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A SOLUTION FOR THE UNAFFORDABILITY OF HOMES IN ICELAND'S CAPITAL REGION.

(without sacrificing build quality or space)

~~Container homes.~~



Adapting containers isn't convenient, cheap or green, and its proportions are not ideal.

~~Micro-homes.~~

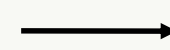


Claustrophobia-inducing shoebox apartments are not a sensible long-term investment.

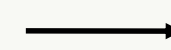
Typical life-cycle of the Icelandic household:



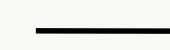
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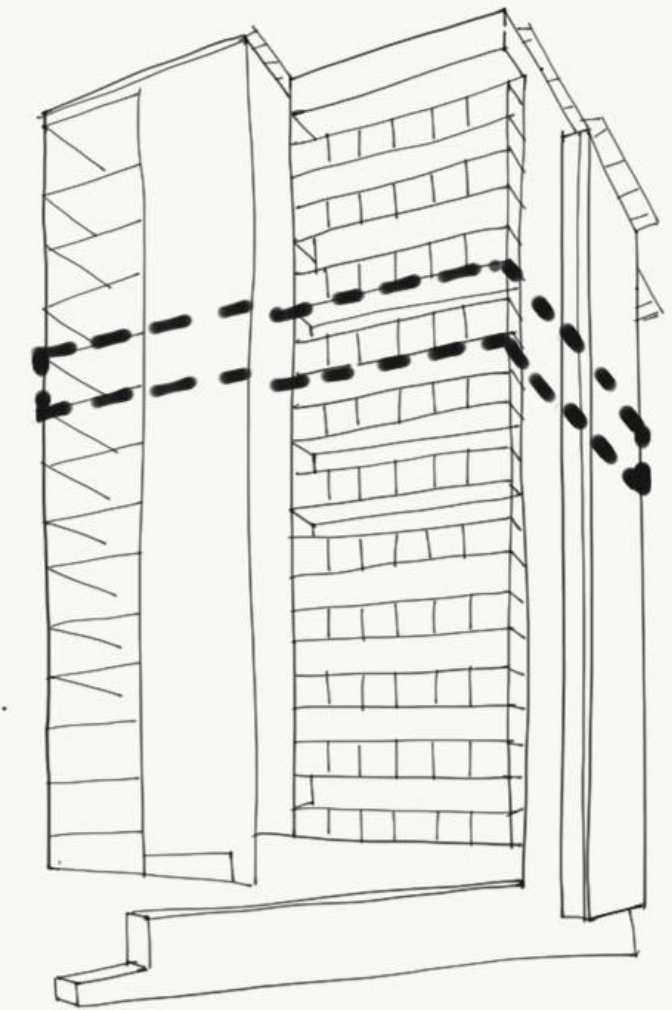
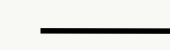
1st/2nd Floor



Bigger Flat



House

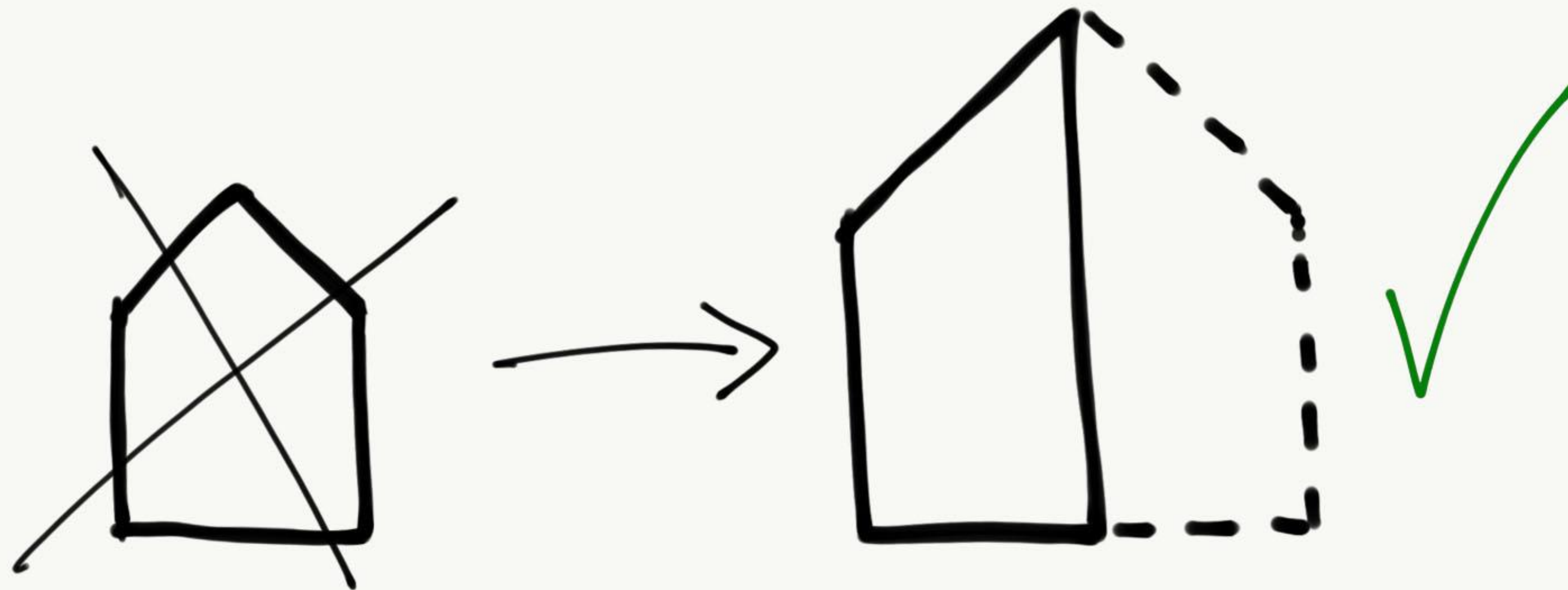


Smaller Flat



An ideal solution would create an opportunity for first-time buyers to get on the real estate ladder sooner, and stay in their first property longer.
A property that would combine the first 2 or 3 steps on the cycle.

A HOME THAT GROWS WITH THE FAMILY.



“Housing ought not be a static unit that is packaged and handed over to people. Rather, housing should be conceived of as an ongoing project wherein residents are co-creators.”

- John F.C. Turner, MIT professor, 1972



Villa Verde, Chile - Architect Alejandro Aravena.

