

Integrated design...

....SuDS in new housing estates

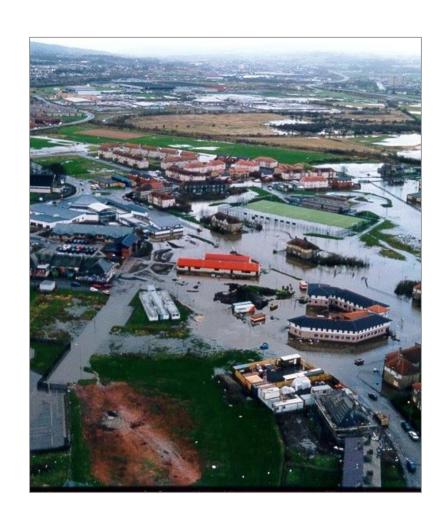
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## The problem is everywhere

#### WE ALL UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEMS

- Climate change more extreme and prolonged rainfall events
- Towns and cities historically located on rivers
- Groundwater
- Coastal flooding
- Effect of land management and overland flows from agricultural land
- Urban creep and upstream development
- Combined sewers have limited capacity
- 1 in 5 homes and businesses at risk
- Huge financial and social cost of flood damage and reinstatement



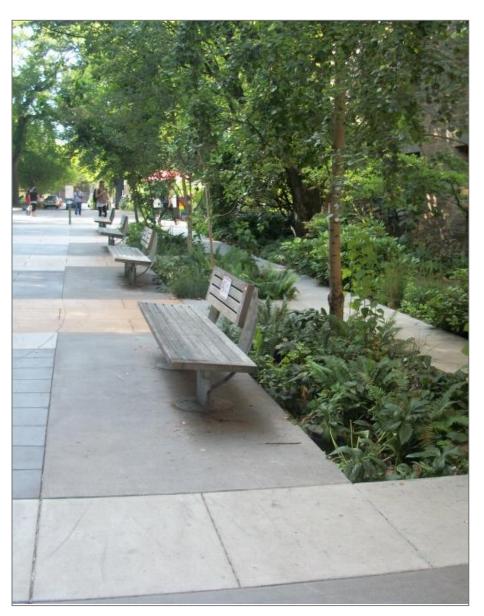
### Managing water in our cities, towns and villages

- Good planning policies to support local needs
- Flood alleviation
- Flood protection
- Realignment/routing through the urban environment
- Reconsidering land planning within urban space
- Managing surface water from all new development and redevelopment
- Comprehensive retrofitting of SuDS
- Property level resilience



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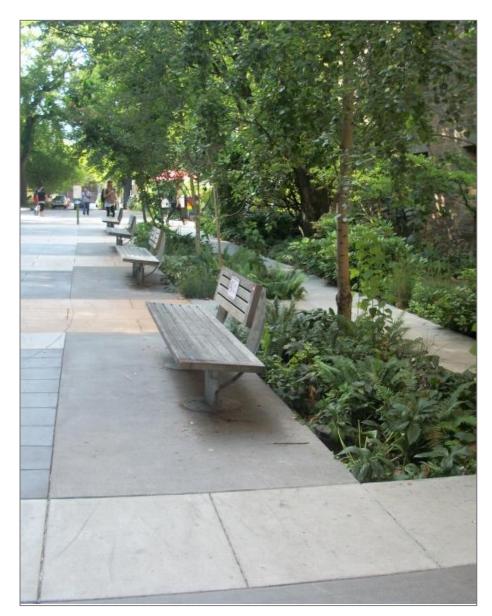
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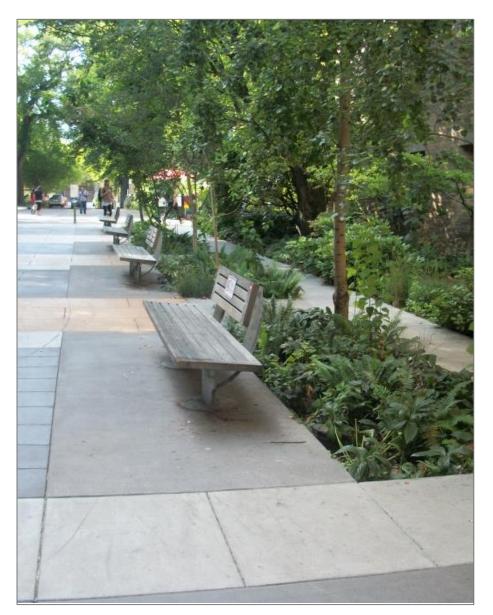
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- COMMUNICATION



