

DETAIL AREA - LEVEL 06 PODIUM

- 1 Amenity trees in raised planters providing softening of communal terrace and buffering between private terraces and communal areas
- 2 Arbour defining entrance to terrace
- 3 Feature tree in raised planter with integrated seating
- 4 Large group outdoor dining zone
- 5 Double sun loungers providing relaxation opportunity
- 6 Outdoor work-space with bar table bench and stools
- 7 Bench seating integrated with raised planters
- 8 Moveable outdoor furniture allowing for group gathering. Arbour to define seating space
- 9 3m high vertical screen with climbing plants providing wind mitigation



Key Plan



DETAIL AREA - LEVEL 12 PODIUM

- 1 Amenity planting softening terrace
- 2 Decking zone defining seating area
- 3 Feature tree in raised planter with integrated seating
- 4 Large group outdoor dining zone
- 5 Double sun loungers providing relaxation opportunity
- 6 Outdoor work-space with bar table bench and stools
- 7 Amenity trees in raised planter
- 8 Moveable outdoor furniture allowing for group gathering. Arbour to define seating space
- 9 3m high vertical screen with climbing plants providing wind mitigation
- 10 3m high vertical screen to building corner providing wind mitigation



Key Plan



Landscape & Public Realm

SECTIONS

- 1 Street trees and planting
- 2 Outdoor work-space with bar table bench and stools
- 3 Arbour
- 4 Feature tree in raised planter with integrated seating
- 5 Double sun loungers providing relaxation opportunity
- 6 Amenity trees in raised planters
- 7 Raised planters with integrated seating
- 8 Water attenuation tank
- 9 Balance play trail with balance beam and steppers
- 10 Proposed amenity trees with understory planting
- 11 Hedge planting to boundary providing screening of adjacent property
- 12 Fence to boundary

CASTLE ST

FLINT ST



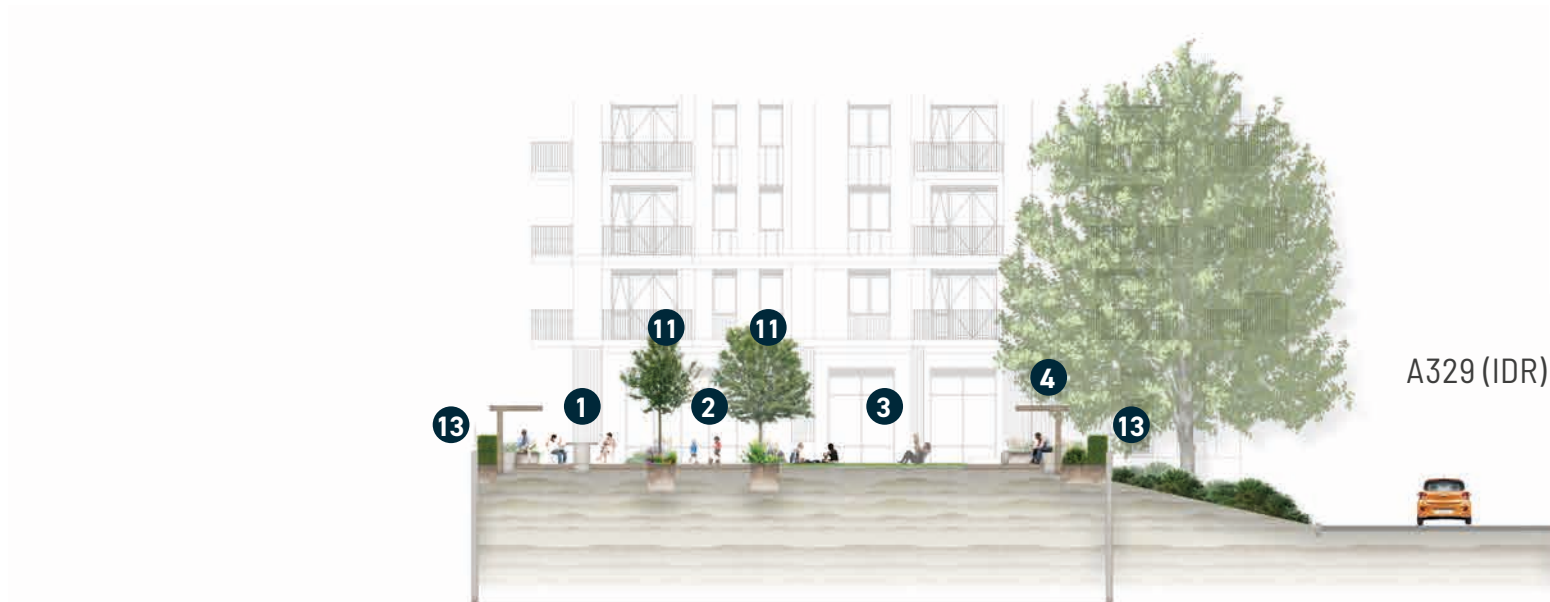
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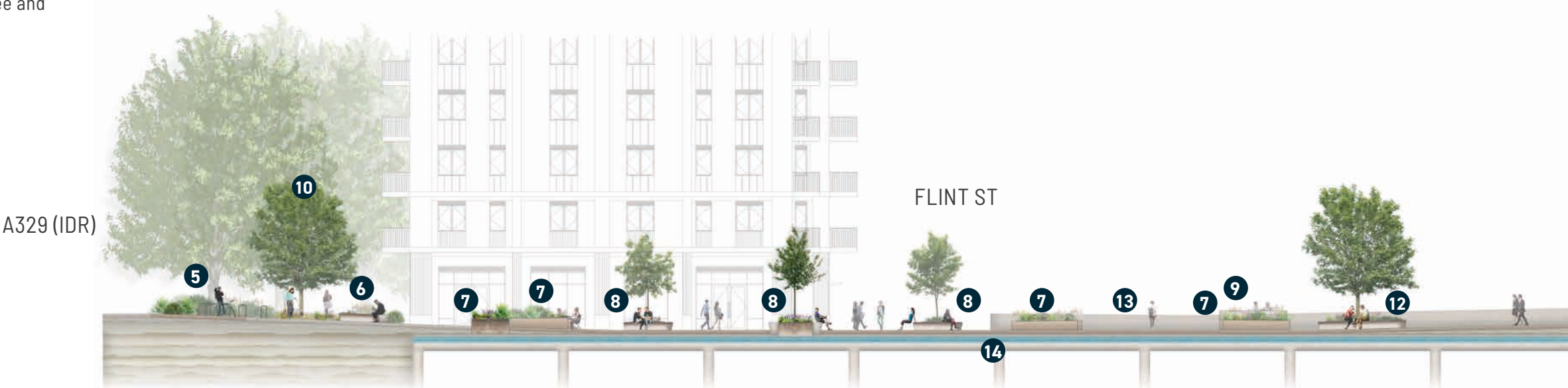
Landscape & Public Realm

SECTIONS

- 1 Large group outdoor dining zone with arbour
- 2 Balance play trail with balance beam and steppers
- 3 Artificial lawn area
- 4 Pergola with fixed seating
- 5 Cycle parking
- 6 Fixed Seating with In-ground Planting
- 7 Raised planters
- 8 Amenity trees in raised planters with surrounding bench seating
- 9 Outdoor work station
- 10 Feature tree in natural ground to create a welcoming entrance to Flint Street
- 11 Proposed amenity trees with understory planting
- 12 Large raised planter with marker tree and integrated seating
- 13 Balustrade to edge of podium
- 14 Water attenuation tank



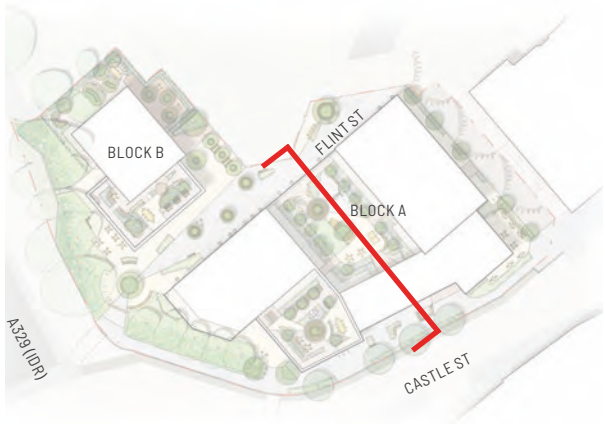
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Landscape & Public Realm

SECTIONS

- 1 Fixed Seating with In-ground Planting
- 2 Moveable furniture
- 3 Large timber platform seating
- 4 Feature tree in raised planter with integrated seating
- 5 Amenity trees in raised planters providing softening of communal terrace and buffering between private terraces and communal areas
- 6 Low level planting
- 7 Street trees and planting
- 8 Balustrade to edge of podium
- 9 Water attenuation tank



Key Plan



STRATEGIES – PUBLIC ART

Artist's Proposition Statement

The proposed design scheme identifies a series of opportunities for public art to enrich the public realm, celebrate local identity, and reinforce a sense of place.