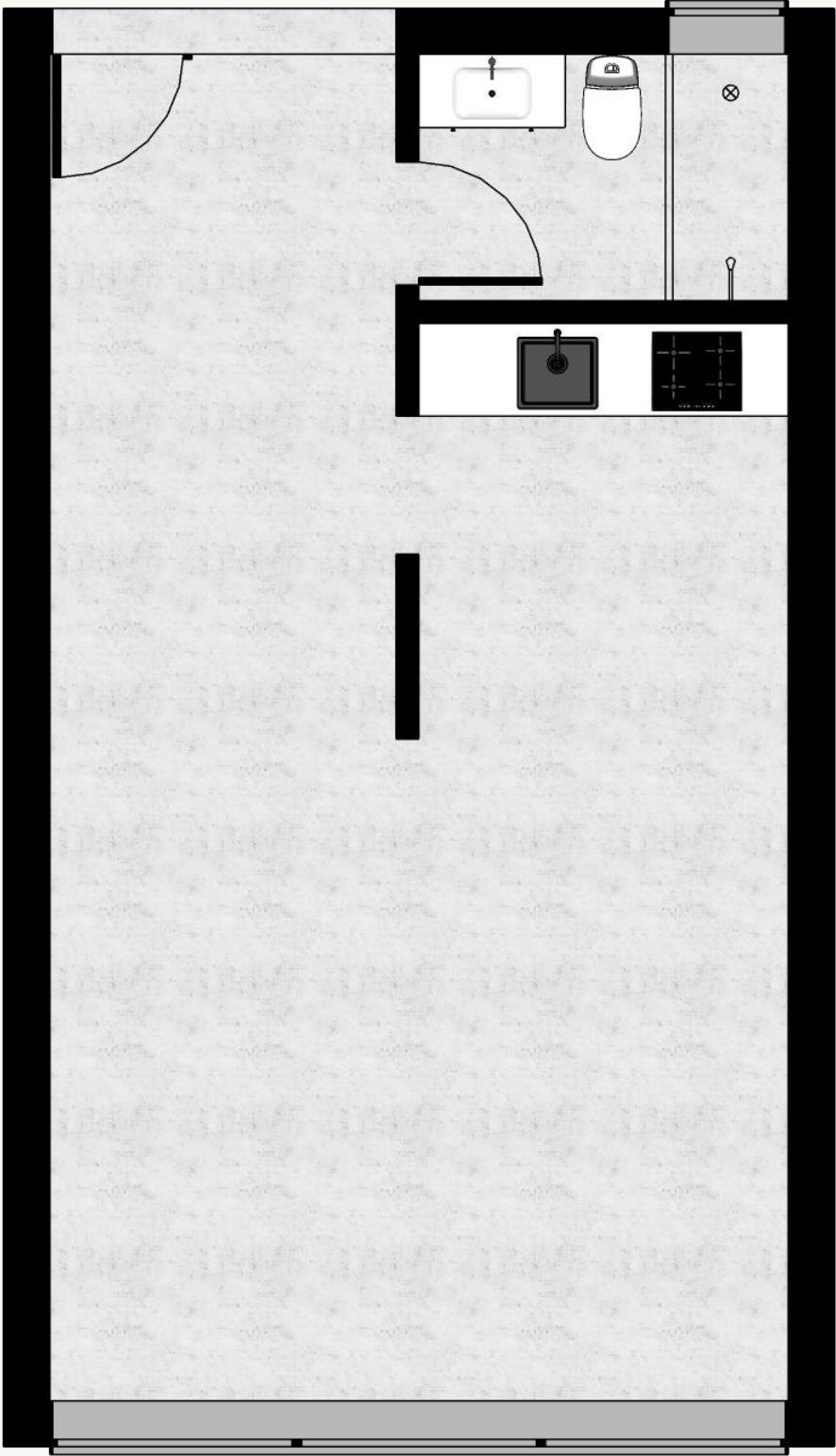
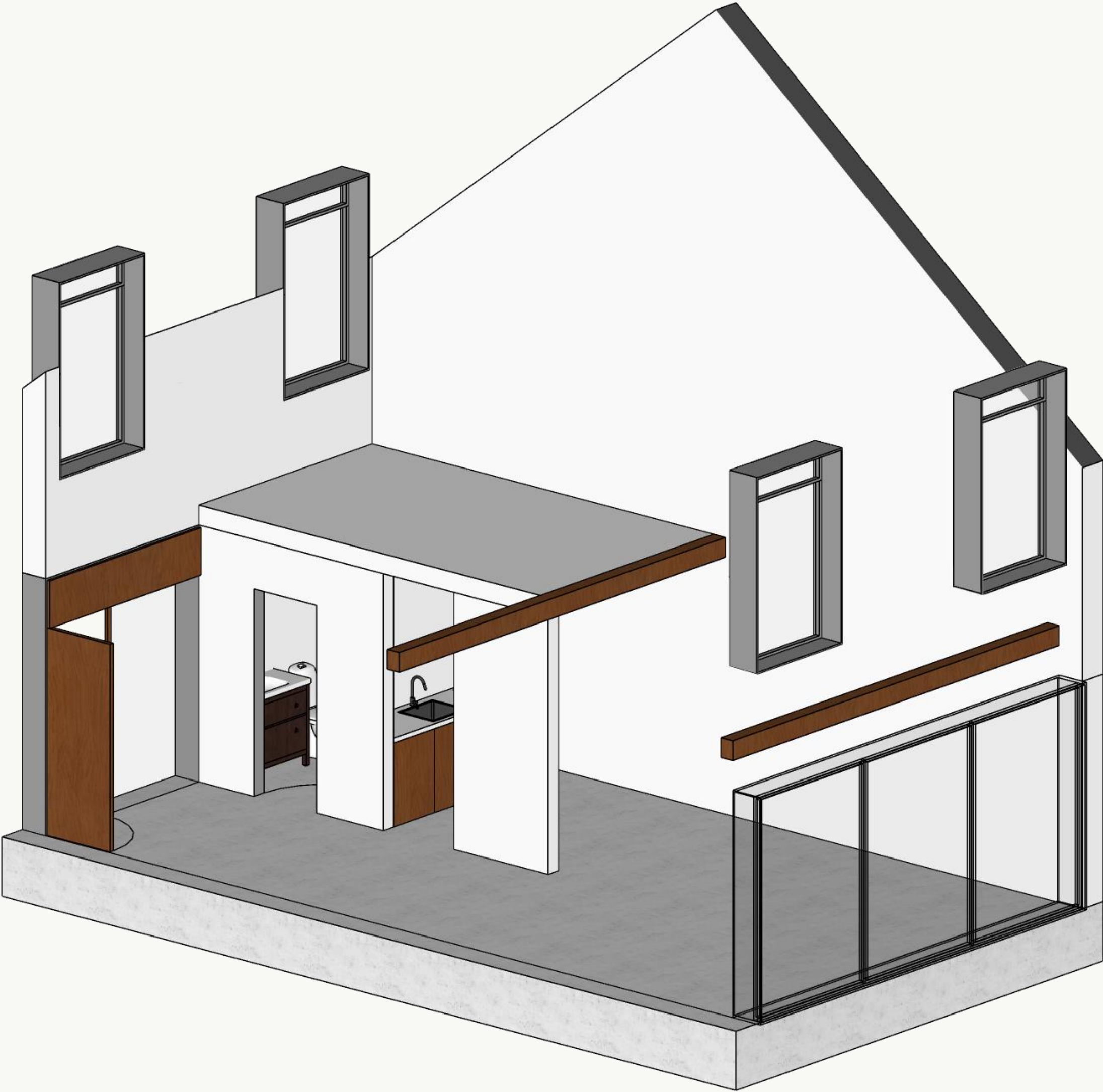


We made some adjustments for the socio-economic reality, building regulations and climate of Iceland.

