

ADVERTISED PLAN

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Landscape Concept 03
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Elsternwick
16 Murray St, Elsternwick

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1.0 Landscape Design

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1.1 Landscape Vision

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LUSH

The planting palette will draw inspiration from the local character of Elsternwick and the Edwardian/Victorian-era gardens. It will feature a lush, green, and semi-structured composition, blending native species with a predominance of exotic plants. The overall aesthetic will be rich in verdant tones, complemented by seasonal perennials in shades of white and purple to provide vibrant accents throughout the year, and feature climbing plants to provide additional greening.



CONNECTION

The landscape will embody a sense of connection, linking the character of the surrounding neighbourhood with the seamless flow between indoor and outdoor spaces. It will encourage residents to engage with natural elements, drawing them toward the garden through the sounds of water and wildlife. Lush planting and prominent canopy trees will create a strong sense of place, fostering a tranquil, immersive experience rooted in nature.

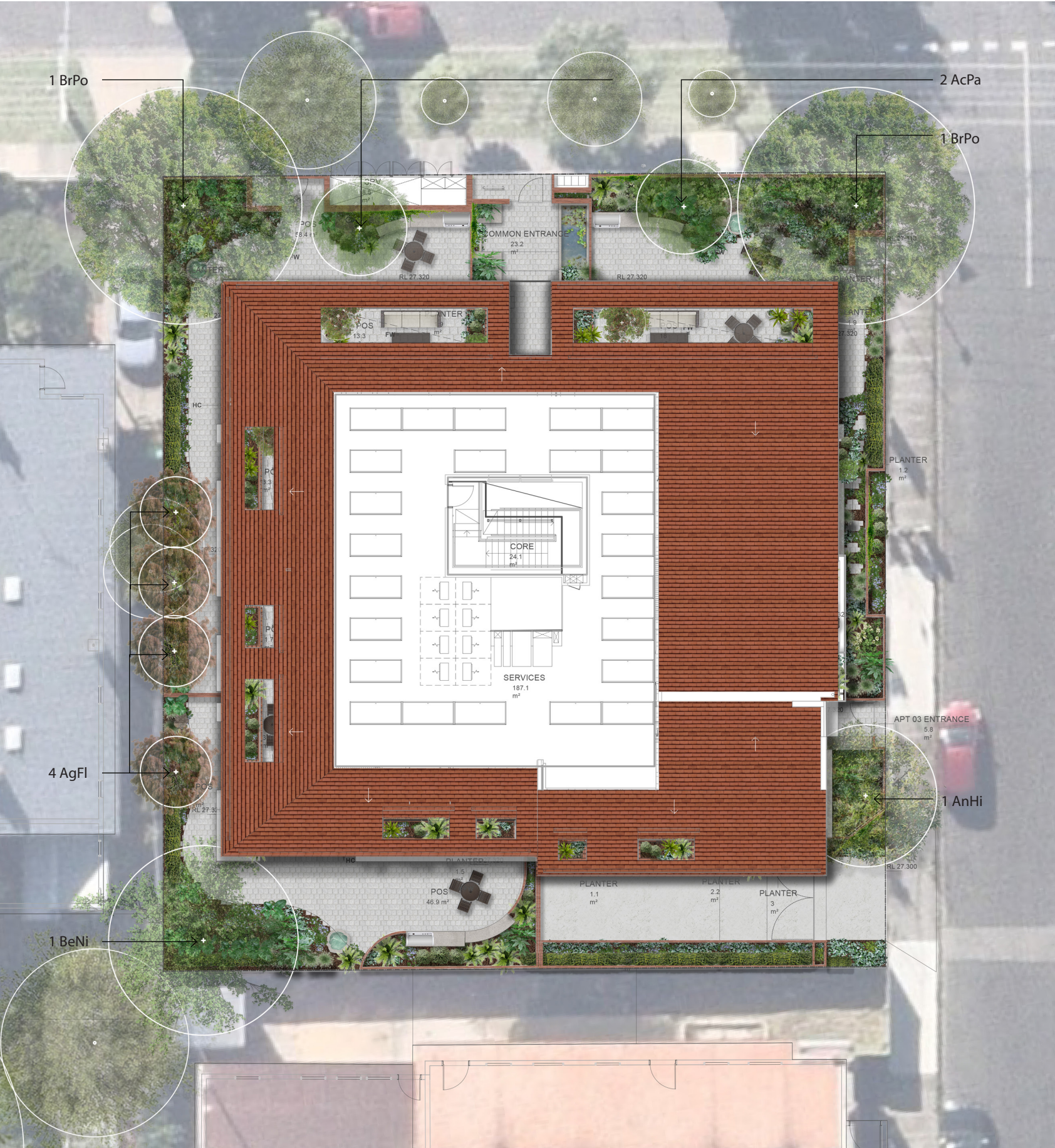


BALANCED

The architectural vision takes cues from the established character of Murray Street, with its brick and render homes, tiled roofs, and scale. The landscape complements and extends this architectural language, incorporating brick, textured finishes, and cobblestone paving that echo the materials of the built form. These are balanced with soft, naturalistic planting that spills into paved areas, blurring the boundary between structure and garden. The result is a cohesive and grounded environment where architecture and landscape work in harmony to create a welcoming sense of place.

