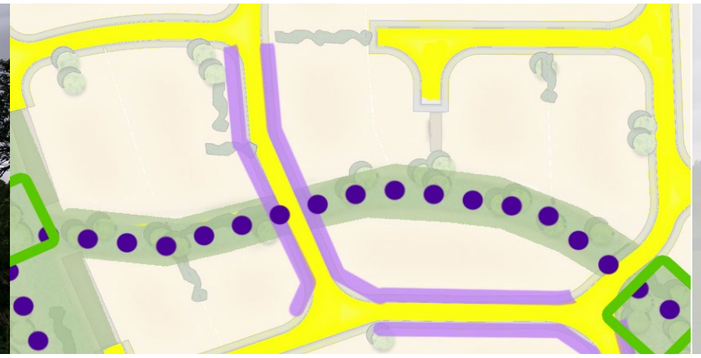




Land to the west of Hoyland, Barnsley

LANDSCAPE STRATEGY SKETCHBOOK

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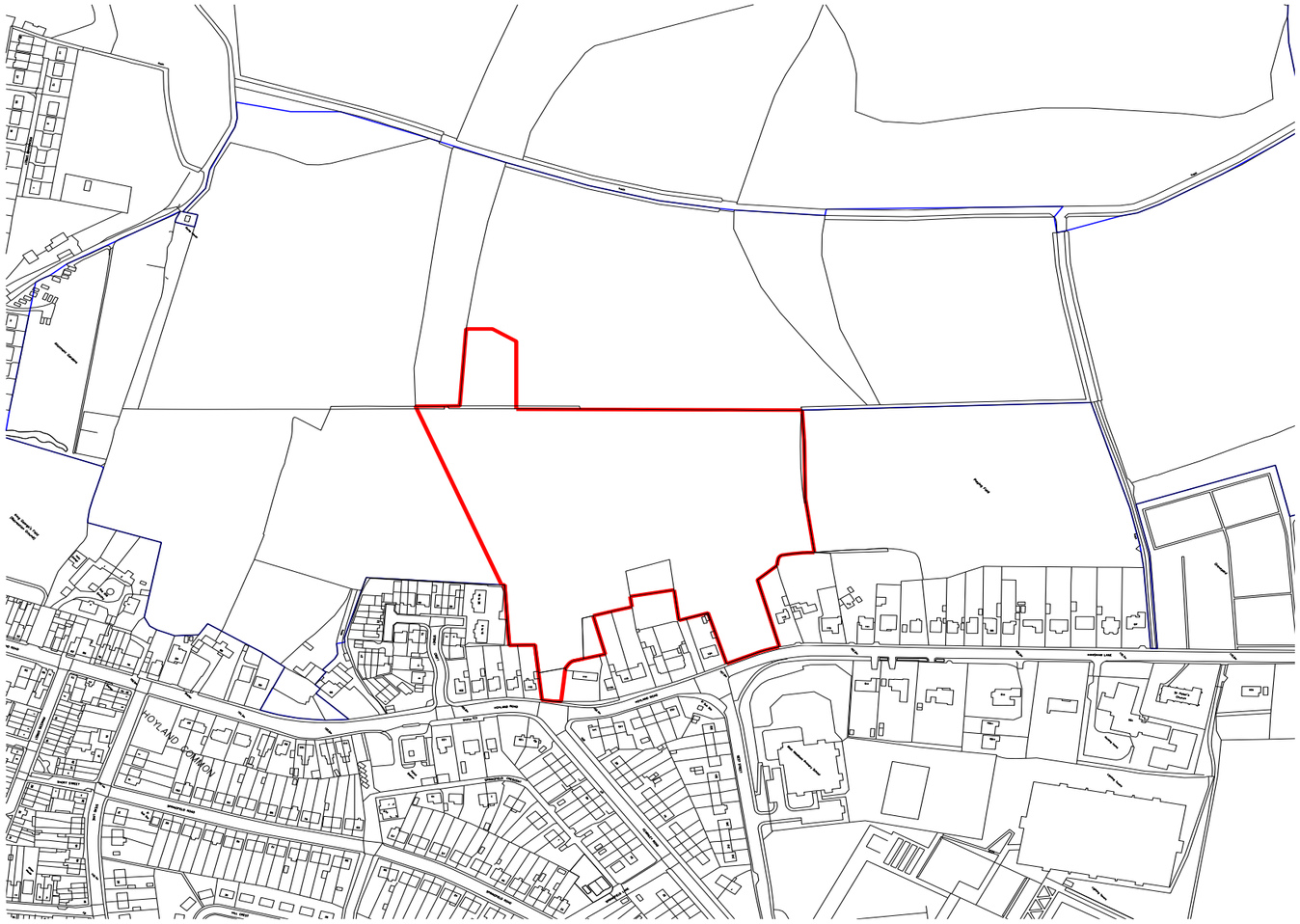
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Context

PWP Design have been commissioned to produce a landscape strategy for a proposed residential development at the land west of Hoyland. Phase one of KPP Architects masterplan is 3.9 hectares and includes approximately 100 dwellings. The development will set an important precedent for future phases in terms of the landscape framework, its interface with the existing landscape and community. PWP Design have also carried out a Landscape & Visual Appraisal study to consider the site and its context. The recommendations from this study have fed into the emerging landscape strategy. This document is therefore intended to set out the guiding design principles to be developed in further detail later in the process.