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- COLLABORATION
- COMMUNICATION
- By selling the benefits!



### How to sell the (financial) benefits

#### What can it deliver?

- Houses easier to sell
- Sell for higher prices
- Satisfies multiple planning requirements
- Makes Biodiversity Net Gain easier to achieve
- Delivering multiple benefits is cost effective (and generally cheaper)
- Efficient use of land
- More attractive
- Modifies the environment: excess heat and rainfall



### Delivering multi-functional SuDS through design

#### The benefits it can deliver

- Attractive healthy places
- Relevant to locality
- Inherent resilience
- Reuses rainwater effectively
- Enhances water quality
- Supports the aquatic environment
- Creates new habitats and networks
- Healthier environments

... places for people and wildlife to flourish

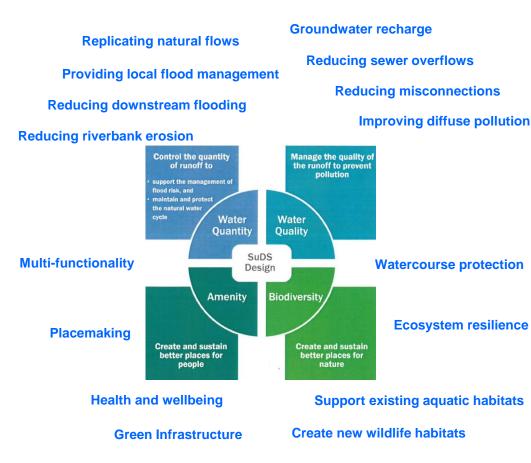


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**SuDS** components

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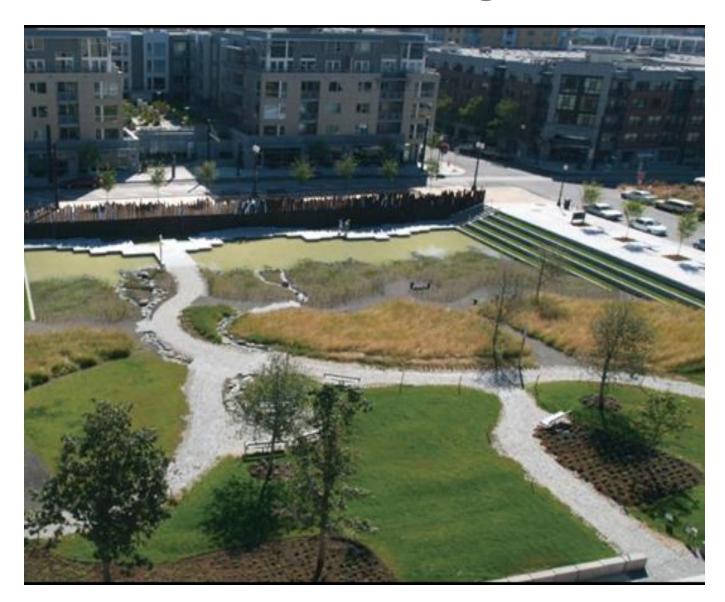