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1.2 Overall Landscape Plan



LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT SUMMARY

Site Area	1021.97 m2
Deep Soil Area^	145.5 m2 (14.2%)
Non-compliant Deep Soil Area	88.9 m2
Tree Canopy*	288 m2 (28.18%)
Tree Canopy Total	316 m2 (30.92%)

*Tree canopy coverage is calculated based on trees with a canopy diameter of 4 meters or greater in deep soil.

^Deep soil area with minimum plan dimension of 2500mm

TREE ID TABLE

Tag	Botanical Name
AcPa	<i>Acer palmatum</i>
AgFl	<i>Agonis flexuosa</i> 'Burgundy'
AnHi	<i>Angophora hispida</i>
BeNi	<i>Betula nigra</i> (triplanted)
BrPo	<i>Brachychiton populneus</i>

Refer to Page 21 for detailed tree planting schedule and quantities

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1.3 Ground Floor Design Statement

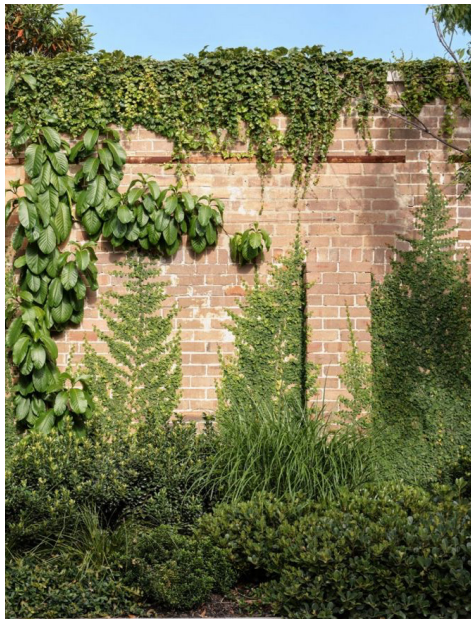
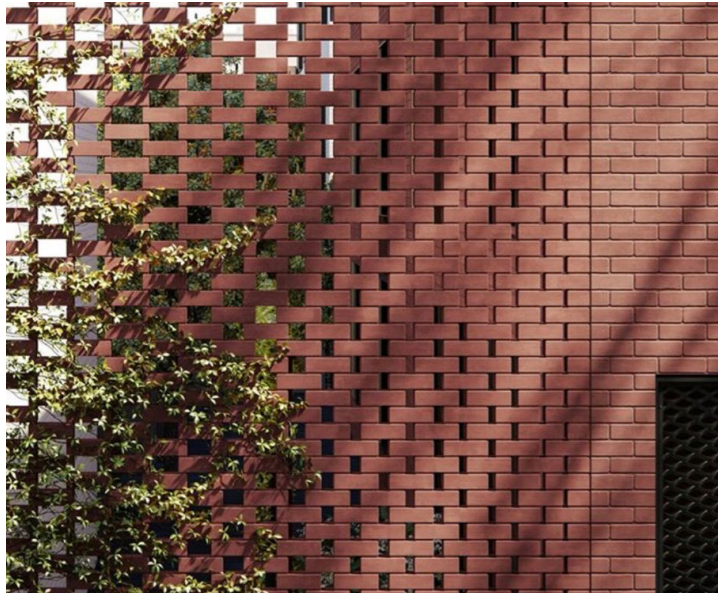
The ground floor landscape has been conceived as an integral component of the overall development, shaping the character, environmental performance, and lived experience of the site from the outset. Landscape is treated as foundational to the ground plane design, establishing a generous, permeable, and ecologically responsive setting that enhances both resident amenity and the public realm.

A minimum 20% tree canopy coverage is proposed to support urban cooling, shade provision, and long-term environmental performance. Deep soil zones are prioritised wherever possible to promote healthy canopy growth and biodiversity outcomes. Green buffer planting is strategically positioned along boundaries and street interfaces to soften residential outlooks, strengthen indoor-outdoor connections, and enhance the streetscape experience.

