# EARLY ENGAGEMENT - DEMOLITION CONTRACTOR









## **1. SURVEY**

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# **Deconstruction and Surveys**

DONOR ASSET: THE DRUMSHEDS

### NetPesitive SOLUTIONS



## **1. Understand our assets**

- Early development / demolition audit
- Needs to be a strategic document – so we can react to it early in the process.









Description: Coming from # Block demolition - the material will be crushed to Type 1 following the quality protocol for recycled aggregates from inert waste

2. Understand the reuse market What re-use happens as 'business' as usual' for assets Understand barriers (eg. certification, timing, storage) • Focusing on assets ready for the next step









## 3. Making the information widely available

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 Using the Enfield Excess Material Exchange Information uploaded and distributed before deconstruction starts

# **Deconstruction and Surveys**



### 4. Increase value of assets 5. Agree business case and deconstruction specification Mapping links between Donor and Recipient projects Agreement between donor Who wants or needs the and recipient projects assets from deconstruction **Deconstruction Specification**







## 6. Measure success Value retention percentage For Deconstruction and construction For Projects and Programmes



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Meridian Water

50%

Low value recycling on site

Retention

Reusing on site

Reusing off site

**Recycling on site** 

**Recycling off site** 

Low value recycling off site

# The carbon impact of de-fabrication

## **Process of de-fabrication / remanufacturing**

Typical processes required to prepare a second-hand steel section for fabrication and reuse.



## **Carbon impact**

Three different beam sizes were used to assess the energy used to remove 2 No. end plates and shear studs at 300mm centres. The results are shown below.

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Steel section (all 6m long)	Weight of section (tonnes)	Hand blasting	Gas cutting 2 cuts per section	Stud removal (gas) 18 studs per 6m	Stud removal: grind flush	Total kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/6m section	Total kgCO <sub>2</sub> e /tonne
152*152 UC 37	0.22	6.1	0.07	0.01	0.38	6.57	30
203*133 UB 25	0.15	4.1	0.07	0.01	0.38	4.61	31
762*267 UB 173	1.04	28.6	0.10	0.01	0.38	29.05	28

# elliottwood CGT



## Shear stud removal – alternative methods

Our testing	& analysis has sh typical beam by c	Method of removal	Photo after removal	Time per stud	Photo after resprayed	Carbon per stud kgCO <sub>2</sub> e / stud	
removing an end plate from each end and removing shear studs at 300 centres results in embodied carbon emissions of approximately <b>30kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/tonne</b>		Gas cut above weld [note: can't cut lower as it deflects into the beam & scars it]		2 seconds		0.0005	
A1-A3 Em 1,740 kgC0 <sub>2</sub> e/tonne	<b>bodied Carbon</b> Note: this value reflects the average mix of recycled and new steel in the UK market	Note: None of these figures	Cutting disc used to remove stud		20 seconds	0	0.002
New steel 330* kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/tonne	*XCarb from ArcelorMittal Note: recycled 'green'/electric arc furnace steel is only available in limited quantities so use of this is no net benefit to the planet because	include emissions due to fabrication. New steel used for new connections and fabrication processes should be allowed for.	Gas cut above weld & ground after		3 minutes		0.021
Recycled steel 30 kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/tonne Reused steel	demand exceeds supply		Cutting disc used to remove stud & ground after		4 minutes		0.026

## **UKGBC Excel Calculator Tool**

We have used this test data to create an Excel calculator to estimate de-fabrication carbon. Section size





m2/linear metre 0.938

20 mins per metre for 10mm plate plus weld

emoval gas)	Stud removal: grind flush	weld/attachmen t removal (gas)	weld/attachmen t grind flush	Total kg CO2e / length	
0.01	0.38	0.01	0.13	6.84	
0.01	0.38	0.01	0.13	6.93	

