200 3-bar electric fires working 24 hours a day).

With each new tenant, the electrical load increases - electricity usage increase by 10% between 2008 and 2009.

The carbon dioxide created by the energy use is 1,373 tonnes per annum (about 70kg CO² per square metre per annum).

Three phased progressive refurbishment strategy that significantly reduces the existing building's carbon output. P.A.C. is a simple step-by-step approach which can be applied to any existing building.

Step 1 Passive measure

- Window upgrade
- Controllable background ventilation
- Solar control
- Insulation

Step 2 Active measures

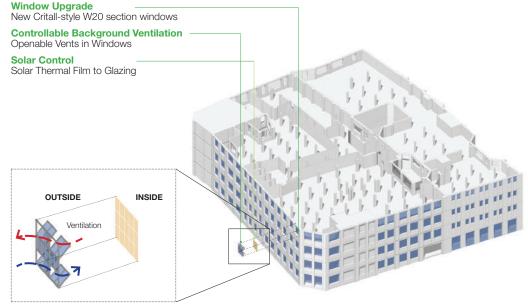
- Lighting systems and control
- Night-time purging

Step 3 Comprehensive measures

- Hybrid cooling / heating

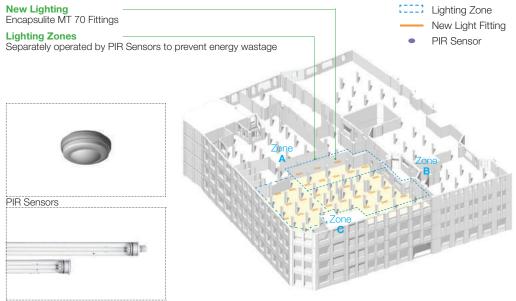
Step 1 - 'Passive'

Replacing of all existing windows with better performing double-glazed windows, incorporating solar control to limit internal solar gain. Adding opening vents in the new windows to allow better cross ventilation. Adding rooftop insulation to increase thermal performance.



Step 2 - 'Active'

Replacing of all existing office lamps with high-efficiency lamps with PIR (Passive Infrared Sensor) attached. The sensors are zoned so that lamps switch off at brighter times of the day, at night or when no movement is detected within the units to reduce the building's energy consumption.



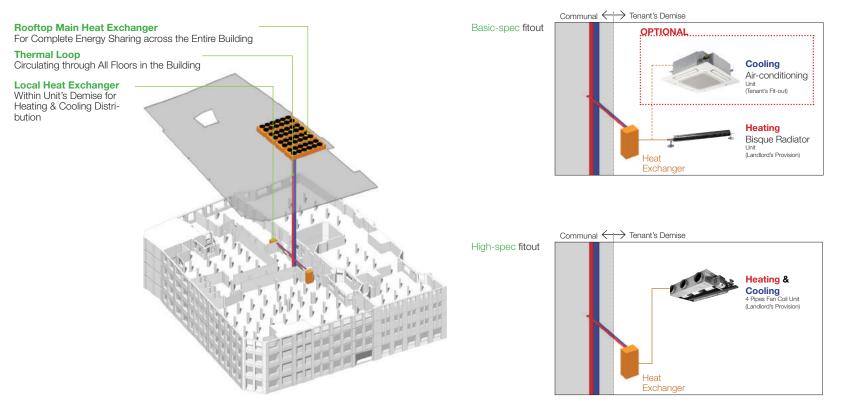
Surface-mounted Encapsulite MT 70 Fittings

Step 3 - 'Comprehensive'

Installation of a high efficiency rooftop heat exchanger which provides a hot & cold water thermal loop through the building that can be connected to provide heating, cooling (or both) to any unit.

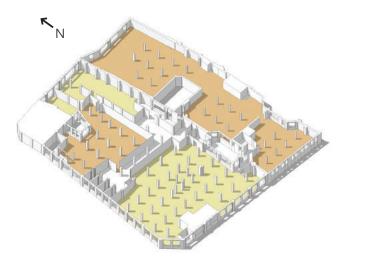
Basic-spec fitout includes a local heatexchanger and perimter radiators throughout the unit, tenants can add localised cooling units for high-capacity areas (e.g. meeting rooms, server rooms, etc.) without need for additional plant.

High-spec fitout supplements the radiators (and cooling units) with high-efficiency combined heating & cooling units.



Thermal Loop

When it's cold outside, units to the south will warm up quicker from incoming solar radiation. The thermal loop will allow this heat to be transferred to the colder units reducing the overall energy consumption of the whole building. When it's warm outside, units to the north will remain cooler for longer, the thermal loop will transfer the cold to reduce the energy required to cool.