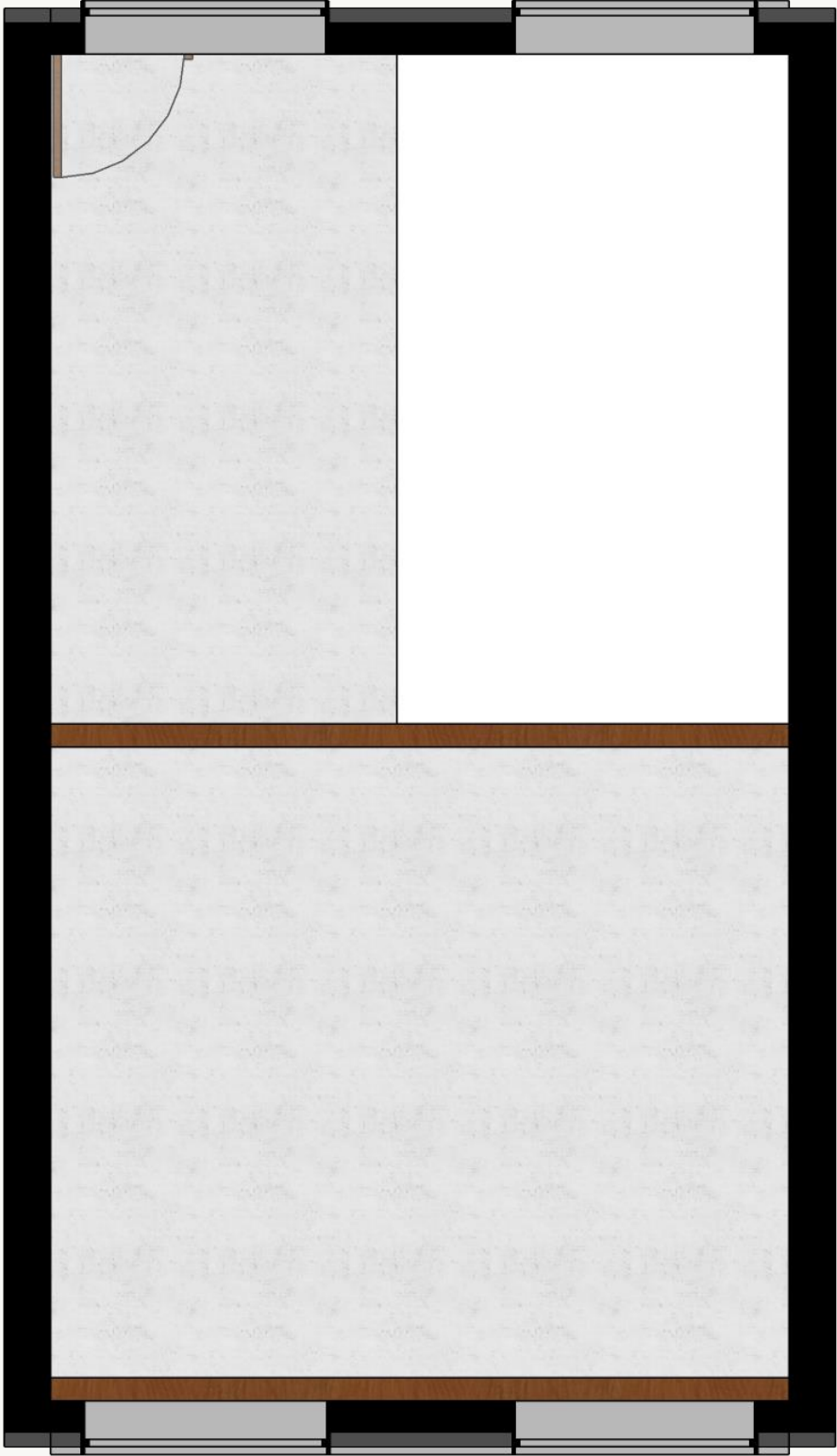
The **starter home** contains all the elements needed in a comfortable, yet frugal accommodation. The expensive building parts (structure, roof, windows, insulation, heating, kitchen, bathroom) are in place and built to last. Upgrades can be carried out by residents according to their means and needs, within a pre-approved volume and area.

The cost of each square meter added is considerably lower than its market value.

Starter home.

