

The Arc- Adastra House, Finchley, Barnet, London

We were appointed by a developer client to prepare a landscape design to satisfy landscape related Conditions for this proposed thirty four unit residential development located within Finchley town centre.

The existing plot is located on a brown field site. Public Highway is located along two of its edges and existing buildings to its other two edges. The proposed built form fills the full extent of the plot's footprint, with the basement level being occupied by car parking. At ground floor and above, the built form is set back slightly from the plot edge. This zone provides public realm and shared communal space.

Our landscape proposals at ground floor level consists of two areas of under five year's play, planting and seating. Within this zone we also needed to accommodate two ventilation shafts which provide cross ventilation for the car parking below. This aspect of the design was carefully considered so these elements could be incorporated into this space with minimal visual and sensory impact. Finished levels were carefully considered at ground level as the site had a cross fall of approximately 1m. Level thresholds needed to be accommodated and Part M and Part K compliance was required throughout.

Our proposals for the seventh floor roof level consisted of a communal roof garden and the provision of visual screening to the solar panels required for this development. The design for communal garden intended to maximise the usable space available whilst creating an area which would be comfortable to inhabit. In addition, we identified the potential benefit of the stunning views gained from this roof top vantage point and these were integrated into our final design.

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