

LEVELS

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The project Levels is a part of a multi-functional building which includes parking, commercial services, offices, living, a daycare center as well as flexible sport and hobby spaces. The main concept is the parking garage in the first three floors and four building masses rising from this plinth. This project covers the eastern part of the building including an apartment building and a daycare center. The building functions also as a noise barrier from the nearby railway. The shape of the building follows the axes of the surrounding area. The main focus outdoors is in the two squares located in the end of the streets in the south-north direction. The north side is connected to the other area and there is also a skate park as it can be located next to the railway. The name Levels refers to the flexible use of the space and the terraces that offer a nice little garden hide-out playing with the concept of public and semi-public space.

Apartment building

The first building mass from the east is the apartment building. It contains 15 apartments differing from 36 to 76 square meters. There are three different design principles with this building. First, the basic shape of an apartment is a square surrounded by bearing CLT walls and a CLT column in the middle. The rooms rotate around the column which offers flexibility for different families and dwellers. Second, triangular bay windows have the ventilation window facing to the side mitigating the railway noise inside. The windows create more feeling of space for the rooms as the protruding part works, for example, as a little cozy reading corner. Outside, the triangular shape makes the facades more three-dimensional. Lastly, the apartments open to many directions, and they have an easy access to green terraces that separate the private living from the public use of the building.

Event and hobby space

The next building mass is the daycare center. On the ground floor a flexible event and hobby space opens for one of the squares in front of the building. Movable walls allow the separation of the space to smaller entities for dancing, martial arts, yoga, art workshops and lectures. The first-floor functions normally as a small gym for the daycare center but both floors can be combined to create a spacious event room. On the square the low steps border the spaces inside and make a continuation of the space outside.

Daycare center

The daycare center is designed for 70 children, and it functions in three different floors, all of which have their own yards opening to the terraces. The third and the fourth floor have flexible classrooms for child groups. The foldable doors can be opened to create a bigger space for joint activities between the groups. The second floor and the yard are meant for small children as they need more guidance and cannot move so easily between different floors. On the second floor there is a lunchroom. The space can also be used for Christmas parties and other festivities. The yard on the fourth floor is meant for children that can play more independently. It has a playground which is connected to the playground on the third floor, a fairytale nest where the teacher can read stories to his or her group and a little adventure forest where the plantation on the rooftop offers a part of nature to the yard.

Structure and fire safety

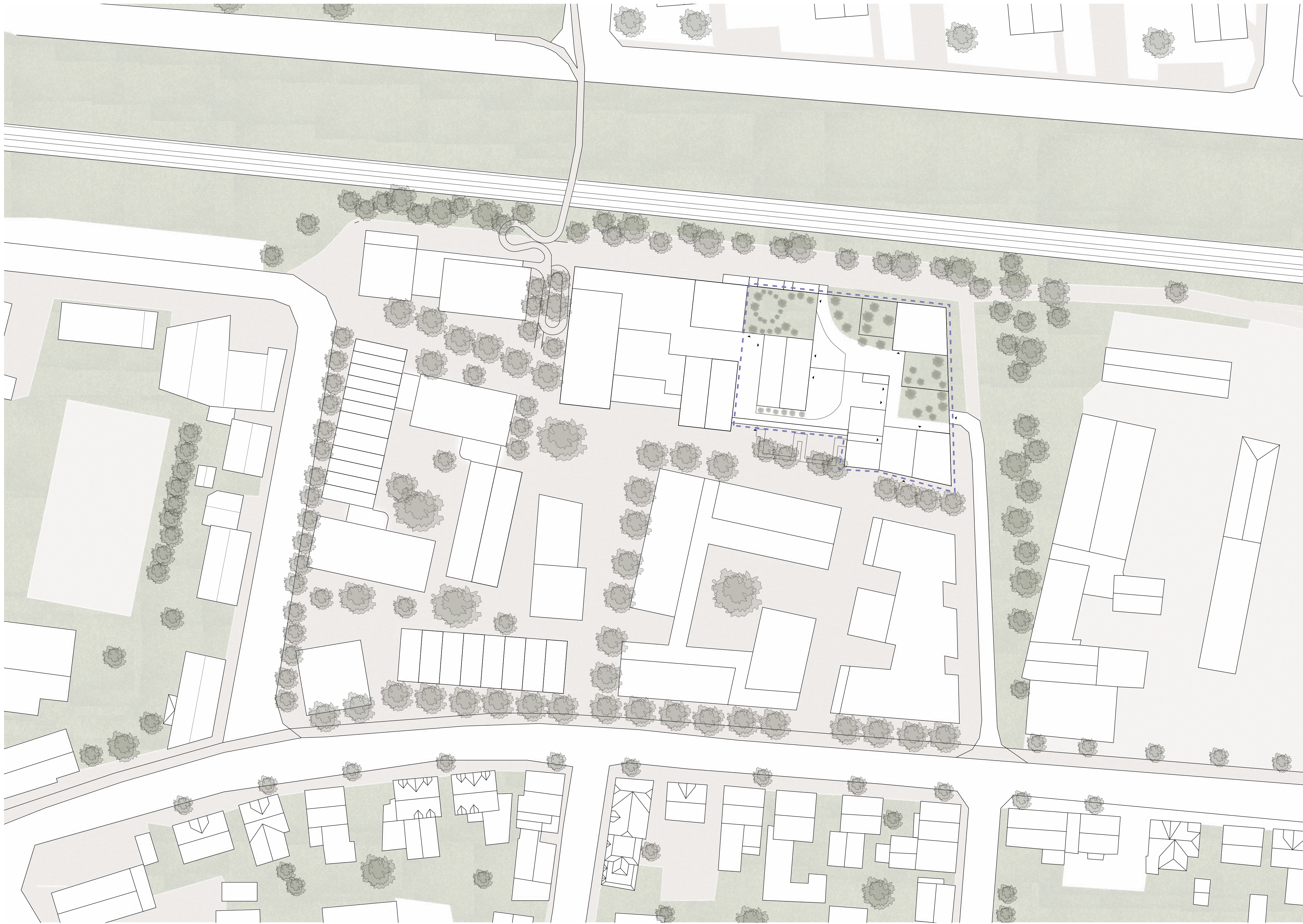
The reinforced concrete pillar-and-beam system is the main structure of the parking garage. This allows the construction of different building masses on top of the plinth. The facades are sparsely covered with wooden planks in order to spare energy and in the case of fire the solution allows people to escape efficiently. The wooden planks also make an architectonic connection to the upper floors made of wood. On top of the garage the building masses are made of massive CLT slabs. The outer walls and the pillars between are load-bearing structures. Other walls can be changed easily to make the space more flexible.



