

6.2 STABLE BLOCK

6.2.12 EXISTING FACADE IMPROVEMENTS

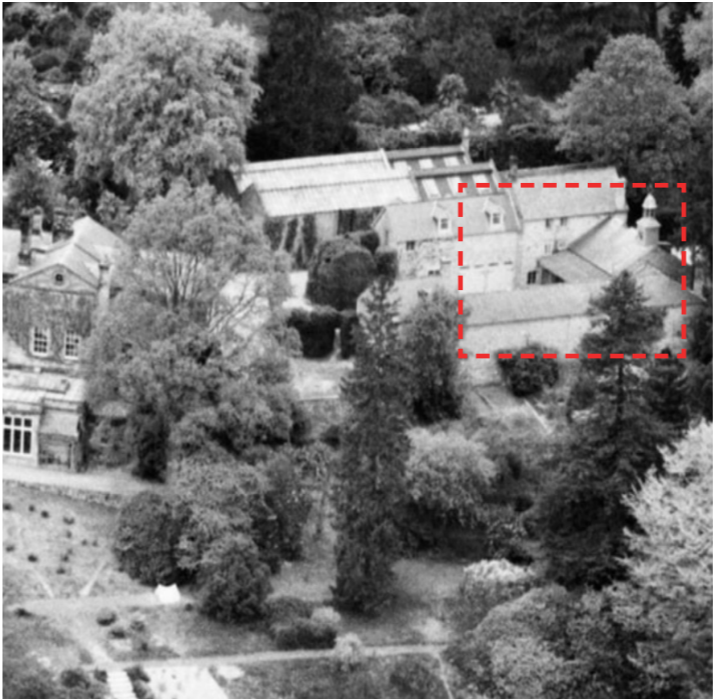
Upon entering the existing courtyard, the most notable facade is the modern uPVC lean to structure situated below the clocktower which appears very out of context and inappropriate in a heritage setting.

It is likely that the lean to roof would have originally have been tiled, then later replaced with a corrugated metal sheeting and finally in recent history refurbished as part of the cafe as a translucent perspex roof to allow light to penetrate into the cafe.

The perspex roof is not in keeping with the character of the Stable Block, and now the kitchen is proposed to be located under the clocktower; there is a lessened requirement for natural light deep into the plan. It is therefore proposed to install a slate roof with discreet conservation rooflights to allow light into the entrance area, and situated so as to retain the historic timber structure still present.

The existing facade has unsympathetic proportions, with UPVC doors and side panels with a natural stone plinth. It is proposed to reconstruct the facade in traditional painted timber doors with glazing bars, which will be in-keeping with the other courtyard elevations.