Locally sourced cobblestone paving references Victorian and Edwardian courtyard typologies, grounding the development in its neighbourhood context while providing a permeable surface that maximises deep soil opportunity and water infiltration. Locally made hit-and-miss red brick fencing defines site boundaries with permeability and transparency, reinforcing neighbourhood character while allowing visual connection to greenery from the street.

A mixed palette of native and exotic planting enhances biodiversity and provides habitat for local fauna, while naturalistic water features strengthen residents' connection to water and create refuge for wildlife.

Materials and planting systems have been carefully selected to ensure durability, longevity, and robust performance, supporting the ongoing quality and ecological function of the landscape over time.



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1.4 Ground Floor



- Legend
- Title Boundary
 - Basement Below Boundary
 - Indicative Deep Soil
 - Proposed Trees
 - Permeable cobblestone paving
 - Exposed aggregate driveway
 - Hit and miss brick walls
 - Natural stone bird bath
 - Concrete bench seat
 - Built-in BBQ
 - Flexible furniture
 - Pallisade fence and gates

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1.5 Murray St Elevation

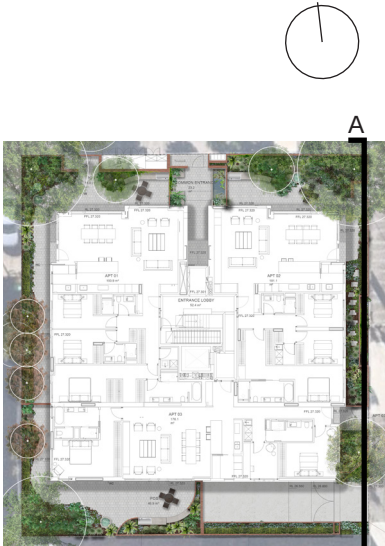
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1.6 Foster St Elevation

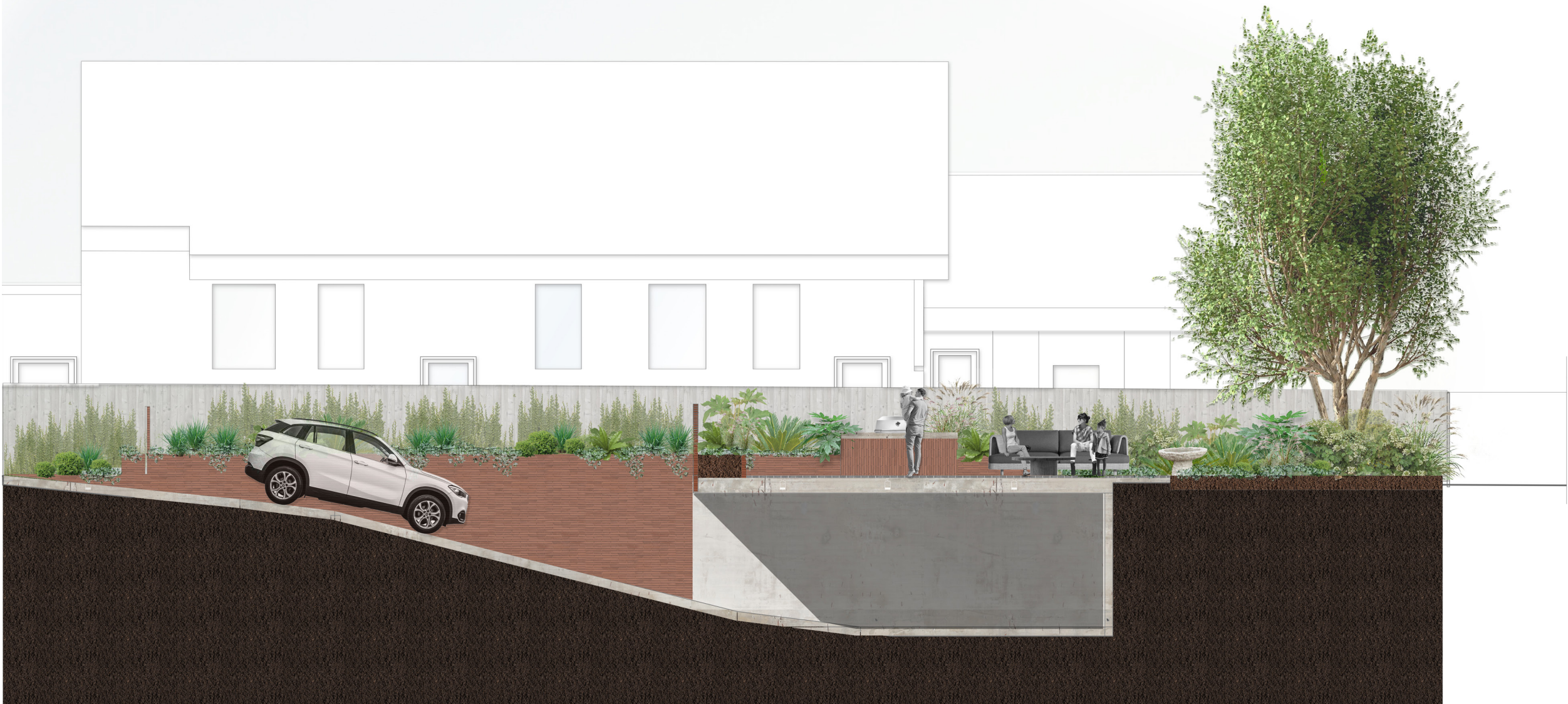
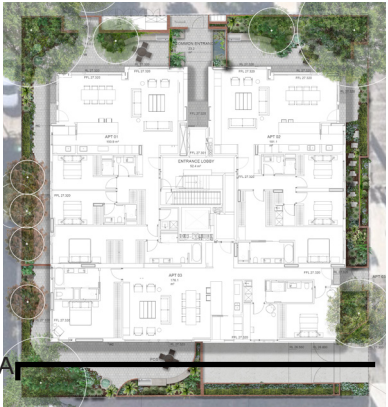
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1.7 Driveway Section

