

containing a fire-pit for grilling food or a communal barbeque.

landscape finish to act as informal seating/rain-filled bird baths. Sharp edges deburred.

tested and certified in accordance with EN 1177 to appropriate CFHs.

and 3.25m ht roof, to provide a space suitable for community gatherings.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN RATIONALE - 'GREEN GINNELS' A 'ginnel' is an alleyway between terraced banks of housing, and we have named the pedestrian-only landscape buffer zones between the housing blocks as they step down the slope of the subject site, to differentiate them in

The 3.00m width shared pedestrian/cycle path connecting Millbrook to the Home Zone area and south-westerly to the gathering space at the central Oak tree and riverside amenity park is paved in in-situ concrete to distinguish it from the guieter 'Green Ginnel' routes, which are paved in hard-binding

Immersion in wilder nature has been shown to have a strong effect on improving mental health. We have provided a number of seating and bench elements along the route to allow residents to stop and catch their breath. The Green Ginnel walking routes can also be provided with sensory stimulating sculptures such as 'Singing Stones' to encourage people of all ages and abilities to interact, create soft sounds and communicate with each

## LANDSCAPE - NUMBERED KEY

Gently-sloped universally accessible 3.00m width shared cycle and 1. pedestrian path connecting from Home Zone area to the north-east to the gathering space beneath the Oak tree at the base of the slope. Path to be surfaced in hard-wearing in-situ concrete, treated with an exposed aggregate retarder or with a brush-finish applied to reduce slip

2. This winding approach has been graded for max 8.0m lengths of 'gentle slopes' to support universal access and design principles, between intermediate 3.00m length landings and wider 6.00m width resting places provided with seating elements

3. 'Large Turning Stone' granite contemporary interactive sculpture to mark entrance to 'Green Ginnel' from resting place

4. 'Green Ginnel' walk, paved in hard-binding golden gravel and provided with bench seating elements at max 20.00m centres, to support regular use by people of all ages and abiities

5. 1:3 slope down from rear of residential gardens to path level of Ginnel, planted with a dense shelter belt of native species transplants and semi-mature trees, to mature to settle the development into the receiving environment, and screen the rear gardens from views

6. Private rear dwelling gardens stepped with the contours of the landscape. No retaining wall height to exceed 0.60m ht. Patio terraces step beside retaining walls containing amenity shrub planting to a grass lawn provided to each garden. Each rear garden boundary treatment to be softened with a clipped hedge and an ornamental tree planting to help create a sense of intimacy and privacy

7. Private rear gardens provided with patios, grass lawns, clipped hedgerows suitable for shady conditions near an existing hedgerow/treeline and an ornamental tree to each garden

8. Private dwelling entrances signalled with permeable paving and privacy buffer planting; side access routes to private rear gardens paved in in-situ concrete and secured with a wooden gate and fence

9. 'Front' gardens provided with clipped hedgerow, amenity grass lawn and multi-stemmed tree planting to ensure passive surveillance of streetscape

10. Planted privacy buffer to mark 'book-end' corner buildings and dwellings 11. Sloped area planted with amenity shrubs, broadleaf deciduous tree planting, bulb drifts and wildflower/grass meadow seed mixes to create regular 'green pockets' within the housing blocks, which can accommodate bird and bat boxes, insect hotels etc

12. Durable permeable paving treatment to streetscape of HomeZone 13. Off-street entrance to 'Green Ginnels' signalled by seating elements, large tree planting, interactive sensory play elements such as 'Concrete Phones' and active exercise elements such as Double Hammocks

14. Street tree planting in bay to enliven and soften the streetscape of the Home Zone area every 5-7 car-parking spaces. Trees to be 'clear-stemmed' to min. 2.00m ht. to ensure clear visibility sight-lines for manouevring vehicles, ground cover vegetation to be maintained at 0.50m height.