Existing Character:

Our initial site assessment established a number of key points to describe the existing landscape character:

- The phase one site is set within an undulating landscape with a series of distinctive ridges, field boundaries, hedgerows and woodland belts.
- Hoyland Lowe Stand is a Grade II Listed Building and focal point in the landscape. It is located at a high point with topography falling away north east and south west along Hawshaw Lane/Hoyland Road. Upper Hoyland Road slopes down into the valley floor towards the Dearne Valley Parkway. This is generally echoed by the phase one site which undulates down towards Tinker Lane.
- Hoyland Road is an important corridor serving the local community. Its townscape quality varies along its length with a number of higher quality building frontages, traditional stone walls and mature trees. The visual relationship between the site and the Hoyland Road corridor is limited to a few gaps along the existing linear development.







Landscape Strategy & Layers

The existing undulating landscape features a series of distinctive ridges, hedgerows, field boundaries and woodland belts. The proposed development can respond to this landscape to achieve a strong green setting and significant green resource for the Hoyland community. Its interface with Hoyland Road can create high quality gateways and integrate the development into the wider area.

The following diagram illustrates the proposed phase one landscape strategy and a hierarchy of spaces and links. The strategy can be separated into a series of layers which are described further in this document:

- Green Infrastructure Layer
- Open Spaces Layer
- Landscape Links Layer

Overarching Principles:

A series of high level design principles have been developed to inform the landscape strategy:

- The masterplan layout should be landscape led, with a series of bold, green fingers running through the site and linking to Hoyland Road and the wider footpath network. These should be active linear parks and habitat corridors and tie in with existing woodland belts/hedgerows.
- The undulating landscape character and existing field boundaries should where feasible be respected to create a distinctive character to development.
- Gateways onto Hoyland Road, should draw from the local townscape character and create clear relationships with the existing pedestrian links and destinations.
- The interface between existing properties along Hoyland Road which back onto the site should retain and supplement the existing trees/planting, however a wide buffer is not suggested in order to integrate development into the existing urban form.
- Within the site a series of pocket parks should be linked by green fingers/linear parks which are well integrated and overlooked by development.
- The green infrastructure should be habitat rich and showcase current sustainable good practice.

Landscape Strategy Diagram:

