

























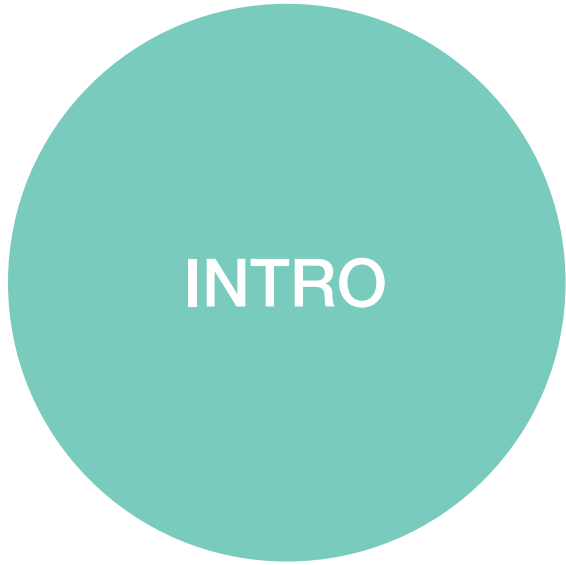


South-West Acute Hospital

South-West Acute
Hospital, Enniskillen

A Healing Environment





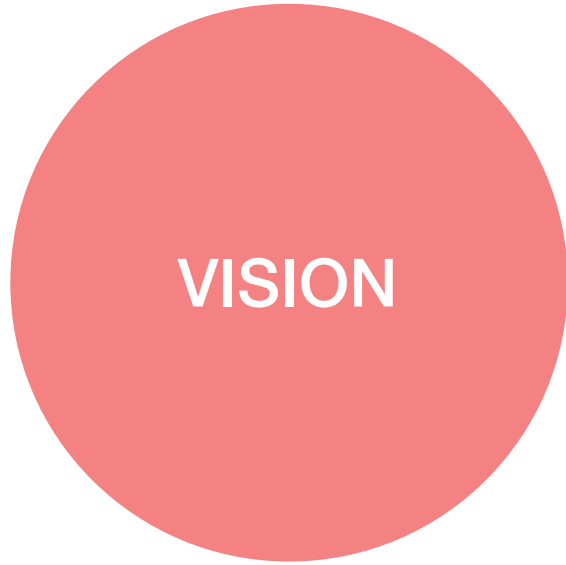
INTRO

Location

Team

Site

Project Statistics



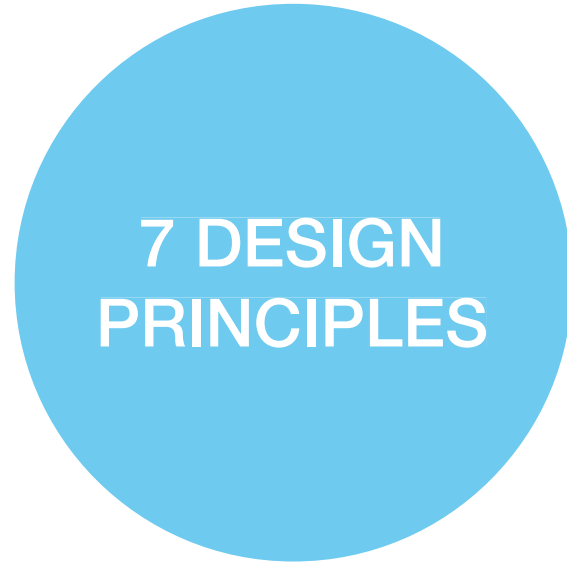
VISION

Concept

Delivery

Challenges

**+
Considerations**



**7 DESIGN
PRINCIPLES**

Legible

Visual access

Local

Ecological

Sustainable

Calm

Healthy

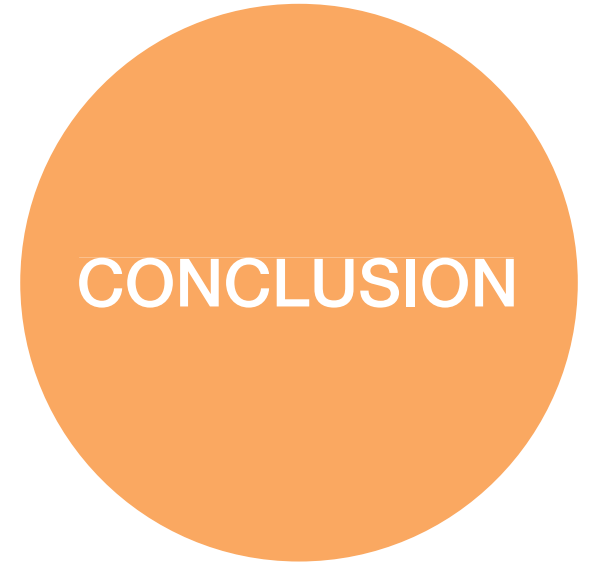


**POST-
COMPLETION**

Awards

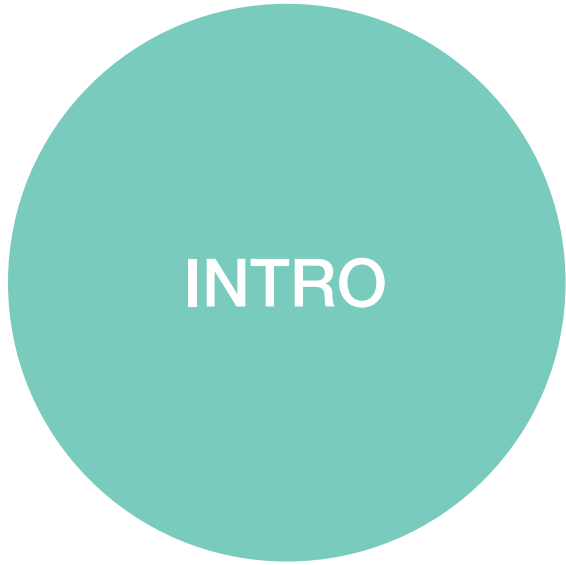
Publications

Performance



CONCLUSION

Lessons learned



INTRO

Location

Team

Site

Project Statistics