PERSPECTIVE VIEW TO THE NORTH

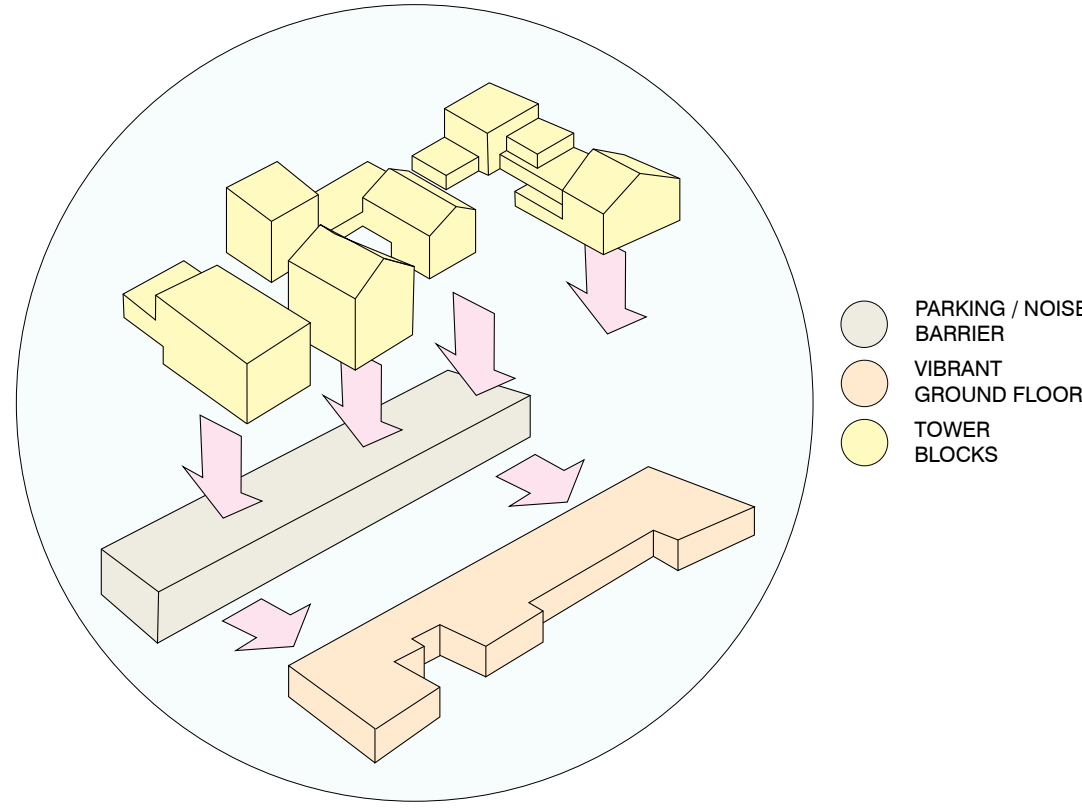


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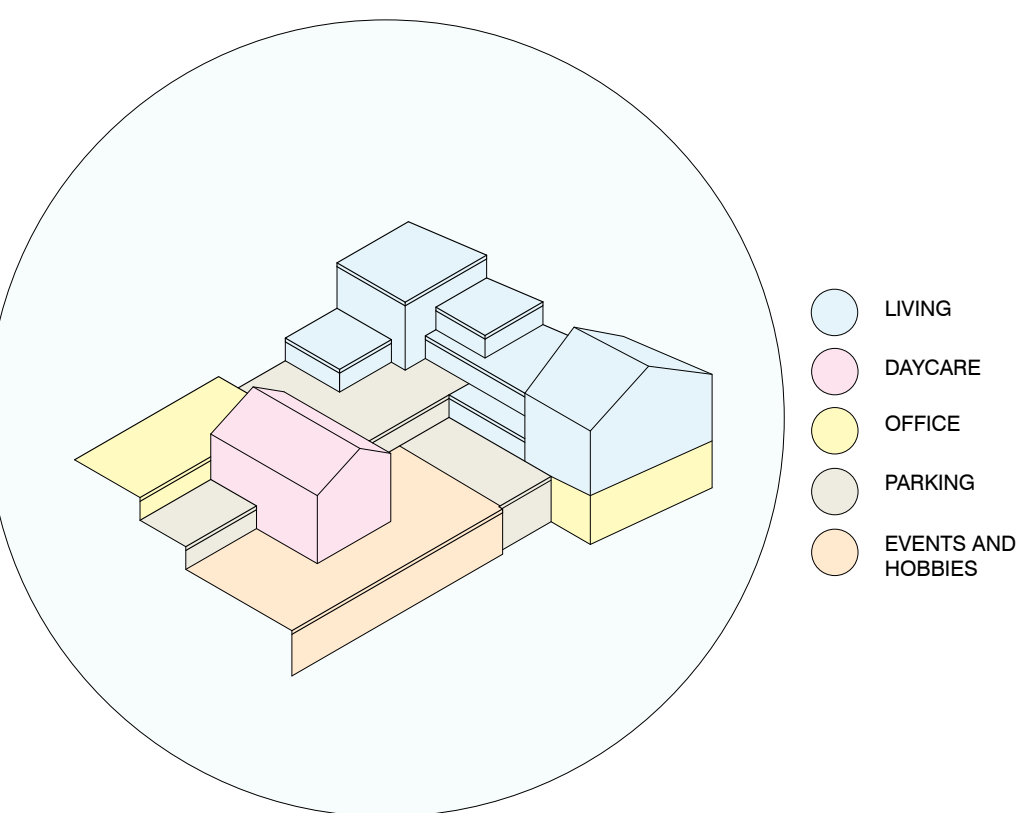


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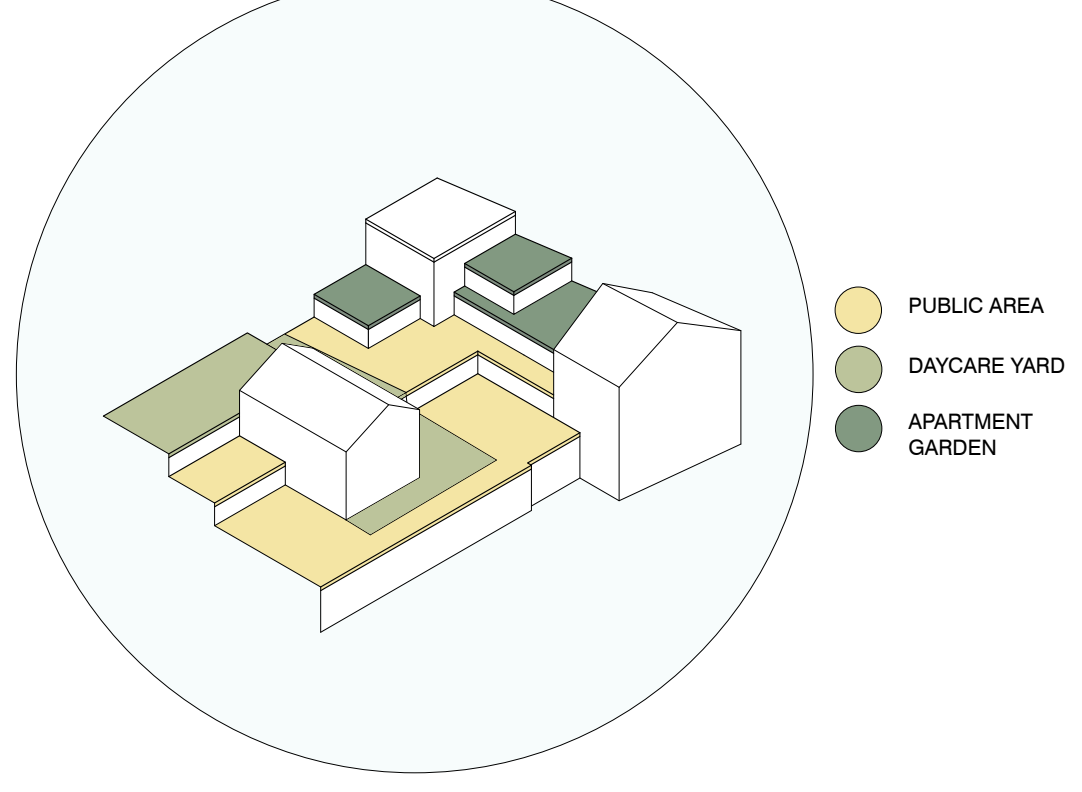
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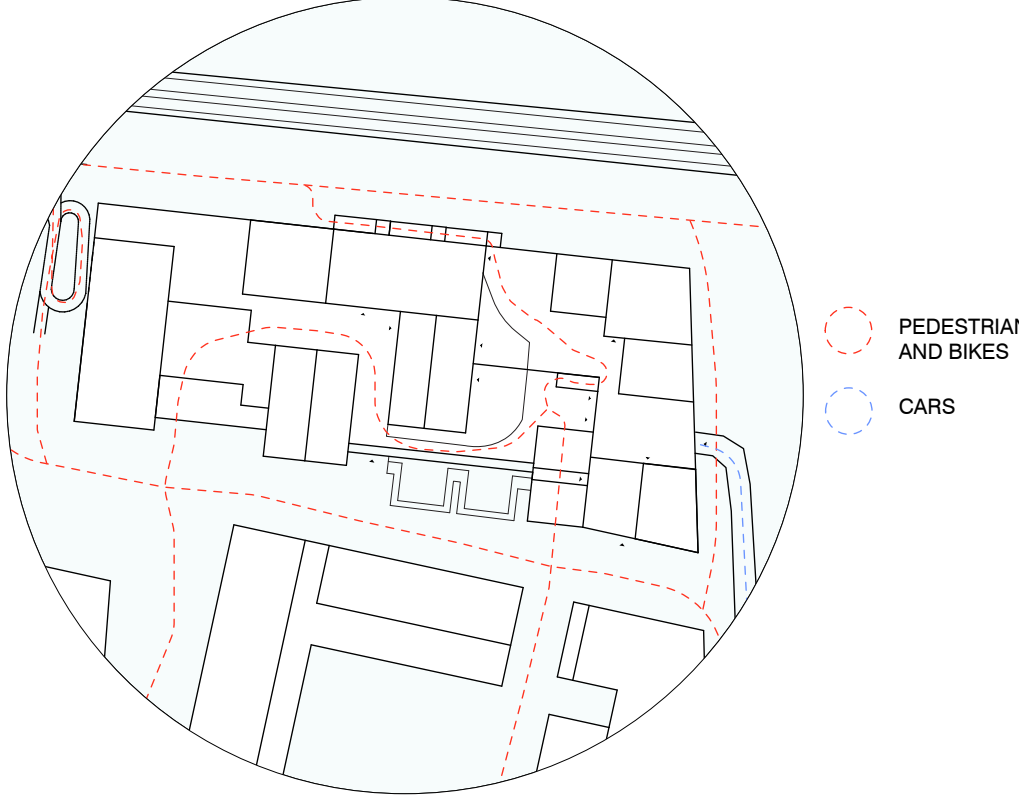
FUNCTIONS