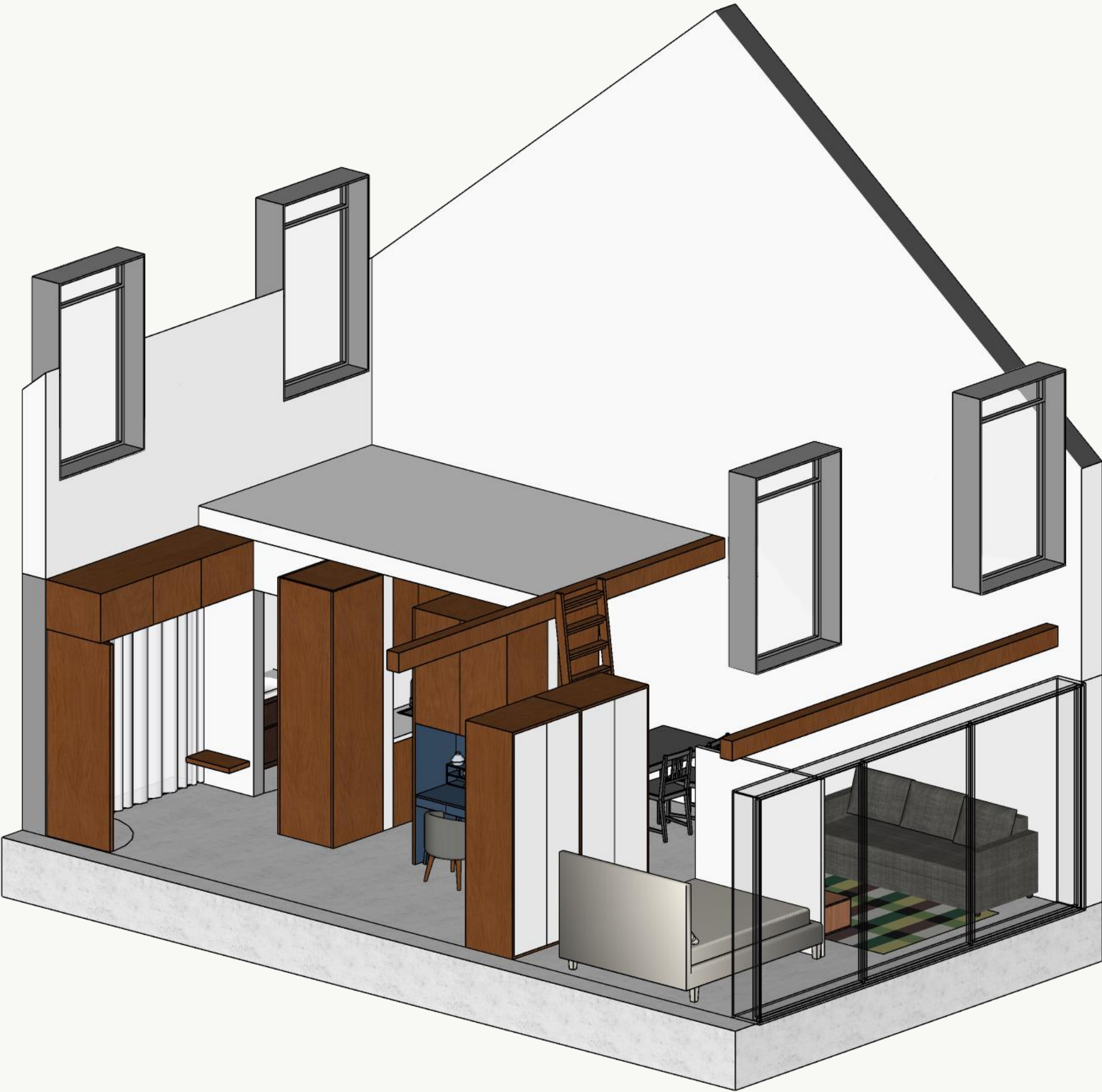


1st Floor

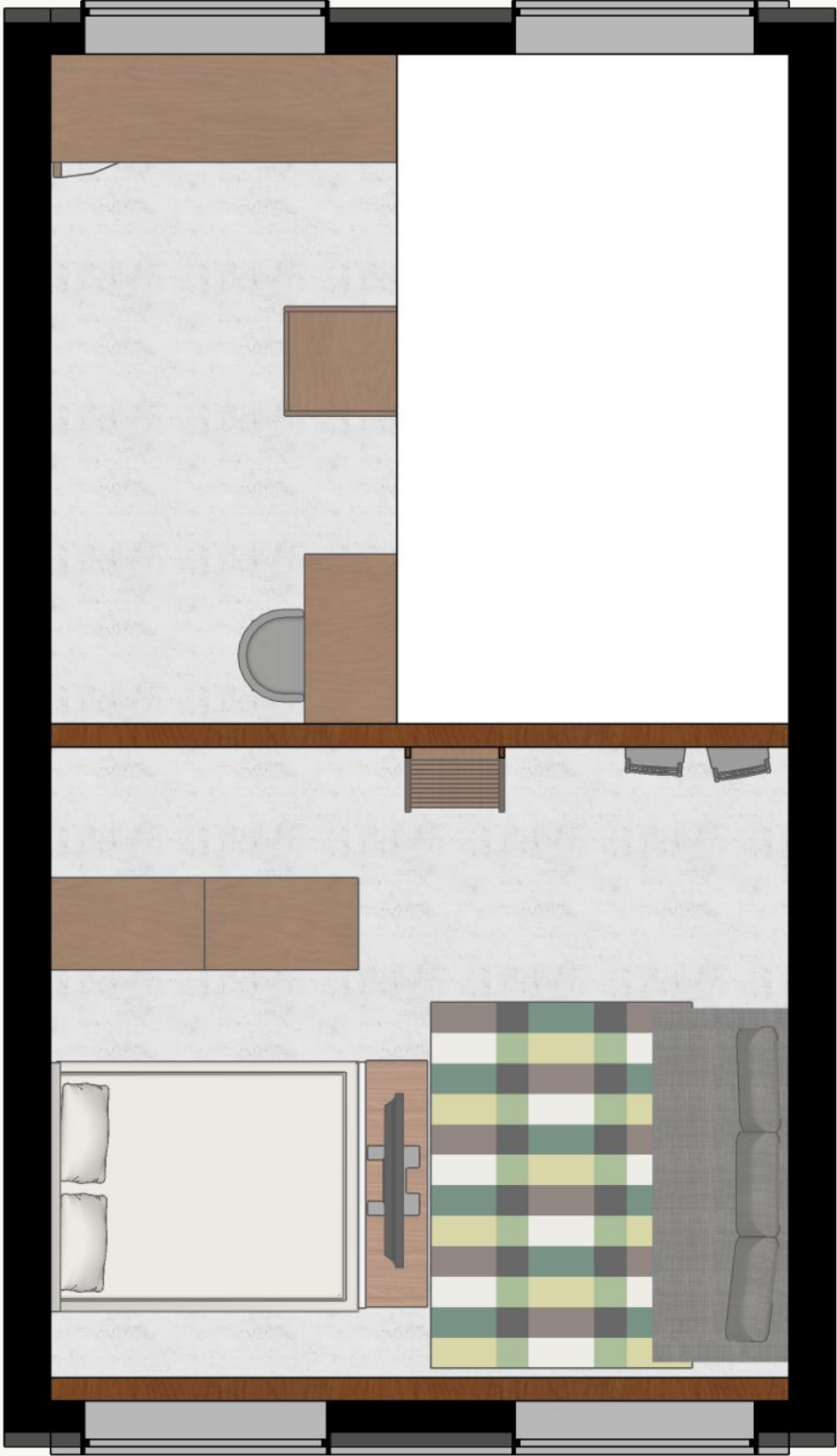


2nd Floor

Starter home, furnished.