VISION

Concept

Delivery

Challenges

**+
Considerations**



**7 DESIGN
PRINCIPLES**

Legible

Visual access

Local

Ecological

Sustainable

Calm

Healthy



**POST-
COMPLETION**

Awards

Publications

Performance



CONCLUSION

Lessons learned

Location



Enniskillen

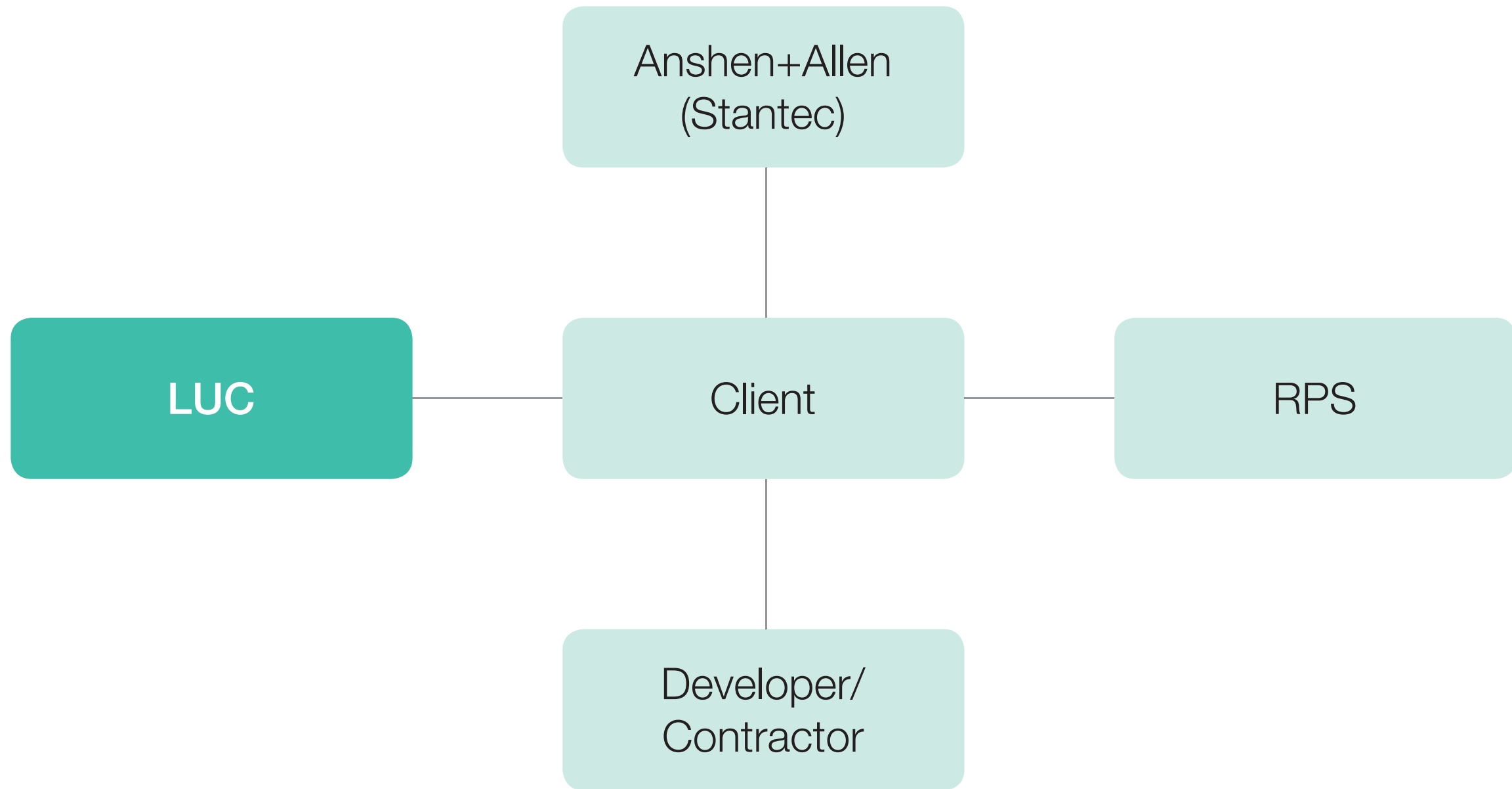
A topographic map of Ireland showing elevation contours and major water bodies. The map uses a color gradient from green (low elevation) to brown (high elevation). A red dot marks the location of Enniskillen on the western coast of the island of Ulster. The map also shows the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Irish Sea to the east.

