

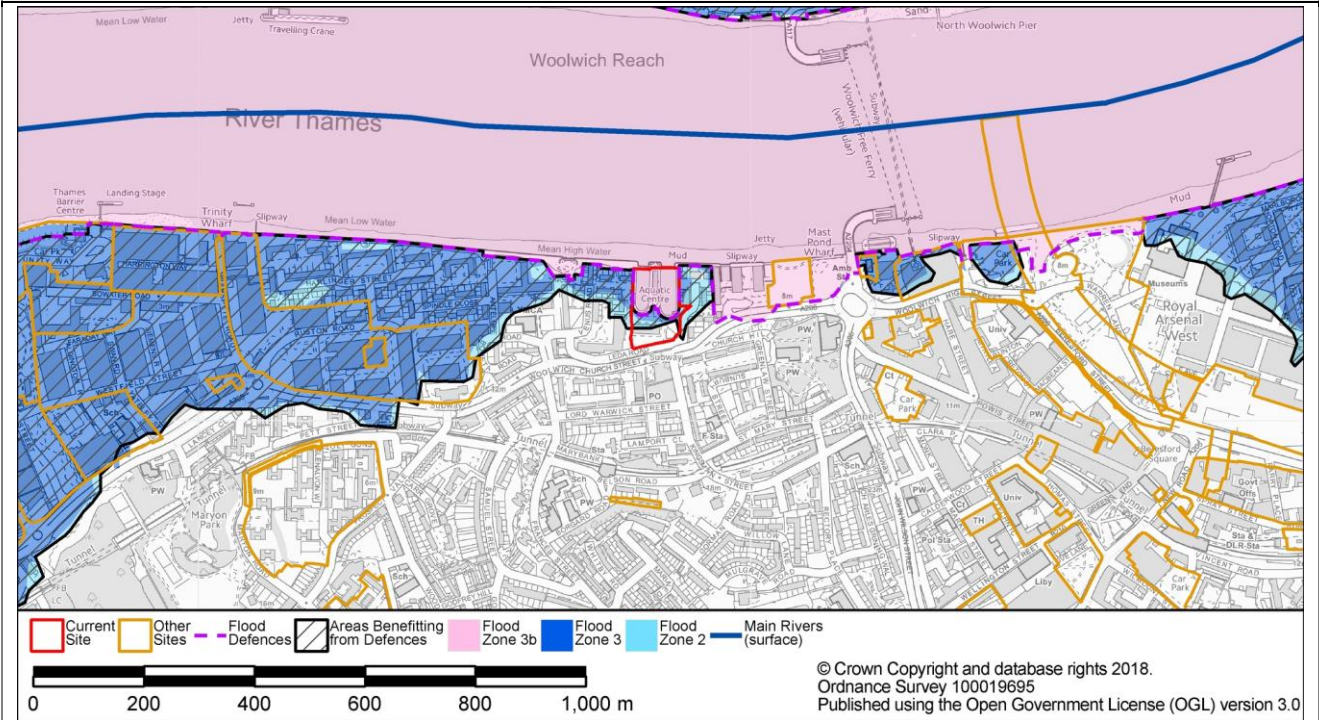
**Site Name: Sovereign House and Derelict docks, Woolwich**

<b>Site ID:</b>	SA41	<b>Site Address:</b>	Woolwich	<b>Area (ha):</b>	1.19
<b>Current Use:</b>	Residential	<b>Proposed Use:</b>	Residential	<b>Vulnerability Classification:</b>	More Vulnerable

**Tidal Source:**

<b>Flood Zone 1 (&lt;0.1% AEP):</b>	<b>Flood Zone 2 (0.1% AEP):</b> 77%	<b>Flood Zone 3 (1% AEP):</b> 67%	<b>Flood Zone 3b (5%AEP):</b> 58%	<b>Area Benefiting from Defences:</b>	18.54%
23%					