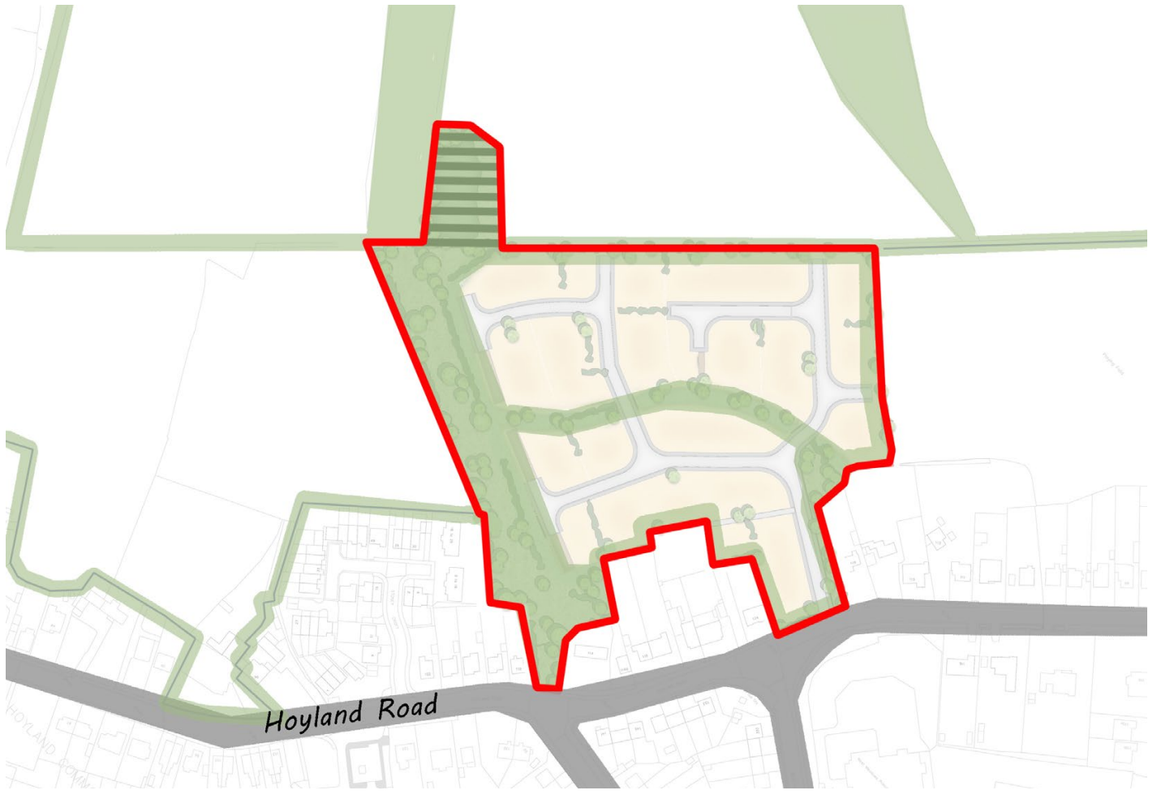


Key:

- Green Infrastructure Corridors
- Wetland/SUDS
- Formal Gateway
- Green Gateway
- Pocket Park
- Vehicular Access
- Vehicular Routes
- Pedestrian / Cycle Access
- Pedestrian /Cycle Links
- Feature Street

Green Infrastructure Layer

The existing landscape informs a series of linear green corridors that will cross the site and create a distinctive framework for development. These vary in width and use, ranging from wide hedgerows/buffers through to generous green corridors that are active and form strong links to surroundings.



Key:

- Green Infrastructure Corridors
- Wetland/SUDS

Green Infrastructure Principles:

- Housing should relate to and address active green corridors to benefit their setting and provide passive surveillance.
- Green infrastructure should bring together various strands such as movement, linear parks, play, education, recreation, health and wellbeing, ecology, habitat, native planting, sustainable drainage.

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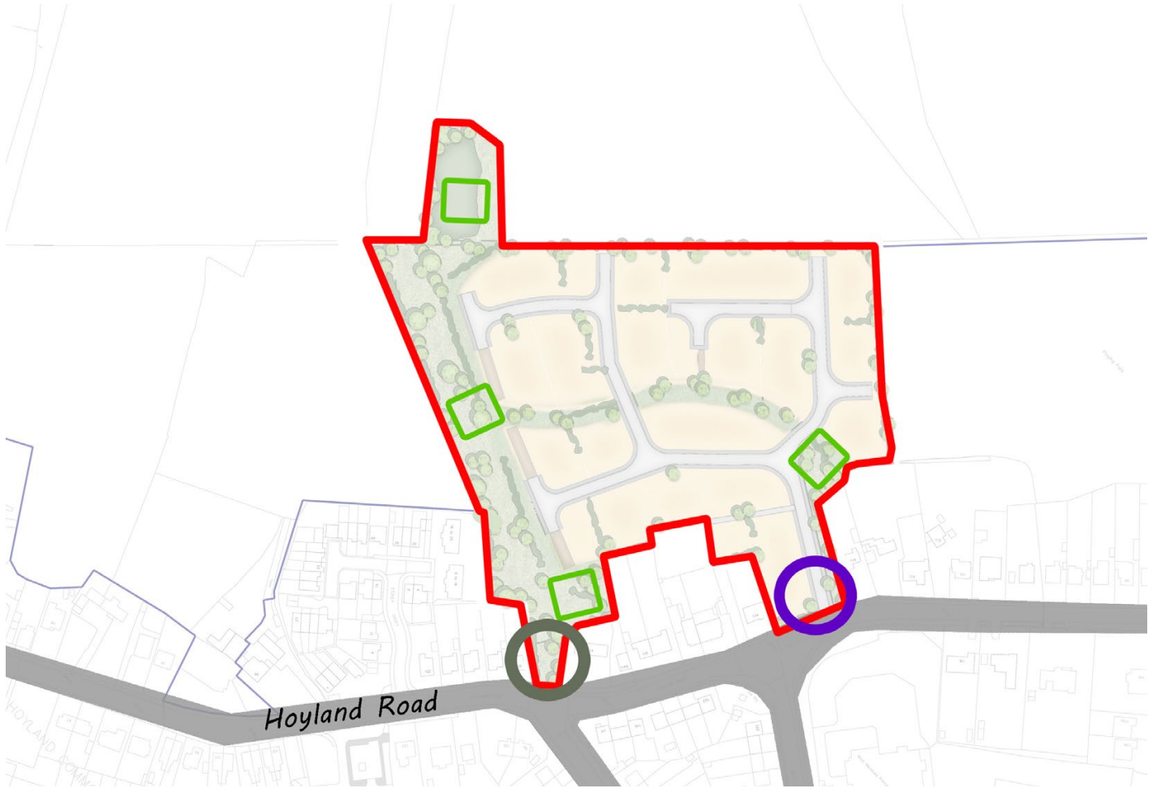




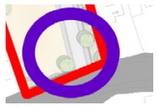


Open Spaces Layer

The development will be strongly linked to Hoyland Road and gateways will enhance the existing townscape creating well defined, high quality entrances. A network of informal pocket parks will provide passive recreation in a variety of settings. These green destinations will tie in with the wider green infrastructure.



