

The Long House London UK

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COMPLETION

2005

PROJECT AREA

715 m²

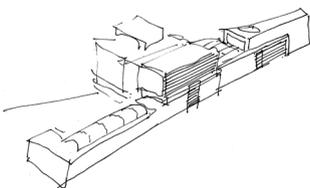
"A beautiful, attenuated dwelling which shoots through an urban block from an old mews, this is an inventive, thoughtful and theatrical house, and that rarest of things - a newly built, architecturally significant house in London"

Edwin Heathcote
Financial Times

Adjudged one of the 10 most beautiful houses in London

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The multi-award winning Long House, is a radical new build 715m² London home which Keith designed for a private family client.

Internally the house contains glorious living and dining spaces, a toplit subterranean 20m lap pool and steam room, 4 main bedrooms, a guest and maid's wing and garaging for 2 cars.

The house replaces two former dwellings on a triangular land parcel to the north side of an historic mews. Set in a mature conservation area where a new build contemporary house is a very rare event, the Long House is low build, again a rare thing, and has the luxury of large interconnected horizontal spaces on the main ground level.

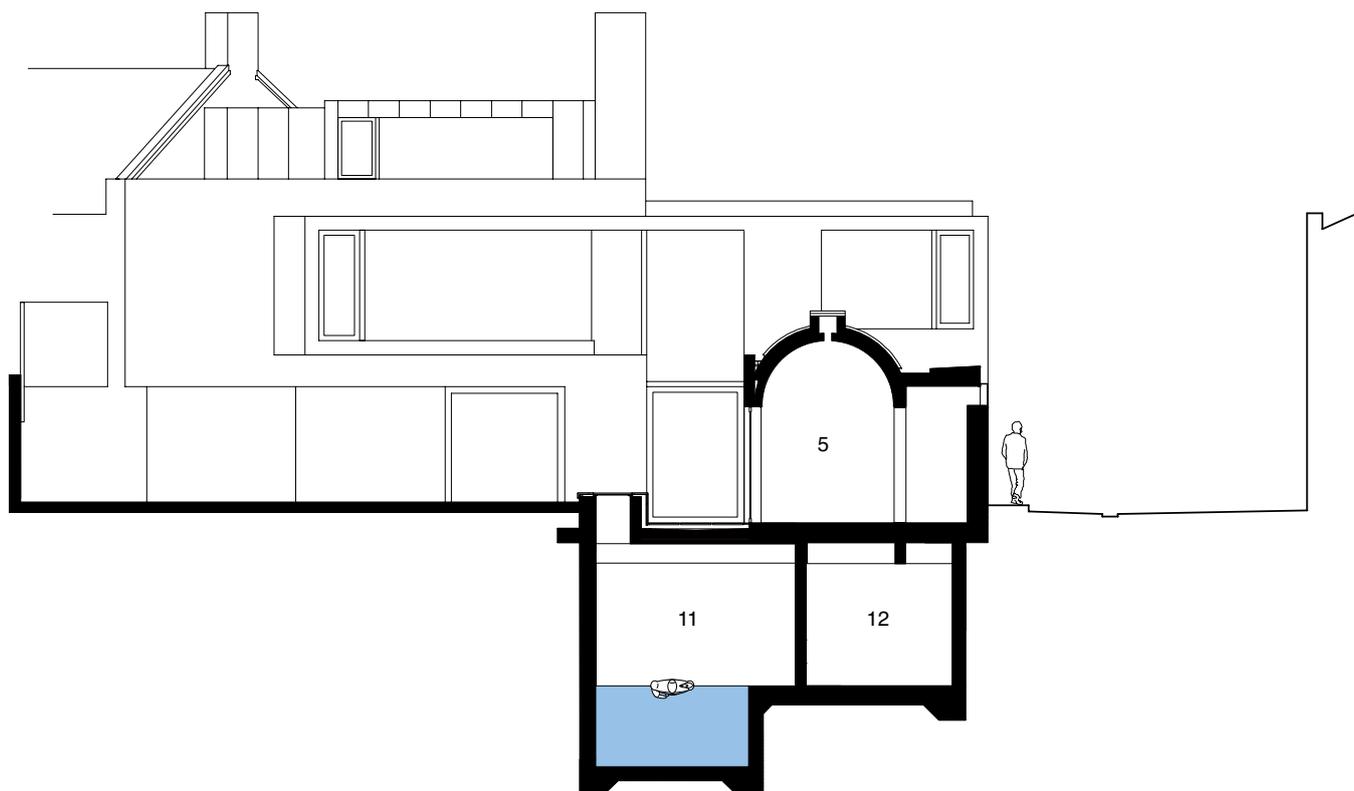
The composition of the house, some 49m in length, hence the Long House, was determined by careful integration of its new masses with the scale and form of the surrounding urban context.

