

## Star Lane, Ph1 Great Wakering, Essex



We were appointed by a developer client to produce drawings and a landscape design statement to support a detailed planning submission for this proposed 114 unit, 3.2ha residential development located at the edge Green Belt. The proposed built form is of a low density, with each unit having access to a private rear garden. In addition, we were tasked with the preparation of a Landscape Appraisal to help the design team identify existing elements worthy of retention.

The majority of the public realm within the site adopts the principals of Home Zone, with carriageway and footway being on the same level. This design is to encourage vehicular traffic to move slowly and to give the pedestrian priority. These slower traffic speeds will also enable and encourage safe doorstep play. Three community pocket parks are accommodated within the site, two of which have dedicated play grounds.

The intention was for each unit frontage to accommodate one parking space, pedestrian access to the property and boundary planting. In addition, there are a number of other small blocks of unallocated parking throughout the site.

The majority of the existing trees were located to the perimeter of this sensitive development plot. Their root protection areas were carefully considered when designing the layout, particularly within areas of hard landscape and paving. The intention was to minimise the detrimental impact of this development on this existing valuable asset.

Where possible SUDS principals were adopted throughout this scheme. These were in the form of flooding puddles, a flooding meadow and permeable paving.



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