Location



Hospital site

The Core Masterplan Team



Site Description

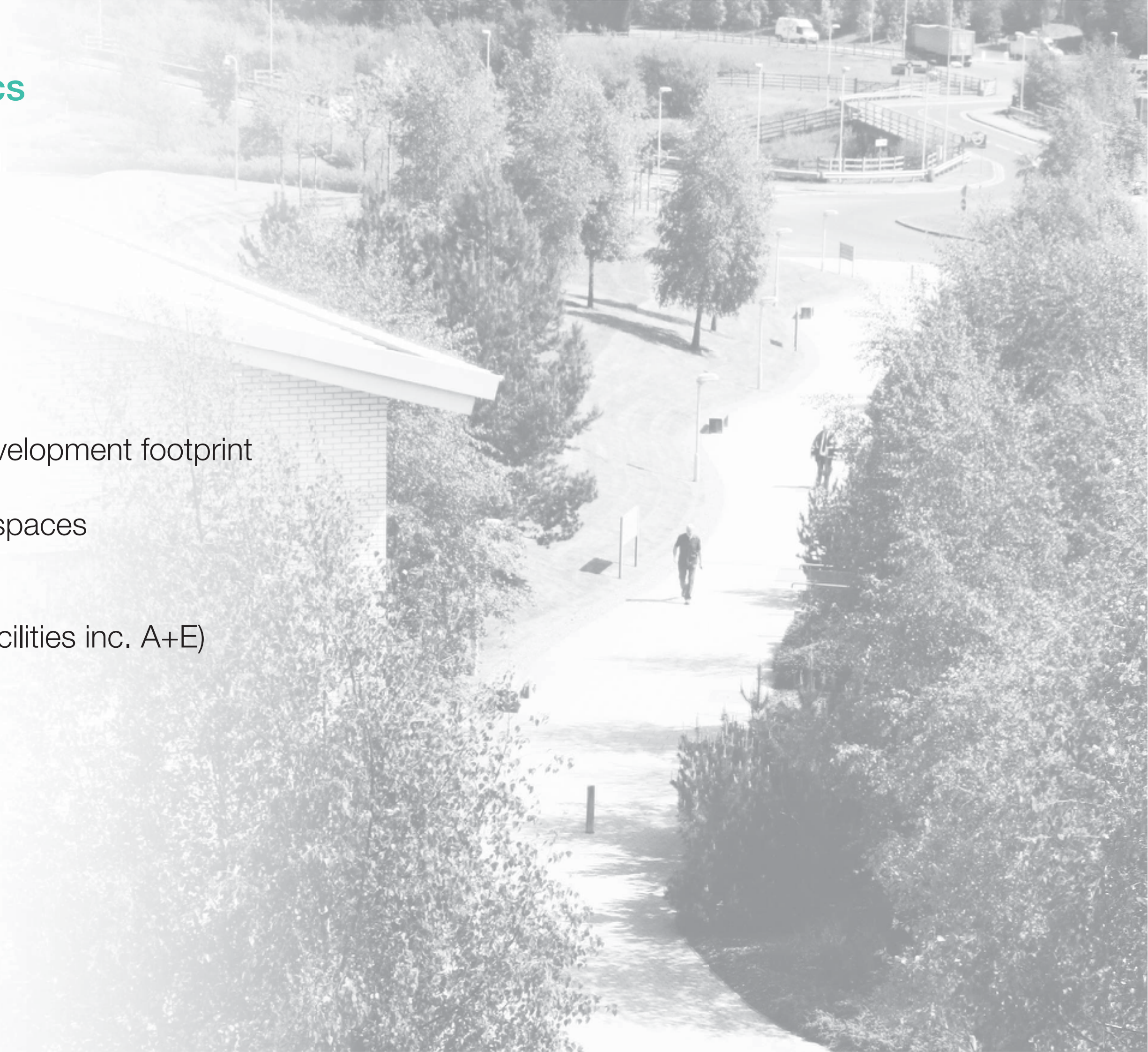


Site Description



Project Statistics

- 2005 - 2012
- £275m
- 25 hectares
- 30,000m² development footprint
- 850 parking spaces
- 314 beds
(fully acute facilities inc. A+E)





