

Appendix 6 - Landscape concept

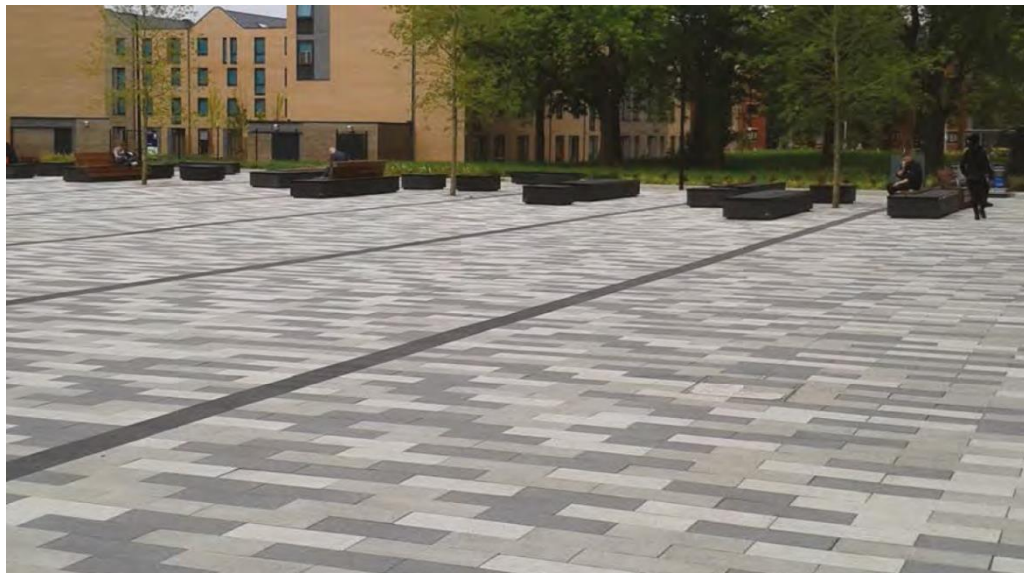
NOTES, with reference to areas numbered:

1. Avenue leading to main entrance and 'street' running through Leisure Centre. Tree planting to emphasise the avenue as the main pedestrian route. Double row of staggered trees / single row of trees adjacent to mature oak. Materials to be permeable (blocks) laid in panels with contrasting bands to provide visual interest. Additional secondary tree planting and beds in car park to emphasis key access routes, break up hard landscape and provide a more enclosed character generally.
2. Oak tree and surrounds to forms a defining area of the scheme and act as a buffer between front piazza and car park. Potential for this area to contain a rustic-style play area and areas of semi woodland-style planting e.g. multi-stem birch trees, grasses, bulbs.
3. Entrance Piazza to form a welcoming area and functional space accommodating café terrace. Potential for use of composite decking to retain rustic feel and emphasis at key areas. Planting weaved through area to give emphasis to entrances and add interest and variety.
4. Planting adjacent to poolside (windows) to provide interest and structure views. North-facing aspect requires predominantly shade-tolerant species. Area to benefit from plants of architectural interest e.g. multi-stem trees, ferns, also rocks. Layout be informed by architect's internal arrangement.
5. Rear Piazza to continue the 'street' though the site providing functional and congregational areas with access to pitches and scope for hosting events. Woodland-style planting beds to frame areas and retain connection to site boundaries.
6. Swales/dry pond to provide SUDS option to development and create a feature area with trees and shrubs with capacity for holding seasonal water. Separated from adjacent footpath via ha-ha style wall. Access to grass pitches via steps/boardwalk.
7. Area of improved grassland and planting managed for conservation value in conjunction with adjacent Nature Reserve. Area mitigates for loss of planting resulting from the development. Also in this area, log piles and bird boxes. Foot/cycle path to run to Green Way with ramp connection.
8. Area of new woodland edge planting to improve backdrop to views from Leisure Centre/ Rear Piazza and improve structure to this area of the park.
9. 'Ziggurat' feature - mound and viewing platform built into the existing banks and woodland to provide a focal point for views from Rear Piazza and encourage greater public use of Braywick Park.
10. Existing mature tree planting retained with improved management and additional planting as required to maintain a visual screen and create a verdant backdrop.
11. Existing roadside tree planting retained with improved management and additional planting as required to maintain a visual screen and create a verdant backdrop.
12. Planting treatment on boundary with cemetery to create additional screening and separation. Existing evergreen hedge allowed to grow higher. Semi-mature specimen tree planting and groups of native trees.
13. Paved feature area to mark the pedestrian entrance to the avenue and improve visibility of the Leisure Centre to passing traffic. Potential for statue e.g. sport-related, running man etc. To be used in conjunction with future pedestrian crossing.



NOTES, generally:

- Landscape treatment to emphasise and retain the verdant character of the site.
- The landscape design is intended to provide both:
 - o functional space with strong character to service the needs of the facility within a rich setting, and;
 - o integration of the development within its parkland surrounds to allow adjacent areas to merge and create a buffer to conflicting functions.
- Compensatory landscape enhancements included to mitigate for building development.
- Planting to utilise a native woodland-style plant list to retain the sylvan nature of the site and retain and enhance biodiversity.
- Hard materials to provide a rich and robust surface treatment with a clear distinction between vehicle and pedestrian areas. Site to utilise sustainable drainage to create landscape features - seasonal pond/swales etc
- Site layout to enhance connections to surrounding facilities.



Concourse ; Forecourt & Landscape feature areas –Textured concrete flag paving in mixed colours and banding



Natural play to blend in the greater landscape



Textured wide top kerb to form planters



Permeable block paving to car parking bays



The centre landscape blends in the natural landscape of the site with swales for water attenuation creating valuable wildlife habitat



Concrete benches in the feature landscape area



Provision for a pergola leading up to the centre



Provision for a street furniture , bollards , bins , external lighting and cycle racks



Carpinus betulus 'frans fontaine'



Acer campestre elsrijk



Pyrus calaryana chanticleer



Prunus avium plena



Prunus okame

Car Park Trees – clear stem , seasonal colour

Pedestrian Concourse Trees – clear stem , seasonal colour , flowers



Prunus serrula



Betula jacquemontii



Amelanchier lamarckii



Alnus glutinosa



Betula nigra

Ornamental Trees to forecourt and landscape feature area– multistem ,seasonal colour

Swale trees – create wildlife habitat and frame long distance views



Car Park Planting— robust , easy maintenance



Planting cycle / pedestrian routes—seasonal colour , native species to improve wildlife habitat



Boundary screen planting – native hedge mix, seasonal colour, low maintenance



Swale planting— help with the removal of contaminant and assist in increased filtration