Typical Floor Plate Multiple Tenancies



Heat Transfer Among Units within the Building via the Thermal loop

APPENDIX

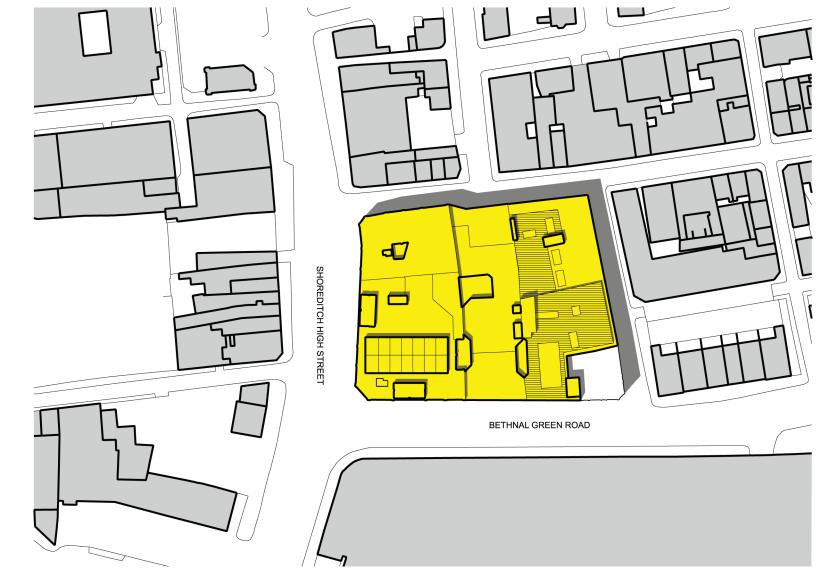
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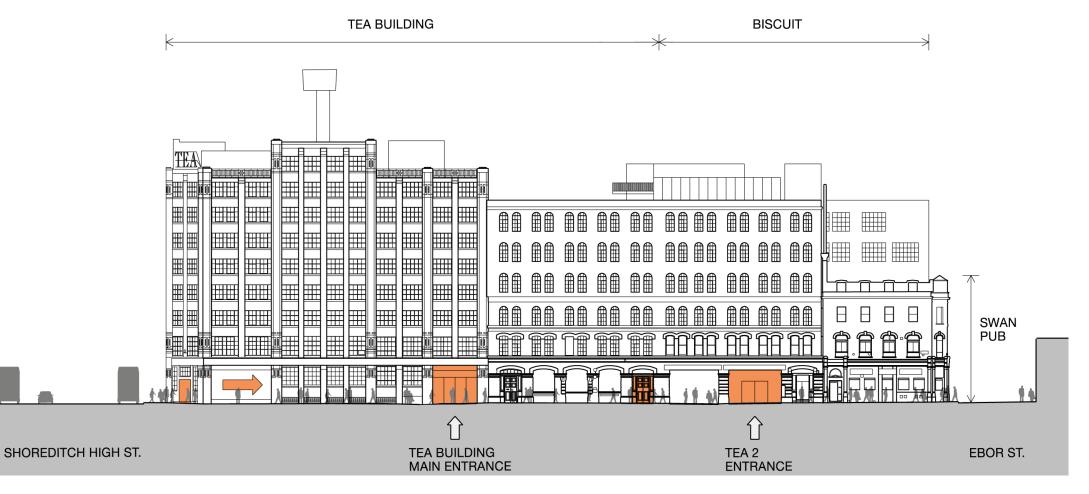


ground floor



typical upper floor





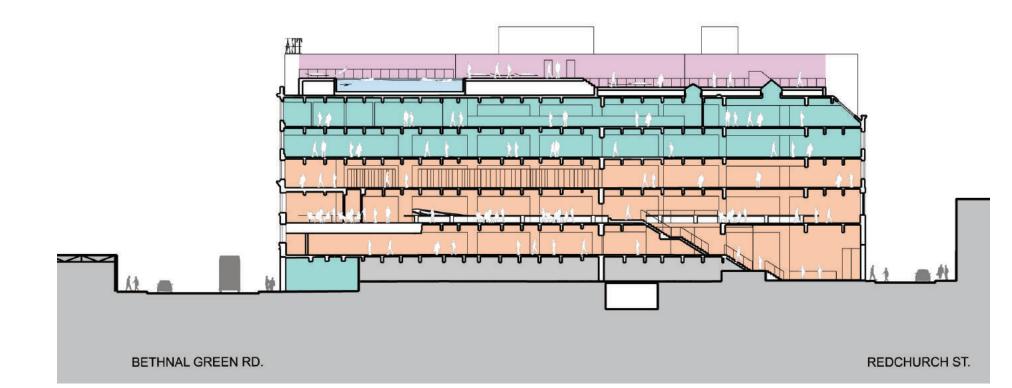
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TEA corner on shoreditch high street