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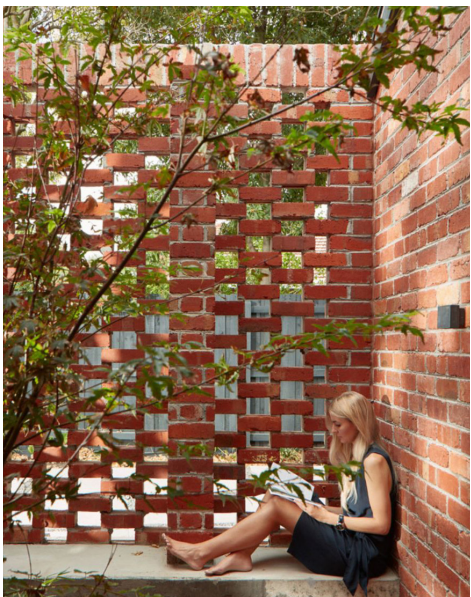
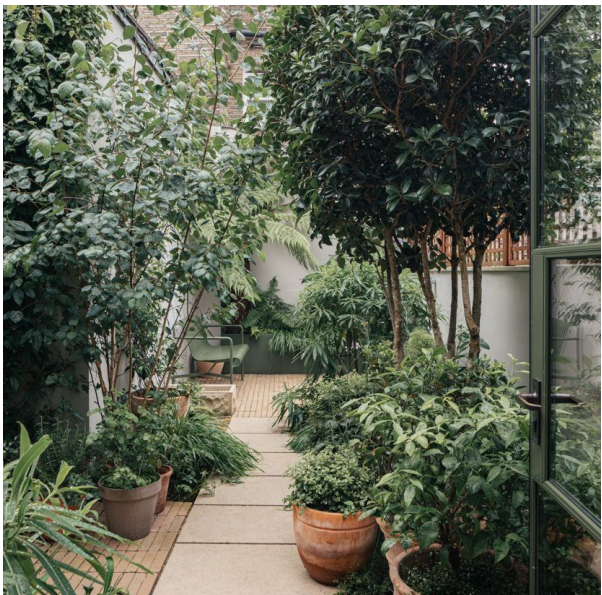
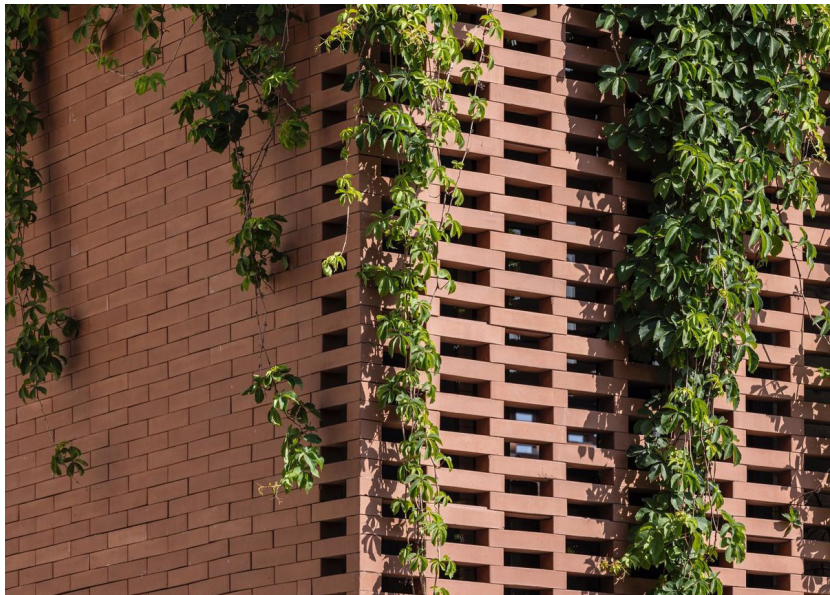
1.8 Floors 1-2 Design Statement

A considered landscape strategy is proposed for the Level 1 and Level 2 courtyards, ensuring meaningful greenery and amenity is embedded within these elevated private open spaces. Landscape is integrated into both horizontal and vertical planes to enhance residents' connection to nature, increase biodiversity, and contribute to urban heat island mitigation.