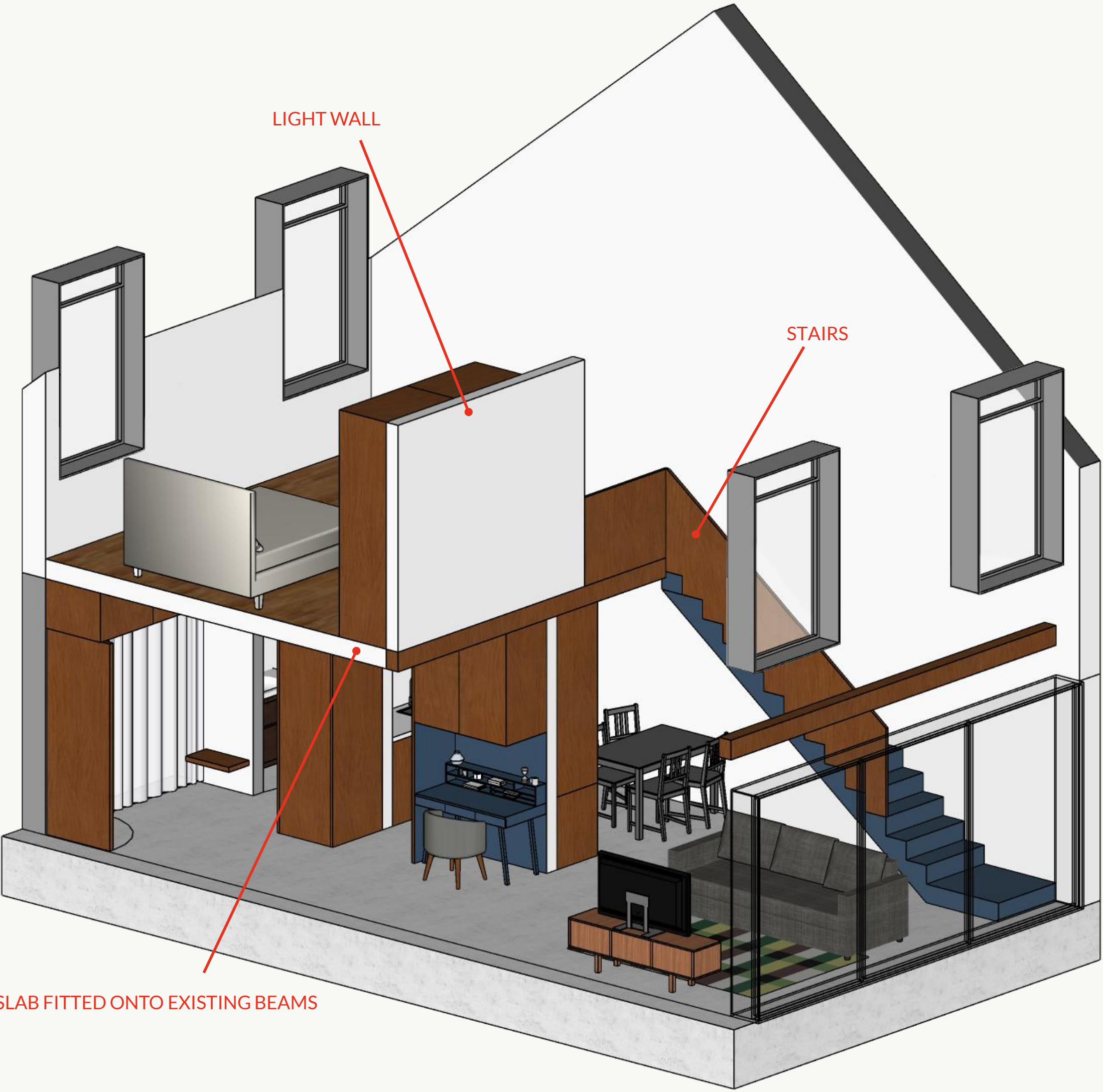


1st Floor



2nd Floor

First upgrade example.

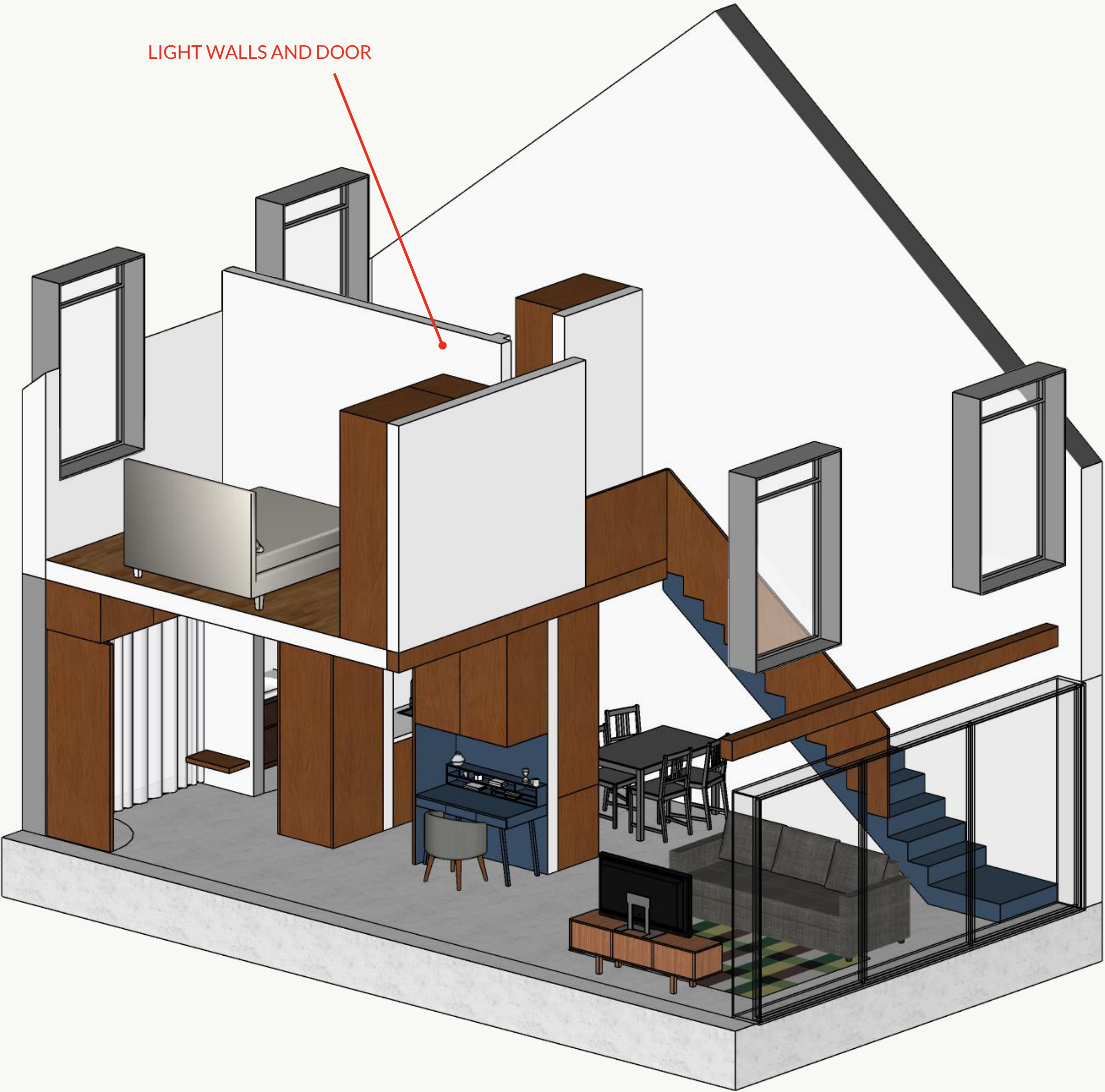


1st Floor



2nd Floor

Second upgrade example.

