

Greyhound Stadium

Blackbird Leys, Oxford

We were appointed by a developer client to develop a landscape design and associated landscape design statement to support a detailed planning submission for this proposed 220 unit, 3.5ha low density residential development located at the edge of an urban centre.

The existing site is relatively flat with a significant tree belt along its north boundary and a significant number of mature trees to its south boundary, adjacent to Sandy Lane.

The proposed built form is of a low density and creates a variety of spaces. To the north boundary of the site three mews type courtyards are proposed. At the heart of the site three connected distinct public open spaces are proposed. The layout of the site adopts the principals of the 'home zone'. It has been designed to encourage vehicular traffic to move slowly and to give the pedestrian priority.

Additionally, within our proposals two small parks, one pocket park and one paved pedestrian square are proposed. At three locations we have proposed children's playgrounds, these are comprised of both natural and structured play elements.

SUDS principles have been generally adopted to deal with the surface water drainage. In a number of locations swales have been introduced into the park to accommodate some of the surface water run. Permeable paved surfaces are proposed widely across the site.

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