

Knowles House

Brent, London

We were appointed by a Local Authority client as landscape architects on this 0.48 ha site. Our scope was to provide a landscape architect's package of information to support a detailed Planning submission.

There is an existing fall of approximately 3m from south to north across this site. There are a number of existing mature trees along the south and west plot boundaries, all of which were to be retained

The two proposed blocks are located at the north and south of the plot. Parking for workers and visitors to both buildings is located at the centre of the site. This area also needs to accommodate refuse vehicle access and space for vehicle turning.

The north building is proposed to be short stay Temporary Accommodation with D1 at its north west corner. The D1 unit has a dedicated terrace to its rear. A playground space has been incorporated into the external Temporary Accommodation landscape.

The NAIL Units occupy the proposed building to the south of the site. A secure courtyard landscape space is enclosed by the proposed building. This landscape has been designed to enable residents to connect with plants, trees and the natural environment. Creating an unconfusing space was important, it has therefore been designed to be legible and easily navigable. The circulation spaces are clearly defined, bright and open. Interaction between neighbours has also been designed into this space.



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