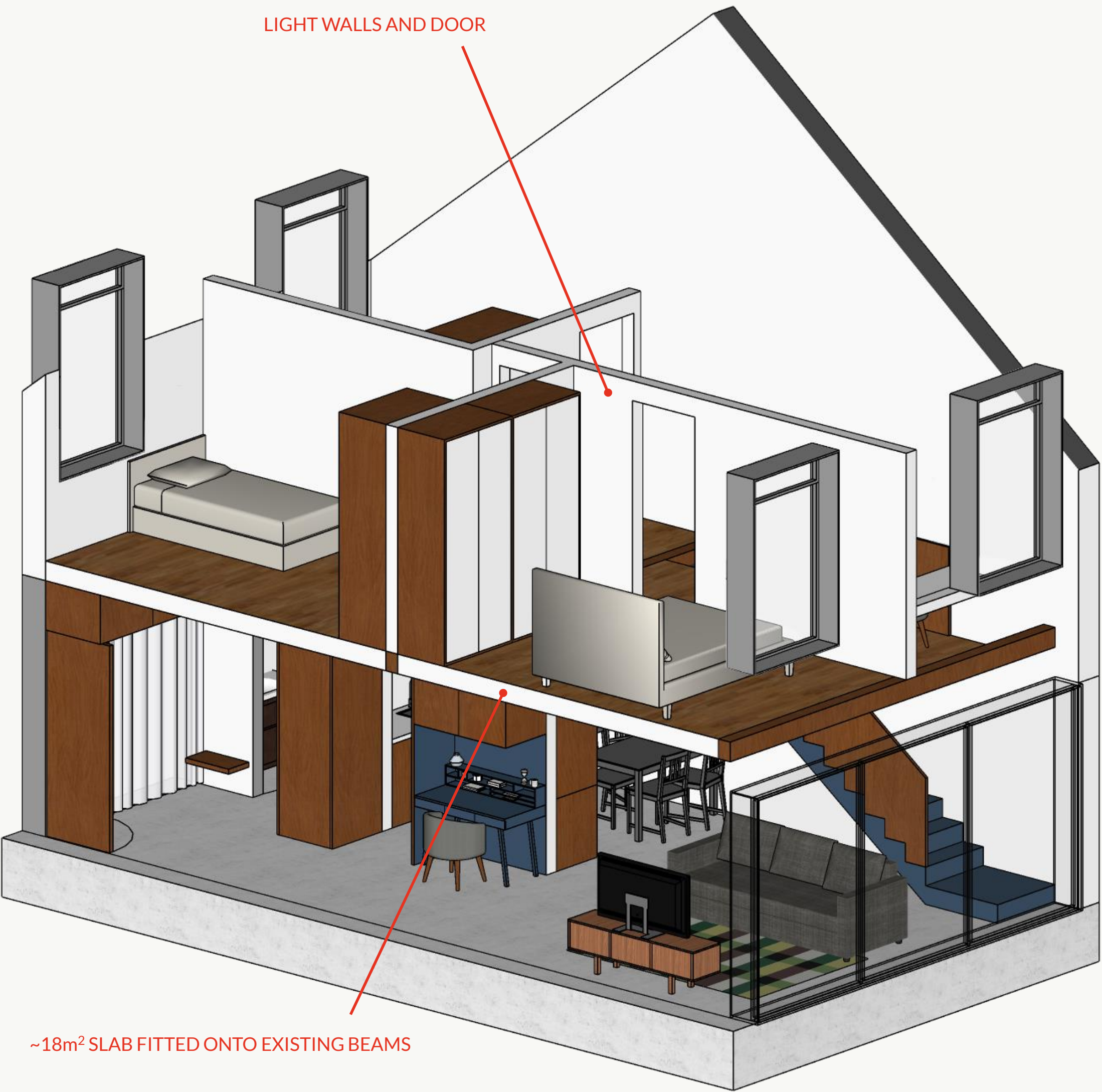


1st Floor



2nd Floor

Third upgrade example.