# **Reclaimed Steel – Acceptance Criteria**

## Guidance for site assessment acceptance criteria:

GENERAL	All concrete and metal deck to be fully removed. Shear studs to be removed off sit						
REJECT	Freessive corrosion	<image/> <caption></caption>					
ACCEPTABLE IMPERFECTIONS ANYWHERE ALONG THE BEAM	Straightness on both axes: $\Delta = \pm L/750$	Curve or camber: $\Delta = \pm L/500 \text{ or } 6$ whichever is growthickey					
ACCEPTABLE "DINGS"	Dings up to 25mm at end thirds of the beam span - maximum 1 ding per beam (Dings greater than 25mm or at middle third of the beam, are not not acceptable) <u>example of</u>	tuoddns tuoddns					
ACCEPTABLE DAMAGE	Damaged coating or finishes:						
ACCEPTABLE FEATURES (SUBJECT TO CASE BY CASE ASSESSMENT BY ENGINEER) SEE SITE EXAMPLES OPPOSITE	Plated standard sections (LE NOT FABRICATED PLATE GIRDERS)	Penetrations					

ite (Top section of the stud can be removed on site, if required to assist with transportation). Local buckling in top flange Cracked steelwork Plastic/Excessive deformation Web distc Flange distortion: ∆ = b/150  $\Delta = b/200$ ater beam acceptable not acceptable acceptable L/3 different beam areas along the span Twisted or damaged shear studs: 0 11 11111 111

Localised plate stiffeners

**Bolt holes** 

Localised defects which may be easily repairable or cut from beam length

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## **Recent Examples:**



# **REUSABLE STEEL – ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT** DECLARATION

# **REUSABLE STEEL** ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ISO 14025 AND EN 15804:2012+A2:2019

Programme The International EPD® System www.environdec.com

steel sections

Programme Operator EPD International AB



characterisation

ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION



size reduction and shot-blasting

reusable steel sections



	Product Stage			Construction Process Stage			n Use Stage						End o Sta	of Life age		Benefits and Loads	
	Raw Material Supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational Energy Use	Operational Water Use	Deconstruction/demolition	Transport	Waste Processing	Disposal	Future reuse. recycling or energy recovery potentials
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Variation – Products	NR			_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-		
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### **Raw Material**

Raw materials for resuable steels consist of steel sections extracted from demolition/deconstruction projects and fabricated sections which were never installed.

### **Upstream Transportation**

Transport is relevant for delivery of the extracted steel to EMR Reusable Steel facility.



### **Transport to Disposal Site**

**Deconstruction / Demolition** As a recycling business, C1 equals to This stage is related to the A1 for EMR, which is already taken into account. To avoid double counting, this is taken as 0.



### Disposal

Disposal is the final stage of product life and it is assumed that 96% of the steel is recycled or reused while the remainder is subjected to disposal.

**Benefits & Loads** At this stage, benefits and loads from the reusable steel are calculated.









The manufacturing phase includes de-fabrication to remove extraneous materials and cutting to enable reuse.



Waste Processing

Waste processing refers to the processing steps for the deconstructed steel for its final end-of-life phase. C3 is already accounted for in A3 for reusable steel

transportation of product when they come to the end of their life cycle. Transportation of used steel is already accounted for in A2 for reusable steel.

## Making the best use of existing resources





In this example a new project requires 1000t of steel. An existing 'donor building' is available that can provide 1250t of steel sections.

In Option 1 we consider the 'business as usual' case where the existing building steel is scrapped. The new steel frame is assumed to use 60% scrap in its production.

Option 2 reclaims the steel from the donor building for use in the project. It is not possible to match the steel sections to the minimum weight required, so there is some inefficiency involved. Re-fabrication and transport is still required.

Option 3 reclaims 65% of the steel from the donor building but only uses existing sections where these are well matched to the new needs, and so does not increase the steel weight. In this example 25% of the steel in the new building consists of reclaimed sections.

### **Greenhouse gas emissions**

### Looking only inside project boundaries

Option 1	$1670 \text{ tCO}_2 \text{e}^{(1)}$
Option 2	435 tCO <sub>2</sub> $e^{(2)}$
Option 3	1340 tCO <sub>2</sub> e

### Looking at the big picture

Option 1makes 650t of scrap steel available to reduce demand for primary steel for other projects. This scrap is worth at least 1.5tCO<sub>2</sub>e/t of saved greenhouse gas emissions<sup>(3)</sup>.

Option 3 releases steel suitable for reuse. This steel is worth  $2.0tCO_2e/t$ of saved greenhouse gas emissions.