corner on bethnal green road



elevation details

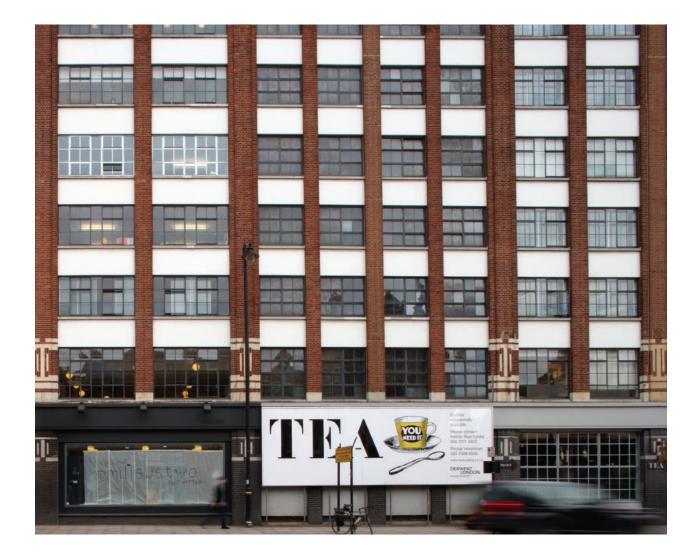






shoreditch high street elevation





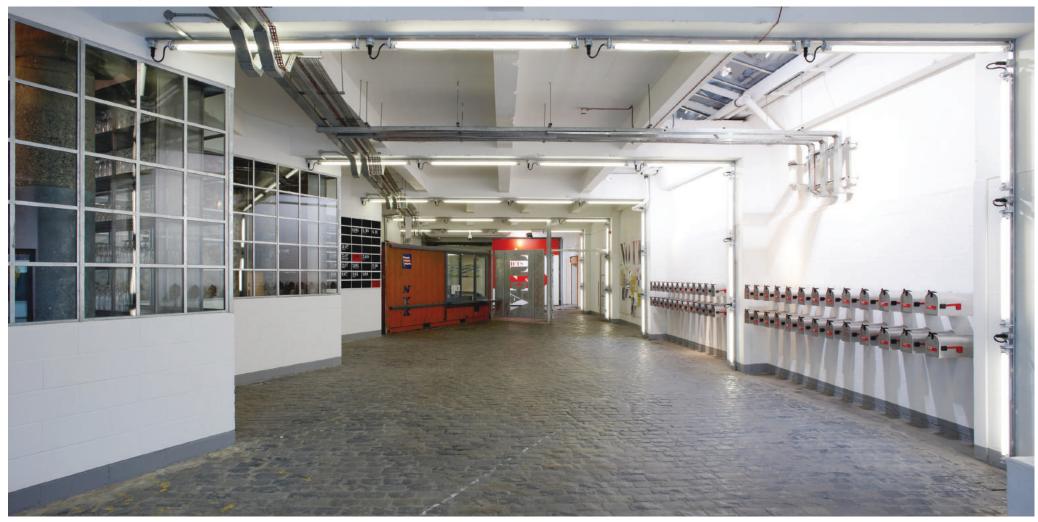
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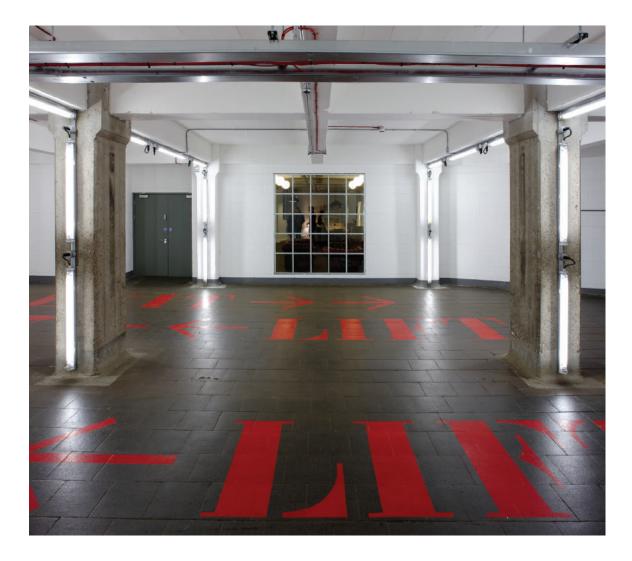
internal street lobby