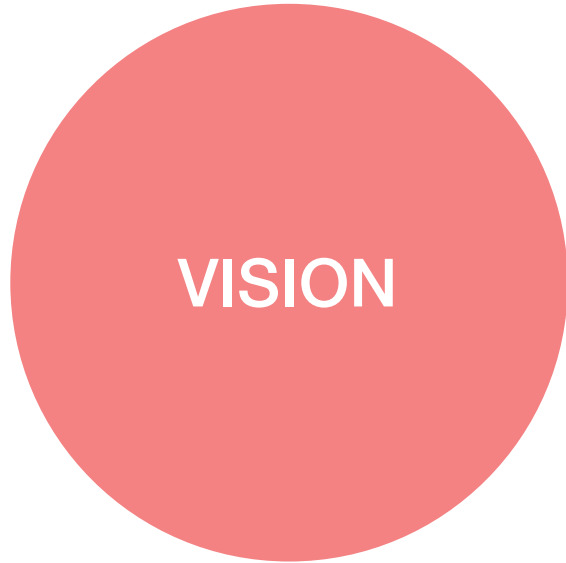
INTRO

Location

Team

Site

Project stats



VISION

Concept

Delivery

Challenges

+

Considerations



7 DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Legible

Visual access

Local

Ecological

Sustainable

Calm

Healthy



POST-COMPLETION

Awards

Publications

Performance



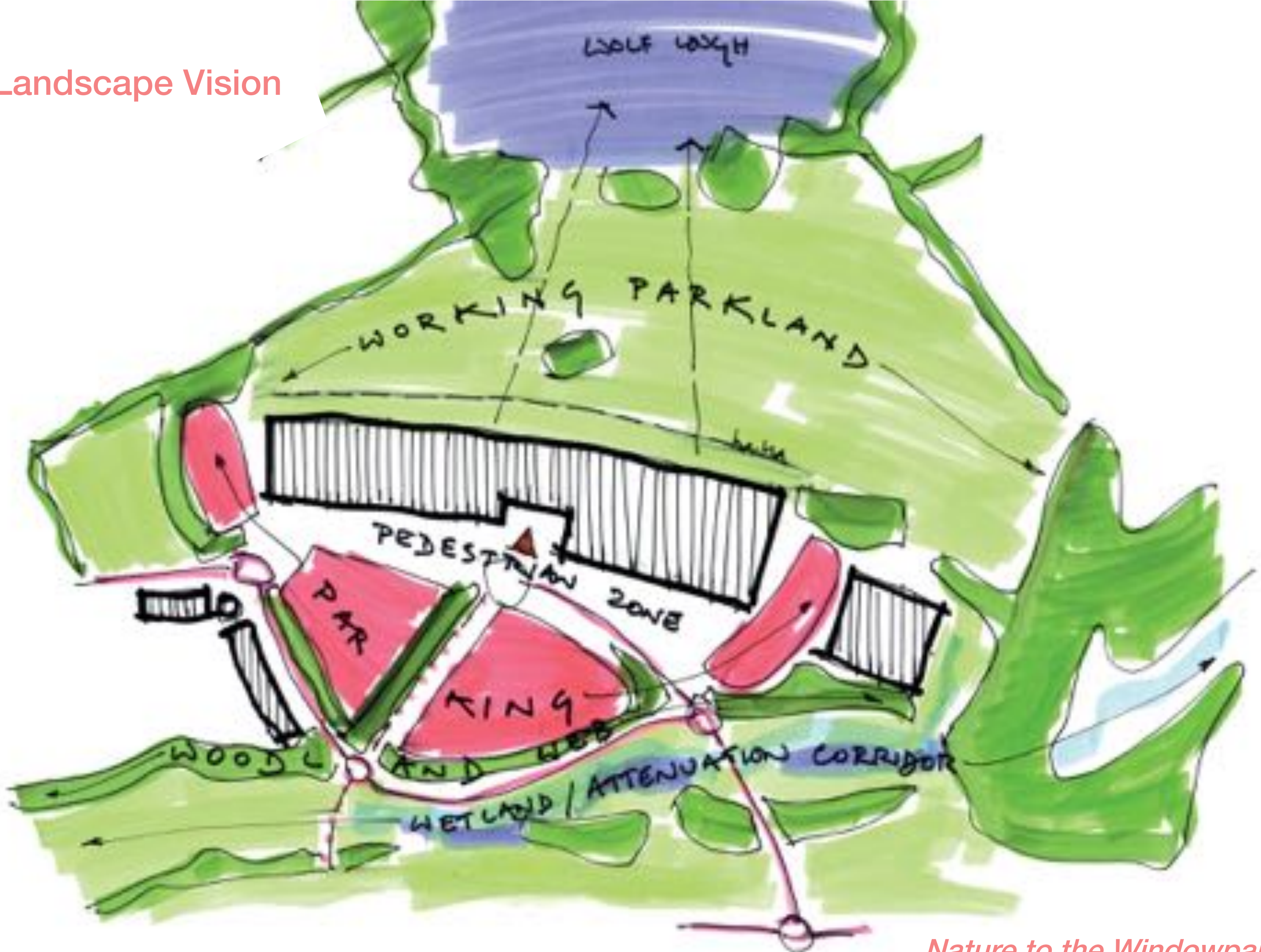
CONCLUSION

Lessons learned

“A Healing Environment”



Landscape Vision



Despite all...