The overall intent is to embed public art meaningfully within the scheme, anchoring the development within its local context while providing moments of creativity, identity, and storytelling for residents and visitors alike.

Primary Opportunity - Castle Street Mural

A landmark mural is proposed at the prominent corner of Castle Street, marking a key arrival point into the town centre. The intention is to commission a local artist, with the theme and design developed through a community consultation process. This approach ensures the artwork is reflective of the local community, capturing its values, stories, and collective identity. The mural will not only serve as a highly visible marker within the public realm but also contribute to the wider collection of murals already established across Reading, reinforcing the town's growing cultural narrative and sense of welcome and belonging for both residents and visitors.

Local Reading Mural Exemplars



Bedford Road Community Mural by Azucit



Cow Mural - artist unknown



The Great Escape by Banksy



Black History Mural by Alan Howard

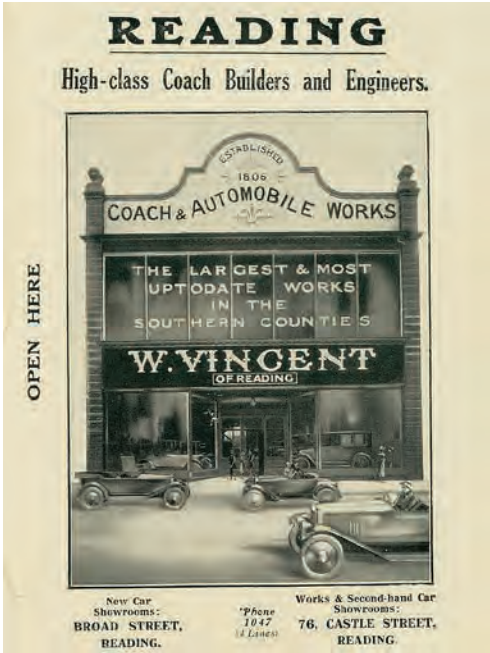


Community Mural by Commando Jugendstil

STRATEGIES – PUBLIC ART

Secondary Opportunities - Integrated Artworks

Additional opportunities for public artwork are proposed through the design of bespoke elements - such as street furniture, paving inlays, or detailed finishes. These interventions will reference the history of the site as a former coachmakers' yard, introducing subtle heritage cues into the everyday public realm. By embedding these details into paving patterns, seating, or other functional elements, the design creates a layer of storytelling that enriches the character of the space. This approach ensures that heritage is acknowledged and celebrated in a practical, integrated, and enduring manner.



Advertisement for W. Vincent of Reading, 1920s.

Integrated Artworks Exemplars



Paving Inlays



Paving Details



Paving Patterns



Street Furniture Details



Playable Sculptures



Entry Archway



Themed Street Furniture



Playable Sculptures

STRATEGIES – PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITIES

The proposed public art strategy centres on a feature mural, to be developed in collaboration with a local artist and informed by community consultation, ensuring it reflects local identity and character. Secondary art opportunities are proposed along primary pedestrian routes and will be further refined at the detailed design stage. These elements will draw on the site’s history and wider context, embedding subtle references within the public realm to enrich the overall sense of place.

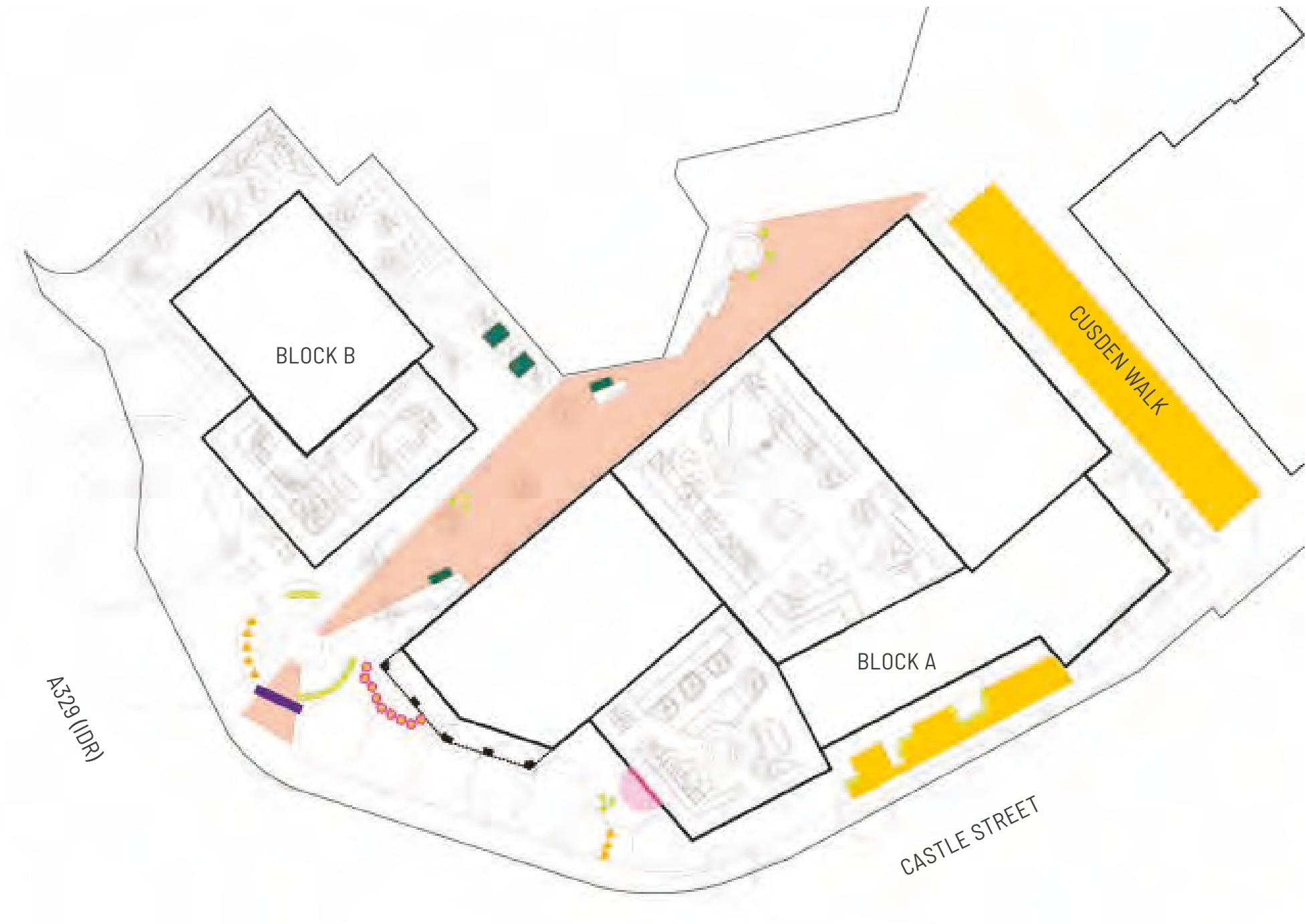
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Primary Opportunities

- Castle Street Mural

Secondary Opportunities

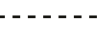
- Entry arbour
- Paving zone incorporating inlays referencing conservation zone
- Paving pattern referencing St Mary’s Church
- Paving details
- Street furniture details
- Themed street furniture
- Playable sculptures



STRATEGIES - MOVEMENT & ACCESS

The movement strategy establishes a clear and legible pedestrian route through the centre of the site, linking directly to existing signalised crossings and reinforcing its role as a gateway into the town centre. This central route channels pedestrian movement while maintaining strong connections beyond the site boundary. Cycle parking is located along the site edges adjacent to the cycle routes, encouraging dismounting and minimising conflict with pedestrians. Servicing is retained via the existing basement service road, with only fire tender and occasional service vehicle access required within the public realm. The existing lay-by off the IDR and associated access stairs are retained to provide access to Block B.