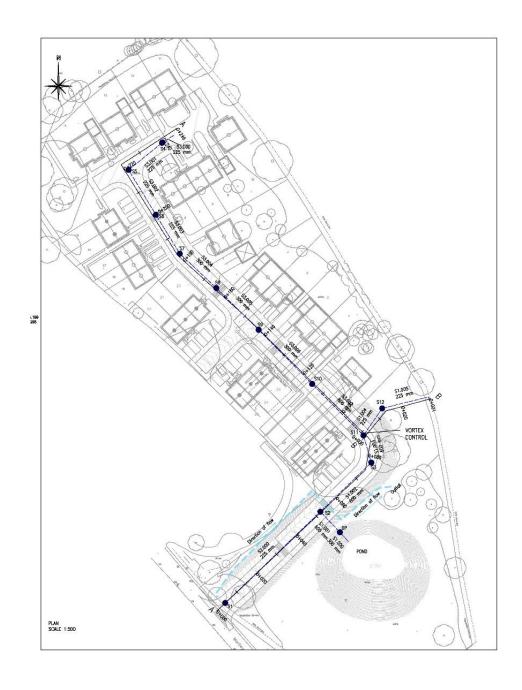


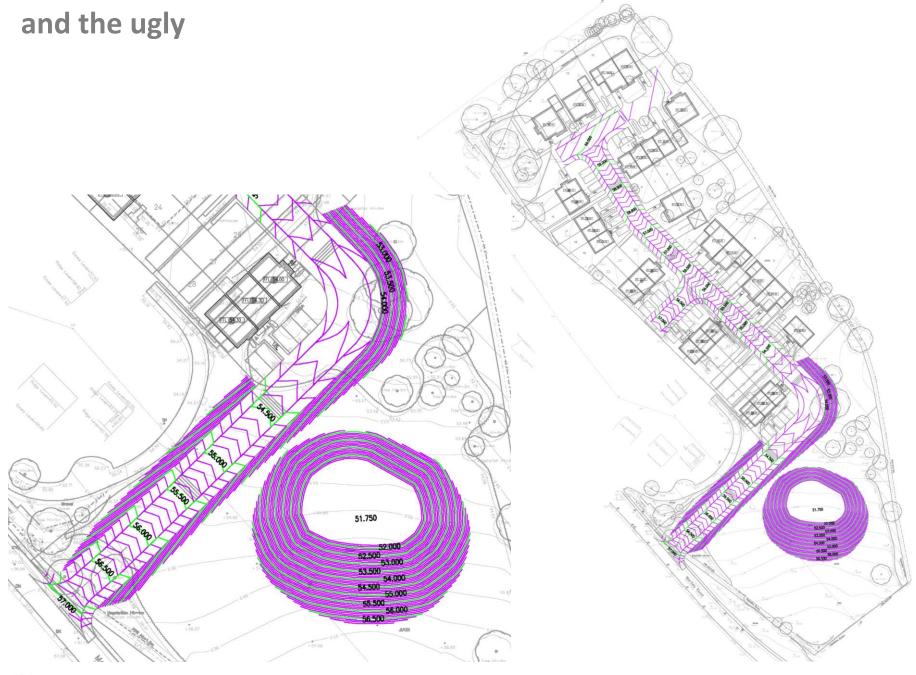
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## Revision the land – urban retrofitting



