

The Rossett, Wilmslow Road Great Places

Green and Blue Infrastructure Statement

The application proposals involve the retention and enhancement of shared outdoor spaces within the development. The high level of planting and greenery proposed will create an attractive environment which will also enhance amenity for future users of the site. The proposed planting will also have positive impacts in terms of tackling climate change and enhancing biodiversity. In accordance with the Council's Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy, the proposed Landscape Plan visually demonstrates how the scheme contributes to the visions, objectives and actions of the strategy.

The scheme's extensive new planting within the grounds of the property will embed green infrastructure into the development. The scheme also includes planting alongside the side access route and shared gardens which will provide residents with direct access to multi-functional greenspace.

Within the shared garden area, raised timber planters will be provided to allow residents to have their own growing space. This will enhance amenity for future users of the site, as well as support biodiversity and thereby have positive impacts in tackling climate change.

The relatively constrained nature of the site means that the potential to provide additional green and blue infrastructure is limited. Residents however will also have excellent access to nearby green spaces such as Marie Louise Gardens and Fog Lane Park allowing them to become invested in the future of the area and the biodiversity it supports. The site is also located in proximity to the River Mersey allowing residents access to this valuable blue infrastructure resource.

On account of the above features associated with the development, it is considered that the scheme will make a positive contribution to the improvement of green and blue infrastructure provision.