



Belmore Allotment Site

Landscape Design Statement

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Landscape Strategy & Objectives

LANDSCAPE DESIGN STRATEGY – BELMORE ALLOTMENTS

- THIS LANDSCAPE STRATEGY PRIMARILY ADDRESSES THE FUNCTION AND DESIGN OF EXTERNAL SPACES, AIMING TO COMBINE THE PROPOSED BUILT FORM OF DEVELOPMENT AND ECOLOGICAL ENHANCEMENTS IN A UNIQUE HARMONIOUS WAY.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN OBJECTIVES

- RETAIN EXISTING TREES AND HEDGEROWS WHERE FEASIBLE PARTICULARLY ALONG THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY TO SOFTEN THE APPEARANCE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND MINIMISE IMPACT ON POTENTIAL ADJACENT PROPERTIES.
- CREATE A SCHEME THAT MAXIMISES THE POTENTIAL USE OF THE EXTERNAL SPACE FOR RESIDENTS, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION ACCESS TO AND MOVEMENT TO BELMORE PLAYING FIELDS
- RESPOND TO CONSTRAINTS SUCH AS LOCATION, USER NEEDS, ACCESSIBILITY, LIGHT AND SHADE, WIND, WATER REQUIREMENTS, CHARACTER OF THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND ADJACENT LAND USES.
- CREATE A UNIQUE AND UNPRECEDENTED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT WHERE RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS AND ECOLOGY ARE IN HARMONY BY EDUCATING OCCUPIERS TO LOCAL ECOLOGY SUCH AS REPTILES AND BIRDS IDENTIFIED IN THE PHASE 1 AND 2 ECOLOGY REPORTS
- ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF THE EXISTING LANDSCAPE, BY MAXIMISING BIODIVERSITY RESPONDING TO THE LOCAL BAP (BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN).
- MAXIMISE THE GREEN FOOTPRINT OF THE SITE BY INCORPORATING INDIGENOUS
- PROVIDE AN EXCITING AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR PASSIVE RECREATION WHICH MEETS CURRENT GUIDANCE AND INCLUDES SPECIFICATION OF HIGH QUALITY MATERIALS AND FINISHES TO ENSURE THE DESIGN IS DURABLE AND SUSTAINABLE
- PROVIDE A LIGHTING SCHEME DESIGN WHICH ENSURES A SECURE ENVIRONMENT FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS WHILST BEING SYMPATHETIC TO THE VIEWS OF FUTURE NEIGHBOURS AND POTENTIAL IMPACT OF FAUNA WITHIN THE SITE.
- PROVIDE A NEW PUBLIC ACCESS THROUGH THE SITE, PASSING ALONGSIDE A NEW
- CREATE A MOSAIC OF NEW HABITATS THAT INTER-RELATE AND CONNECT WITH EACH OTHER TO ENCOURAGE THE PASSAGE OF FAUNA AND FLORA ACROSS THE SITE THUS MAXIMISING BIODIVERSITY.
- CREATE A NEW EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE THAT BRINGS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND RESIDENTS CLOSER TO NATURE

TYPES OF BIO-DIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT PROPOSED

- EXISTING BROAD LEAVED SEMI- NATURAL WOODLAND & HEDGEROWS RETAINED & REINFORCED: INCORPORATING BAT & BIRD BOXES
- WOODLAND EDGE PLANTING: THIS WILL COMPRISE A MIXTURE OF SCRUB AND UNDERSTOREY PLANTS TO CREATE A DENSE LAYERED HABITAT IDEAL FOR BIRDS, SMALL MAMMALS AND INVERTEBRATES.
- SUMMER AND SPRING MEADOW ALONG THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY: MEADOWS PROVIDE VISUALLY AESTHETIC ENVIRONMENTS WHICH CONSTANTLY CHANGE THROUGHOUT, HABITATS FOR TRANSLOCATED SLOW WORM
- WILDLIFE SHRUB & GROUND COVER MIXES LANDSCAPES WHICH ARE RICH IN WILDFLOWERS CAN HELP TO INCREASE LOCAL BIODIVERSITY AND THE VARIETY OF WILDLIFE, IN PARTICULAR BUTTERFLIES, BEES AND OTHER INSECTS, AS WELL AS BIRDS AND SMALL MAMMALS.
- BIODIVERSE ROOF INCORPORATING LOG PILES AND BAT AND BIRD BOXES



Play Strategy



- UNDER 5 YEARS PLAY IN SHARED AMENITY SPACE 248sqm
- 5-11 YEARS PLAY SPLIT BETWEEN SHARED AMENITY SPACE 197 sqm
- 12 + YEARS PLAY IN SHARED AMENITY 71 sqm
- 0- 12 YEARS PLAY IN SHARED AMENITY 48 sqm

TOTAL PLAY ON SITE : 564 sqm
GLA PLAY REQUIRMENT : 403 sqm

0- 4 PLAY SPACE COMPLIANT ✓✓
5-11 PLAY SPACE COMPLIANT ✓✓
12 + PLAY SPACE COMPLIANT ✓✓

Proportion of children		
	Number of children	%
Under 5	21	51%
5 to 11	13	31%
12+	7	17%
Total	40	100%

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Play space requirements		
GLA benchmark (sqm)*	Alternative local benchmark (sqm)**	Total (sq m play space) required
10		403.9
	5	202.0

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PLAY STRATEGY

- All blocks have access to all types of play for all age groups
- To comply with current SPG advice
- Accommodate all play for all ages
- Create safe areas of play away from Road
- Incorporate nature play where appropriate
- Provide play for under 5 years 100m from home, 5-11 years within 400m & 12 + years 800m
- Provide play provision in line with table 4.3 of the GLA SPG

0-5 YEARS PLAY

- Provision of a range of equipment age specific

5-11 YEARS PLAY

- Provision of age related equipment
- Provision of informal play integrated into amenity spaces

12+ YEARS PLAY

- Play is in the amenity space