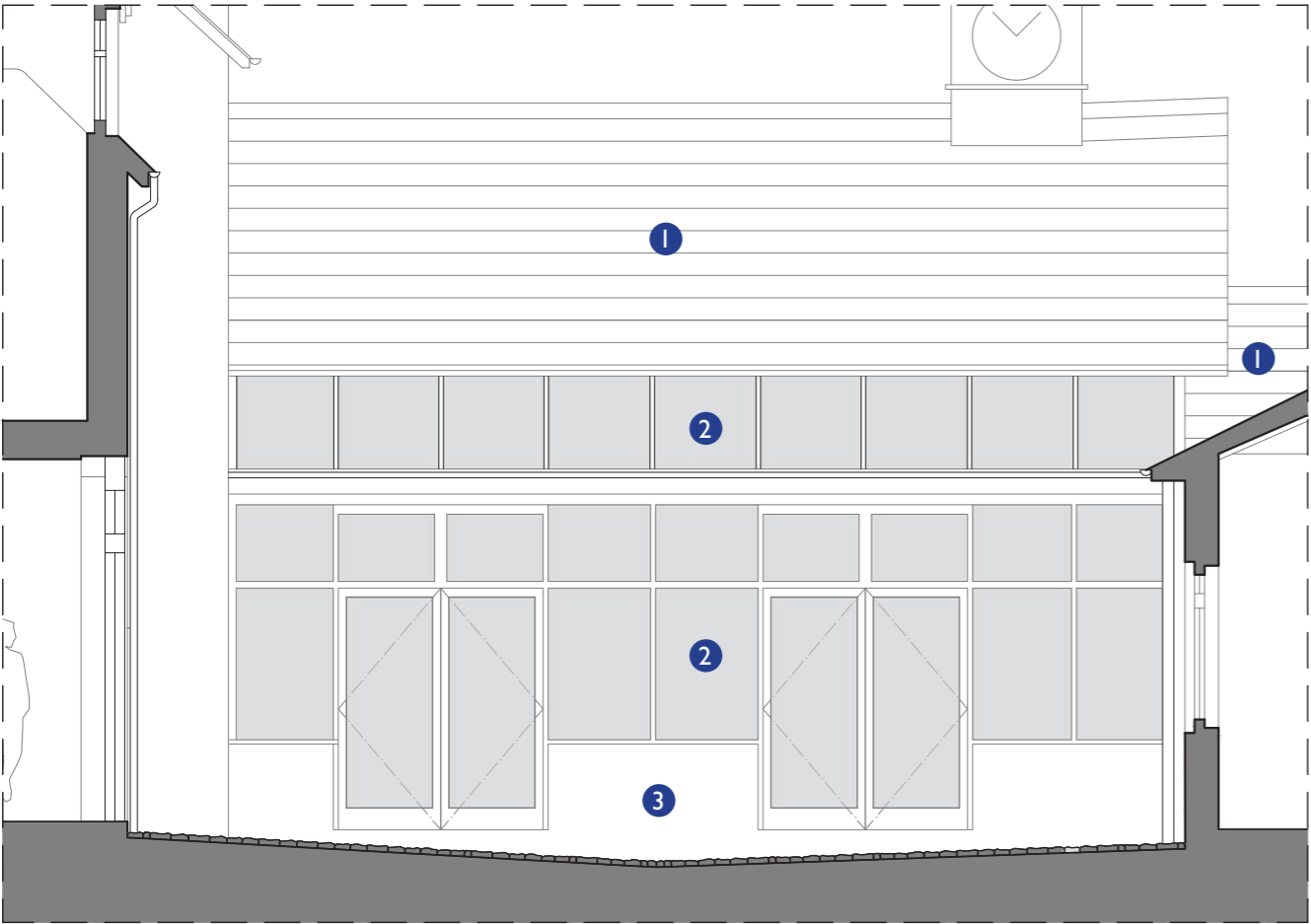
- Key:
- 1 Existing slate roof
  - 2 Existing uPVC facade and roof
  - 3 Existing stone base
  - 4 New warm slate roof with conservation rooflights
  - 5 New black painted metal rainwater goods to match existing
  - 6 Proposed painted timber boarding to match existing historic timber
  - 7 Proposed stepped lead gutters
  - 8 New glazed timber doors to match adjacent existing doors



