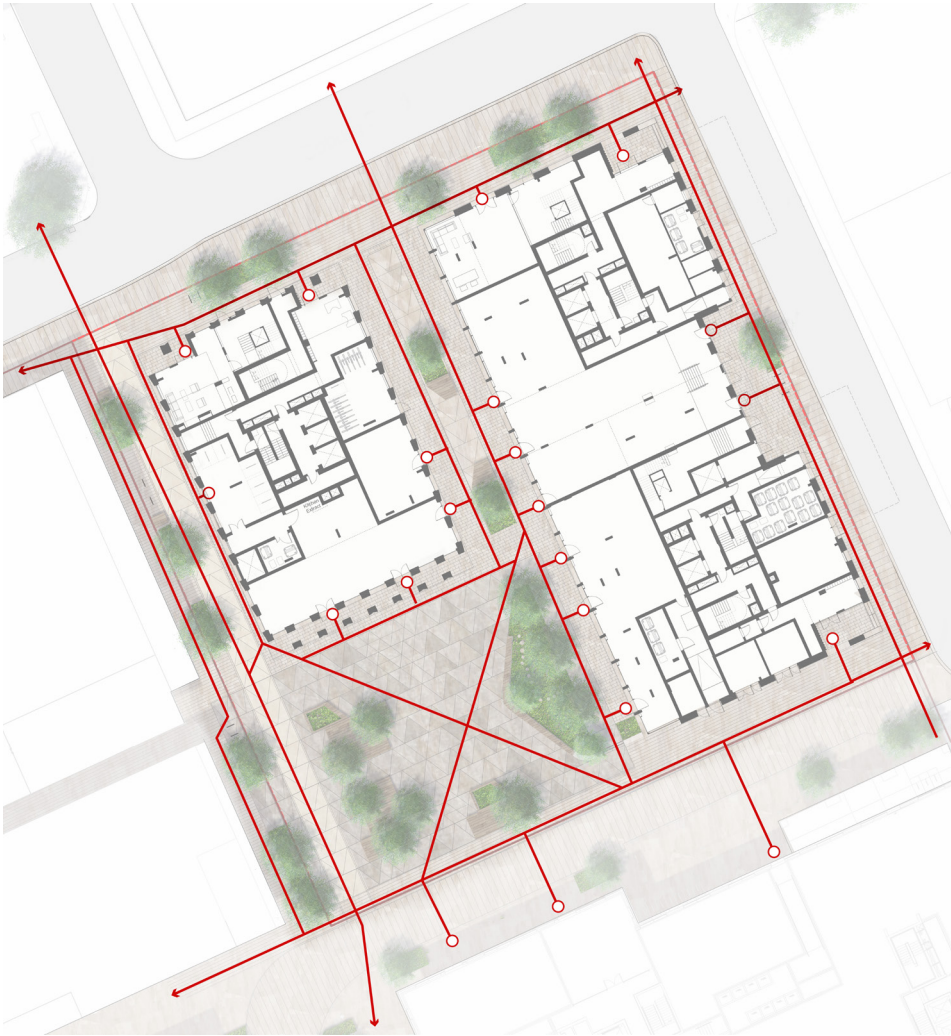


5.3.2 Design Principles

Three core principles guide the design of the Square:

- The main spaces should be open to allow free movement and circulation
- From adjacent streets, key views should draw attention to the square by a sequence of trees and planting leading to the green haven of the square
- In a square that functions as an outdoor living room for all, contained by the flanking buildings, there are special moments when one has a direct line of sight to the sky. This is important to maintaining its feel as a truly public open space.

Connectivity & movement



Key views



Sky views



5.3.3 Sun movement across square

The landscape and public realm design responds to the anticipated sun-shade conditions that will be created by the surrounding buildings.

Proposed trees and planting are arranged so that, at any point in the day, there are places in sunlight and in shade to meet people’s different needs and interests.

Sunlight in the morning to midday can reach the frontage along the H1 building and into the corridors of the New Lane and the Arcade.

In the afternoon the sun moves towards the H3 terrace and and west-facing benches.

Year-round cumulative sun-shade studies (illustrative)

Morning 10 AM



12 Noon



Afternoon 2 PM



5.3.4 Wider context



The square will be a key node for Clarendon and Wood Green where the urban fabric transitions into a tighter, denser urban grain with a direct route to Alexandra Palace Park and the ancient woodlands.

New trees along Coburg Road will establish this east-west street as a key green and urban connection from the park to the high street.

Similarly along the north-south route of Mary Neuner Road, a green and urban connection will connect the Cultural Quarter to the neighbourhoods at Hornsey.

- Key
- Site
 - Soft public space
 - Hard public space
 - Circulation routes
 - Existing trees
 - Proposed trees outside redline boundary
 - On-site proposed trees

5.4 Landscape Proposals

5.4.1 Clarendon Phase 4 landscape

The Clarendon Phase 4 landscape is bordered along the north by Coburg Road, which leads westwards to the entrance of Alexandra Palace Park and eastwards to the high street of Mayes Road. This is also where the north edge of the whole masterplan meets the Cultural Quarter.

The southern edge of Phase 4 meets Phase 3 across a service road that will join with Mary Neuner Road. The eastern edge is bordered by Silsoe Road, and the western edge by Phase 5.

The landscape will provide a welcoming neighbourhood square and be open to the wider community. The central area will be paved with a distinct pattern that allows special events and everyday leisure and play.

On a long bench facing the afternoon sun, residents and visitors will be able to sit overlooking the square and meet neighbours and friends. Timber decking beneath the tree canopies will provide more sheltered and informal seating and also double up as clambering play or a little stage for children.

Two terraces will extend F&B offers at the ground floor of H1 and H3 into the edges of the square.

More intimate and secluded benches are tucked within the planted areas.

The larger planter will also nestle a play-trail and scented flowering shrubs providing seasonality in the early summer.

1. The Square
2. The Arcade
3. External restaurant seating
4. Restaurant terrace
5. Planting with play and seating
6. Timber islands - seating
7. The New Lane - bike path
8. Service road

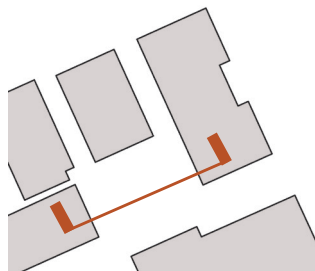


5.4.2 The Square

The Square holds different spaces which can be used as one whole place for occasional special events when such a large area is required.

However, its main feature will be the range of smaller spaces within the square - some with open aspects, some quieter with retreating seating, spaces for small groups to gather, corners and nooks for individuals.

On any given day without special events, the square is designed to feel safe, comfortable. and welcoming



Section through service road

5.4.3 The Square

Low timber platforms at varying heights can be used for play, picnics, meetings or people-watching in the square.

The Square will be accessible by service vehicles only along the southern edge, thus providing a car-free and comfortable space for relaxation and leisure.