Legend

-  Primary pedestrian movement
-  Secondary pedestrian movement
-  Signalised pedestrian crossing
-  Building entrance (public)
-  Building entrance (communal)
-  Emergency Egress
-  Cycle route
-  Public cycle stands
-  Service and emergency vehicle access only
-  Emergency vehicle layby
-  Emergency vehicle layby access steps (existing)
-  Existing basement access road
-  Existing road



STRATEGIES – PROGRAMMING

The programming of the public realm and landscape is thoughtfully considered to offer a range of benefits for both residents and visitors, supporting multi-generational use and creating a vibrant, inclusive environment. A variety of seating areas are strategically positioned along key pedestrian routes to encourage rest, social interaction, and everyday engagement with the space.

Legend

Public Realm

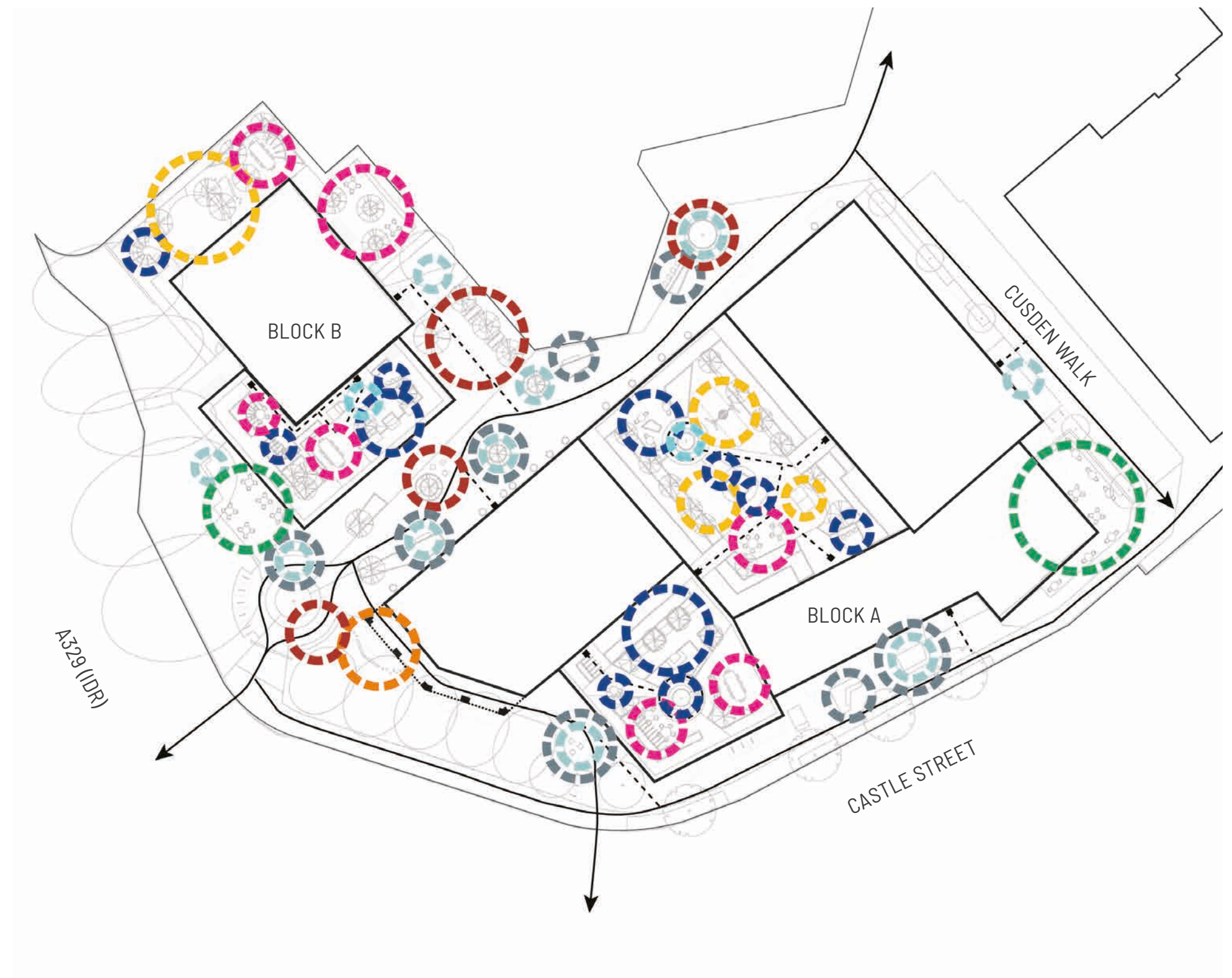
-  Group gathering
-  Play and leisure
-  Commercial spill-out
-  Waiting and meeting
-  Contemplation, observation and relaxation

Pedestrian Movement

-  Primary pedestrian movement
-  Secondary pedestrian movement

Communal Spaces

-  Group gathering
-  Play and leisure
-  Waiting and meeting
-  Contemplation, observation and relaxation



STRATEGIES - LEVELS & PLANTING BUILD-UPS

The landscape levels have been designed in response to the retained podium structure and existing trees, ensuring a seamless transition to surrounding boundary levels and providing equitable access throughout the public realm. Minimum soil depths of 600mm for shrubs and groundcover planting, and 900mm for trees, are achieved through a combination of locally lowered structural slabs and the incorporation of raised planters. Planter heights will be refined at the detailed design stage to ensure these minimum build-ups are consistently maintained while responding to site constraints.

Legend

Ground Floor (GF)

- Basement line below
- Planting in natural ground
- Min. 600mm planting depth
- Min. 900mm planting depth

Terraces

- Min. 600mm planting depth
- Min. 900mm planting depth



STRATEGIES – HARD SURFACES

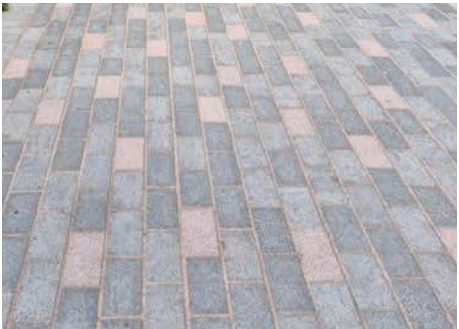
The hard landscape strategy establishes a clear hierarchy of movement and space through a coordinated palette of paving. Feature paving defines the primary pedestrian route, guiding movement towards the town centre, while contrasting block colour paving is used to highlight residential entrances and delineate key public realm areas. Paving along Castle Street and Cusden Walk is designed to align with adoptable standards, ensuring a seamless integration with the surrounding streetscape. Within the communal residential areas, surface finishes are selected to be both durable and visually appropriate, supporting the intended uses while reinforcing a softer, garden-led character.