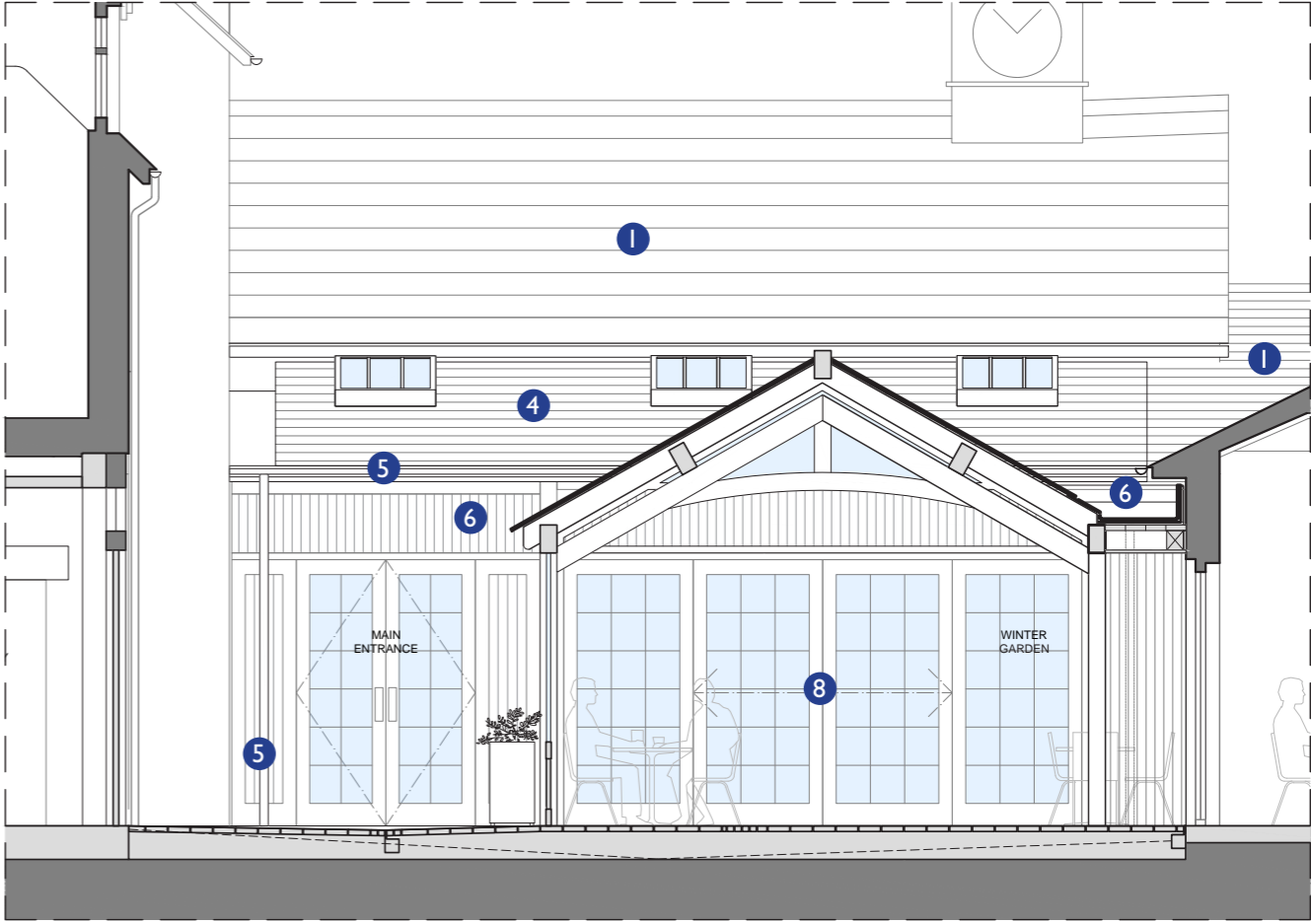
1949 aerial of Leonardslee House and outbuildings. (Historic England Aerofilms Collection)



Existing Clocktower Café



Existing Courtyard Section



Proposed Courtyard Section

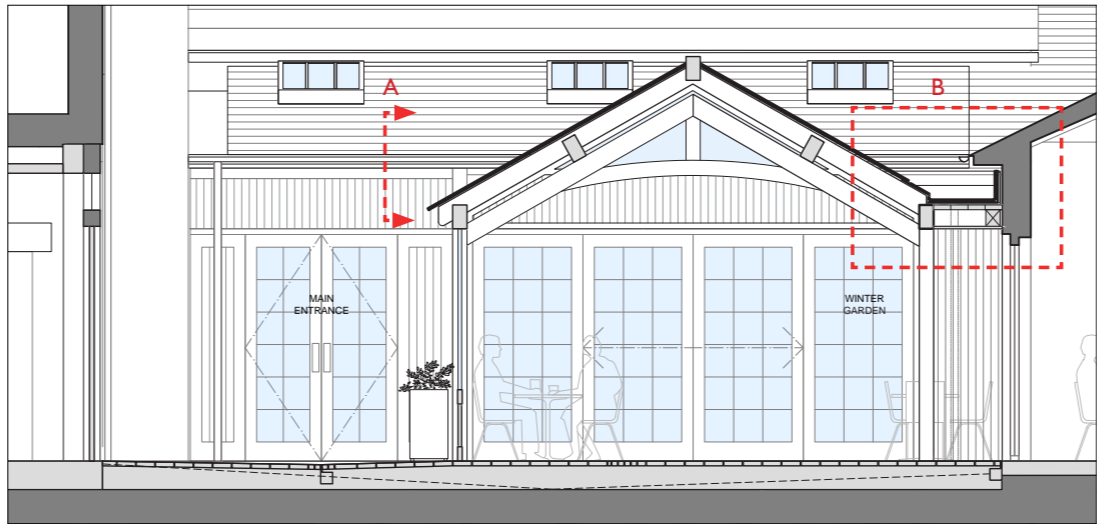
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6.2.13 CONNECTIONS TO EXISTING BUILDINGS