unit post boxes



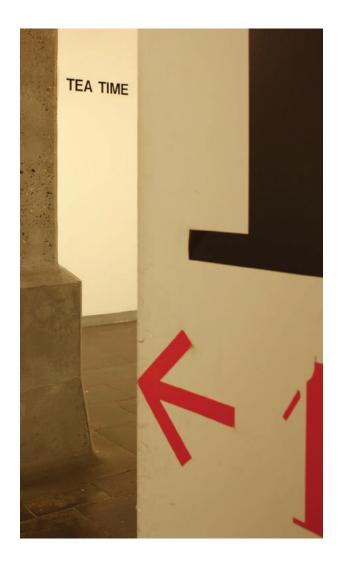
lift finder



stairs : lifts : circulation





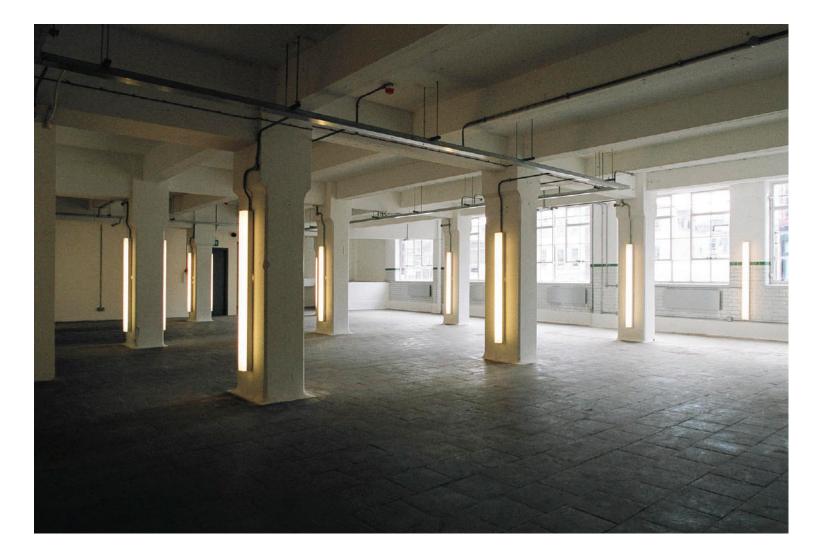


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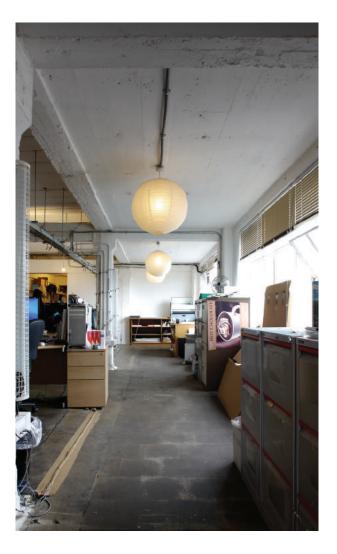