Locally sourced pedestal pavers are proposed to reference the materiality of the ground floor, creating visual continuity across the development while allowing for appropriate drainage and performance at upper levels. Raised, integrated planters provide sufficient soil depth to support a mixed palette of native and exotic planting, enhancing biodiversity and creating habitat opportunities for local fauna within the courtyards.

Trailing species within in-built planters introduce vertical greening, softening the terracotta tiled façade and contributing to the layered landscape expression of the building. Feature trees in pots are incorporated into private open spaces to provide shade, scale, and seasonal variation, reinforcing the garden character of each courtyard.

Together, these elements establish Levels 1 and 2 as elevated garden environments that balance privacy with outlook, ensuring each dwelling maintains a strong visual and experiential connection to greenery.



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1.9 First Floor



Legend

- Title Boundary
- ⊗ Proposed Trees
- ▒ Pedestal format paving
- ▒ Built-in raised planters
- ▒ Flexible pots
- ▒ Flexible furniture

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1.10 Second Floor

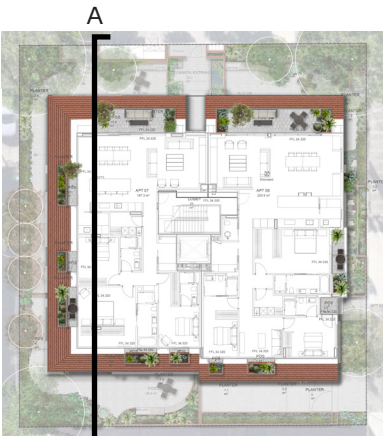


- Legend
- Title Boundary
 - Proposed Trees
 - Pedestal format paving
 - Hit and miss brick wall
 - Terracotta roof tile
 - Built-in raised planters
 - Flexible pots
 - Flexible furniture

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1.11 Levels 1-2 Section

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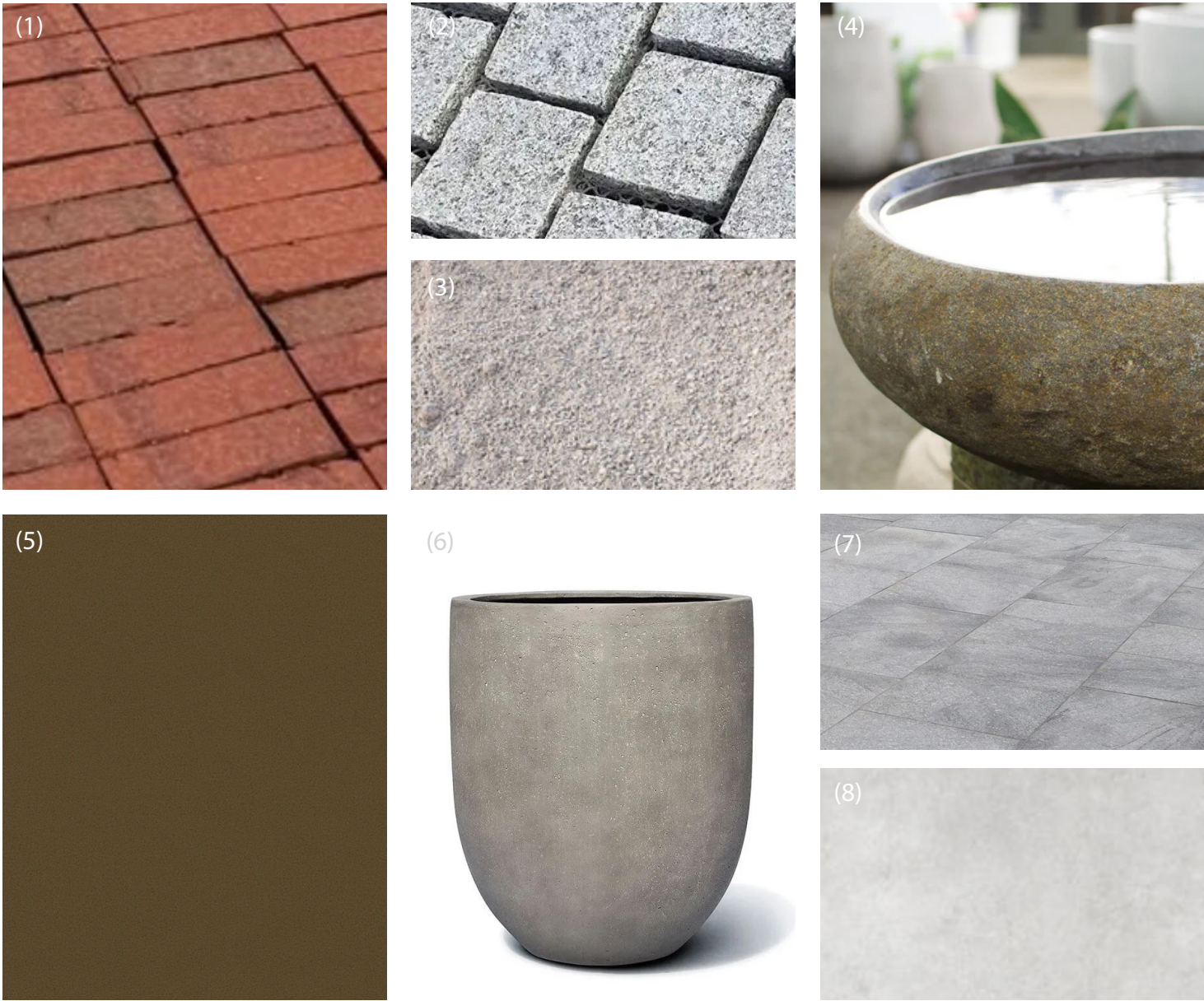
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Material Palette