- Appalling ground conditions
- 2008 financial crash

And because of...

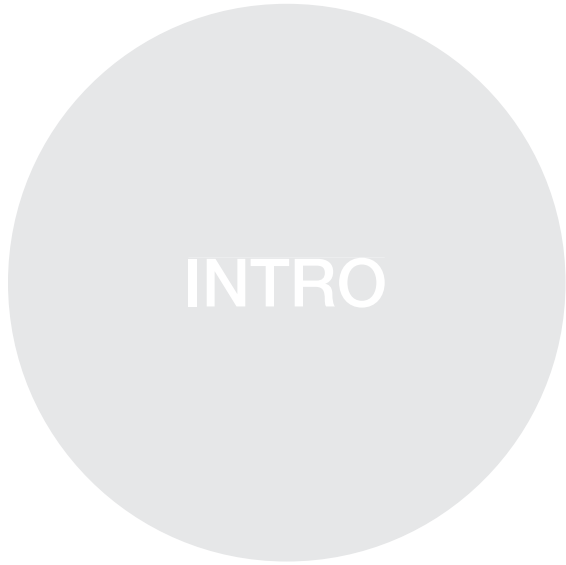
- Unusual degree of divergence from Exemplar project
- Robust landscape led masterplan
- Excellent collaborative working relationships