art : space : features







shopfronts







circulation



typical large unit space



unit common area



typical large unit space





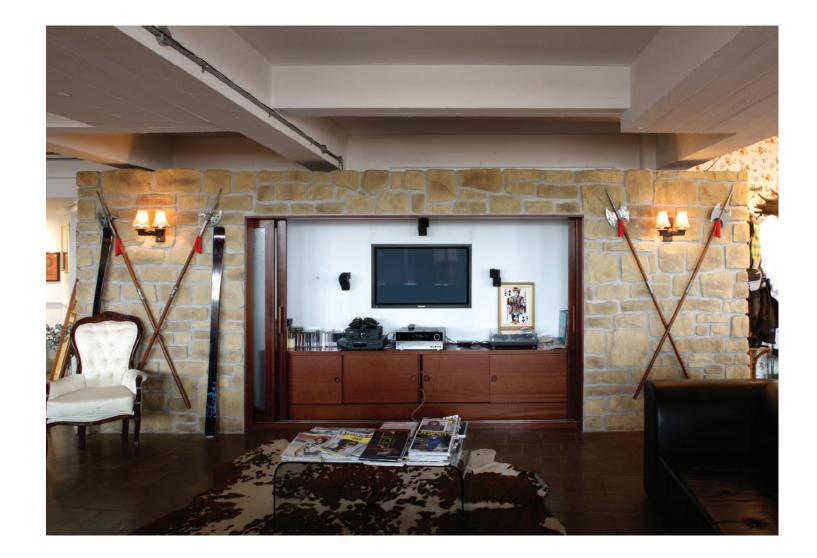


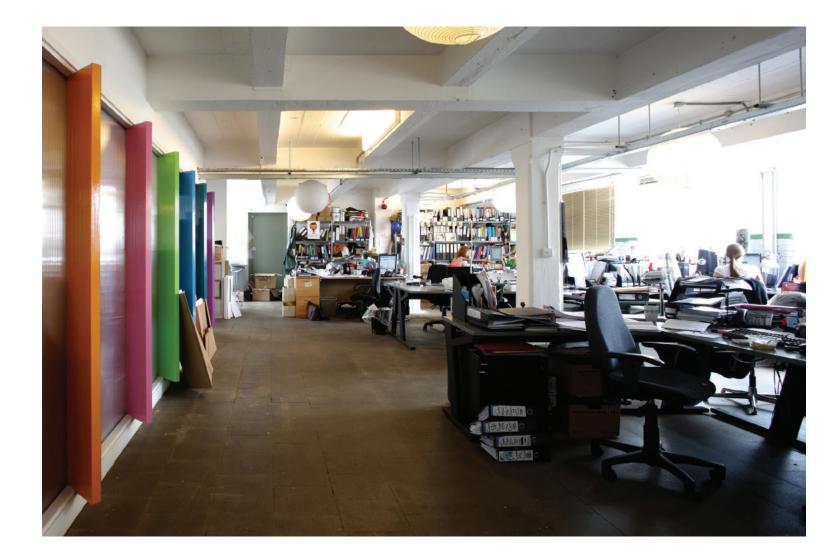












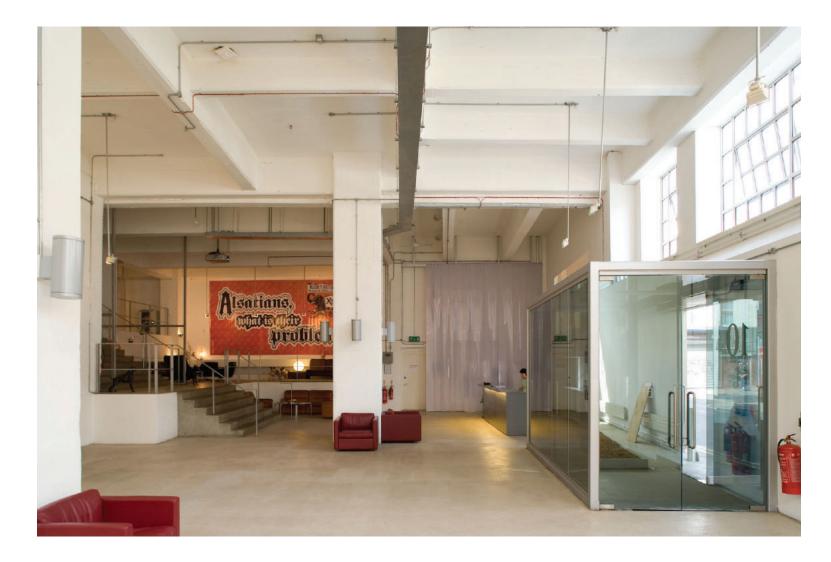
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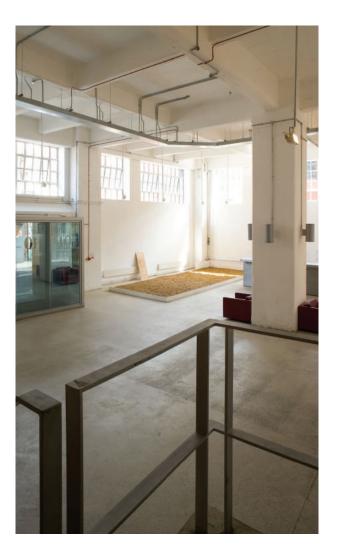


mother arrival



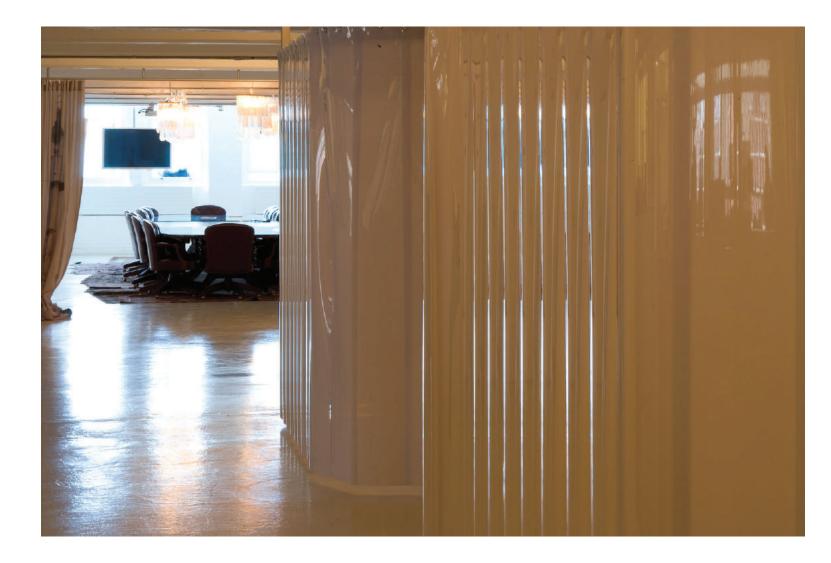
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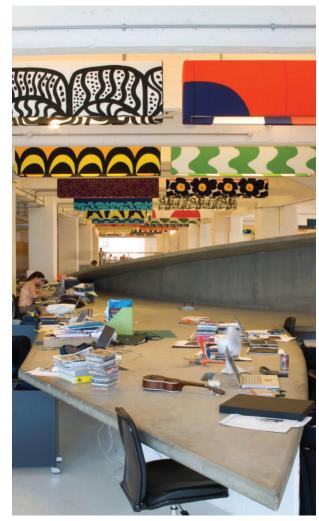