## The bad



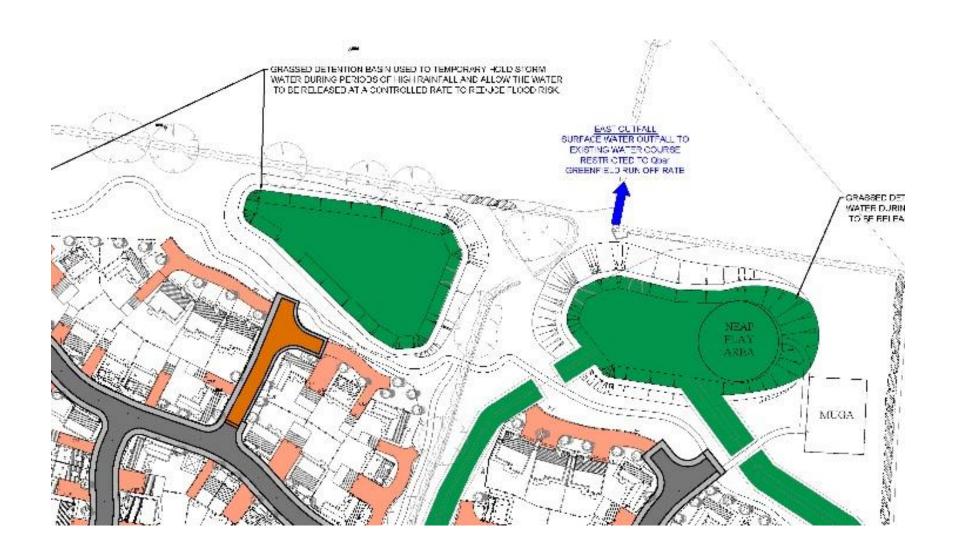


### **Better**



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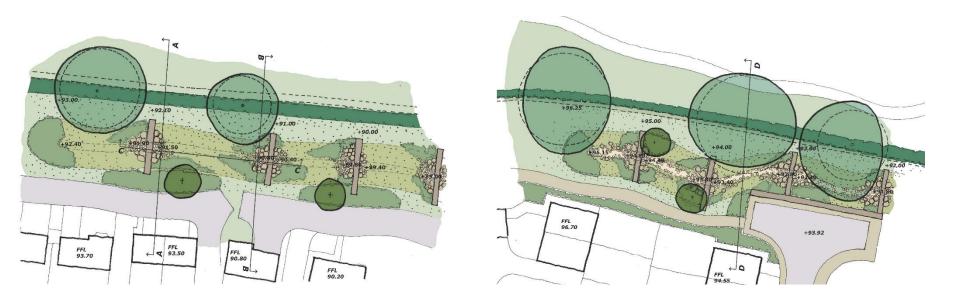
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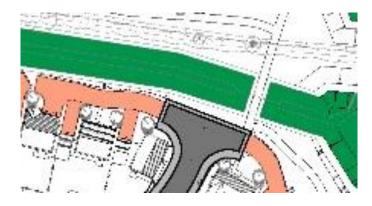


## **Better integrated**



### The need for detail





### **Delivering Blue and Green (and places for people)**



#### What do we need to consider?

#### THE BASELINE ISSUES

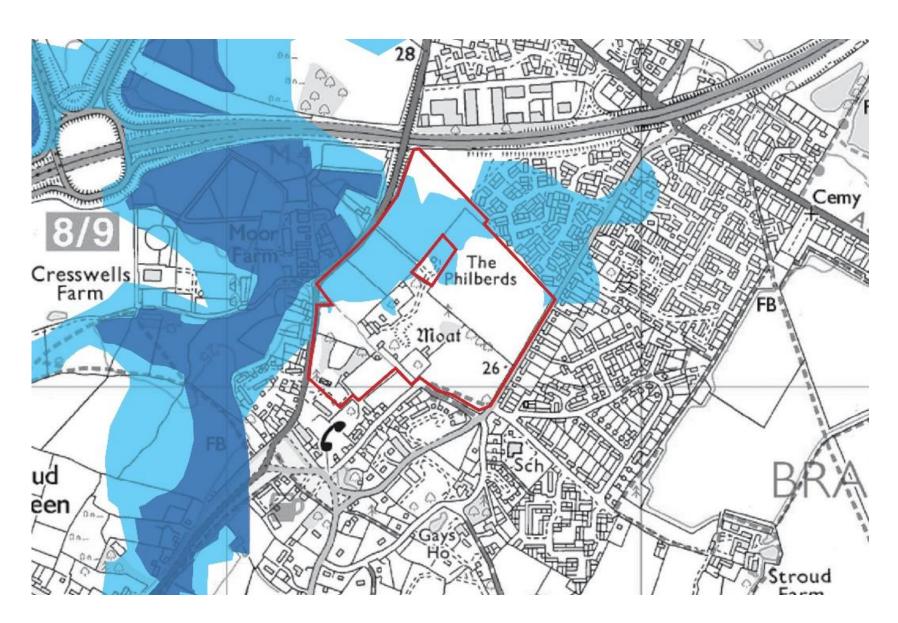
- Does it flood and where does the water flow?
- How does water discharge?
- Topography
- Local landscape character
- Historic context
- Visual issues arising from development
- Tree resource
- Ecological resource