Key:



Formal Gateway



Green Gateway



Pocket Park

Open Spaces Principles:

- Gateways should be highlighted through high quality public realm and landscape and may vary in character (either predominantly hard or soft settings) to create variety and interest.
- Open spaces should tie in with the wider green infrastructure corridors and links and be well defined both in terms of their setting and function.
- Gateways and open spaces should be addressed by development to provide passive surveillance and an outward looking development.
- Open space is intended to be informal in use (with existing recreation areas such as King George V Playing Field providing formal play and sports).

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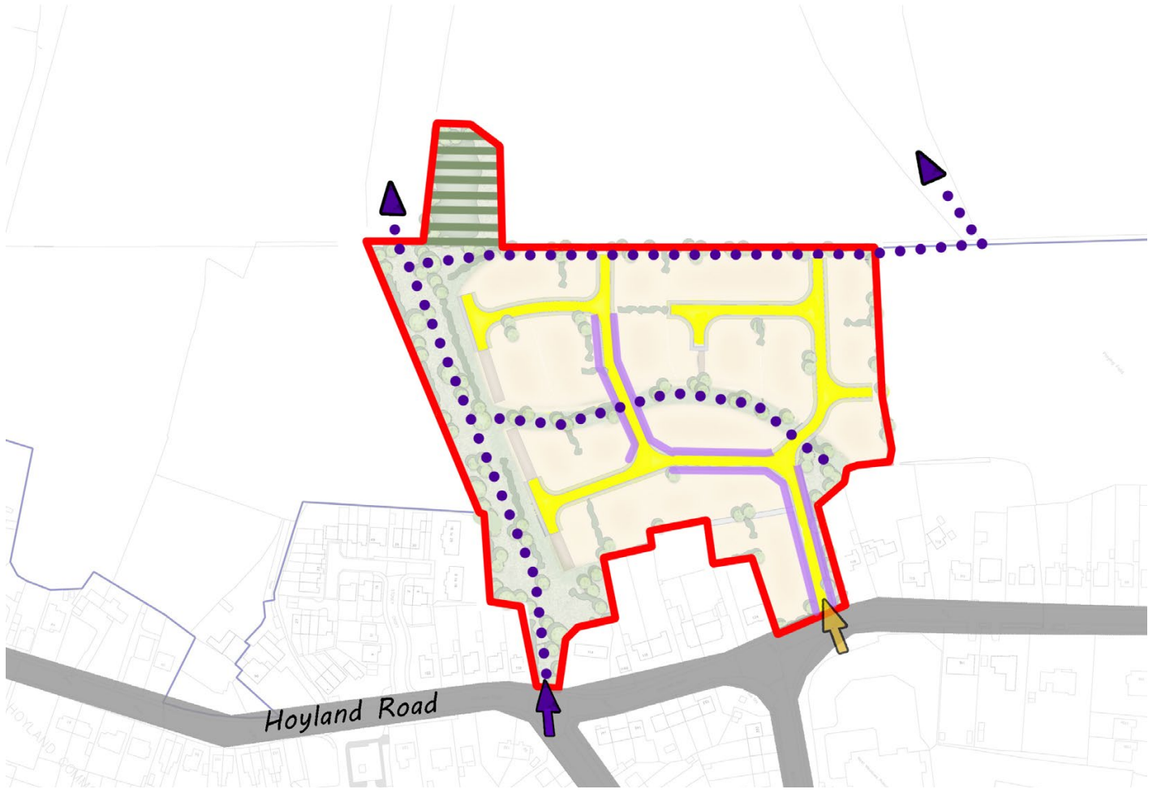






Landscape Links Layer

The development will be well linked with the existing community, public transport and the wider landscape including public footpaths. A network of well designed, attractive links will be created in consideration of desire lines, destinations and safety.



Key:

- Vehicular Access
- Vehicular Routes
- Pedestrian / Cycle Access
- Pedestrian / Cycle Links
- Feature Street

Landscape Links Principles:

- The network of links will place pedestrians and cyclists first, providing generous wide footpaths and cycle routes
- Where possible links should relate to green infrastructure corridors to increase activity and should be well overlooked and lit for passive surveillance
- A feature street could create a distinctive spine to the development with a green character, generous landscape setting and bold public realm. This provides a cohesive element and aids in wayfinding for visitors.

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