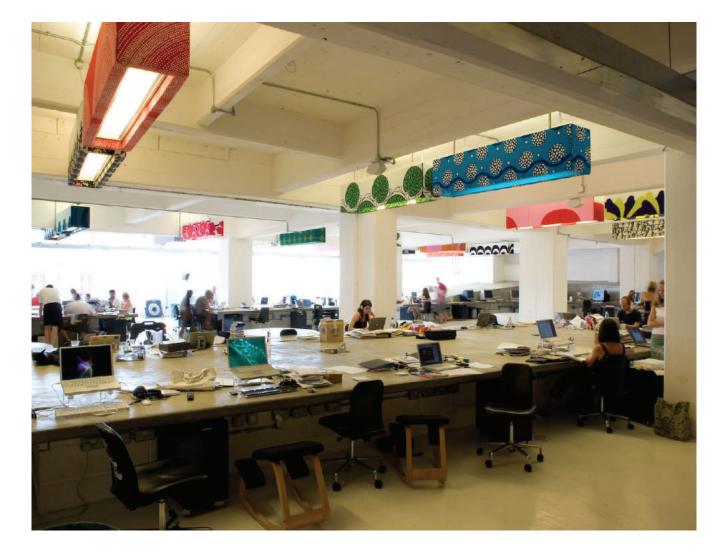


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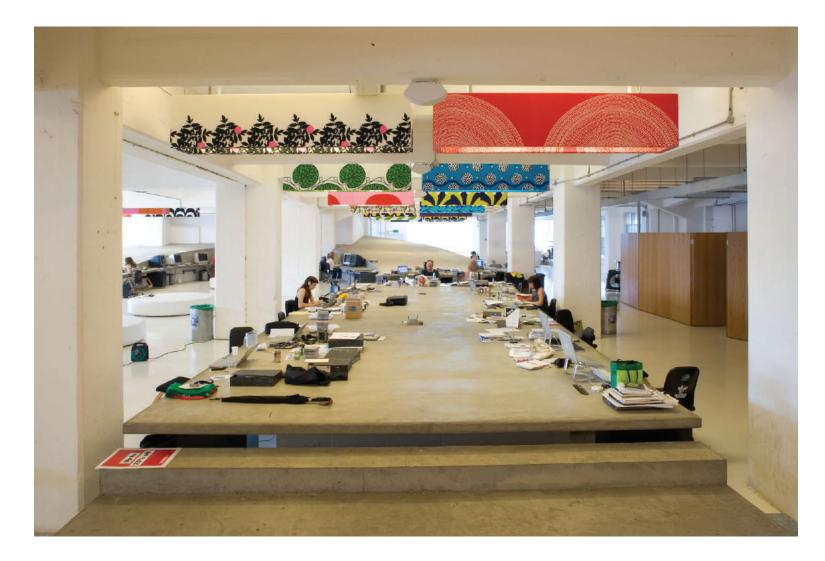


mother fit out





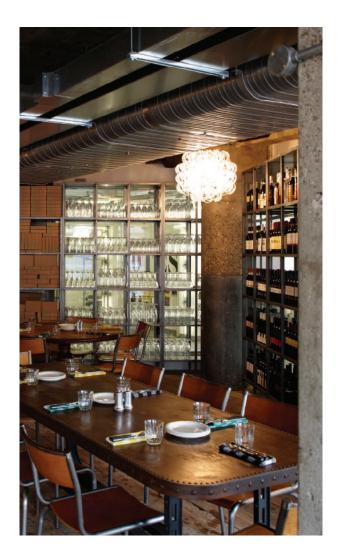
skate-ramp desk



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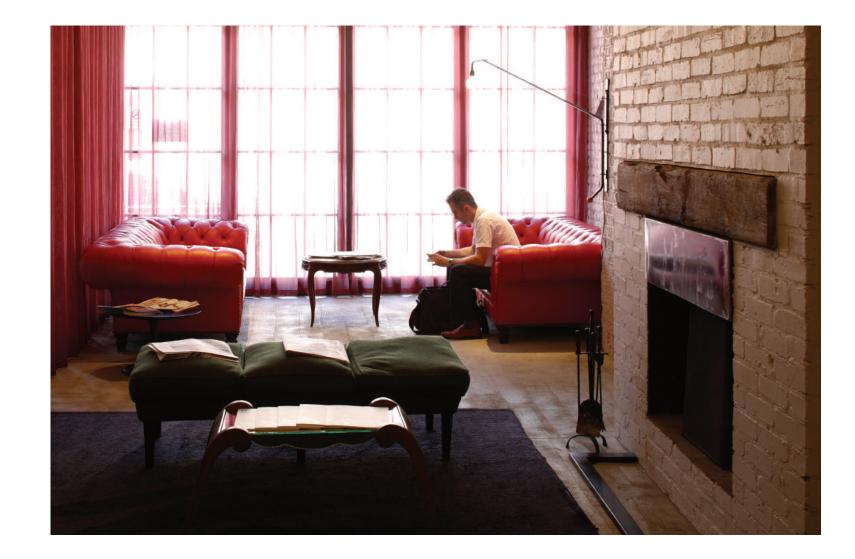
