1st Floor



2nd Floor



Stýrimannaskólinn

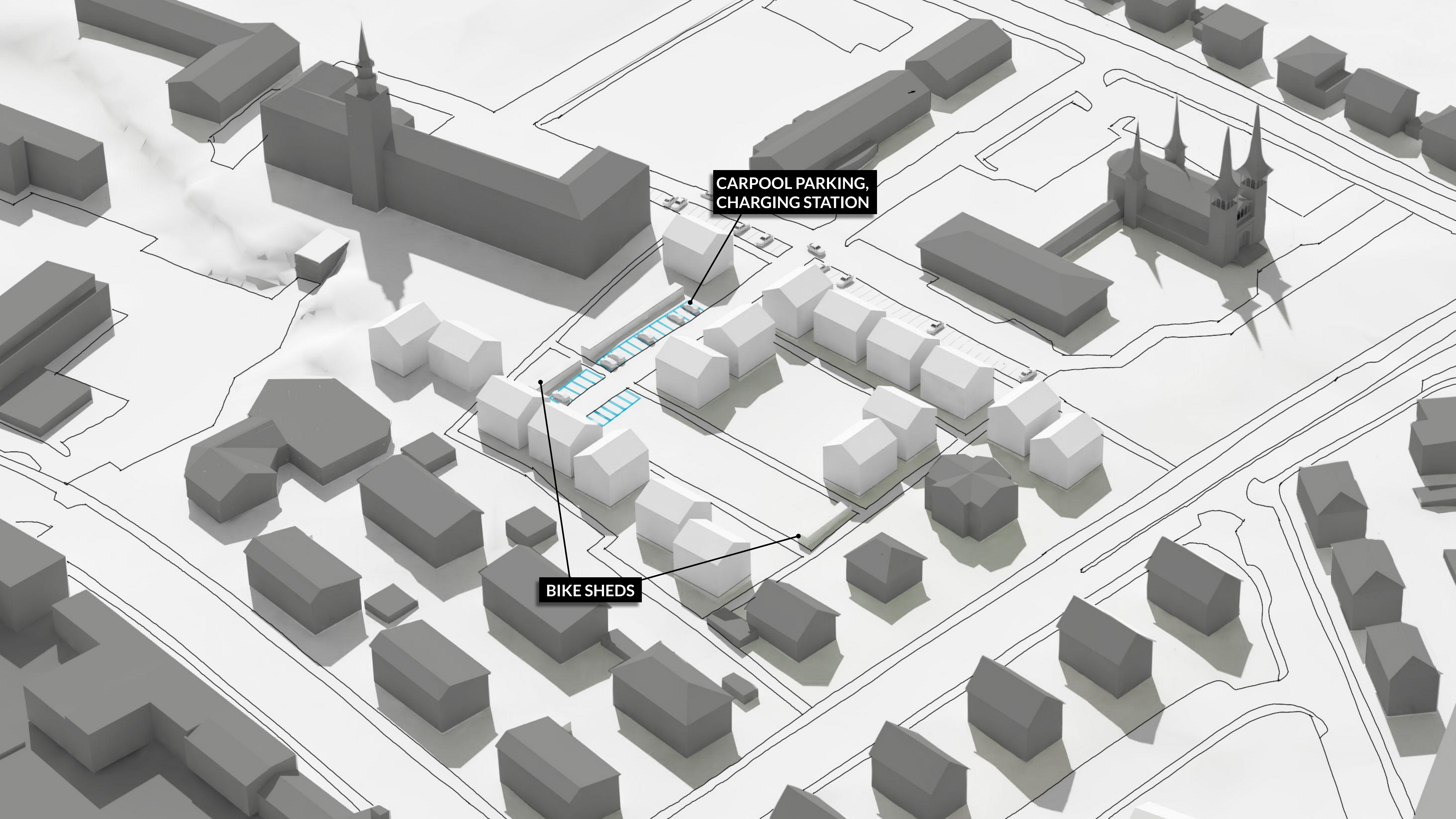


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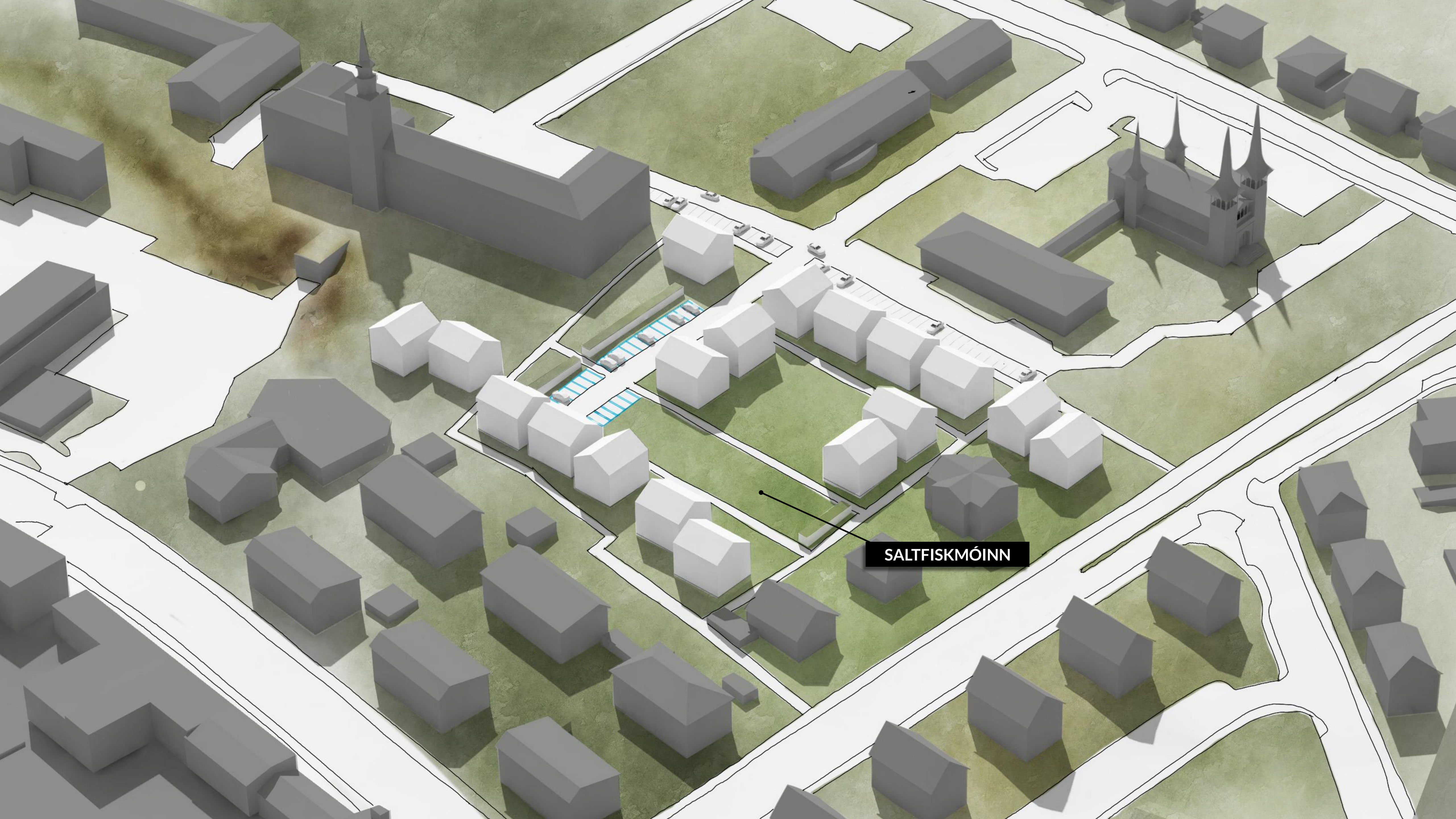
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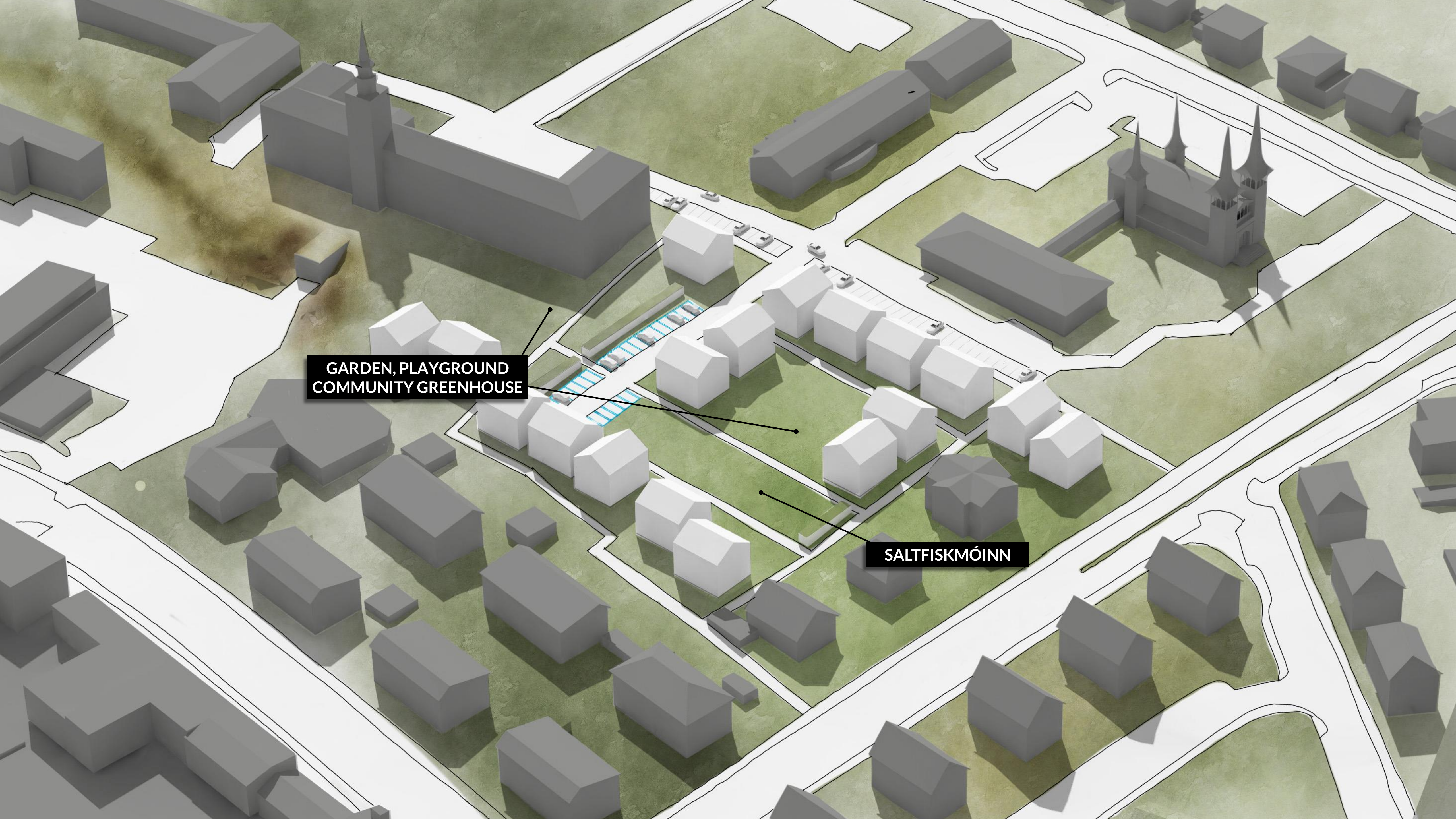


CARPOOL PARKING,
CHARGING STATION

BIKE SHEDS



SALTFISKMÓINN



GARDEN, PLAYGROUND
COMMUNITY GREENHOUSE

SALTFISKMÓINN



Háteigur, the old farmhouse
of the farm that covered the area.