ROOFTOP USES

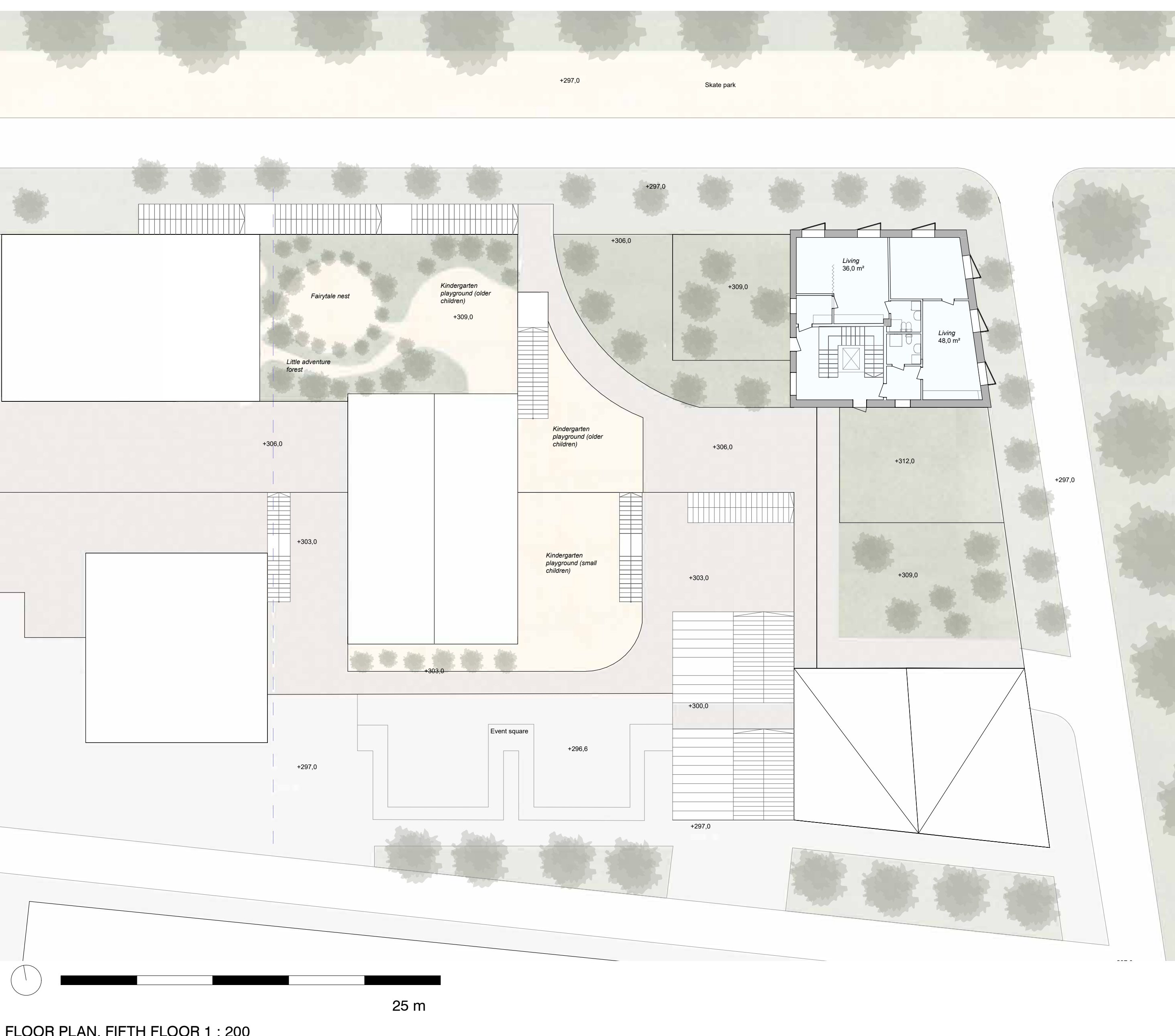
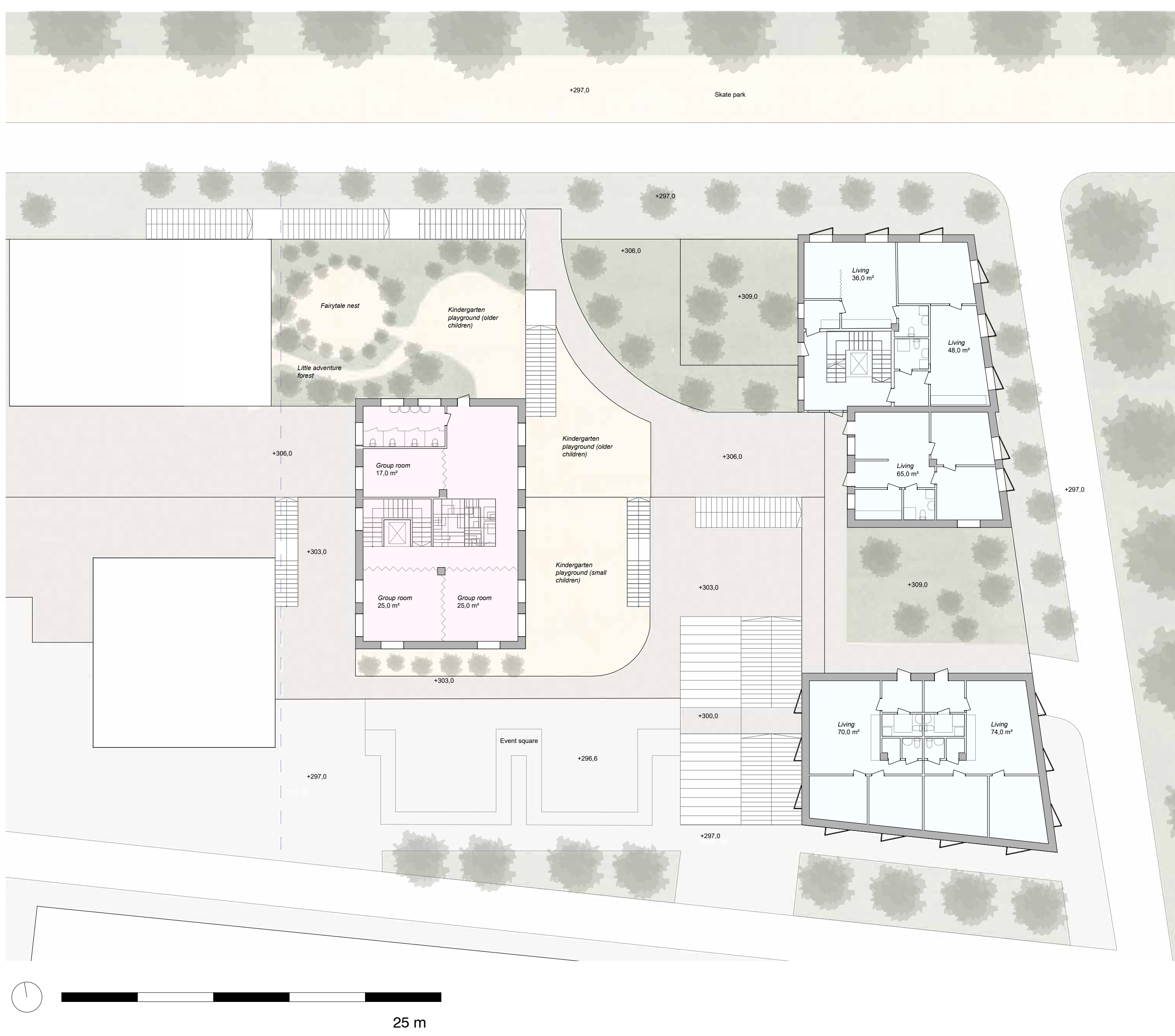