The people who really make architecture happen - the 2003 survey of Britain's top 50 clients



British Land Company PLC Last year's ranking 15

British Land is a big player with a £9.65bn property portfolio, whose chairman, John Ritblat, says he is 'personally convinced' of the link between design quality and the creation of value. It is also one of the few big developers to treat architecture as a vital part of its public profile, with sponsorship of the Architecture Foundation, projects on show at last year's Venice Biennale and the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, and a show planned for this autumn at New York's MoMA. It has high-profile projects such as the

Richard Rogers Partnership tower at 122 Leadenhall Street in the City (the chances of it getting planning permission are virtually nil, say the judges) and Foster and Partners' scheme for the old Llovd's site (below). But it is also looking at 'innovative' ways of working with smaller, younger architects. It is using Allford Hall Monaghan Moeris to refurbish its own offices, while other projects are by the big. boys such as Terry Farrell and Wilkinson Eyre. Architects rate Derwent Valley as one of

The company is researching - a £40m public space project at Broadgate is • to work with. due for completion later this year. Its first environment and social report at the end of others, and if the commercial property 2002 highlighted its use of BREEAM ratings imarket were not so depressed it would and it is trying to share best practice between . undoubtedly make the survey's top three. ousebuilder tackles the city apartment market British Land takes a healthy long-term view it would have to rest on its laurels and on its investments. It uses the design process • architects should expect to see it to weigh up options instead of wanting levelopment, Staiths South Bank in Gateshead. everything done by tomorrow."

icnsity city housing, it has 'really thrown

tractices and trawl for sites.

verything at it, assembling a serious list of

rchitects to work with'. And it is keen to visit

This division of the well-known national

outside London and made headlines by

mploving Red or Dead creator Wayne Icmingway to design Wimpey's biggest UK

rojects - a view backed up by Wimpey

esearch of buyer feedback. Laight is always

ecking young practices that have 'a passion or housing' and can go beyond apartment

block formulas. Architects have given the

aving all suppliers within 28 days.

South Bank, Gateshead Han Darby

Carey Jonesi: Princes Dock, Liverpool

Atherden Fuller Leng); Yarm, Teeside

Jane Darbyshire and David Kendall).

Design plays a major part in differentiating It is a dull but solid player with some important projects like Canada Water. 'It does what one would want of a publicly listed company - it does things properly. a patron," the judges said.





· the best developers in the business, saying masteeplanning and the role of public spaces it is a dream client which cares and is fun

It is also innovative and experimental, say its architects. Architects are complimentary:
But until the sector picks up, the judges felt commissioning far less - if at all, Recently completed projects include: Others thought that underneath the gloss Tower House, Covent Garden (Lifschutz

· Davidson]; The Davidson Building, Covent Garden (Lifschutz Davidson): The Courtvard, Soho (John McAslan); The Tea Building, Shoreditch (Allford Hall) Ritblat is a great showman with a desire to be Monaghan Morris - inset above; Morley House, Regent Street (Stiff & Trevellion);

Gordon House, Victoria (Michael Squire and Partners); 6 Greencoat Place (Michael quire and Partners).

The purchase of a large mixed portfolio worth £38m this year from the London Borough of Islington has allowed it to try out less established practices on smaller projects. So far these includes Wells Mackereth, De Metz Architects, Piercy Connor, Buckley Grav and McDowell & Benedetti.

Silver believes design quality plays a large part in creating value: 'This is the main reason we devote so much of our company's time to trying to create quality contemporary design." Even if the company goes relatively quiet over the next 13 months, Derwent Valley Is

definitely in for the long term, the judges believe. Look out for it in five years' time - it is assembling land north of Tottenham Court Road and it could be new build.