The connections to the existing building from the proposed courtyard extension has been carefully considered to retain the character of the host structures.

The connection along the long side of the stable block takes place below the existing eaves, both to retain the existing ventilation of the historic fabric (from beneath the eaves board) and so that the proposed extension appears secondary and subservient to the original form. This connection is shown in detail B.

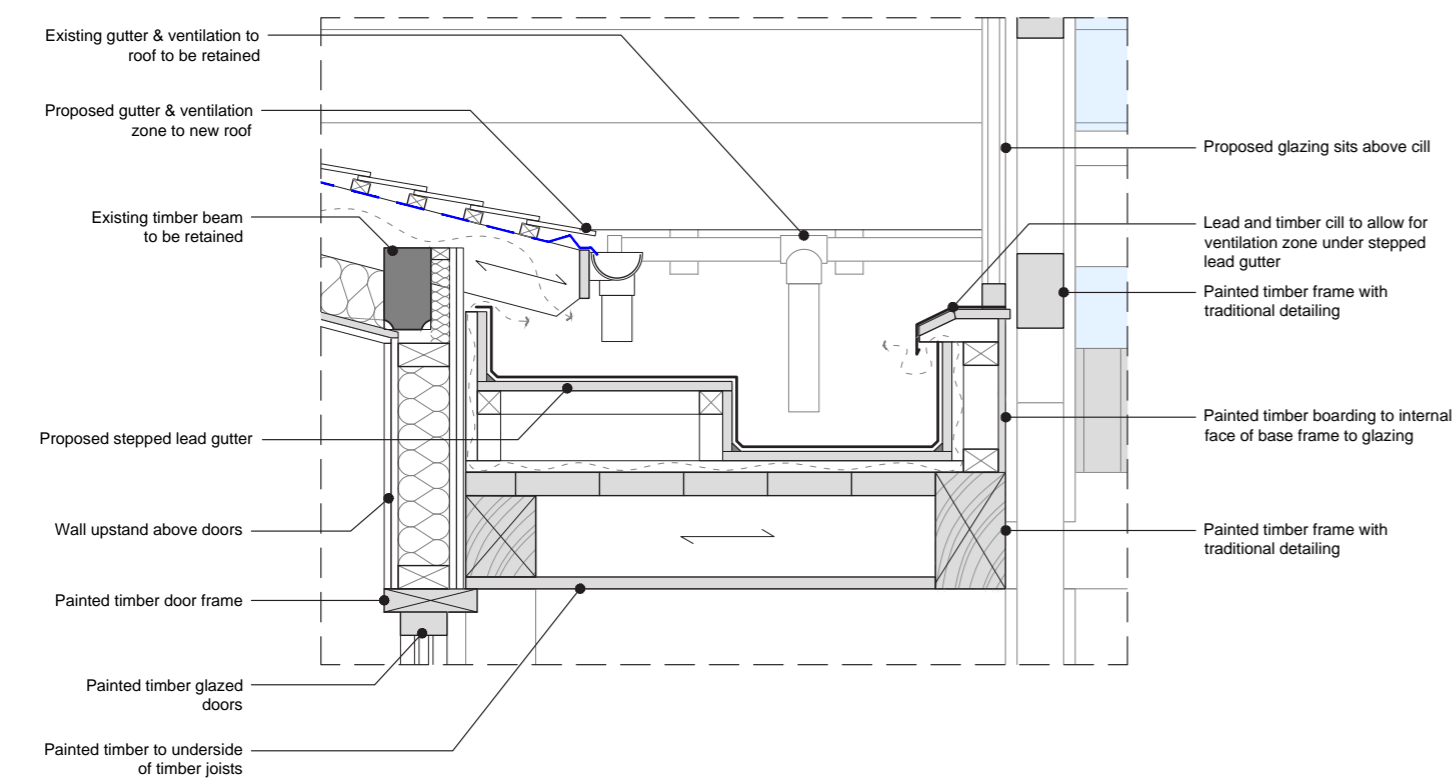
As outlined in the previous page, the existing perspex lean to extension is being replaced with a slate roof with conservation rooflights. The connection to the existing building is replicating the existing condition with the perspex roof, whereby there will be a traditional leaded detail from the existing roof eaves to the to the new roof form, as demonstrated in detail B.