Legend

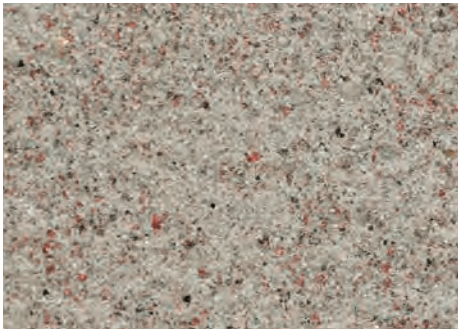
ST01 Feature Paving	ST06 Residential Courtyards
ST02 Secondary Paving	ST07 Residential Decking
ST03 Residential Entrances	ST08 Play Surface
ST04 Streetscape	ST09 Yoga Lawn
ST05 Footpaths	ST10 Maintenance Strips



STRATEGIES – HARD SURFACES



Surface Type 01
TYPE: PERMEABLE BLOCK PAVING
COLOUR: PINK, MID GREY, AND SILVER GREY
FINISH: TEXTURED
SIZE: 200MM X 100MM X 80MM
INSTALL PATTERN: STRETCHERBOND



Surface Type 03
TYPE: CONCRETE PAVER
COLOUR: INDIAN GRANITE
FINISH: TEXTURED
SIZE: 600MM X 300MM X 50MM
INSTALL PATTERN: STRETCHERBOND



Surface Type 05
TYPE: PAVING TO ADOPTABLE
STANDARDS
INSTALL PATTERN: STRETCHERBOND



Surface Type 07
TYPE: COMPOSITE DECKING
COLOUR: NATURAL HICKORY
SIZE: 200MM X 2440MM X 20MM



Surface Type 09
TYPE: SYNTHETIC TURF
COLOUR: GREEN



Surface Type 02
TYPE: PERMEABLE BLOCK PAVING
COLOUR: LIGHT CREAM
FINISH: TEXTURED
SIZE: 600MM X 300MM X 80MM
INSTALL PATTERN: STRETCHERBOND



Surface Type 04
TYPE: PAVING TO MATCH ADOPTABLE
STANDARDS
INSTALL PATTERN: STRETCHERBOND



Surface Type 06
TYPE: RESIN BOUND GRAVEL
COLOUR: BRECCIA



Surface Type 08
TYPE: WET POUR RUBBER CRUMB
COLOUR: CLAY NATURAL



Surface Type 10
TYPE: DECORATIVE GRAVEL
COLOUR: GOLDEN GRAVEL
SIZE: 20MM

STRATEGIES – FURNITURE

The furniture strategy is designed to support a vibrant public realm and usable communal spaces that accommodates a range of everyday activities and group sizes. Furniture will be robust, durable and suitable for the local environment, ensuring longevity and ease of maintenance. The selection and placement of furniture will encourage informal gathering, waiting, and social interaction. Careful positioning ensures seating opportunities are distributed throughout the public realm while maintaining clear pedestrian movement routes and sightlines.

Legend

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 FT01
Free Standing Bench Seat | 11 FT11
Cantilever Pergola |
| 2 FT02
Curved Bench Seat | 12 FT12
Platform Seat |
| 3 FT03
Moveable Table & Chairs | 13 FT13
Sun Lounger |
| 4 FT04
Bespoke Dining Setting | 14 FT14
Integrated Bench Seat |
| 5 FT05
Coffee Table | 15 FT15
Balance Trail |
| 6 FT06
Cycle Stand | 16 FT16
Basket Swing |
| 7 FT07
Cube Seat | 17 FT17
Ping Pong Table |
| 8 FT08
Outdoor Work Station | 18 FT18
Entry Arbour |
| 9 FT09
Feature Pots | 19 FT19
Vertical Screen |
| 10 FT10
Picnic Table | |



STRATEGIES – FURNITURE & FIXTURES



Furniture Type 01
FREE STANDING BENCH SEAT
MATERIAL: STONE WITH TIMBER TOP AND METAL INLAYS
SIZE: 400 (W) x 450MM (H) x VARIED LENGTH
ACCESSORIES: ARMREST AND BACKREST



Furniture Type 02
CURVED BENCH SEAT
MATERIAL: STONE WITH TIMBER TOP AND METAL INLAYS
SIZE: 400 (W) x 450MM (H) x VARIED DIA.
ACCESSORIES: ARMREST AND BACKREST



Furniture Type 03
MOVEABLE TABLE & CHAIRS
SHOWN INDICATIVELY ONLY. TO BE SUPPLIED BY COMMERCIAL TENNANTS / BUILDING MANAGEMENT



Furniture Type 04
BESPOKE DINING SETTING
TYPE: OUTDOOR TABLE AND CHAIRS
MATERIAL: STONE AND ALUMINIUM



Furniture Type 05
COFFEE TABLE
MATERIAL: STONE WITH METAL INLAYS



Furniture Type 06
CYCLE STAND
MATERIAL: STEEL



Furniture Type 07
CUBE SEAT
MATERIAL: STONE WITH METAL INLAYS



Furniture Type 08
OUTDOOR WORK STATION
TYPE: BAR TABLE AND STOOLS
MATERIAL: STONE AND ALUMINIUM



Furniture Type 09
FEATURE POTS
TYPE: FIBERGLASS
SIZE: 1000mm (H) x DIA. VARIES



Furniture Type 10
PICNIC TABLE
TYPE: TIMBER AND STEEL
SIZE: 1600 (W) x 2000MM (L)



Furniture Type 11
CANTILEVER PERGOLA
MATERIAL: STEEL
SIZE: 2500 (H) x 1500mm (W) x LENGTH VARIES



Furniture Type 12
PLATFORM SEAT
MATERIAL: TIMBER BATTEN WITH STEEL FRAME
SIZE: 450MM H x VARIED LENGTH & WIDTH



Furniture Type 13
SUN LOUNGER
MATERIAL: TIMBER BATTEN WITH STEEL FRAME
SIZE: 1400 x 1500MM



Furniture Type 14
INTEGRATED BENCH SEAT
MATERIAL: TIMBER BATTEN WITH STEEL FRAME
SIZE: 400 (W) x VARIED LENGTH
ACCESSORIES: ARMREST AND BACKREST



Furniture Type 15
BALANCE TRAIL
TYPE: BALANCE BEAM AND STEPPING LOGS
MATERIAL: TIMBER
SIZE: MAX. HEIGHT 400MM



Furniture Type 16
BASKET SWING
MATERIAL: TIMBER
SIZE: 3600MM x 2100 x 2550MM (H)



Furniture Type 17
PING-PONG TABLE
TYPE: PING-PONG TABLE
ST07 - RESIDENTIAL DECKING
SIZE: 1540 x 2740MM



Furniture Type 18
ENTRY ARBOUR
MATERIAL: STEEL
SIZE: 4000 (H) x 5000 (L) x 200MM (W)



Furniture Type 19
VERTICAL SCREEN
MATERIAL: STEEL
SIZE: 3000 (H) x 100 (W) x VARIED LENGTH

Landscape & Public Realm

STRATEGIES - LIGHTING

The external lighting strategy is designed to create a layered and characterful lighting environment that supports wayfinding, activity and a comfortable night-time setting. Feature lighting will include subtle uplighting to proposed wayfinding trees, emphasising their form and seasonal character, and bud lighting to key marker trees to create a welcoming threshold. Catenary lighting will contribute to the vibrancy of the Flint Street after dark, with wall mounted uplighting used to illuminate the proposed mural. Bollard lighting and bench strip lighting will contribute to establishing a comfortable atmosphere.

Lighting locations and selections are illustrative only and are to be detailed by a specialist lighting consultant in the next work stage.

