LANDSCAPE MASTERPLAN

SECTION A

New grass roof to outbuilding
Existing landform
Holiday let units
Deciduous and coniferous native species trees
Native shrub under-storey
Permeable access track

SECTION B

Acid rich pasture
Proposed grass banking
Existing landform
Proposed permeable parking area
Native shrub under-storey
Holiday let units
Deciduous and coniferous native species trees
Acid rich pasture

SECTION C

Existing overhead utilities
Acid rich pasture
Native shrub under-storey
Holiday let units
Permeable access track
Deciduous and coniferous native species trees
Acid rich pasture
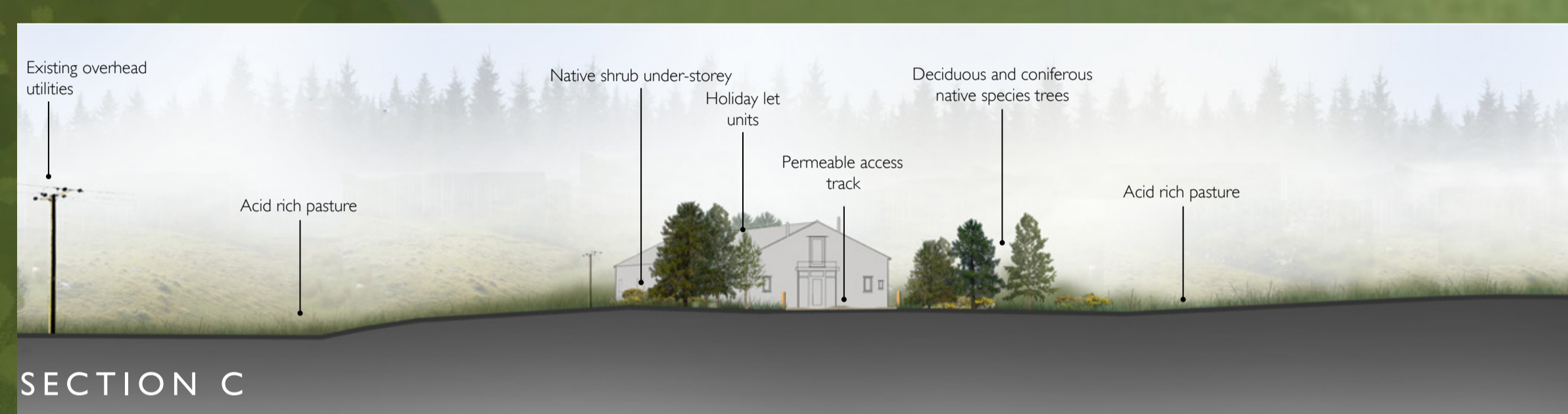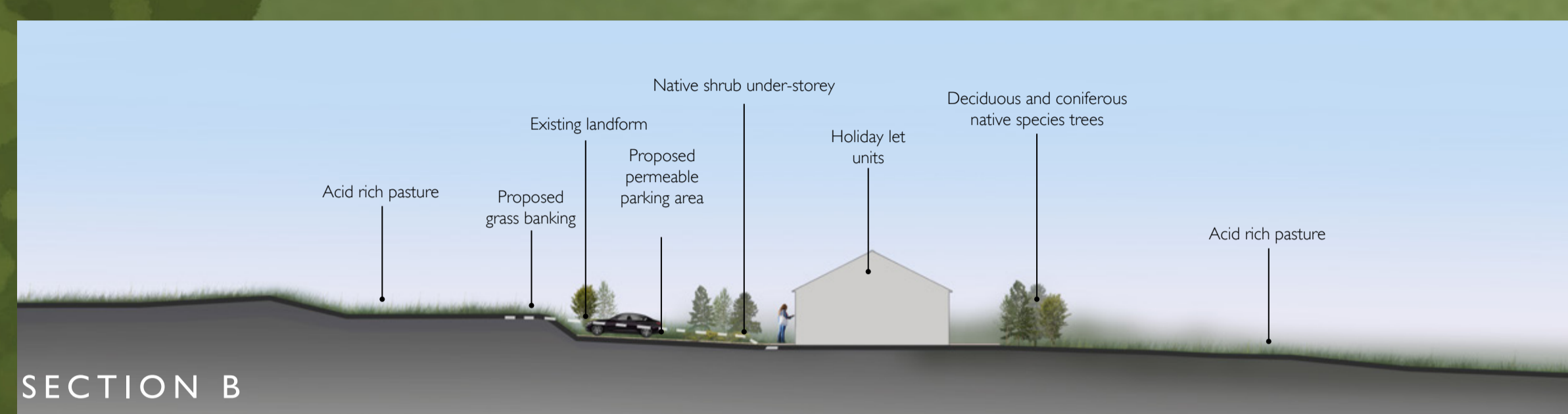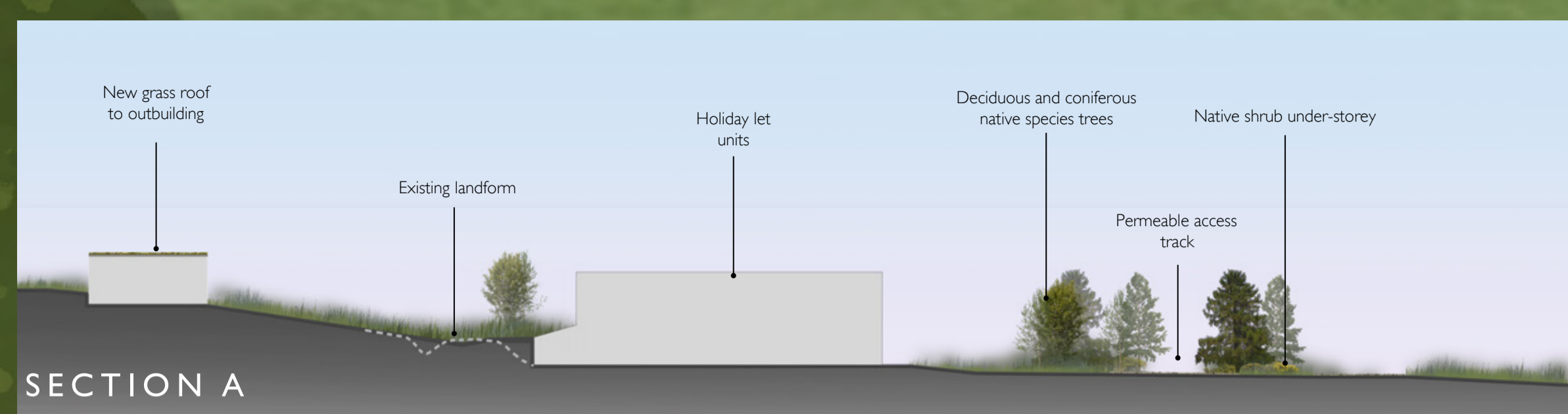
LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENTS