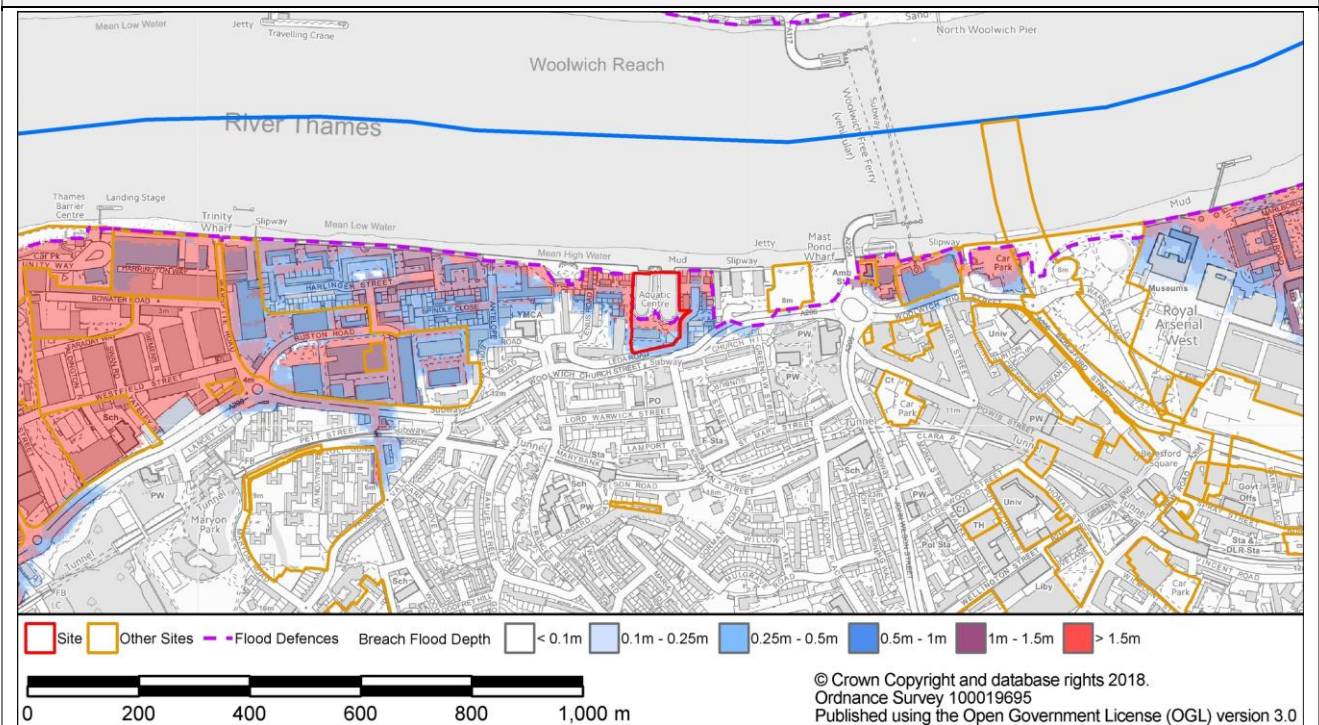
**Flood Zones and Flood Defences**



**Figure A - Flood Zones**

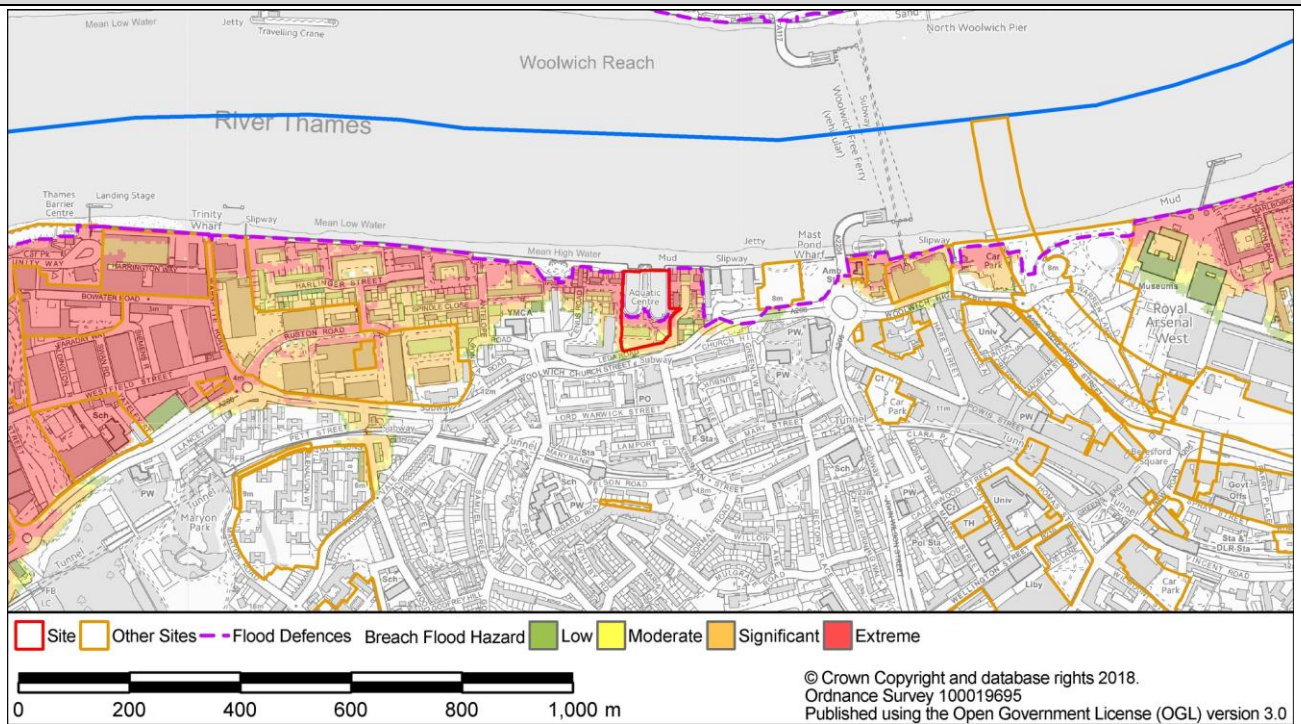
<b>Flood Defence Source:</b>	tidal	<b>Upstream of Thames Barrier?</b>	No
<b>Flood Defence Type:</b>	wall	<b>Standard of Protection:</b>	1000
<b>Flood Warning Area</b>	Tidal Thames from Woolwich Arsenal to Deptford Creek (77% Overlap)	<b>Emergency Rest Centre</b>	Clockhouse Community & Recreation Centre