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Tea Building Shoreditch E1 A building by Derwent Valley Architects: Alford Hall Monaghan Morris

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Ohris Blackhurst

For 20-odd years, **Derwent has been** refurbishing properties in offbeat locations around London. It scours the capital for rundown warehouses and office blocks, Put simply, they see things that others don't

Gr. a glorious spring day, there can be ac liner activity than playing a mund of coll as Wennworth, The fast that Pmdoing sp. courtesy of Richard Caring, the club's owner, who donated the day for a cliamity. metion, in the company of John-Burns, the Derwent founder. makes it all the more pleasant. Burns mizes civility and urbanity on the course, as he dues an ritar other world of deals, protects and keeping shareholders happy. Ports are generoasly given, humstarting Huffed shuts discretely uproved. that others don't. We simply wunder tound, out in the open air, far away from the grime of the city. Bliss, What singles Derwent out from the head is the increative. architectural quality of resdevelopments, Barris' pride and joy at the moment is the free. Building, east of the C.ty. This the old Lipton Tea warehouse. Derwent bought the lawns. Many are new hinlds.

place for £22m in 2000 and appoint a £606 makeover, 10's upw the house of Shoreduch Hacse, anisog others, part of the Subo House club empire, and Mother, the after a muladvertising agentist. For 20-odd years, Derwent has been returbishing such properties in officent locations. around central London. It has neversot hung up in Mayfair or the City or Multiown, but scores the capital for rundown warehouses and office blocks. Put simply, they see things. This is brought home to me as we wander down a fairway on the back nine of Wearworth's familius West Course, Wherever we look, there are manuples of the grandest, most expensive residential reil estate in the UK. The mansions are swesomehuge affairs with swimming pools, terrors courts and fine-

Derwent's John Burns and Stelios Haji-Joannou have that special something

As I pause to marvel at one such gia it palace, Burns murmurst "No.1 don't like the liges on that " He fluer points out the things I'd missed - the way the face de is eluttered, the fact the toof seems ont of salter with the rest, and so on. He clearly knows what he is talking about. They may uwn sume of the swankdest houses in Brithin and be phonomenally wealthy, but the residents of Wentworth could do diemselves and us a favour il. beloredecosing on architect to design a mini-Versailles, they emisulted the man which elped rejuvernite. a elapped-out tax deport in the East And. Someone else who knows how transke secondary office. truitdungs flourish is Su Stehus Hasi-fourness As well as easy letthe Grock emrepreneur - it's hard to believe that he is still.

unly 42 has founded 16 other "casy' operations, including the London Evening Standard

The eye and the imagination ra sy Umi se, cassgCar, cassg@ava, studilis business model is near dissociation that of Sir Richard Branson's Virgan where one nance spapers different offstools all with deuteal values and branctine.

estates gazette

Also like Bransnu, sound of Sterios's ideas are minesuccessful than others But two that are doing well he tells me, are easyOffice and case (hotel, Why? People are seeking vidge for money, and both businesses take for mer office prentises and user them.

into surfes for small pusinesses. (easy) (face) or more forbudget travellers (casel lotel). Two entrepreneurs awo different ways of tackling less

than-prime commercial space. Don't despate if you te a secondary owner - help may yet he at hund.

Class Blackhurst is Cite editor of

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Hackney **Design Awards** 2004

Nominated

Tea Building

Architects Allford Hall Monaghan Morris LLP





suggests that, if it comes to it, he will not be bound by mere reporting lines. GUS: gillian.tett@ft.com andrew.hill#ft.com To comment, visit www.ft.com/lombard

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Practice Profile

At Allford Hall Monaghan Morris we make buildings that are satisfying to use and beautiful to look at; an architecture that is defined by the experience of users who should be able to understand and use each building with ease and enjoyment.

We design very different buildings, for very different people to use in very different ways and, since our early days in the late 1980s, we have grown from four to over one hundred people and our budgets from a few thousand to tens of millions of pounds. Through our wide range of projects we search for the opportunities in every site, budget and programme and pursue a pragmatic, analytical and collaborative working method to produce a responsive, intelligent and delightful architecture. This clarity facilitates discussion of our approach between all parties: clients, architects, collaborators, constructors and users. Our aesthetic approach is shaped by our working method.

If a design concept is clear and logical, the resulting building will express its function in a

clear and logical way; it will be easy to recognise and enjoyable to use. We innovate because we know that innovation is as much about fi nding simpler ways of doing things better as it is about fi nding new things to do.

Over nineteen years this way of seeing the world has allowed us to make architecture which resonates with our clients, some critics and changing constructional techniques. Our success is reflected in the winning of many competitions and numerous design awards for houses, apartments, schools, sports and exhibition buildings, healthcare facilities, offices offices and the odd bus station, art gallery and now, interestingly, hybrids of many of the above.

We are part of a team where each member has a vital role, but most importantly we enjoy working with anybody who shares our belief that architecture can make a positive, inspirational but never overbearing contribution to the world around us.

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TEA BUILDING 56 shoreditch high street, london, ec2

CONTRACT VALUE

PROJECT TEAM

employer:

contractor:

architect:

£ 20 million

CONTRACT TYPE

JCT98, sectional completion

BUILDING AREA

28 000 sam (280 000 saft)

PROJECT TYPE

light touch refurbishment

derwent london ttp strip-out contractor: ttp project manager & c.a: ahmm structural engineer: quantity surveyor: m&e engineer: pda cdm (planning superviser): approved inspectors: brcs Itd planning consultant: local authority: managing agent: graphic designers:

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