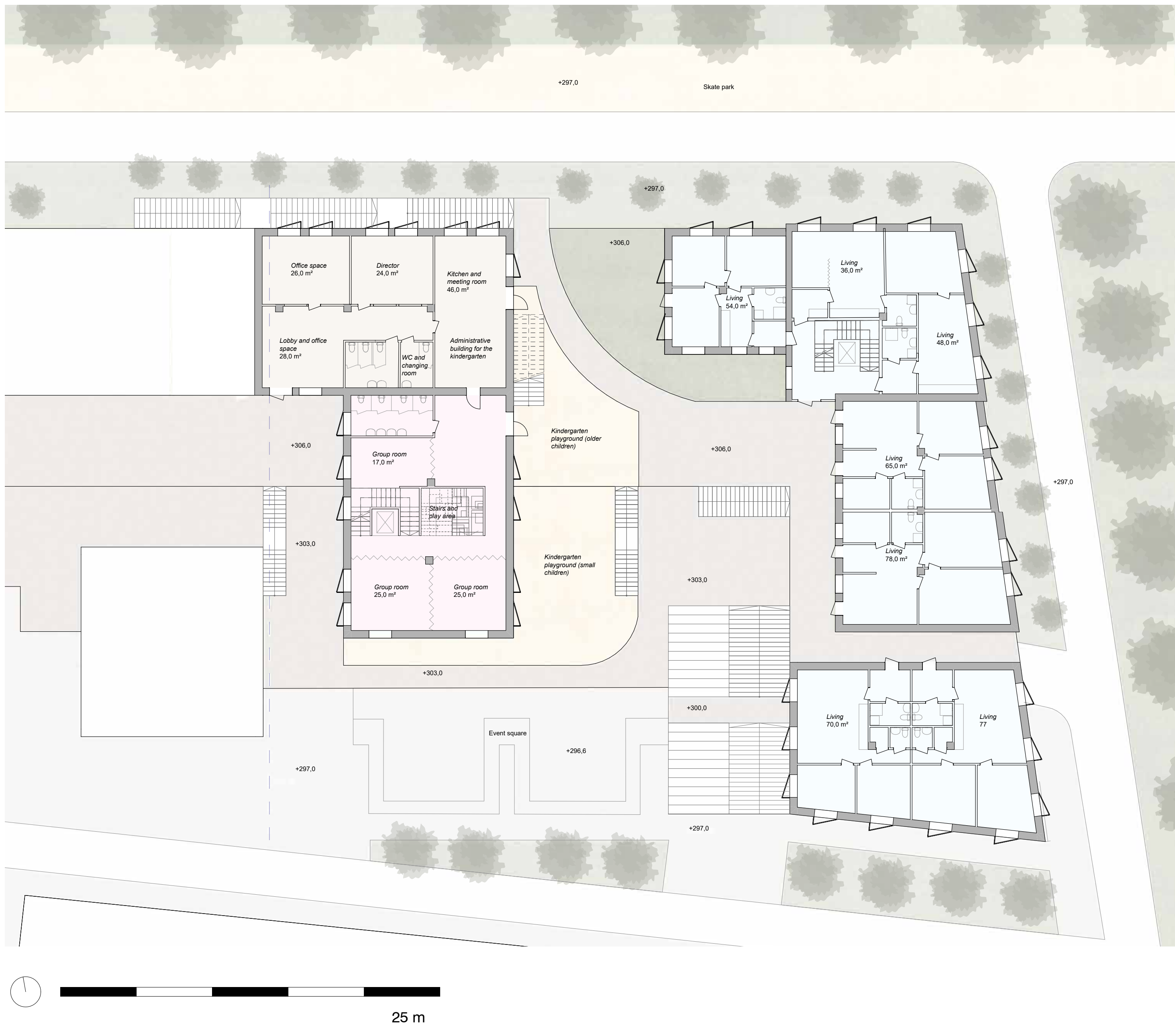
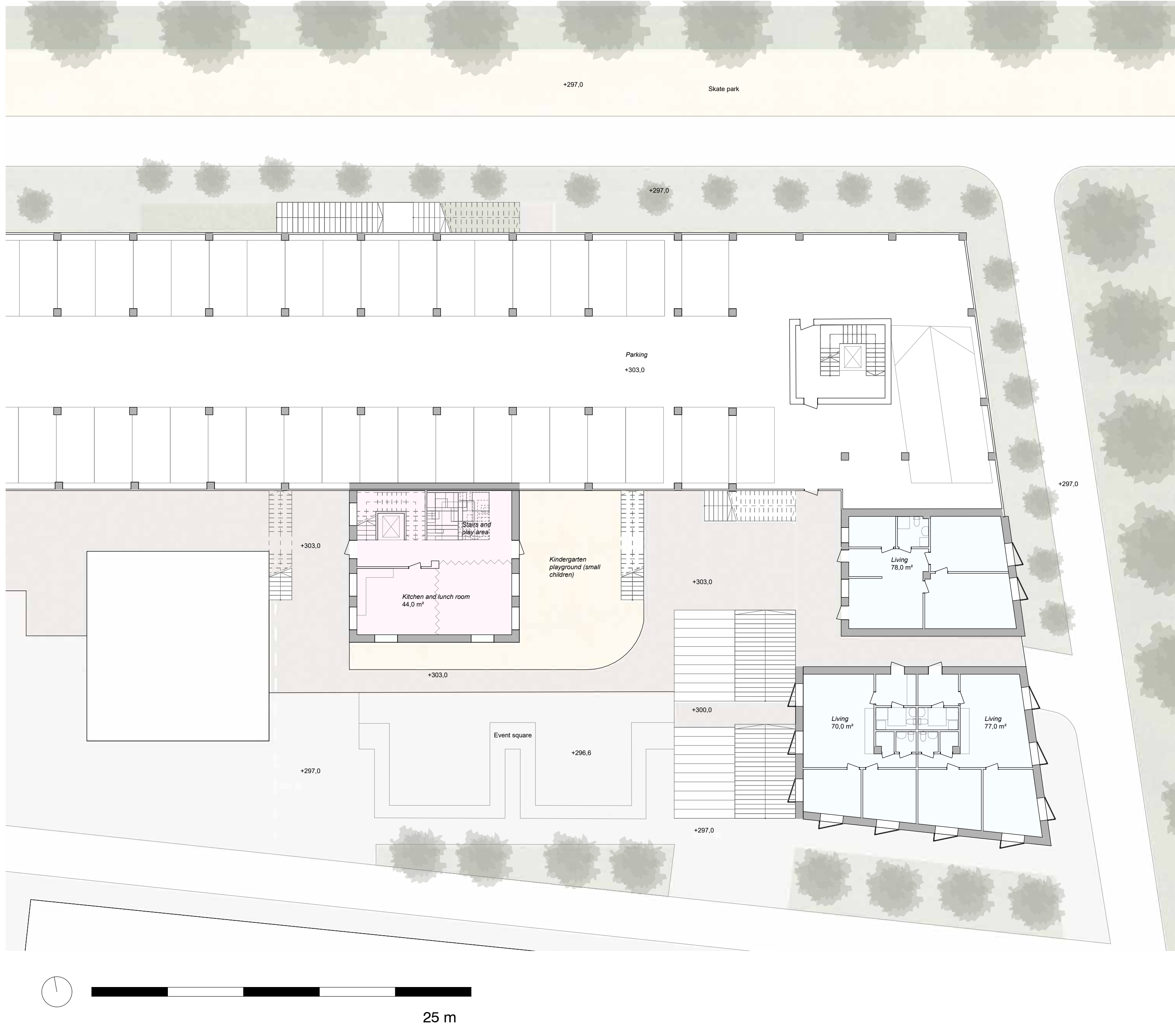