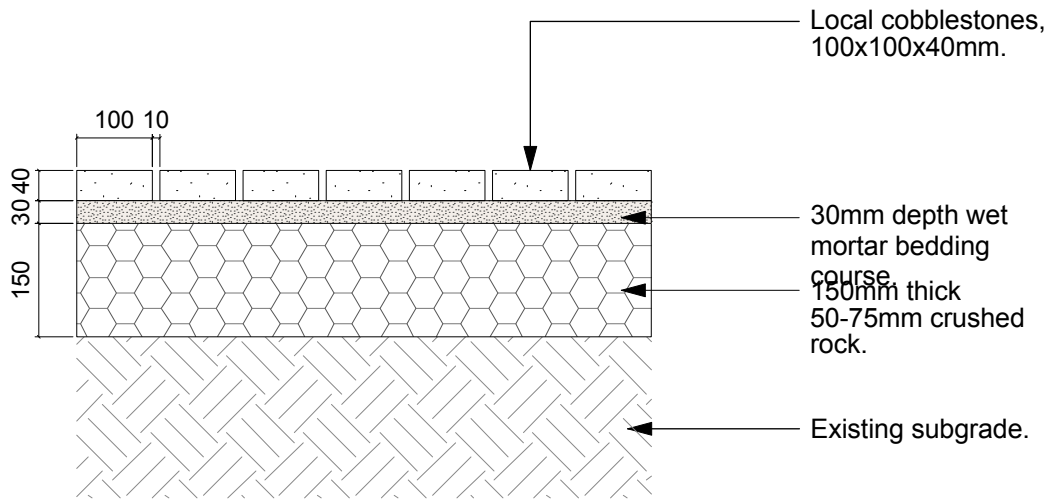
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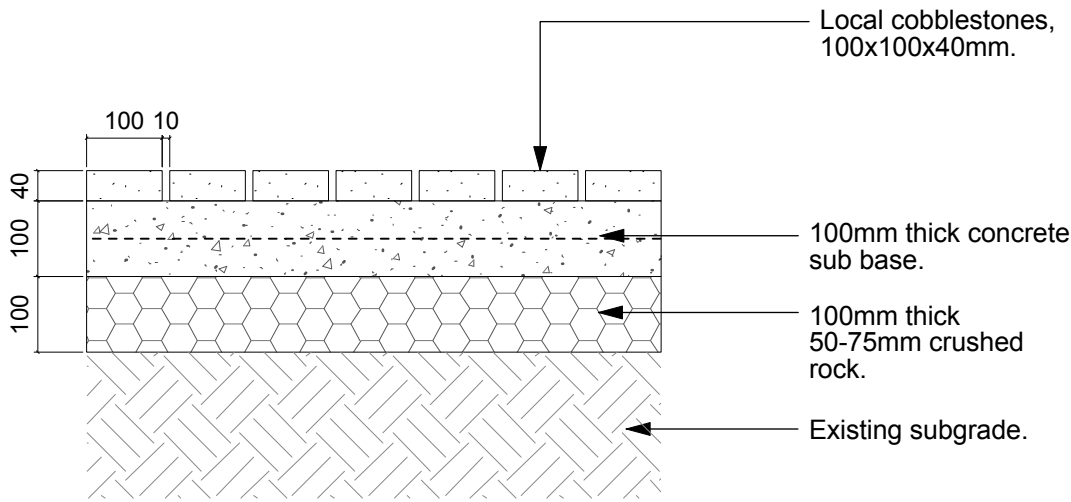
Trees



