



Chelsea Barracks

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Gustafson Porter + Bowman have led the concept landscape design and development of all six phases of the Chelsea Barracks development since 2014 alongside a large number of consultants and architects including, Eric Parry Architects, PDP London and Squire and Partners.

Chelsea Barracks creates a sequence of permeable public spaces which sensitively respond to the historic context of the area whilst providing a contemporary scheme that is accessible, permeable and embraces a continuous identity. Across all phases, the choice of materials and planting unifies the public realm, while the design and detailing of each space creates individual characters.

To define the relationship between the architecture and external spaces within the development, reference is made to the surrounding urban character of Chelsea. This includes the red-brick buildings of the Cadogan Estate, parts of the Grosvenor Estate which sit adjacent to the site, and Pimlico, one of the oldest villages in Chelsea.

Our design creates a typology of open spaces that invite people in to enjoy the new addition to the neighbourhood and the natural environment. We have sought to move away from the traditional masterplan concept (typically characterised by garden squares with railings), reversing an eighteenth-century element of social interventionism.

The development is therefore, a space for communal integration and spontaneous interaction which embodies timeless qualities using thoughtful planting, high-quality materials and urban furniture. The squares throughout the scheme evoke a purposeful character while providing a varied and engaging environment.

SCOPE
Landscape design for public and private areas of masterplan
BUDGET PROJECT COST
Confidential
CLIENT
Qatari Diar
PROJECT DURATION
2014-
SIZE
1ha
STATUS
Phases 1-4 completed