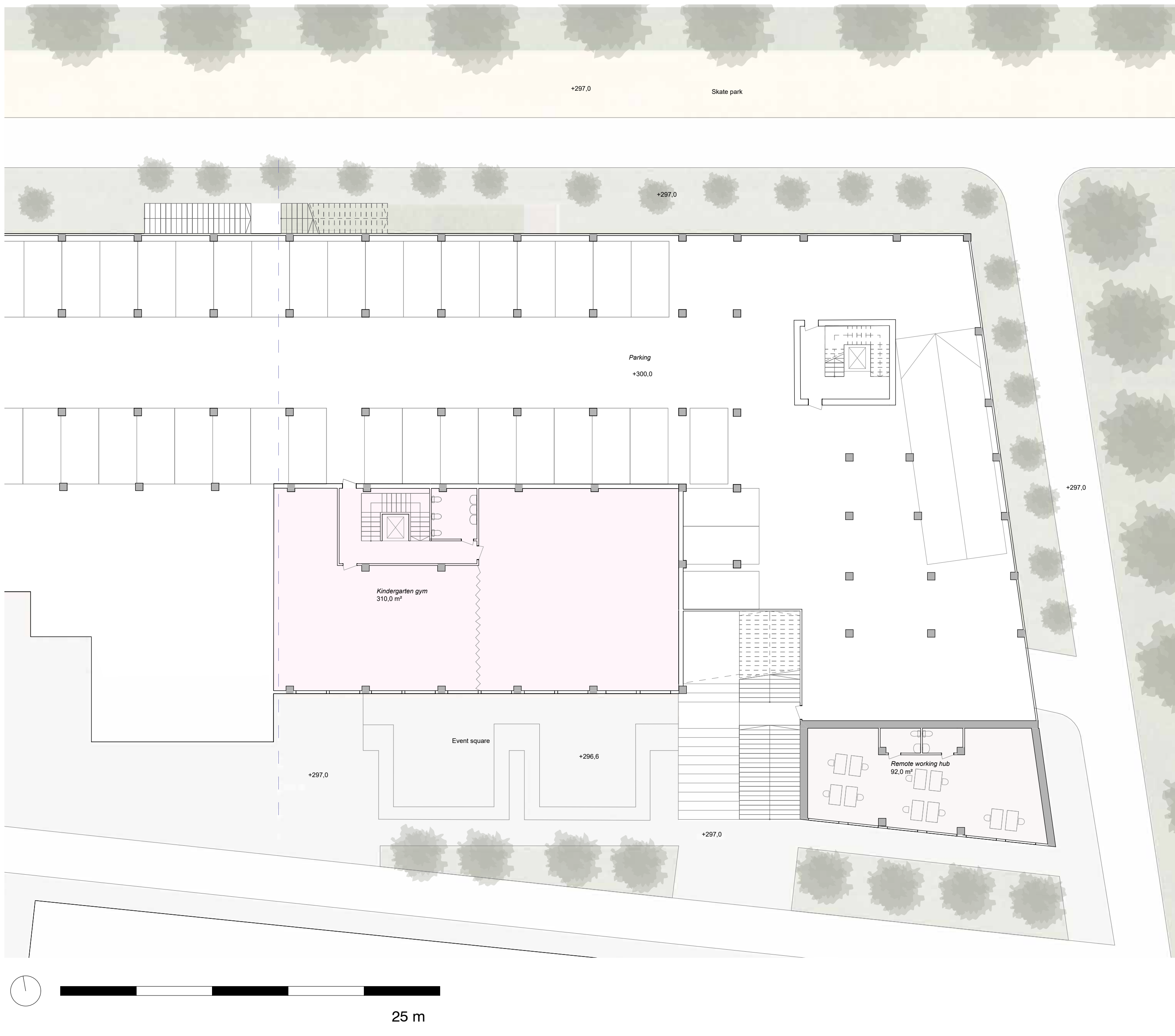
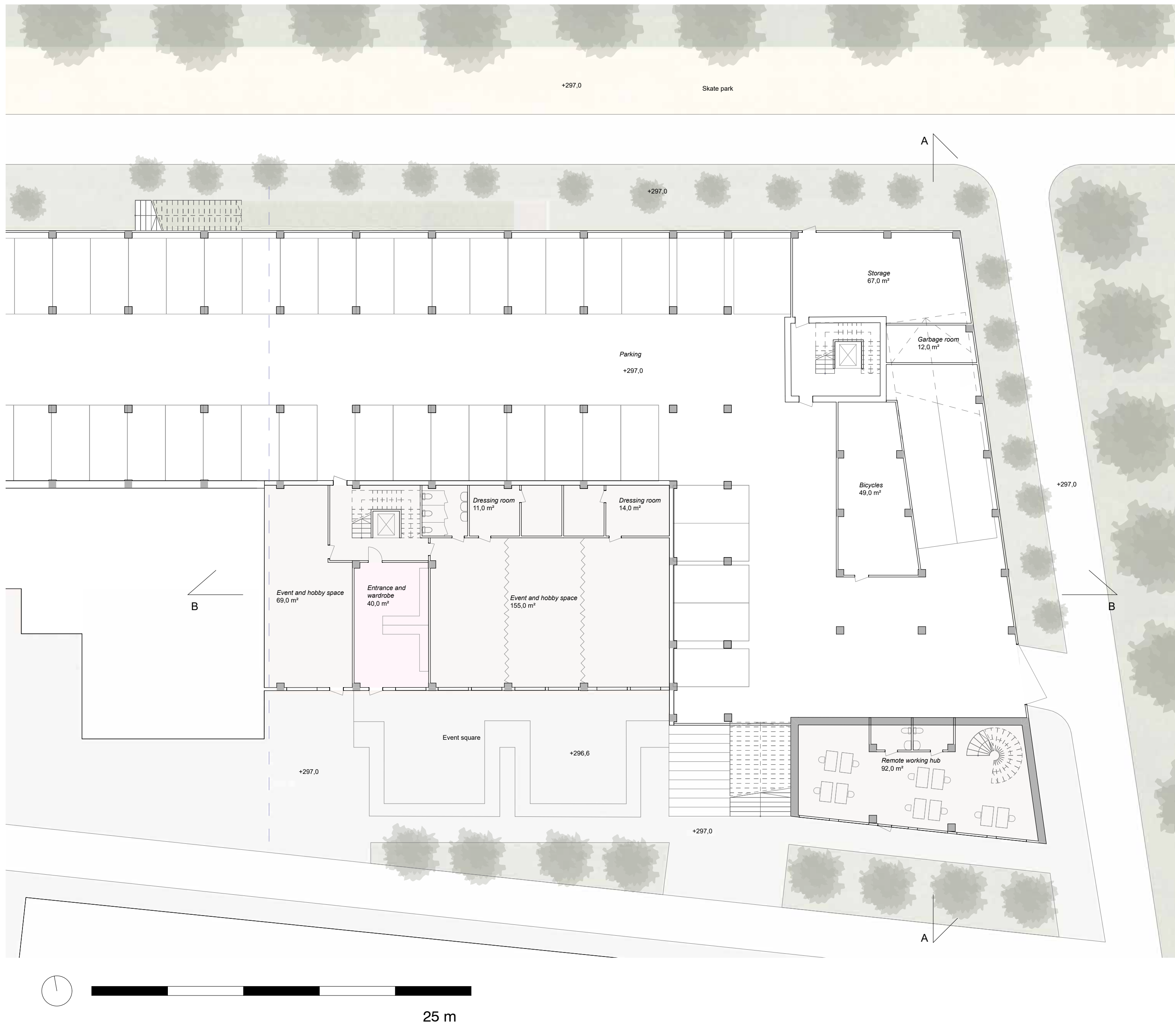