- (1) Heritage Red Brick - Hit and miss fencing, in-built planters and BBQ's
- (2) Granite Cobblestone
- (3) Toppings mulch
- (4) Natural Stone Water Feature
- (5) Mid bronze metal finish
- (6) Lightweight concrete pots
- (7) Format Granite pedestal paving
- (8) Textured Concrete Render - fixed seating/ planters



(A) Permeable cobblestone detail



(B) Cobblestone paving detail on concrete sub-base for building thresholds/over basement

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3.0

Planting Palette

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Plant Palette

3.1 Trees

Trees

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Acer palmatum
Japanese Maple



Agonis flexuosa 'Burgundy'
Burgundy Willow Myrtle



Angophora hispida
Dwarf Apple



Betula nigra (triplanted)
River Birch



Brachychiton populneus
Kurrajong



Punica granatum
Pomegranate

Tree Planting Schedule

Quantity	Tag	Botanical Name	Common Name	Mature Size (H x W)	Size at Installation	Canopy Tree Type	Total Canopy Coverage (m2)
Ground Level							
2	AcPa	<i>Acer palmatum</i>	Japanese Maple	6m x 4m	100L	A	20
4	AgFl	<i>Agonis flexuosa 'Burgundy'</i>	Burgundy Willow Myrtle	5m x 3m	100L	N/A	28
1	AnHi	<i>Angophora hispida</i>	Dwarf Apple	7-8m x 6m	100L	A	28
1	BeNi	<i>Betula nigra (triplanted)</i>	River Birch	12m x 8m	100L	B	50
2	BrPo	<i>Brachychiton populneus</i>	Kurrajong	8-10m x 10-12m	100L	B	190
Level 1 (in pots)							
2	AcPa	<i>Acer palmatum</i>	Japanese Maple	6m x 4m	45L	N/A	
Level 2 (in pots)							
3	PuGr	<i>Punica granatum</i>	Pomegranate	4-10m x 2-4m	45L	N/A	

3.2 Sculptural/Ferns & Shrubs

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Sculptural/ Ferns



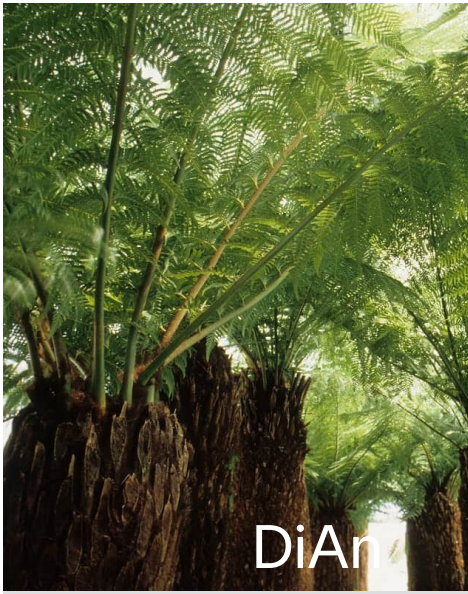
Asplenium australasicum
Bird's Nest Fern