Legend



Lighting type 01
Bollard light



Lighting Type 02
Integrated strip lighting



Lighting Type 03
Uplight



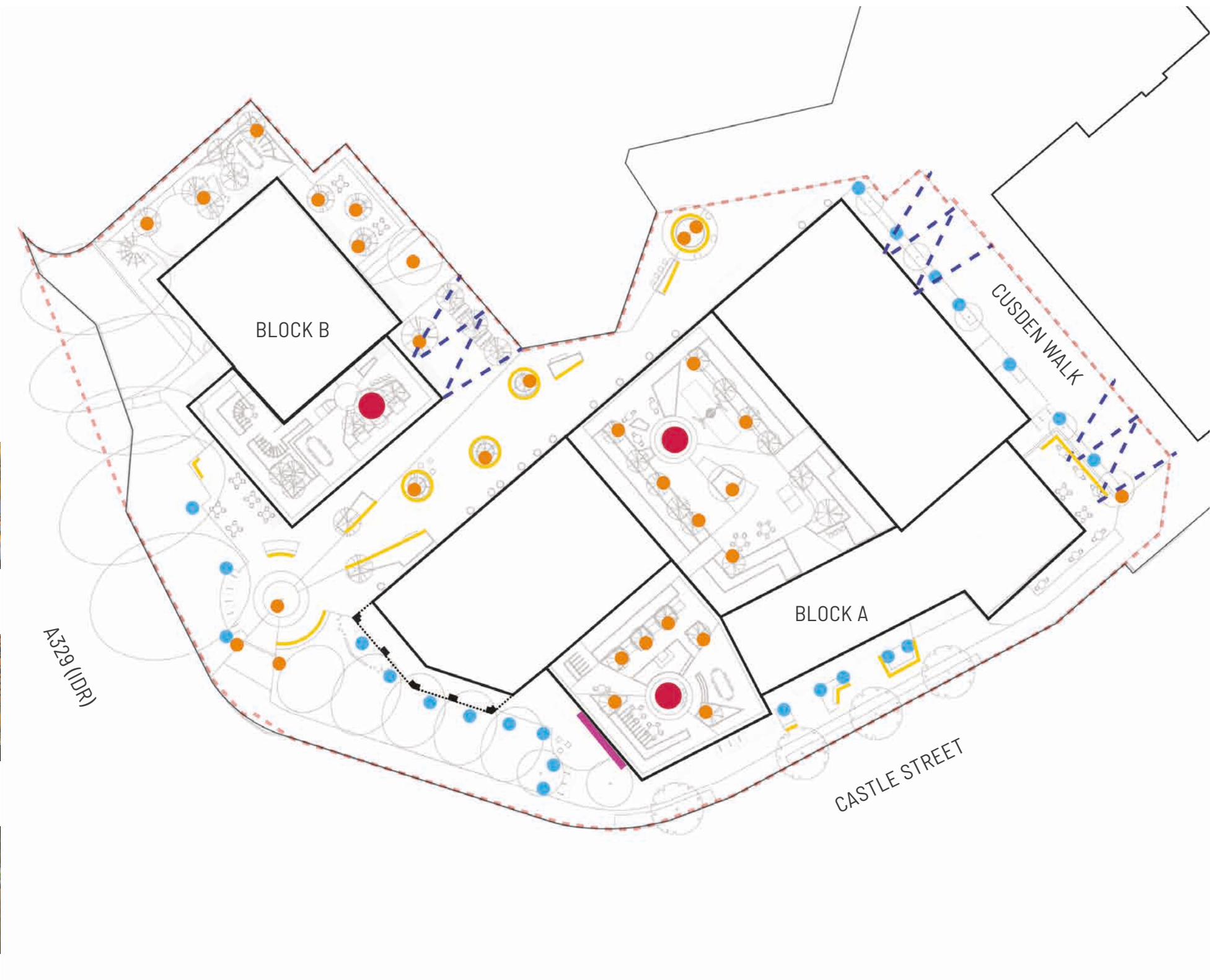
Lighting Type 04
Bud lighting



Lighting Type 05
Catenary lighting



Lighting Type 06
Wall uplight



STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Vision

The soft landscape strategy seeks to introduce greenery that softens the hard urban environment while reinforcing the character and identity of the external spaces. Planting is designed around a series of key principles:

Principles

Strong Identity: Utilising planting to create a welcoming and memorable arrival into the town centre

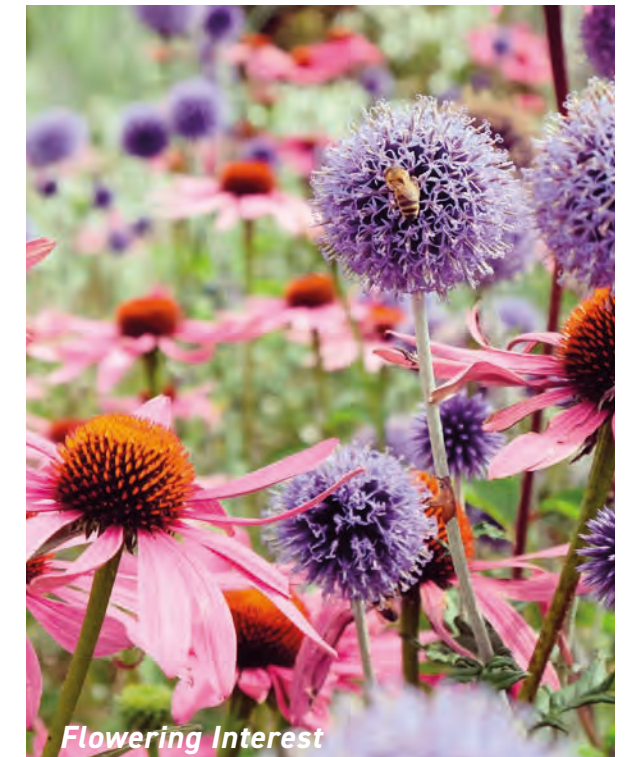
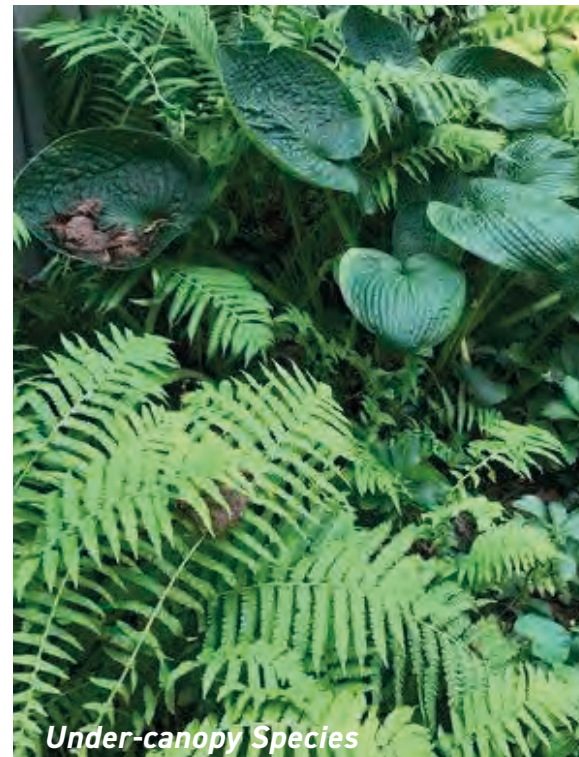
Contextual Design: Plant and tree selections will be made with careful consideration of the local environment, reflecting species native to the area and responding to the surrounding environmental conditions such as microclimate and sun exposure.

Safety: Planting design will carefully consider visibility and safety, maintaining clear sightlines and supporting natural surveillance within the space, ensuring a comfortable and attractive pedestrian environment is created.

Low Maintenance: The selected plant and tree species will be durable and require minimal maintenance, with inclusion of drought tolerant species to minimise watering requirements.

Biodiversity: Enhancing biodiversity and environmental resilience by incorporating indigenous species, along with a mix of mature and early-mature plants, will ensure sustainable planting for the future.

Seasonality: Seasonal changes will be highlighted through the planting, with plant and tree selections that provide year-round interest.



STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Character Areas



Forest Gardens

Planting inspired by the local RISC roof garden in Reading

Opportunity to support wayfinding within the wider site context



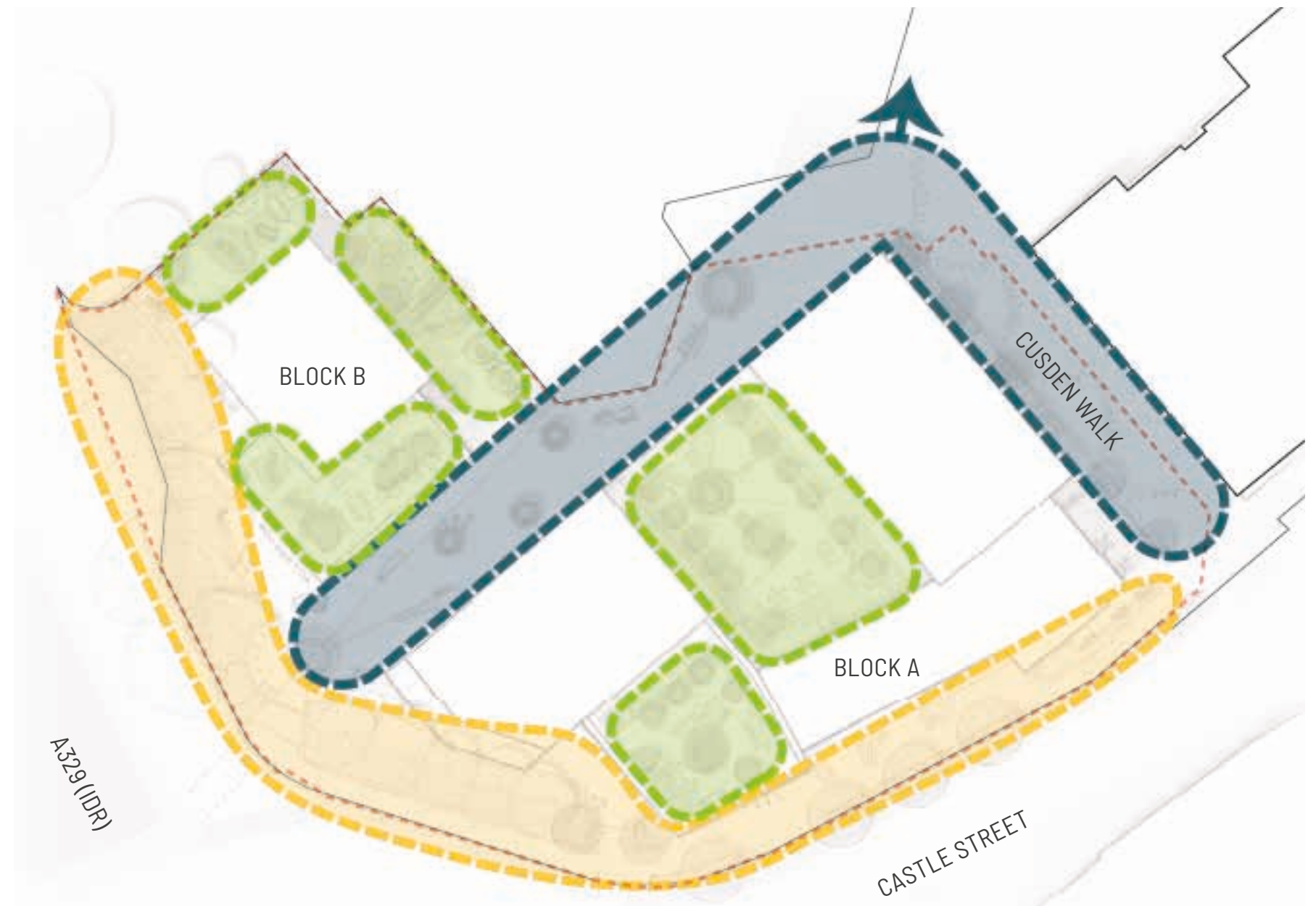
Residential Gardens

Intimate, inviting spaces with a mix of ornamental and functional planting, offering amenity and privacy



Ecological Gardens

Diverse landscape buffers to improve biodiversity and add vibrancy to the public realm



STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Existing Tree Strategy

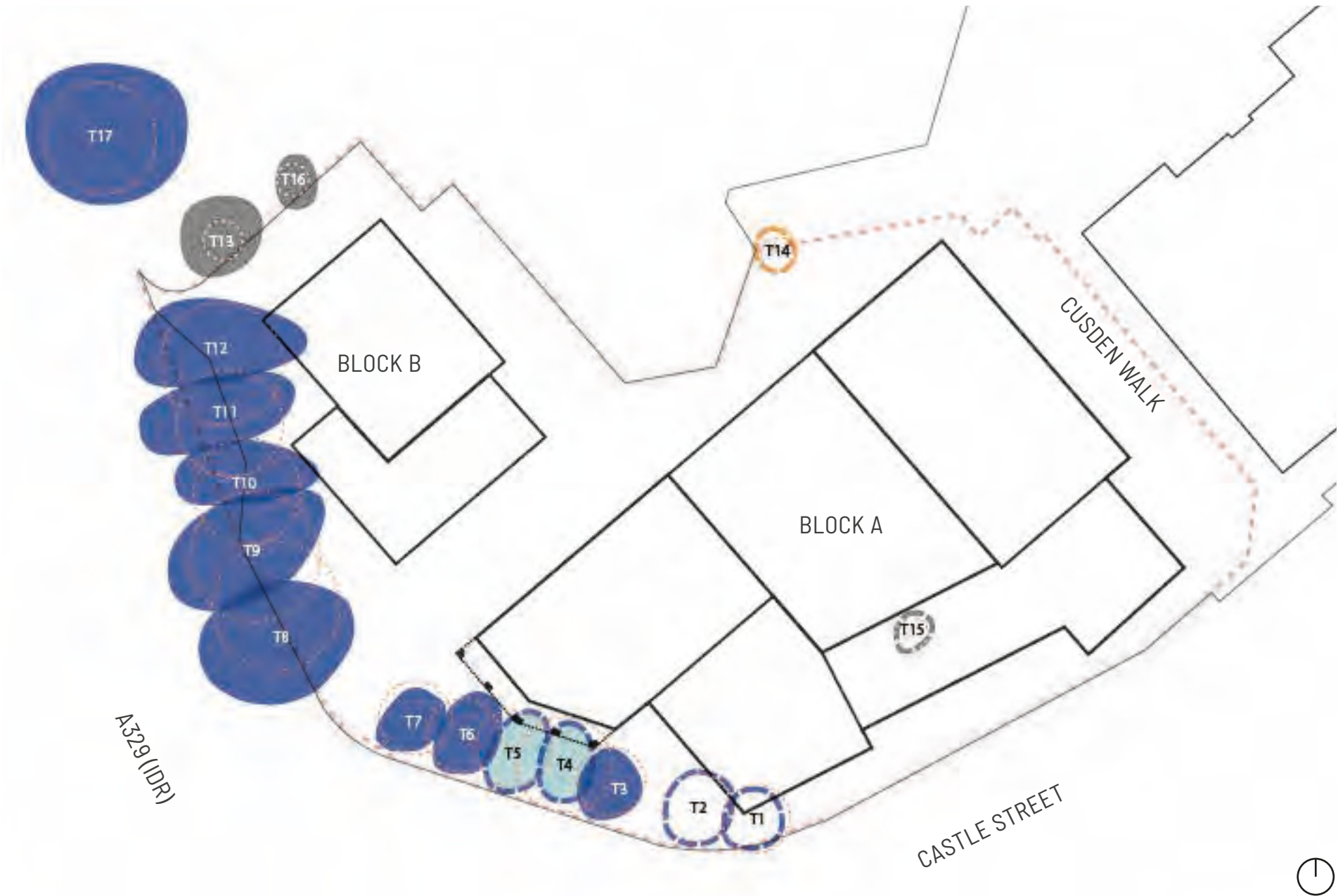
All existing trees within the site boundary, and adjacent, are categorised as Category B, C, or U specimens. The adjacent diagram identifies those to be retained/removed.