**Residual Tidal Flood Risk**



**Figure B - Maximum Flood Depth (Downriver Breach Assessment, 0.5% AEP 2115)**

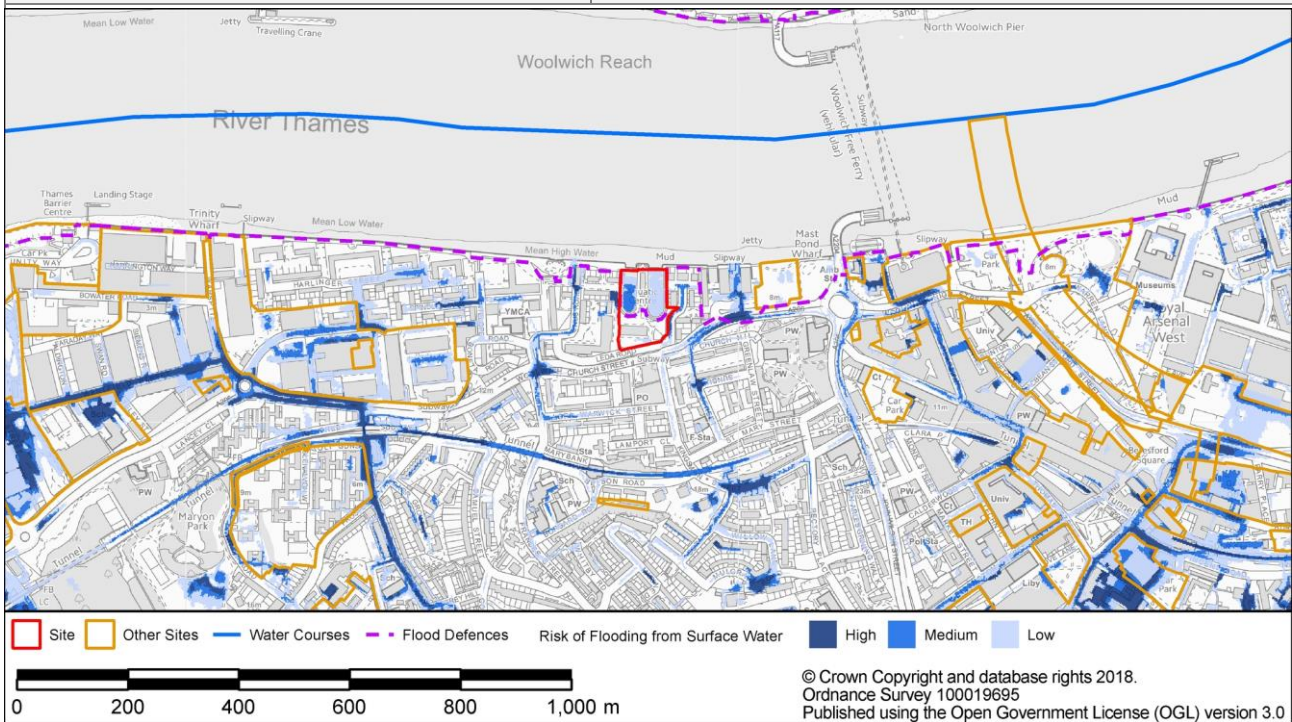
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**Figure C - Maximum Flood Hazard (Downriver Breach Assessment, 0.5% AEP 2115)**