#### WHAT MAKES IT LIVEABLE

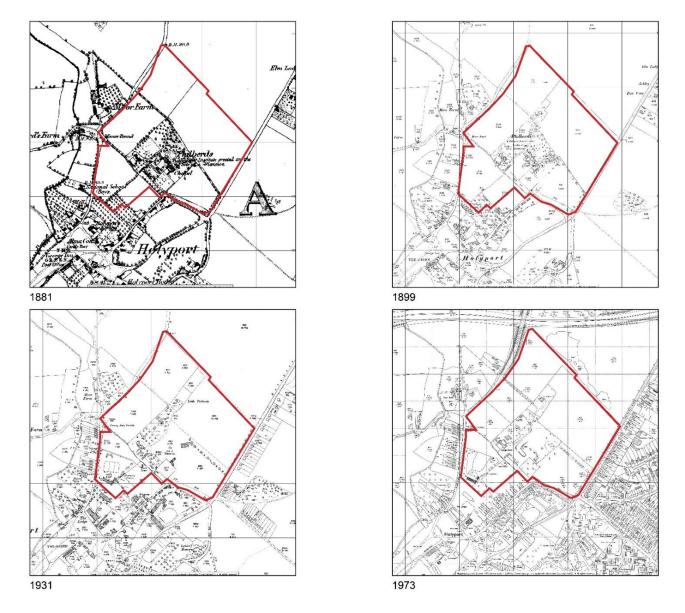
- Placemaking
- An attractive environment
- Access and connections
- Play and public open space