Option 1	$1670 - 1.5 \times 650 = 695 \text{ tCO}_2\text{e}$
Option 2	435 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
Option 3	$1340 - 2.0 \times 550 = 240 \text{ tCO}_2 \text{e}$

Recovering 65% of the steel for reuse and using 25% in the project is, in this example, better than trying to reuse it all on one project.



## **Brent Cross Town Primary Substation**

### **Argent's History of Re-use**

Argent has a strong history of re-use. The classic image of Kings Cross below encapsulates this approach with the Granary Building, Grain Store, Coal Drops Yard and Gasholders all partially or entirely re-purposed buildings.

Undoubtedly this had an environmental benefit, but it has also delivered social (identity / heritage) and value performance that is unlikely to have been possible with new-build.



### **A Net Zero Carbon Town**

Brent Cross Town is committed to being Net Zero Carbon by 2030 at the latest.

The minimisation of operational carbon emissions is well established through measures such as intelligent building design, power purchasing agreements for renewable electricity, and electrification of the town's heating and cooling.

Embodied carbon emissions now tend to account for >50% of a building's lifecycle emissions. Mainstream awareness of this is increasing rapidly and innovative approaches to reducing embodied carbon are now critical in order to capture the interest of top-tier occupiers, funders and partners.

Buildings constructed without a forward-thinking approach to lifecycle carbon risk rapid depreciation in value and potentially becoming stranded assets.



### **BXT Primary Substation Project**

Brent Cross Town requires a new 80MVA substation to deliver (100% renewable) electrical power to the new town.

The site identified did not have any existing elements that could be reused in a structure but, there was a strong desire to do something which would brighten up this rather grey (but prominent) intersection of highway and railway infrastructure.

The winning scheme (from IF DO architects and north London artist Lakwena) is a 21m high, 115m circumference oval wrap around the main transformer pens / switchroom. We knew that in order to justify this new structure in the context of our net zero carbon town we would have to look at innovative ways to reduce embodied carbon.



### **Design and Delivery**

Arup were appointed as Lead Designer and across all engineering disciplines from Stage 1 of the project (refer to Arup Board for detail).

Although our usual procurement route is to then move to a Main Contractor to undertake Stage 4 through a PCSA we decided that for this project we would instead engage Bourne Special Projects (BSP) directly to undertake the Stage 4 design of the steelwork alongside our architect.

This enabled us to work directly with BSP (who would then fabricate and install the Wrap) to develop the design and work through any elements of risk.

BSP were then taken on as a domestic sub-contractor to Galldris who were the Main Contractor for the wider substation delivery.

### Risk

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Initially the specification of the reused steel raised several potential risks. For BXT the key concerns were around:

- 1. Availability of stock (what happens if the reused sections were no longer available after the design progressed). 2. Material performance warranty.
- Both of these risk items were minimised through early

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engagement of the supply chain.

Stock was reserved through Cleveland Steel and Tubes (CST) during Stage 3, early orders placed through BSP in Stage 4.

Selecting BSP as preferred sub-contractor from the end of Stage 3 allowed them to undertake sufficient due diligence on the material and specify the requirements for testing in order to satisfy themselves as to its suitability.

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### Commercial

In 2021 our initial analysis indicated that:

- Cost per tonne for reused / repurposed material is generally 50% less than prime.
- Even after considering the additional testing / surface preparation / transport etc the all-in cost of reused steel was still  $\sim 25\%$  less than prime.

The final contract was being negotiated during February / March 2022. During this period sharp increases in commodities prices threatened the overall viability of the project.

However, the price of the reused steel remained consistent throughout this period – further improving its commercial performance and helping the overall project to proceed.

## **Key Client Lessons Learnt**

- Do an early assessment of where it might be possible to reuse material. The design obviously needs to evolve with this in mind but so does the project team.
- 2. Engage directly with forward thinking suppliers and subcontractors. Due to the knowledge, experience and practical







# **Brent Cross Town Primary Substation Design**

## The Winning Scheme

A huge piece of public artwork. An immense colourful signpost to the Brent Cross development which can be seen both from the north circular and from the railway line. It was vital to demonstrate a responsible use of our precious resources. The structure presented an excellent opportunity to innovate and reuse some existing steelwork.