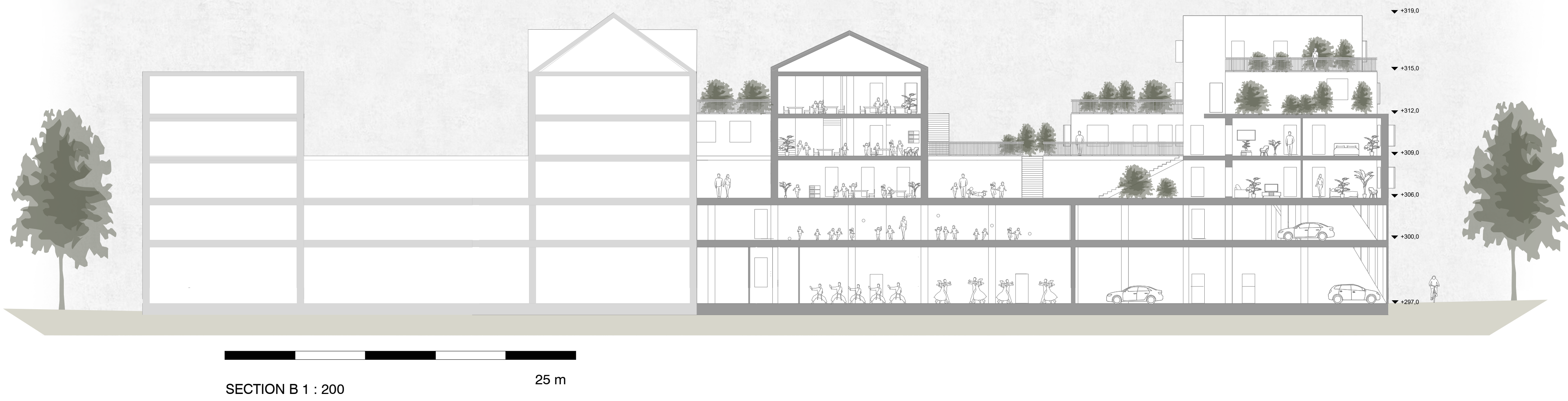
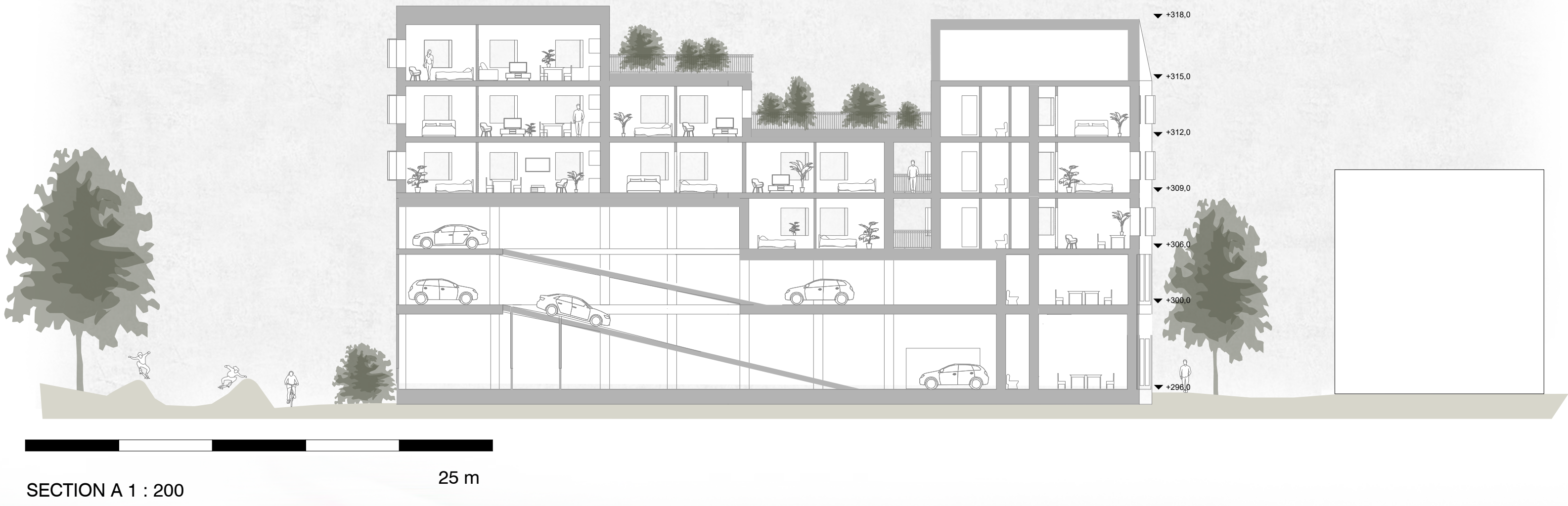
CONNECTIONS