Conceived as a secret dwelling so when viewed from the street it appears introverted and screened from the outside world, by contrast, to the garden side, the elevations are largely transparent, dissolving the relationship between inside and out, allowing the lush gardens to form an important part of the living experience.

Externally, its flank to the mews is formed by the rebuilt pre-existing garden brick boundary wall, surmounted by a clerestory glazed strip and a zinc vaulted roof to the garden wing.

The smaller upper portions of the house comprise of simple blank façades one in white render and one in stock brick, which have been deployed along the top of the wall echoing the volumes of the site's earlier buildings.

Internal materials are floors in oiled oak and pietrolauro limestone, the latter material extending outwards to form the exterior garden terrace surfaces.



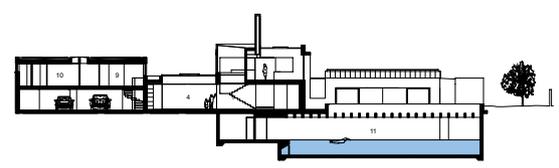


20m subterranean lap pool with natural toplight



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vaulted roof to garden wing



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Awards

2008

RIBA Awards
World Architecture News House of the Year

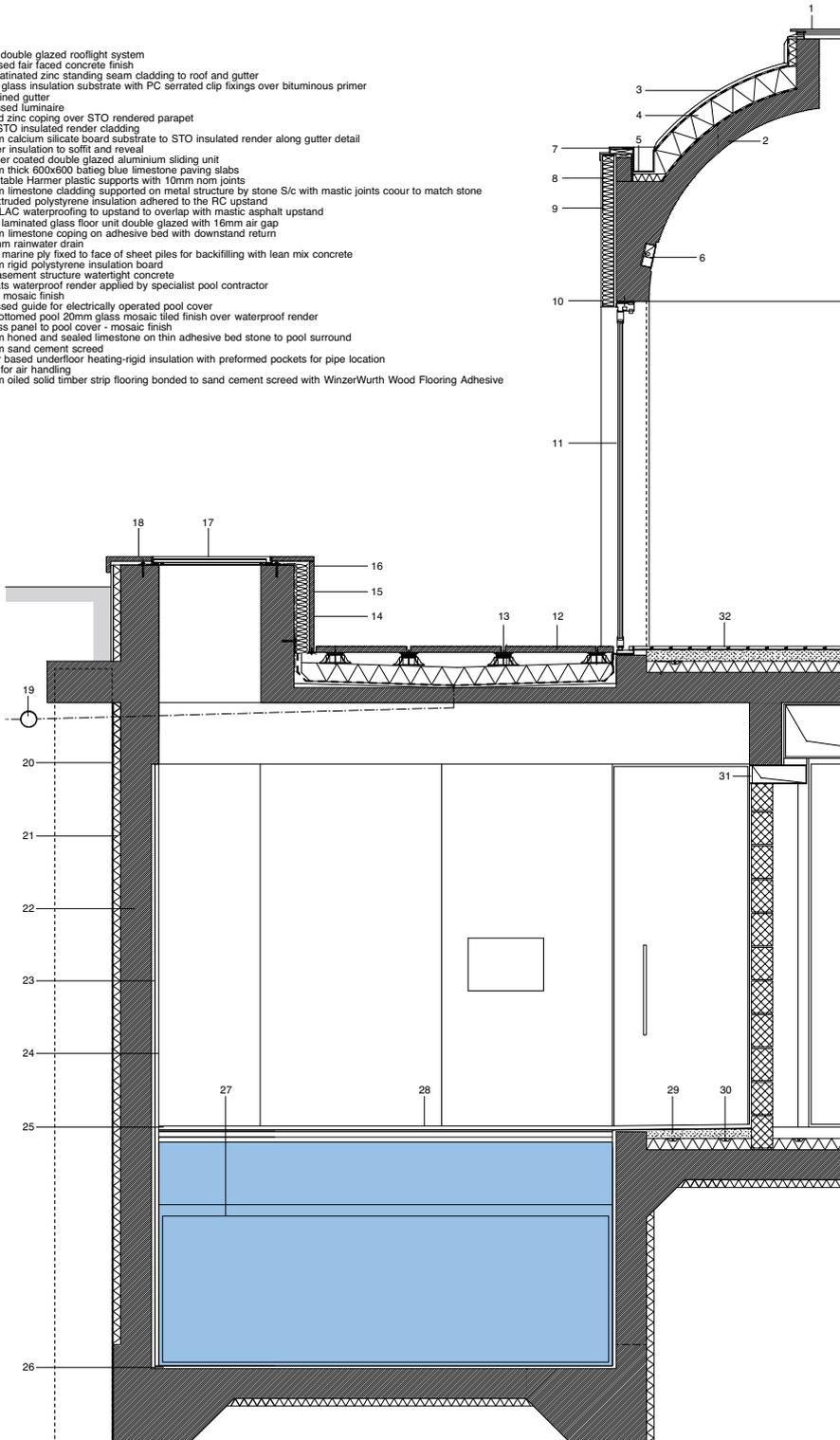
Award Winner
International Finalist

2007

RIAI Awards : Best House Award
RIAI Awards

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- 1 fixed double glazed rooflight system
- 2 exposed fair faced concrete finish
- 3 pre-patinated zinc standing seam cladding to roof and gutter
- 4 foam glass insulation substrate with PC serrated clip fixings over bituminous primer
- 5 zinc lined gutter
- 6 recessed luminaire
- 7 folded zinc coping over STO rendered parapet