Landscape Masterplan





INTRO

Location

Team

Site

Project stats



VISION

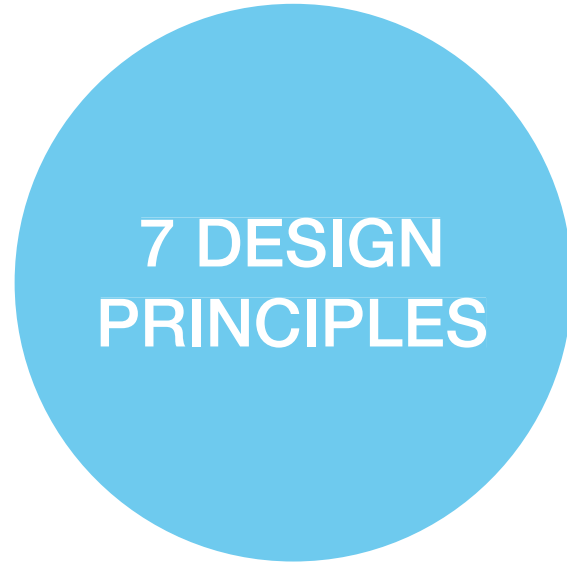
Concept

Delivery

Challenges

+

Considerations



7 DESIGN
PRINCIPLES

Legible

Visual access

Local

Ecological

Sustainable

Calm

Healthy



POST-
COMPLETION

Awards

Publications

Performance



CONCLUSION

Lessons learned

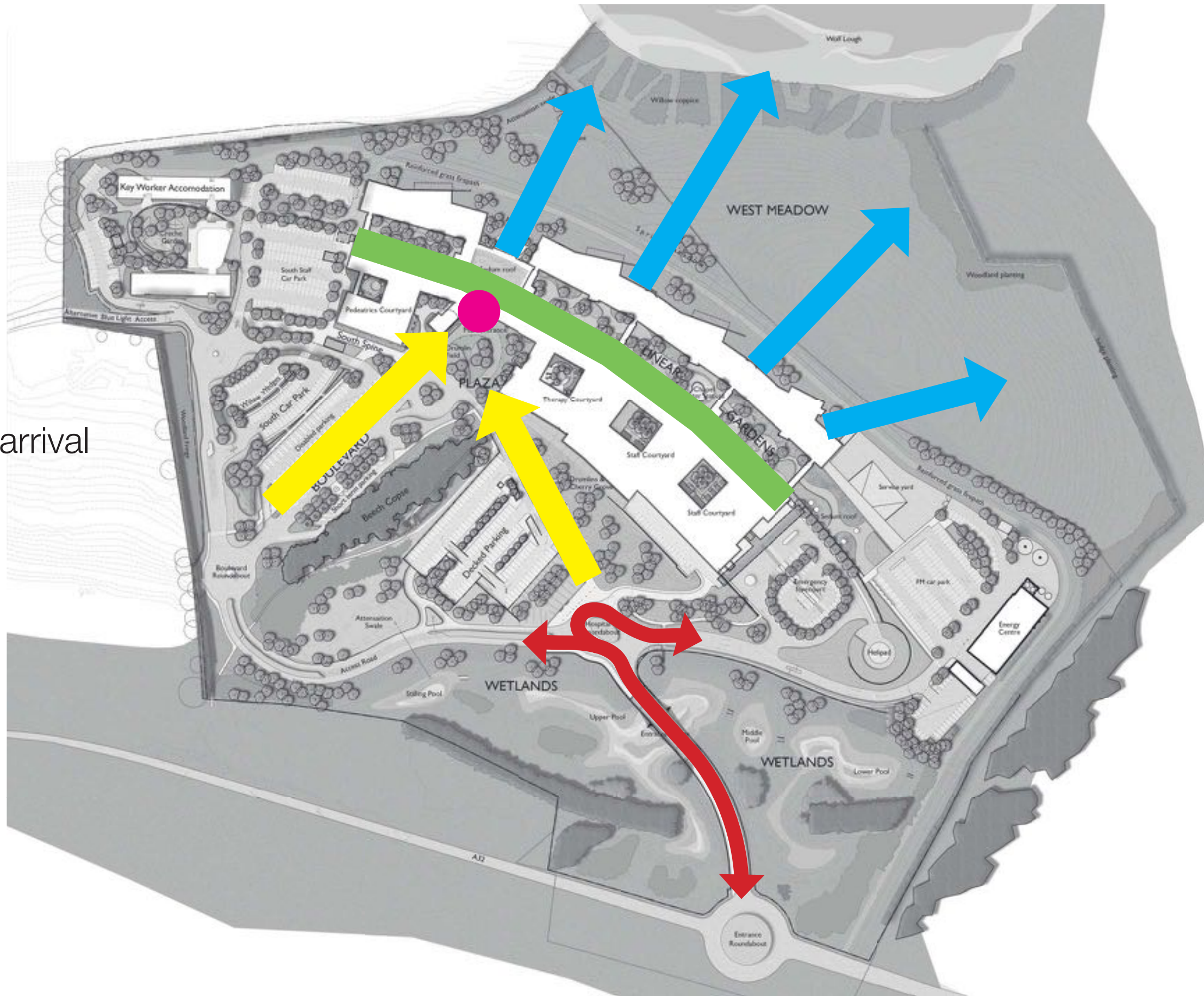
Landscape Design Principles

A grayscale photograph of a modern building courtyard. The building has large glass windows and a curved facade. In the center, there is a tall, dark, cylindrical water feature. The courtyard is landscaped with trees, shrubs, and a paved walkway. A wooden bench is visible in the foreground. The overall atmosphere is clean and contemporary.

- 1 legible
- 2 visually accessible
- 3 locally distinctive
- 4 ecologically rich
- 5 sustainable
- 6 calming
- 7 healthy

1 Legible Landscape

- visible hospital
- site organisation
- accessibility
- entrance/ approach/ arrival
- Reception
- Hospital Street



*Reduced anxiety,
accelerated healing*

1 Legible Landscape



1 Legible Landscape



Easy navigation & effective access



2 Visual Access



*Seeing is believing;
believing lies at the heart of healing*

2 Visual Access



2 Visual Access

- counters isolation
- reassurance
- contact with outside world (stimulus)



3

Local Distinctiveness

- extended site
- natural landscape
- added familiarity



3 Local Distinctiveness

- local economic benefits
- local skills and materials
- local pride
- shared understanding



Underscores the materiality & style of the external landscape

4

Ecologically Rich

- increased value
- greater habitat range



Energised and enriched biodiversity

4 Ecologically Rich

Benefits:

- animated views
- attractive access
- informal recreation



Wildlife to the Windowpane

5

Sustainable Landscape

- Wetlands
- West Meadow
- local materials
- green roofs
- captured woodland



Triple bottom line

5 Sustainable Landscape



5 Sustainable Landscape

Benefits:

- costs in use
- local skills, stone & flora
- community hospital
- economic & social impacts



6

Creating Calm

Sensory Effects:

- seasonal change
- weather
- building as buffer
- landscape colour
- captured habitat