ACTIVITIES

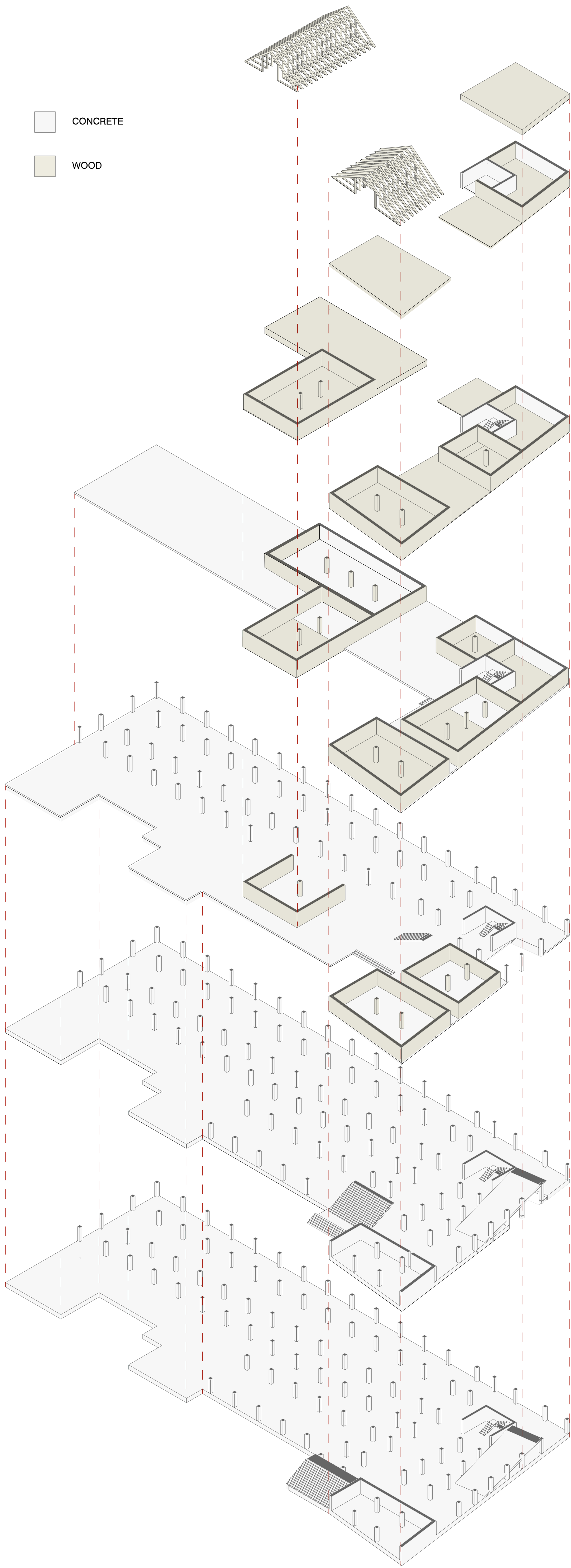




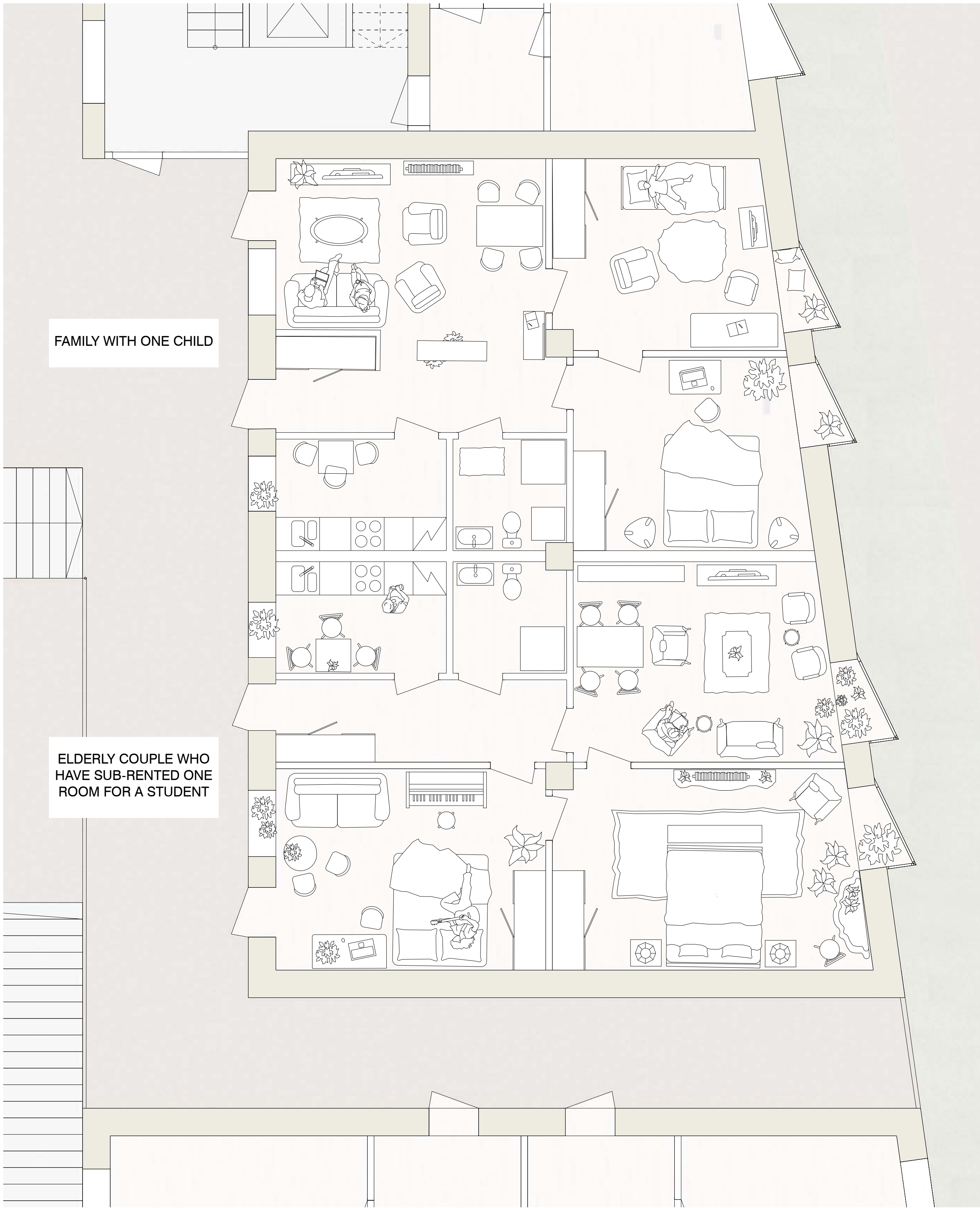




EVENT AND HOBBY SPACE



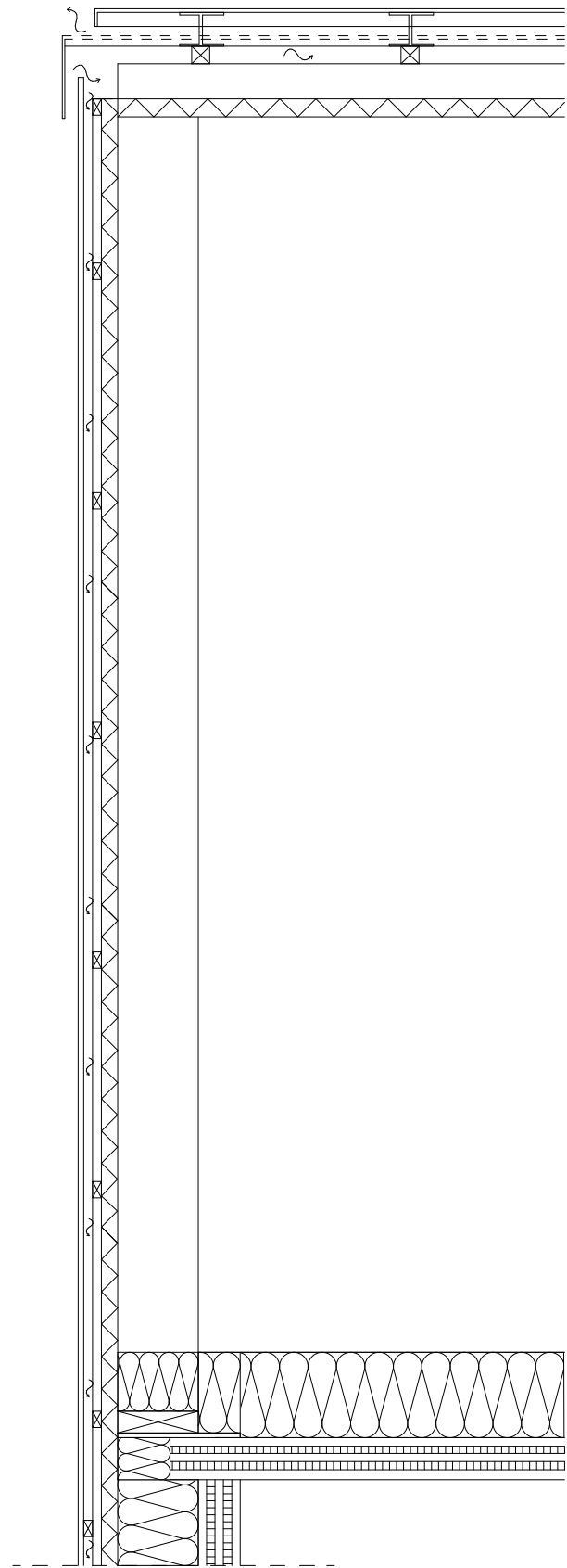
AXONOMETRIC PROJECTION



APARTMENT FLOOR PLAN 1 : 50

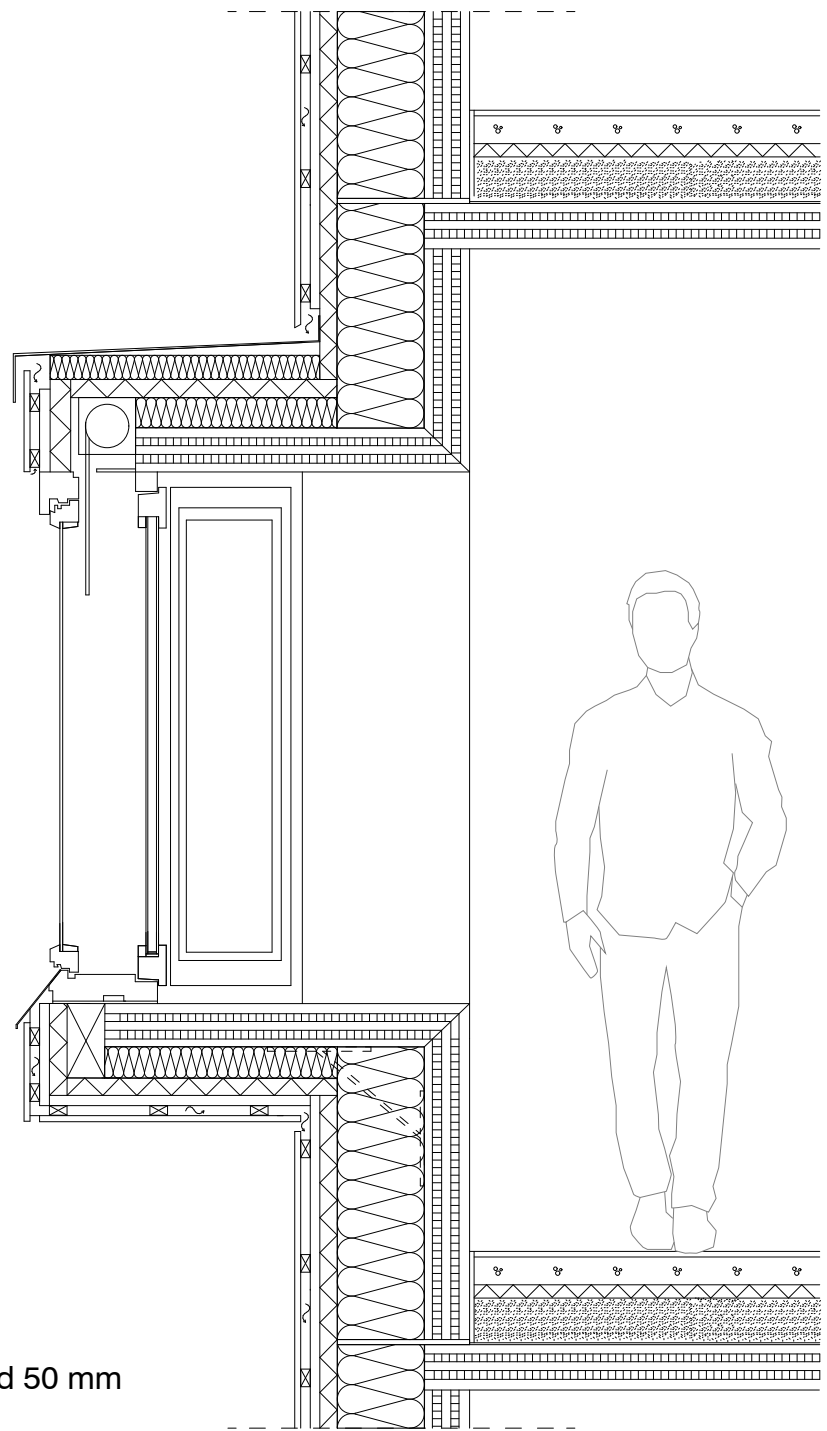


PERSPECTIVE VIEW, THE APARTMENT BUILDING



ROOF

- metal roofing
- plywood plate 15 mm
- air space >100 mm
- ridge 100 mm
- wind protection board 50 mm (cold space)
- insulation 240 mm
- vapour barrier
- CLT

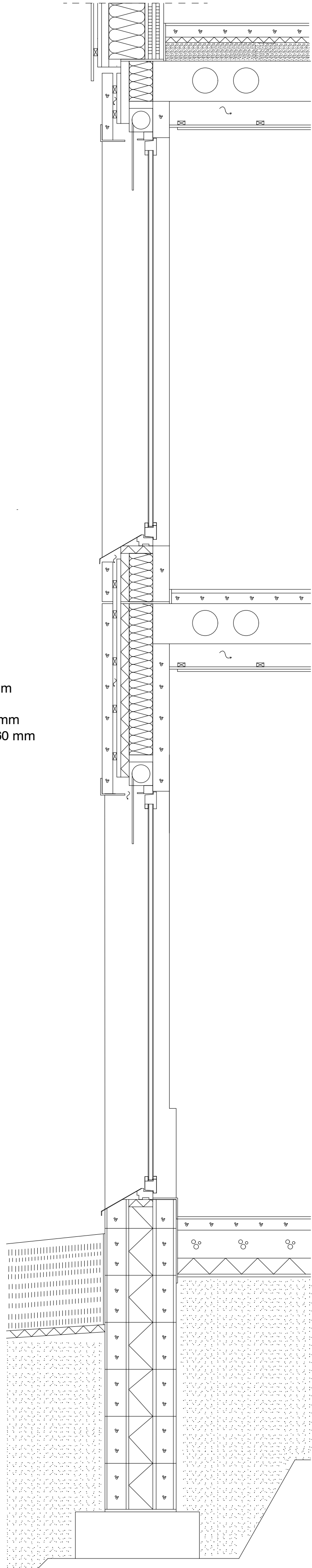


OUTER WALL

- CLT panel 125 mm
- insulation 230 mm
- wind protection board 50 mm
- air gap 60 mm
- cladding

FLOOR

- wooden flooring
- cement screed 50 mm
- impact sound absorbing subflooring 40 mm
- bonded chippings 120 mm
- trickling protection
- CLT slab 125 mm



OUTER WALL

- reinforced concrete 110 mm
- insulation 150 mm
- wind protection board 50 mm
- air gap and wood furring 60 mm
- concrete slab 70 mm

FLOOR

- wooden flooring
- concrete 60 mm
- cavity slab 265 mm
- air space (HVAC included)
- wood furring
- vapour barrier
- gypsum board
- acoustic panel

FLOOR

- concrete slab 150 mm
- filter fabric
- insulation 100 mm
- sand 20 mm
- filter fabric
- air gap 20 mm
- concrete slab 70 mm
- drainage sand >300 mm