



## Forest Garden and Productive Fruit and Vegetable Growing

The northern part of the Chaco site will get the most sunshine throughout the day and is therefore the area which will suit growing fruit and veg.

All along the northern boundary with the school site, there will be a 1.8m boundary fence and this is ideal for fan training fruit and maximising yields from climbing vegetables. The plants will also soften the look of this boundary and make a green backdrop to the parking area.

A polytunnel is proposed along with a composting area.

A grove of trees and bushes with a platform / look-out post is included at the highest point of the site.

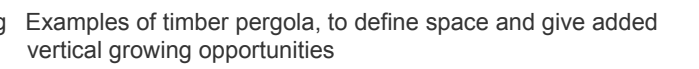


## Common House Terrace

With an elevated position overlooking the site, a paved, sunny terrace extends along the southern and western sides of the common house to allow lots of space for outdoor, shared, dining and other communal activities. The dining area is edged with planting along the banks on the southern side and part of this is a herb garden, close to the kitchen. To the west, the paved space opens out onto a lawn area.

Utility is considered and passing along the terrace to the east, beneath a timber pergola that helps to define the different spaces, there is a paved drying area which will accommodate up to four large carousel type washing lines (60m each). There is gated access to the bin store and an alternative location for the food waste digester. Beyond this, the boundary walls form three sides of what can become a good sized shed for craft and repair, this also has some paved outdoor space.

Timber fencing between the common house garden and parking area combines the security of a 1.8m fence with visibility of the vehicles as the top 600mm would be slatted trellis rather than close-boarding.



## The Ginnet

It is expected that the ginnel is to be adopted by the local highways authority and will therefore need to meet their specification. A 2m wide bitmac path runs north-south and will be a public route between Roundhay Road and Leopold Street. The Chaco boundary along this route will be a 1.8m high wall which steps up with the rising ground levels. In the central section, this may have panels of timber fencing or railings to break up the hard line and allow views through. On the opposite side of the path, Unity proposed both a boundary wall around the gardens and a 1.5m high vertical bar railing to the path edge



## Natural Play and Amenity

Throughout the grounds, there are spaces and places for informal recreation, play and seating (seats often making the most of a vista or sight-line). Some spaces are more quiet and solitary, others lend themselves to a more social atmosphere.



### Roundhay Road / Barrack Road Frontage

Space along the main road frontage is limited so as to maximise gardens at the rear of the terrace but incorporates a planted strip of trees and shrubs which will provide a green buffer and screen to the road as well as a 1.2m footpath running the length of the terrace. Due to level changes, there are three flights of steps with retaining wing walls but all properties will have a level access route which connects with the highway footpath.



To define a 'private zone' at the thresholds to properties, a different paving type is proposed for paths to front doors and a strip of approximately 1.4m wide has low level planting beneath the windows.



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