1. ACCESS TRACK – The existing access point to the Site will be utilised, with the existing permeable agricultural track re-routed to the north of the holiday units to ensure a continuous free draining surface. The track will comprise of gravel with a central grass margin and randomly seeded at the edges to provide smooth flowing edges and an organic and agricultural finish. The central grass margin will be kept mown and maintained to preserve the rural character on Site. Using the disturbed material removed to form the track and parking area, the soil will be reused to create natural banking to form a hibernaculum. This banking will frame the parking area, benefiting biodiversity on Site whilst also preventing light associated from car movement from spreading outward.

2. PARKING - To the north of the holiday units sits a small section of degraded acid pasture and existing access track leading to the well and generator to the west of the Site. This is to be removed to create a parking area. The gravel and seed surface is drawn into this space from the access track to ensure continuity of materials and organic character. A high quality natural stone threshold demarks the built edge and a subtle transition into the buildings. Highways kerbs and edges are not utilised to maintain a soft transition at boundaries.

3. TREE AND SHRUB PLANTING – Additional tree planting is proposed along the access track and at easterly and west points to the car park. Trees placed in considered locations provide a screening of cars whilst retaining the open character of the Site and immediate context. Typical species would reflect locally abundant varieties such as oak supplemented with Mountain Ash and Silver Birch. A mid-level layer would include larger bushy species to form natural looking thickets with species such as gorse and hawthorn.

4. GREEN ROOF – An existing corrugated roof is to be removed from one of the westerly outbuildings and replaced with a seeded grass roof. To complement the wider context, the roof will be seeded with a native species appropriate for loamy soils.

5. PATHWAY – A high-quality natural stone path will wrap around the south, east and north elevations of the holiday lodge to ensure a fitting rural quality which complements the building conversion. To retain the sensitive rural character across the Site, an informal staggered steppingstone pathway using reclaimed flagstones provides an efficient connection between the units and wider landscape. No 'garden' areas are proposed to minimise visual clutter in the landscape.

SECTION A

SECTION B

SECTION C

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Rural Solutions