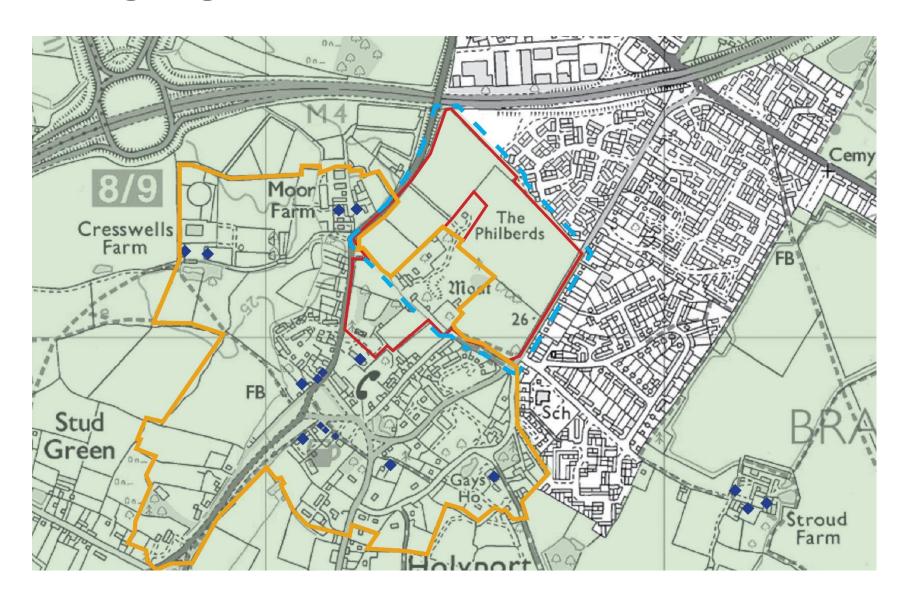
### Flood zones 2 and 3



### **Historic context**



### **Planning designations**



### Consideration of key views into the site











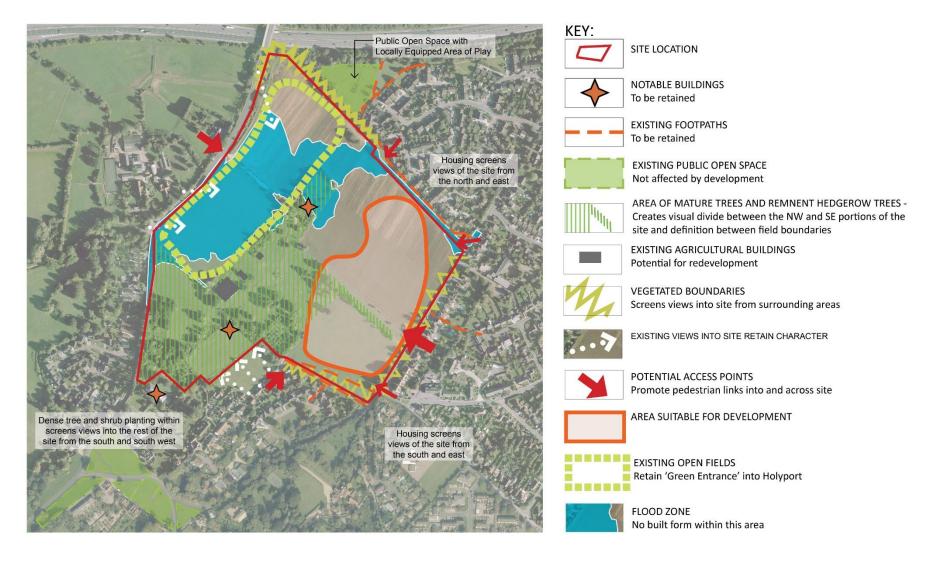


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### **Tree survey**



### How these factors influence the spatial design



## Defining the developable area