6

Creating Calm



6

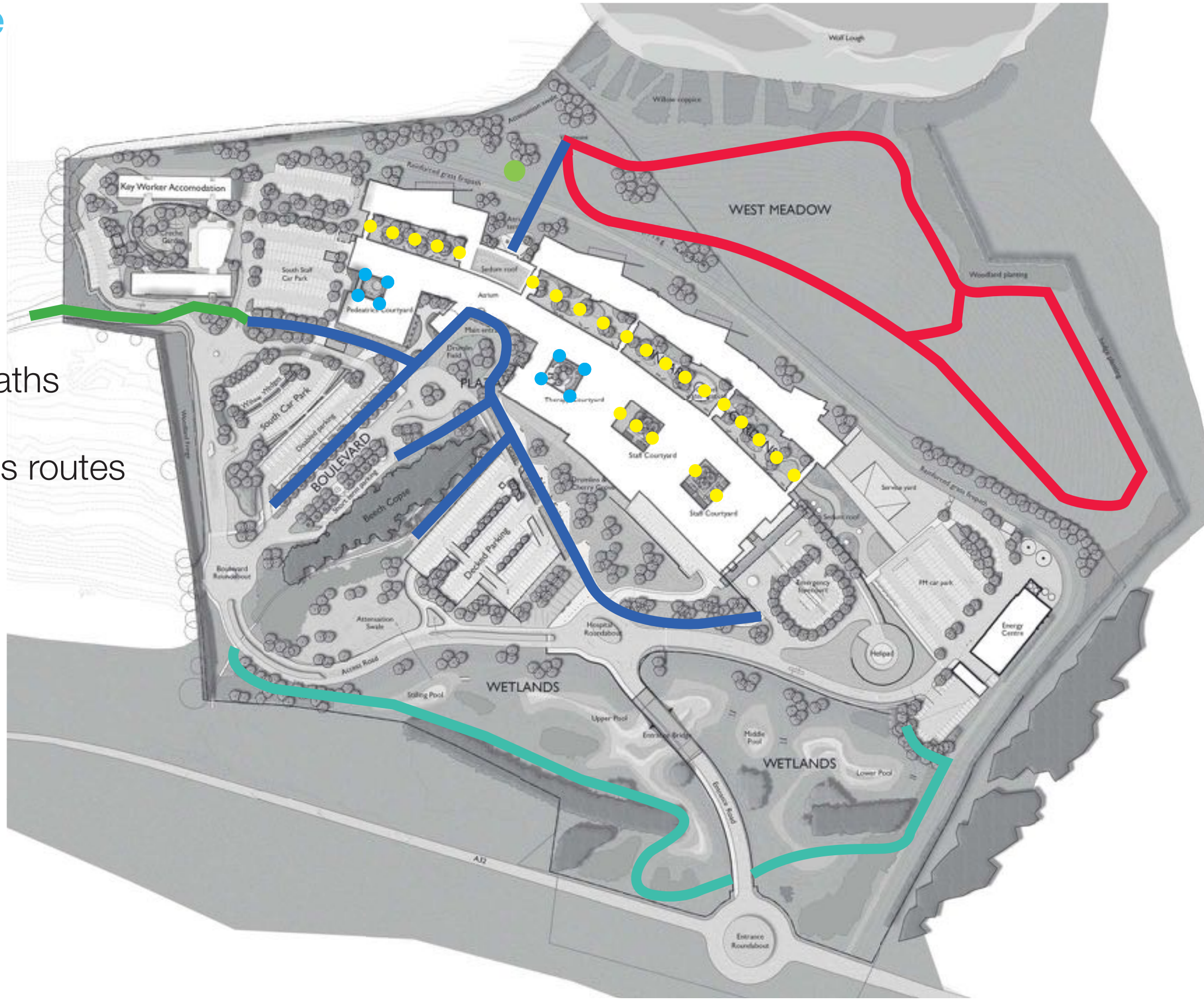
Creating Calm



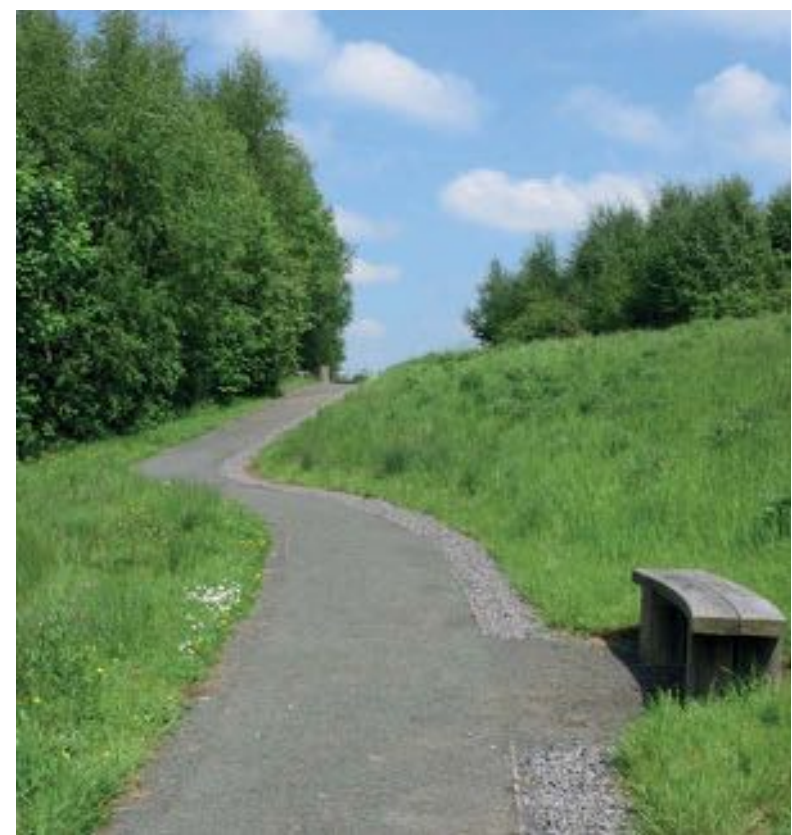
“I go to nature to be soothed and healed, and to have my senses put in order”