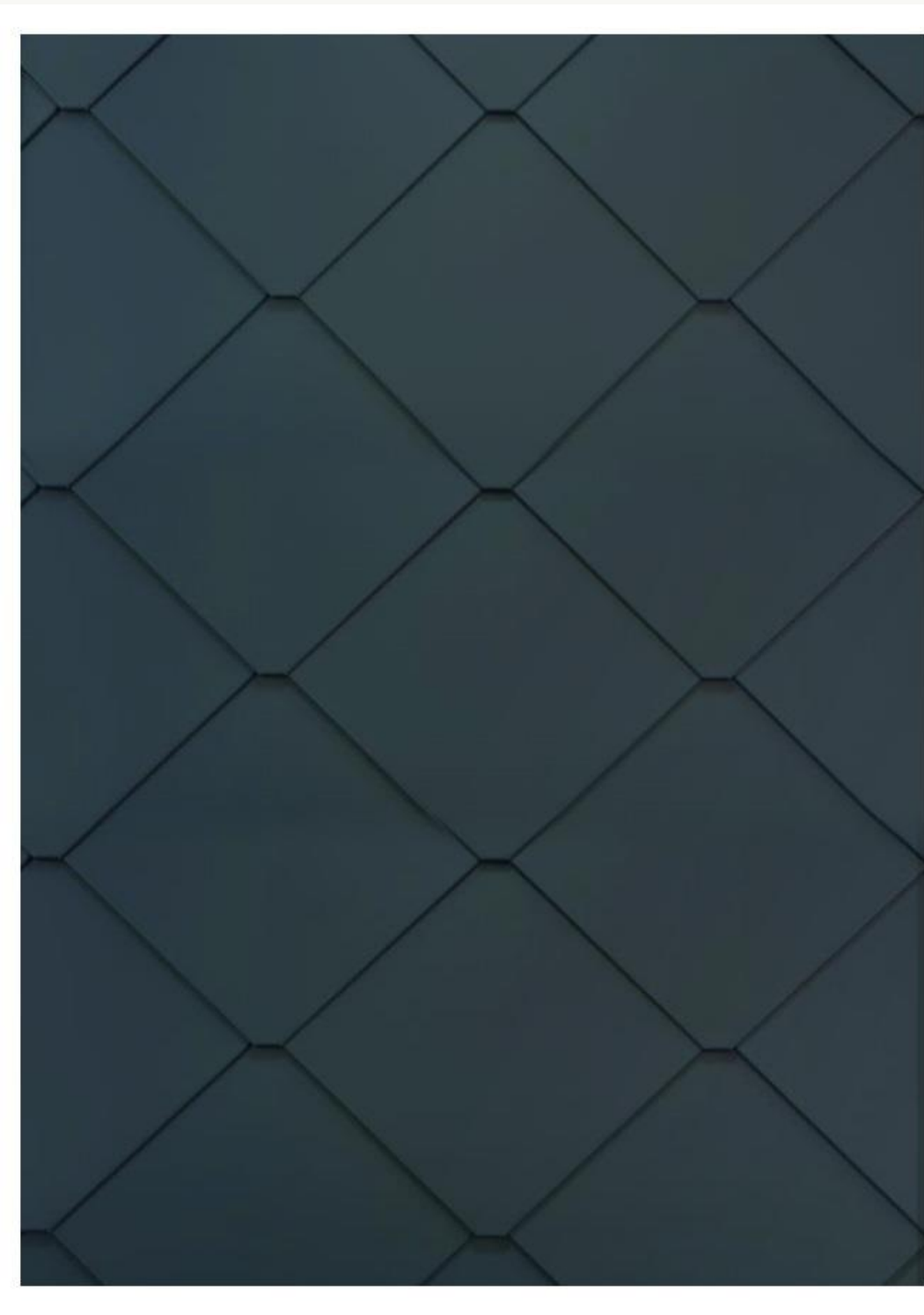
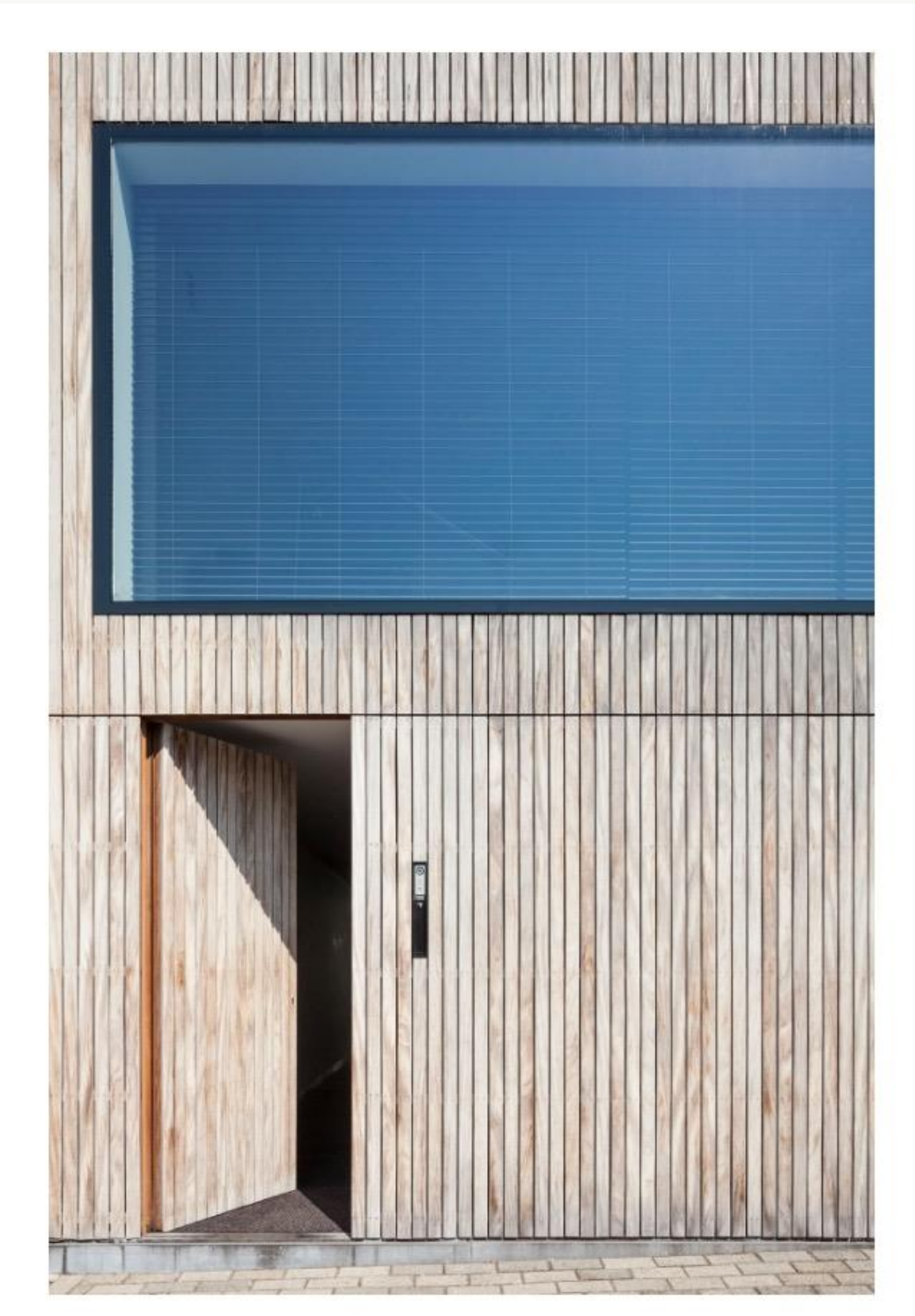
*Preserve the neighbourhood's scale, density and character
- but also look sleek and contemporary.*



Saffron Walden, UK



*Mass timber, organic materials
that reflect the ecological standards of the project.*



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