### **Access and movement**

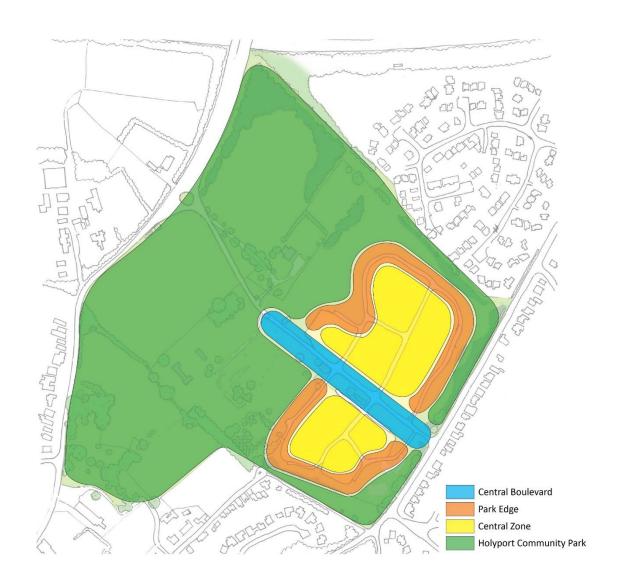




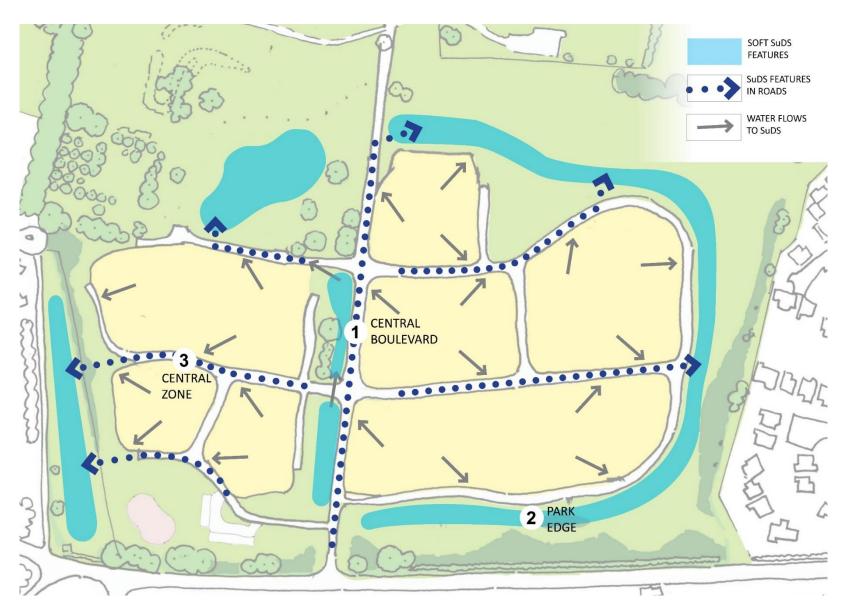
### **Development concept**

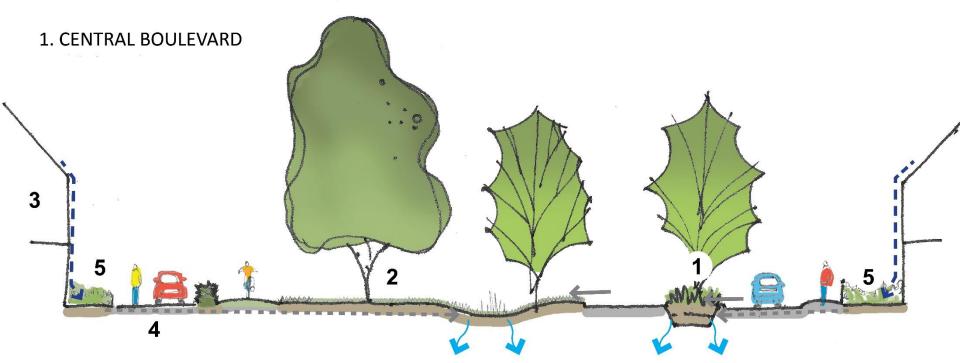


### **Concept of street typologies**



### Making space for water

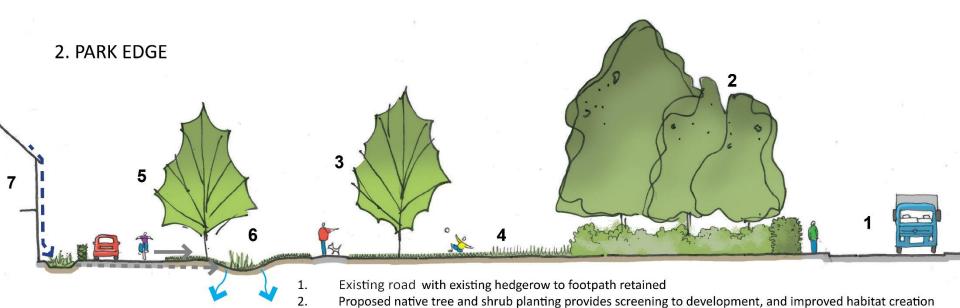




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drives, rain gardens / soak aways)