**Surface Water Source**

**Risk of Flooding from Surface Water (RoFSW)** Medium



**Figure D Risk of Flooding from Surface Water (RoFSW)**

**Critical Drainage Area** Group6\_014 (100% Overlap)

**Groundwater Source**

<b>Bedrock Geology</b>	Thanet Sand Formation, Upper Chalk Formation	<b>Superficial Geology</b>	Head - Clay, Silt, Sand, Gravel
<b>Bedrock Aquifer Designation</b>	Principal (85% Overlap), Secondary A (15% Overlap)	<b>Superficial Aquifer Designation</b>	Secondary (undifferentiated) (100% Overlap)

**Potential Groundwater Flooding Zone** Zone A

**Other Sources**

**Sewer Flooding (within 4 digit postcode)** Internal Flood Incidents: NoData External Flood Incidents: NoData

**Artificial sources**

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### Site Specific Recommendations

The site is predominantly located within Flood Zone 3b. A small part of the site is located in Flood Zone 1, 2 and 3. The areas of Flood Zone 2 and 3 are located in an area that benefits from a flood wall defences. These parts of the site are at residual risk of tidal flooding. The area of Flood Zone 3b is not suitable for any type of development apart from water compatible use. More Vulnerable uses must be located on the first floor or above, with Less Vulnerable uses at ground level. Basements are not permitted within Flood Zone 3 and are discouraged within areas of Flood Zone 2. Further information on building basements in areas of fluvial flood risk is presented in the Developer Guidance. Permission is required from the Environment Agency for work activity within 16m of a tidal river or tidal defence. The ROFSW map shows that site and surrounding area may be at medium risk of surface water flooding. An assessment of the local surface water flow paths should be made during the development of the site design, to encourage the location of buildings and more vulnerable aspects of the development away from those areas at risk of surface water ponding.

Finished floor levels should be set at whichever level is higher: 300mm above the general ground level of the site or 600mm above the estimated sea level for a 1 in 200 year (0.5%AEP) event (including climate change). A number of flood resistance and resilience measures can be implemented into new developments to mitigate potential flooding. Guidance on resilience measures can be found in the document 'Improving the Flood Performance of New Buildings, Flood Resilient Construction' published by The Department for Communities and Local Government (CLG).

Potential overland flow paths from surface water should be determined and appropriate solutions proposed to minimise the impact of the development, whilst ensuring that flows are not diverted towards other properties elsewhere. Developers should consider using design for exceedance approaches by using urban areas and infrastructure to help manage local flooding. Flow paths should be assessed to inform the strategic location of SuDS and techniques to route flows around the edge of buildings. Careful consideration should be given to the use of fences and landscaping walls so as to prevent causing obstruction to flow routes.

Unobstructed safe access routes to and from the development should be provided. These should provide access to higher ground that is not at risk from tidal flooding. Safe egress points would be most appropriately located to the south of the site onto Leda Road. Where basement dwellings are constructed, access must be situated 300mm above the design flood level, and developers are required to install protection to prevent surcharge from the public sewer network into the property. The local area is covered by the 'Tidal Thames from Woolwich Arsenal to Deptford Creek' Environment Agency Flood Warning Area. A Flood Warning and Evacuation Plan (FWEP) must be prepared for the site, detailing how flood warning will be provided as well as how the safety of occupants and access to/from the development will be ensured. Further details of what should be included can be found in the Developer Guidance.

Reference to the SWMP Appendix D Figure D6 identifies that (prior to the completion of a site investigation to determine precise local conditions) infiltration of surface water into the ground is uncertain for the site. Site investigations will be required prior to the development of a Drainage Strategy for the site. Development should utilise sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) unless there are practical reasons for not doing so. The site is located within the Group6\_014 Critical Drainage Area. The potential development must not increase flood risk to other areas within the CDA. Where an increased risk exists, developers need to provide a Drainage Strategy to demonstrate how they intend to address this, by what methods, over what timeframe and how maintenance of such works would be funded over its lifetime. This should include a consideration of SuDS in line with the London Plan 5.13 and Local Plan Policies. Surface water run-off should be managed in line with Royal Greenwich's surface water management requirements, as set out in Chapter 4 of the Developer Guidance.

### Summary

The site is predominantly located within Flood Zone 3b, which is only suitable for water compatible development. A small proportion of the site is located in Flood Zone 2 and 3 and is defended by a flood wall. The site is at residual risk of tidal flooding. More Vulnerable uses must be located on the first floor or above, with Less Vulnerable uses at ground level. Tidal flood risk mitigation measures should be implemented into the site design to manage flood risk. It is recommended that effective surface water management measures are implemented, including careful site and building layout and the incorporation of SuDS, in order to reduce flooding both on the site and routing of flood water to other areas. Due to the extent of flood risk on the site, a flood warning and evacuation plan should be implemented to ensure access to and from the site. On this basis, it is likely that this site could pass the Exception Test.