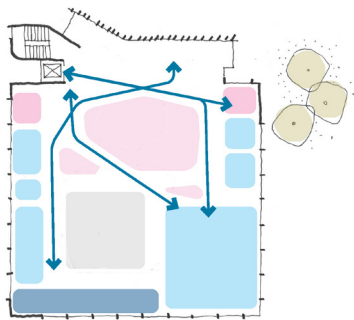
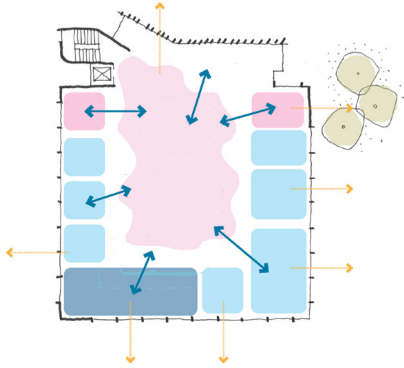
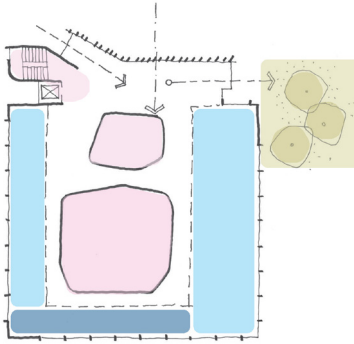


# Waverley Council Chambers Upgrade and Expansion Waverley Council



Lahznimmo architects were engaged by Waverley Council in 2021 to design the refurbishment and expansion of their existing council chambers. A complex brief, the project emerged as a result of a changing workplace dynamics and an unconventional existing fabric.

The existing building presents as an austere 1980's office block, however when rigorously interrogated, it was found to be a seemingly Ad-hoc series of additions onto an original 1913 sandstone form; a sort of nesting doll of alterations and additions throughout the 20th century. Our strategy comprised of three key moves; excise the original building that had since been covered up beyond rectification in order to free up a clean floor plate, infill with a straightforward logic of structure and services that responds to the needs of the brief, and finally create a new northern addition which presents a new address to the street. These elements are then capped off by a new pitched roof, resolving existing waterproofing issues and providing additional amenity.

Internally, the scheme is a layering of spatial requirements, functional relationships and desire lines that come together to form a series of solid core "pods" as well as staircase voids.

The project is expected to progress to documentation in late 2022.

Client: Waverley Council  
Country: Eora Nation  
Location: Waverley, NSW  
Budget: \$19mil  
Completion: TBC