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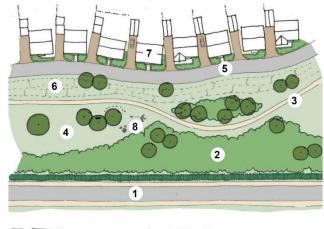
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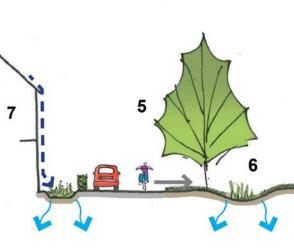
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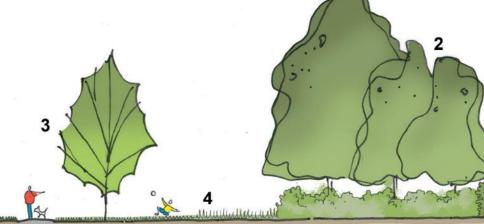
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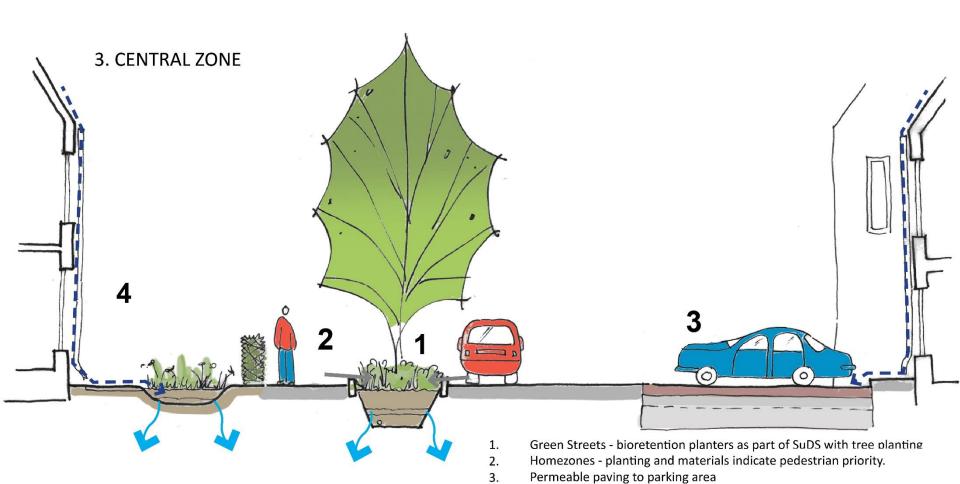




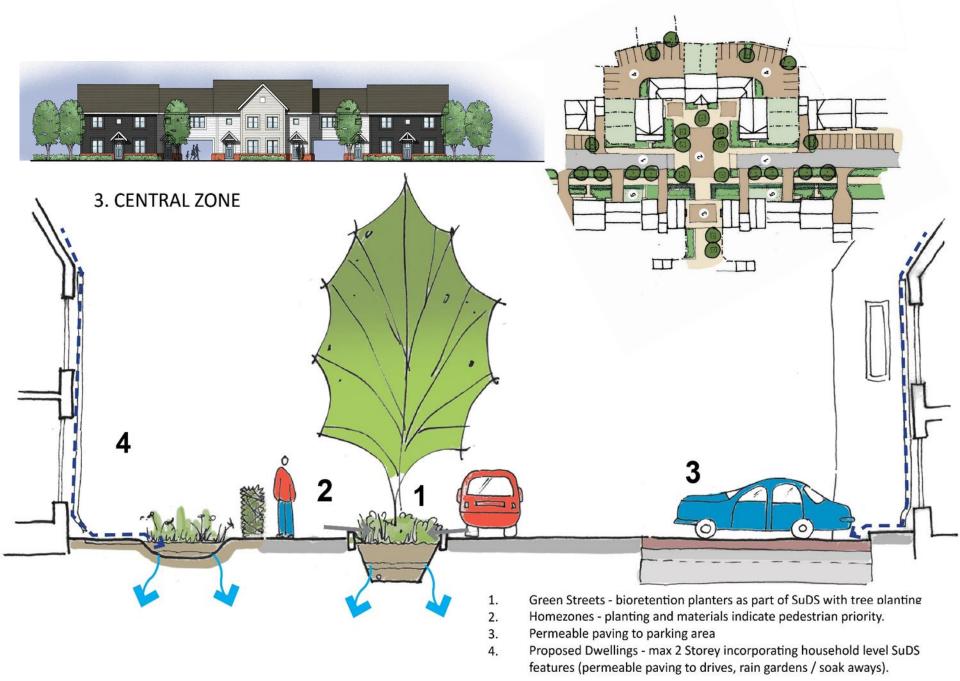




- Existing road with existing hedgerow to footpath retained
- 2. Proposed native tree and shrub planting provides screening to development, and improved habitat creation
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# Any questions?