## The Challenge

To achieve this challenge, we knew we needed to collaborate as a project team. Arup's 30-year relationship with Argent opens the door to honest conversations and promotes opportunities to innovate. With support from the Steel Construction Institute and Cleveland Steel we established a source for reused steel. settling on some ex-oil industry steelwork. Cleveland Steel have catalogued the steelwork they own helping the design process.

We eventually decided upon using the reused steel tubes for the long columns together with conventional steelwork for the facade support, where tubes would have been less efficient and clunky for connections. What helped to decide was that reused steel saved approximately 75TCO2. Moreover, the whole project team have learned how to do incorporate reused steel into a project.

### Lesson Learned

The Circular Buildings Toolkit developed by Ellen MacArthur Foundation and Arup is free to use for all. It provides an excellent framework for incorporating circular economy principals into real estate. The tool is free to use via the link below. What other circular innovations could we have achieved had we used the toolkit?

## The Efficiency of Recycling Scrap

Recycling of scrap steel makes a major, and increasing, contribution to reducing global warming and is key to addressing the global climate emergency. This is because recycling scrap reduces the demand for primary 'pig iron' production, which currently involves high emissions from blast furnaces. Scrap steel from all sources is currently extensively and efficiently recycled.

It is typically processed through electric arc furnaces, and is also added to the basic oxygen steelmaking furnaces that are fed mainly with primary 'pig iron' from a blast furnaces. Either of these two routes can and are used to produce the full range of structural steel products and reinforcement.

"Inefficient use of scrap steel resources in a project reduces scrap availability generally in the industry and this can lead to an increase in global primary steel production, so care is needed to avoid any unintended adverse impact on global warming potential."

- Research via 'Invest in Arup 23997'

### Embodied Carbon & **Circular Economy**

Major shift in focus towards embodied carbon to sweep through markets in coming decades.

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build for long-term use	Passive services provision for multiple typologies anticipate user-adaptation and change
Build efficiently	Choose sufficient grids, adopt off-site and
Build efficiently	Choose sufficient grids, adopt off-site and digital fabrication

## Circular Buildings Toolkit

Each Strategy includes a set of specific Action Cards across all design stages that guide users on how the circularity concept described within the strategy can be translated to practice. The platform features a library of case studies where users can find existing examples across the globe where the circular design principles embedded in this framework have been implemented.

Each Tool Card features a description of the tool/guideline, the individual KPIs addressed by the tool, and a link to the external official website for further information.

The Workshop section provides materials and guidance on how project teams can use the framework in a structured, interactive session, where they can effectively identify the strategies and actions that they wish to implement in the project.

Users can create an account add their own projects. Once registered, users can revisit their project any time, modify the inputs and track performance directly on the platform.

## Circular Buildings Toolkit – Strategy cards

Users will have access to a set of strategy cards, each one containing the following information:

- Description
- KPI
- Benefits • Challenges • Impact level • Key design phase • Designer impact

• Relevant indicator





### https://ce-toolkit.dhub.arup.com/

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## **One Broadgate Deconstruction & Urban Mining**

## - Partners -



Logistics -



## - Consider Impact -



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## - Is It Viable? -



## - Set The Standard -



EXAMPLE OF ACCEPTABLE STEELWORK CONDITION



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EXAMPLE OF DING OF WHICH ONLY TWO NUMBER ARE ALLOWED IN THE MIDDLE SECTION OF THE BEAM



TYPICAL BEAM EXAMPLE WITH REFERENCE NOTES

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# **Design for Steel Reuse - Engineer's Perspective**

## Design for Re-Use: Summary

- + For buckling resistance for reclaimed steel a modification factor of  $\gamma$ M1,mod = 1.15 $\gamma$ M1, this is to allow for the increased uncertainty with reused/reclaimed steel.
- Depending on the age of the building typically start with the assumption the grade of steel is S2
  Avoid specifying unusual sections such as very large sections which will be harder to find.
- If bolt holes reduces the section by more than 15% the new cross-section properties should be considered.
- Recommended that for reclaimed steel with existing holes, new connections within 100mm sho be avoided.
- + Existing connections can be reused but careful inspection and testing (eg of the wleds) would b required.
- + Extra testing care and consideration needs to be given to any reused steel used prior to 1970, e sub-grade of steel is assumed to be JR without testing for steel post this date but additional testing would be required prior to this date.
- + No reliance should be placed on original fire protection.