- 8 100 STO insulated render cladding
- 9 10mm calcium silicate board substrate to STO insulated render along gutter detail
- 10 render insulation to soffit and reveal
- 11 powder coated double glazed aluminium sliding unit
- 12 40mm thick 600x600 beiling blue limestone paving slabs
- 13 adjustable Harmer plastic supports with 10mm nom joints
- 14 20mm limestone cladding supported on metal structure by stone S/c with mastic joints coour to match stone
- 15 75 extruded polystyrene insulation adhered to the RC upstand
- 16 RIW LAC waterproofing to upstand to overlap with mastic asphalt upstand
- 17 clear laminated glass floor unit double glazed with 16mm air gap
- 18 30mm limestone coping on adhesive bed with downstand return
- 19 100mm rainwater drain
- 20 6mm marine ply fixed to face of sheet piles for backfilling with lean mix concrete
- 21 50mm rigid polystyrene insulation board
- 22 r/c basement structure watertight concrete
- 23 2 coats waterproof render applied by specialist pool contractor
- 24 glass mosaic finish
- 25 recessed guide for electrically operated pool cover
- 26 flat bottomed pool 20mm glass mosaic tiled finish over waterproof render
- 27 access panel to pool cover - mosaic finish
- 28 20mm honed and sealed limestone on thin adhesive bed stone to pool surround
- 29 80mm sand cement screed
- 30 water based underfloor heating-rigid insulation with preformed pockets for pipe location
- 31 grille for air handling
- 32 20mm oiled solid timber strip flooring bonded to sand cement screed with WinzerWurth Wood Flooring Adhesive



construction detail through pool

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