The retained trees along the south west boundary comprise of two species (London Plane, and Red-twigged Lime) and are of a similar age. This uniformity presents a risk of concurrent decline, potentially impacting the site’s character and the longevity of its canopy. To address this, retained trees will be subject to a programme of pollarding to manage their scale, improve long-term health, and allow for the introduction of new planting beneath. This approach supports a strategy of successional planting, gradually diversifying the tree stock and establishing a more resilient canopy over time.

For additional details, refer to the Arboricultural Survey Impact Assessment & Method Statement Report prepared by Marcus Foster

Legend

- Site Boundary
- Existing Category B tree
- Existing Category C tree
- Existing Category B tree - to be retained or replaced if damaged during construction
- Existing Category B tree to be removed
- Existing Category C tree to be removed
- Existing Category U tree to be removed
- TXX Tree Code
- Root Protection Area



T3, T4, T5, T6 & T7- Category B



T8, T9, T10, T11 & T12 - Category B

STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Proposed Tree Strategy

The landscape and public realm strategy prioritises a significant increase in tree planting across the site to strengthen the green character, improve environmental performance, and enhance the pedestrian experience. Additionally, successional tree planting is considered to ensure the longevity of the site character is maintained. The accompanying diagram illustrates the relationship between existing retained trees and proposed new planting.

Legend

- 10 x Retained Trees
- 55 x Proposed Trees
- 4 x Proposed Street Trees
(subject to local authority approval and confirmation of underground services)
- 8 x Proposed Successional Trees
(to be installed as whips)



STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Tree Typology

The trees proposed within the site will vary in typology, to offer a variety of functions within the soft landscape strategy.

Wayfinding trees will create focal marker points within the streetscape, with notable forms and vibrant seasonal interest to guide pedestrians through the space.

Street trees will line the pedestrian routes around the site, allowing key views to remain open across the space and out to the surroundings.

Amenity trees will feature through the public open spaces to add variety to the planting proposals and provide ecological benefits within the urban development. Garden trees will include smaller ornamental species, bringing seasonal variation and attractive colours into the communal residential landscapes. These species can be attractive for birds and butterflies, adding to the garden character of the planting.

Legend

-  Retained Trees
-  Street Trees
(subject to local authority approval and confirmation of underground services)
-  Primary wayfinding trees
-  Secondary wayfinding trees
-  Amenity trees
-  Garden trees

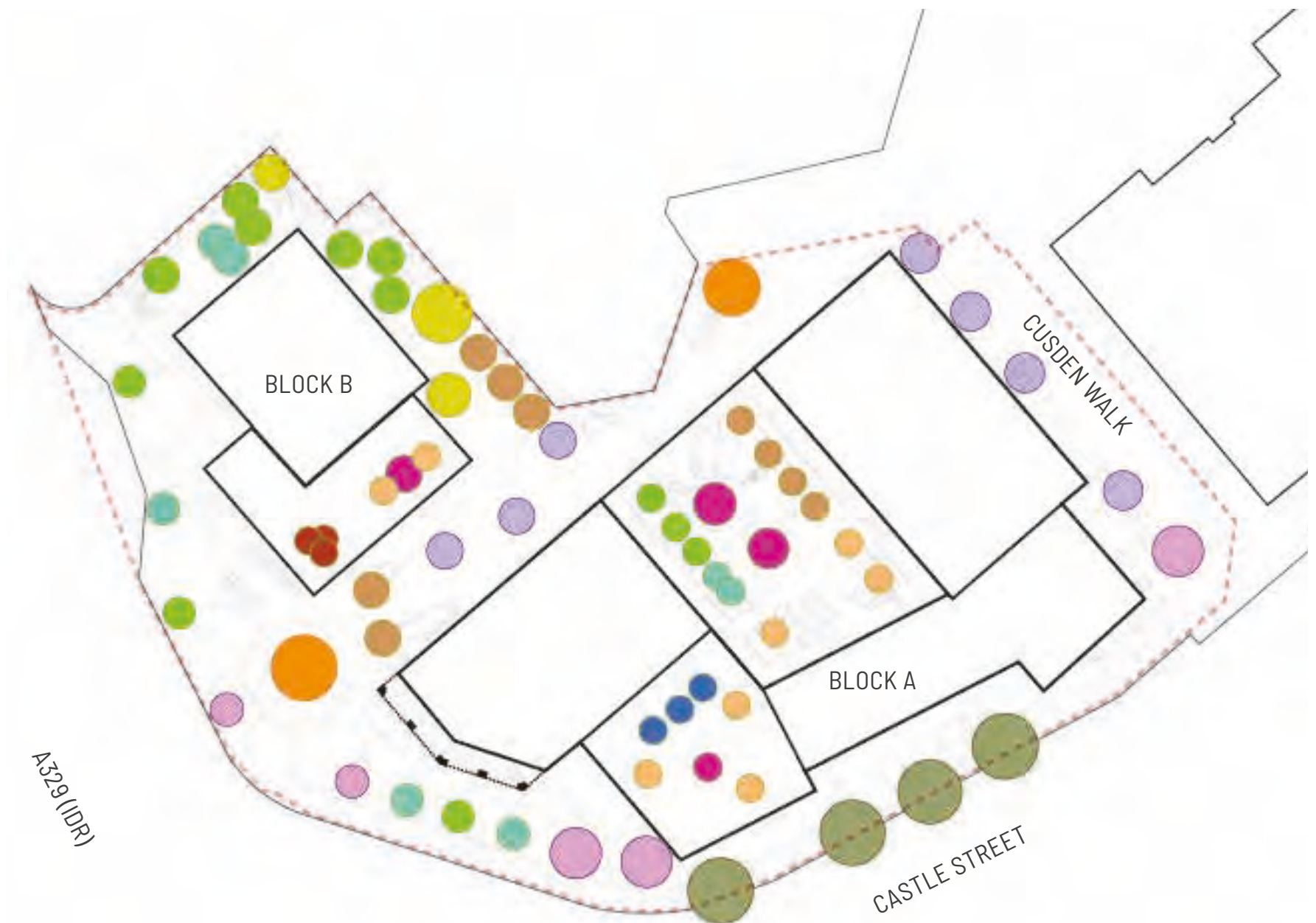


STRATEGIES - SOFT LANDSCAPING

Proposed Tree Palette

Legend

- Quercus robur 'Fastigiata'
- Amelanchier canadensis
- Prunus avium 'Plena'
- Magnolia x soulangeana
- Sorbus aucuparia
- Prunus 'Hillieri Spire'
- Cornus kousa
- Amelanchier lamarckii
- Prunus serrula
- Betula nigra
- Acer palmatum
- Sorbus aucuparia 'Fastigiata'



STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Tree Palette

Tree species are selected for their individual properties.

The Magnolia marker tree is distinctive with large cup-shaped flowers blooming in the spring.

Fastigate Quercus street trees allow clear sightlines and views, while forming a rhythmic addition to the hard landscape.

Amneity trees of Amelanchier and Prunus provide interest with delicate petals and attactive seasonal colour.

Garden trees are suited to their environment, bringing ornamnetal flowers, bark colour and texture, or interest within their structural forms.

Marker Tree



Magnolia x soulangeana

Street Trees



Quercus robur 'Fastigiata'

Amenity Trees



Amelanchier canadensis



Prunus avium 'Plena'

Garden Trees



Sorbus aucuparia



Prunus 'Hillieri Spire'



Cornus kousa



Amelanchier lamarckii



Prunus serrula



Betula nigra



Acer palmatum



Sorbus aucuparia 'Fastigiata'

STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Typologies

Based upon the soft landscape character areas of the scheme, the planting typologies are suited to the differing design intentions and conditions of the landscape.