7 Healthy Landscape

- cycle path
- outdoor seating
- fitness trail
- 2.5km informal footpaths
- key pedestrian access routes
- outdoor assessment
- breakout space
- gardening club



7 Healthy Landscape





INTRO

Location

Team

Site

Project stats



VISION

Concept

Delivery

Challenges

+

Considerations



7 DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Legible

Visual access

Local

Ecological

Sustainable

Calm

Healthy



POST-COMPLETION

Awards

Publications

Performance



CONCLUSION

Lessons learned

Post Completion

Royal opening June 2012



Post Completion

Awards:

- ★ Best Large Health project and Best Sustainable Design (International Academy of Design and Health)
- ★ William Keown Foundation Trust Access Award
- ★ All Ireland Award for Landscape
- ★ ALCI Award - Best Overall Scheme

Publications:

- Greenspace Design for Health and Well-being: Forestry Commission Practice Guide, 2012
- Public Health and Landscape, Creating Healthy Places: Landscape Institute, 2013
- A Healthy Environment: Garden Design Journal, August 2015



Practice Guide

Greenspace design for health and well-being

Performance

NHS Advice

*“...the calmest
busy hospital”*

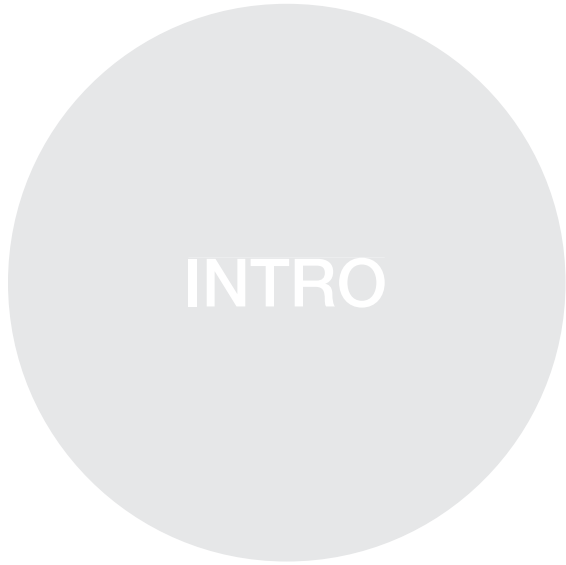
Wellbeing:

- Connect
- Be Active
- Keep learning
- Give to Others
- Be mindful

Stress Relief:

- Be Active
- Connect with people [and place]
- Have some ‘Me Time’
- Challenge yourself
- Accept the things that you can’t change





INTRO

Location

Team

Site

Project stats



VISION

Concept

Delivery

Challenges

+

Considerations



7 DESIGN
PRINCIPLES

Legible

Visual access

Local

Ecological

Sustainable

Calm

Healthy

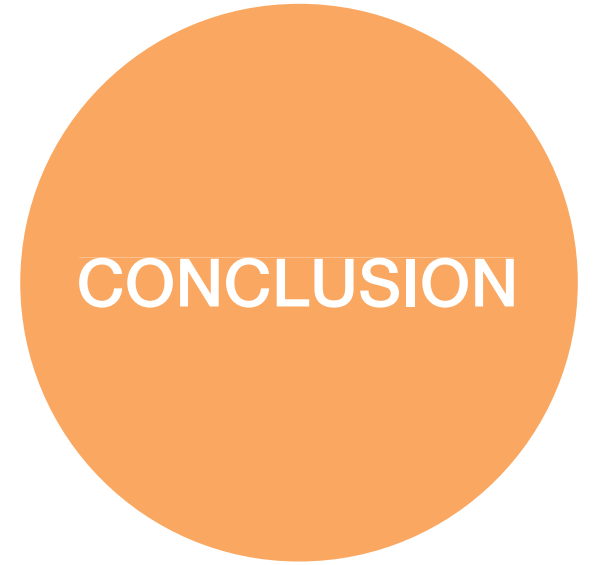


POST-
COMPLETION

Awards

Publications

Performance



CONCLUSION

Lessons learned

Conclusion

Lessons learned:

- place-making
- character informed by context
- resilience sufficient to survive
- transferrable design principles

Design Principle	Enniskillen performance	Transferrable
1. Legible	✓✓	✓✓✓
2. Visually accessible	✓✓✓	✓✓
3. Local or distinctive	✓✓✓	✓✓✓
4. Ecologically energised	✓✓✓	✓
5. Sustainable	✓✓✓	✓✓✓
6. Creating calm	✓✓✓	✓✓✓
7. Healthy	✓	?

A unique opportunity - grasped



“It doesn’t feel like a hospital”