

Housing Design

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Camden Courtyards allows enough
space for pedestrians to pass
comfortably

- 1. Exemplary housing design doesn't need to be complicated.**
Prize-winning schemes such as South Gardens in Elephant and Castle and Camden Courtyards showcase sound design principles and also consider sunlight, ventilation, storage, materiality and the all-important front door.
- 2. Our definition of home, goes beyond bricks and mortar.**
Considering public and private amenity space, careful landscape design and lighting can all help turn spaces into places.
- 3. Accessibility needs to be thought about at the start.** Drawing in a wheelchair turning circle and furniture in early plans are useful ways to gauge if housing layouts are usable and accessible for all.
- 4. A radical approach to intensification is being considered in a large proportion of LB Croydon*** with presumption in favour of development that increases the number of units and scale of conventional housing areas. * With the exception of development within a town centre, growth area or conservation area.

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