The ecological mix is suited to the shady conditions beneath the existing trees, introducing a diverse under-canopy with foliage, flowers, and texture.

The residential garden spaces are softened with one of two planting mixes, suited to either the more shady and sheltered courtyard environment or more sunny and exposed upper level gardens.

The forest character area planting brings diversity and interest to the public realm central access route, with species reflecting the local RISC garden to enrich the open space and create a memorable arrival to the town centre.

Legend

-  Ecological Shade Mix
-  Garden Planting - Sun Mix
-  Garden Planting - Shade Mix
-  Forest Planting Mix
-  Castle Street Mix
-  Biodiverse Green Roof
-  Native Hedge Row
-  Climbers



STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Palette

Shade tolerant species are selected to form an under-canopy soft landscape beneath existing trees.

Inspired by a woodland floor, the chosen species offer varied texture, evergreen foliage, and flowering species for ecological diversity and wildlife interest.

Ecological Shade Mix

shaded urban conditions, woodland floor character, ecological focus, complements existing trees



Sarcococca confusa



Hydrangea macrophylla



Viburnum opulus 'Compactum'



Farfugium japonica var. giganteum



Geranium macrorrhizum 'Spessart'



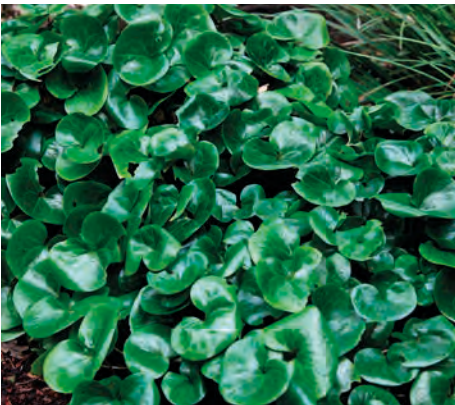
Vinca minor



Luzula sylvatica



Polystichum setiferum



Asarum europaeum



Hyacinthoides non-scripta



Anemone nemorosa



Stipa arundinacea

STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Palette

Colour and sensory interest are offered by the chosen species in the garden planting sun mix.

Suitable for the sunnier conditions of the site, these species enrich the residential garden areas with movement and a united colour palette, allowing residents to enjoy the immersive outdoor spaces of the development.

Garden Planting – Sun Mix

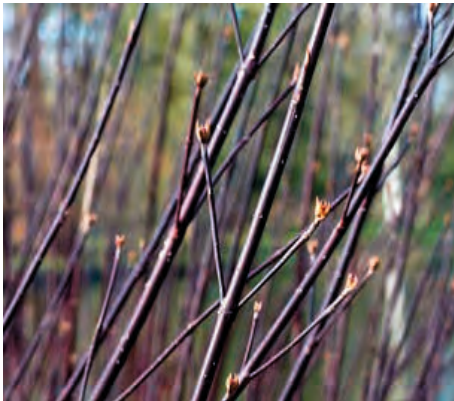
sunny residential garden spaces, ornamental species, intimate and private amenity



Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote'



Myrtus communis subsp. tarentina



Cornus alba 'Kesselringii'



Thymus serpyllum



Geranium 'Rozanne'



Alchemilla mollis



Heuchera villosa 'Palace Purple'



Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl Foerster'



Festuca glauca



Allium giganteum



Anemone x hybrida 'Honorine Jobert'



Salvia nemorosa 'Caradonna'

STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Palette

Well-suited to the shadier courtard garden spaces of the residential buildings, this garden planting palette provides greenery and sensory interest through large foliage and delicate flowers.

A calming colour palette transforms the garden space into a relaxing and intimate outdoor area for all residents to enjoy.

Garden Planting – Shade Mix

shady residential garden spaces, ornamental species, intimate and private amenity



Sarcococca confusa



Skimmia japonica 'Rubella'



Farfugium japonica var. giganteum



Bergenia cordifolia



Helleborus niger



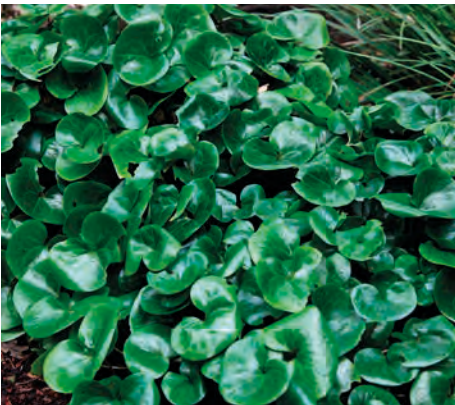
Tiarella cordifolia



Polygonatum x hybridum



Polystichum setiferum



Asarum europaeum



Ajuga reptans



Carex oshimensis 'Evergold'



Hosta sieboldiana var. elegans

STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Palette

The dynamic species selection of the forest planting takes inspiration from local RISC rooftop forest garden, and subsequently connecting the public realm to the wider context of Reading.

Lining a key route into the town center, these varied species offer sensory interest with inviting scent and edible plants, and create a memorable landscape with colour, greenery, and notable flowering forms.

Forest Planting Mix

urban open space, inspired by the local RISC roof garden, sensory flowers and foliage to soften landscape



Fragaria vesca



Galium odoratum



Myrrhis odorata



Polygonatum x hybridum



Pulmonaria officinalis



Viburnum opulus 'Compactum'



Viola odorata



Mespilus germanica



Cyclamen hederifolium



Echinacea purpurea



Ugni molinae



Salvia officinalis 'Purpurascens'

STRATEGIES – SOFT LANDSCAPING

Planting Palette

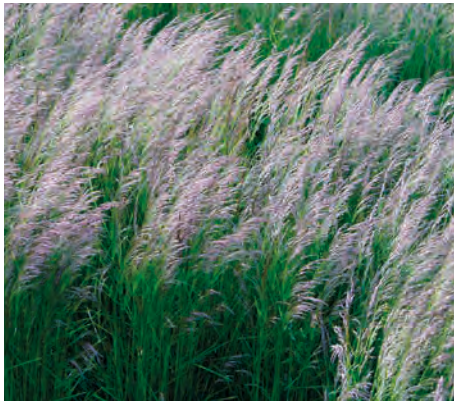
A cohesive, low-maintenance planting scheme with a mix of texture, seasonal colour, and biodiversity benefits, while ensuring clear visibility and strong visual connections across Castle Street

Castle Street Mix

low-growing, sun-tolerant, hardy species that maintain clear sightlines



Achillea millefolium



Deschampsia cespitosa 'Bronze Veil'



Erigeron karvinskianus



Festuca glauca



Geranium 'Rozanne'



Heuchera 'Chocolate Ruffles'



Lavandula angustifolia



Nepeta x faassenii



Salvia nemorosa 'Schwellenburg'



Sesleria autumnalis



Stachys byzantina



Thymus serpyllum

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Biodiverse Greenroof



Planting specification to ecologist’s details

Native Hedgerow



Acer campestre



Corylus avellana



Ligustrum vulgare



Carpinus betulus

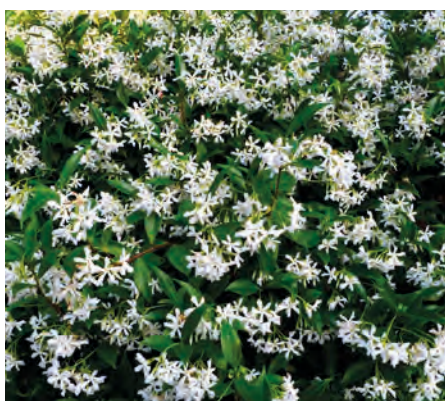


Crataegus monogyna

Climbers



Lonicera henryi



Trachelospermum jasminoides