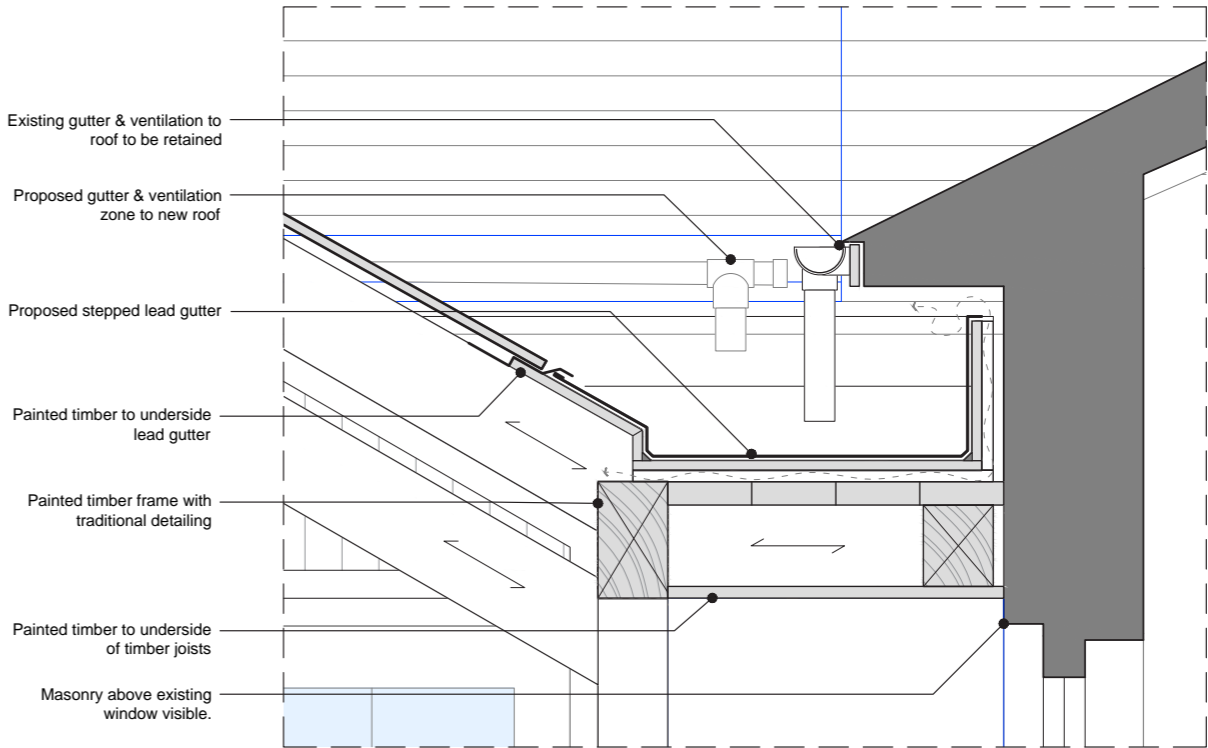
Section through proposed winter garden



Existing Stable Block (non original facade)



Detail section extract of proposed abutment A



Detail section extract of proposed abutment B