Blechnum gibbum
Silver Lady Fern



Cycas revoluta
Japanese Sago Palm



Dicksonia antarctica
Norfolk Island Pine



Doodia aspera
Prickly Rasp Fern



Fatsia japonica
Japanese Aralia

Sculptural/ Ferns



Laurus nobilis
Bay laurel - pleached hedge



Rhapis excelsa
Broadleaf Lady Palm



Tetrapanax papyrifer 'Rex'
Rice Paper Plant

Shrubs



Correa alba (ball)
White Correa



Daphne odora 'Perfume Princess'
Daphne



Hydrangea quercifolia 'Prinsnow'
Oak-leaf Hydrangea

3.3 Shrubs, Grasses, Perennials

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Shrubs



Laurus nobilis 'Baby Bay' (ball)
Dwarf Bay



Westringia fruticosa (ball)
Coastal Rosemary



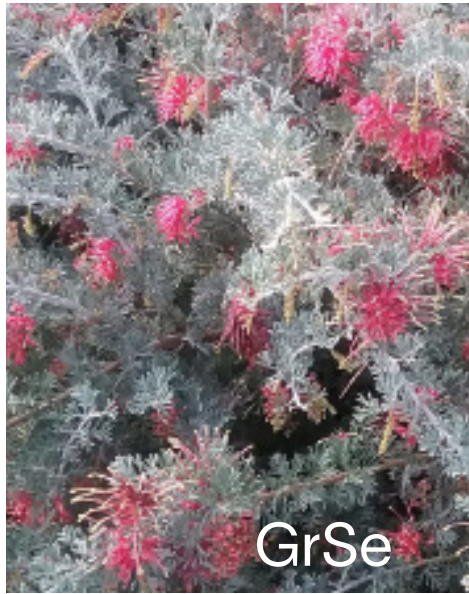
Pittosporum tobira 'Miss Muffet'
Japanese Cheesewood



Ligularia reniformis
Tractor Seat Plant



Doryanthes excelsa
Gynea Lily



Grevillea 'Seaspray'

Grasses



Dianella revoluta
Black Anther Flax-lily



Lomandra confertifolia 'Crackerjack'



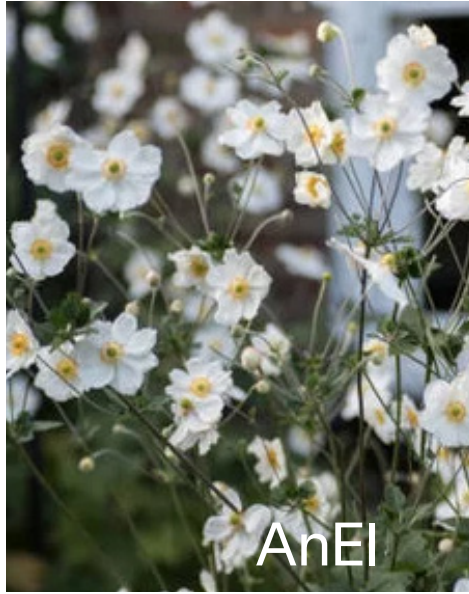
Miscanthus sinensis 'Adagio'
Chinese Silver Grass



Microlaena stipoides
Weeping Grass



Arthropodium cirratum 'Matapouri Bay'
New Zealand Rock Lily



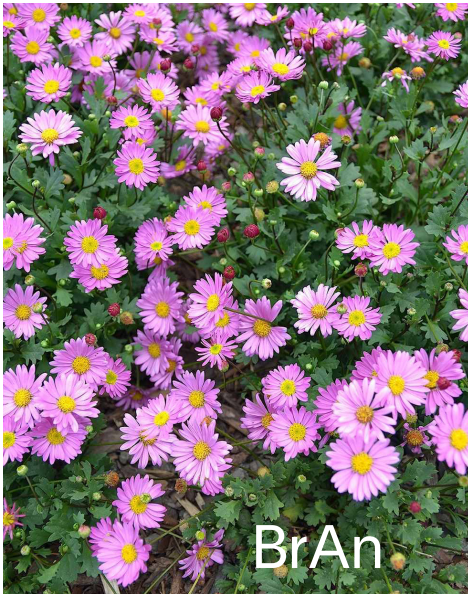
Anemone 'Elite Pure White'
Japanese Wind Flower

Perennials

3.4 Perennials, Climbers & Groundcovers

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Perennials



Brachyscome angustifolia
Grassland Daisy



Geranium wallichianum x himalayense 'Rozanne'
Cranesbill



Tulbaghia simmleria alba
White Society Garlic



Achillea millefolium 'Terracotta'
Yarrow



Agastache 'Pink Pearl'
Giant Hyssop



Sedum 'Autumn Joy'
Sedum

Perennials



Eryngium x zabelii 'Pen Blue'
Sea Holly

Climbers



Ficus pumila
Climbing Fig



Hydrangea petiolaris
Climbing Hydrangea



Parthenocissus quinquefolia
Virginia Creeper

Groundcovers



Cissus rhombifolia 'Ellen Danica'
Grape Ivy



Carpobrotus rossii
Karkalla

3.5 Groundcovers & Edibles

Groundcovers



Dichondra argentea 'Silver Falls'
Silver Ponysfoot



Dichondra repens
Kidney Weed



Scaevola aemula
Fan Flower



Thymus serpyllum alba
Creeping Thyme



Viola hederacea
Native Violet



Rosmarinus officinalis prostratus
Prostrate Rosemary

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Edibles



Anethum graveolens
Dill



Fragaria x ananassa
Strawberry



Ocimum basilicum
Basil



Origanum vulgare
Oregano



Petroselinum crispum var. *neapolitanum*
Parsley



Salvia officinalis
Sage



Thanks for your time. We hope you like the seeds we've planted.

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