## Designing for Re-Use: Take Aways

+ Flexibility for change: Specify beam properties and model volumes rather than exact beam un later in design.. Stage 4/5.



- Educate the client and get them on board early: reuse requires a different process, which is
  perceived as riskier. Perfect steel may not be available at the right time but something similar
  might be. Agree extent of holes, welded plates etc. from previous use that can be accepted.
- + Educate contractors of the process: provide information of the procedure, what's involved each stage to be able to give more programme and cost certainty.



# How they were solved on Holbein

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oe ≥g	The right timing and programme influences.	Programme didn't allow for steelwork to be tested and refabricated from the original site. Also missed out on more stock becoming available by weeks.	Understanding prog implications if steel site is to be reused.
ıtil	Getting the builders and subcontractors on board.	Contractors could have provided inflated costs as it is currently the `unknown' and were nervous about implications.	Engages with stock provide advice to m contractor.
	Testing and warranties.	Nervousness around testing protocol and ability to provide CE markings limits fabricators willing to use reused steelwork.	Use fabricators fam process. Educate cl fabricators.
ned ed	What is the final product going to look like.	Steelwork may have holes and marks from previous use, client education required.	Show examples of c steelwork to client i be visual.
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Photos from Holbein Gardens

# **Design for Steel Reuse - Holbein Gardens Case Study**





Stock steelwork



**Existing Steel on 7 Holbein Place** 



**Steel from Biscuit Factory** 



Steel from 30 Grosvenor Square Temporary Works

## **Specification + Design for Steel Reuse**



**INCLUDING STEEL, WITHIN THE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS** 



# **Specification + Design for Steel Reuse**

## Successful reuse is a matter of tolerance...

### Project tolerances

Every project starts with a vision of simplicity - large volumes of space and no clutter.

But buildings are highly complex machines. In an ideal world, each discipline would have it's own zone of space to work within. But by the time we do this, we have no space left. As architects, our role is to make the engineering acrobatics look effortless. We lead the coordination process, negotiating tolerances and anticipating construction issues to reach a compromise that meets everyone's requirements and expectations. Currently we are experiencing a shift towards the distribution of air (one of the biggest consumers of space in a building) within the floor void. This transforms the ceiling plane into the clean surface we aspire to, and forces us to question if a suspended ceiling is really required.

Even if the client does select a suspended ceiling, our current specifications utilise the slab as the suspension points - not the beams. So why can't the beams be different depths, widths, or types? And when it comes to columns, there is no architectural reason why they can't differ - especially if choose to celebrate differences and call them architectural features.

At the end of the day, it's just a case of understanding and accommodating the tolerances - something that we are already very adept at doing ...















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### **ECTC Steel Re-Use**

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Working in collaboration with EMR and Multiplex, WSP are looking to use **reclaimed steel sections** for the Elephant & Castle Town Centre development, building E2, E3 and E4 building, (approx. 371t of designed steel).

EMR have provided a database of steel sections available for re-use.

To facilitate the **'matching' process**, we are developing a **digital tool** which uses an optimisation algorithm to replace designed sections with suitable reclaimed sections based on **set parameters** (capacity, depth, weight), **maximising** the amount of reused steel.

Assuming steel re-use stock **availability**, the tool could potentially be used across a number of our projects to **reduce upfront carbon** and the requirement for new resources.



Embodied carbon of reused steel certified by the Carbon trust for EMR is circa 50-60kg/CO2e/t, compared to circa 600 for electric arc & 2000 for blast furnace.



### Centre Block, Canadian Parliament Building.



The Centre Block Rehabilitation of the Canadian Parliament Building has identified over 4500 structural steel elements that needed to be removed as part of the extensive renovation works.

Despite steelwork being made in 1920, WSP specified appropriate testing for strength, plastic deformation and weldability which identified the steel as being suitable for reuse in new build areas of the project.

The current design has identified 1700 elements for reuse within the project, roughly 25% of the new build, with a projected saving of 750tCO2e.

In addition, the remaining elements will be triaged for potential reuse in another redevelopment project within the Parliamentary Precinct, an opportunity to save up to another 800tCO2e.



Centre Block during original construction



Centre Block. Example plan for level 2