# LEOPOLD ESTATE (ST. PAUL'S SQ.)

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#### **ABOUT**

Poplar HARCA and Countryside Properties commissioned Metropolitan Workshop to design the last phase of the Leopold estate renewal programme. The built scheme creates 367 new homes with two new streets and large, communal open spaces. The estate was renamed St. Pauls Square.

#### **COMMENTS**



Generous street widths



Pedestrian priority street



Landscaped public realm



Private balconies



Communal garden



Site plan

### **LEOPOLD ESTATE BEFORE**

Leopold Estate was similar in many ways to Wendling and St. Stephen's Close:

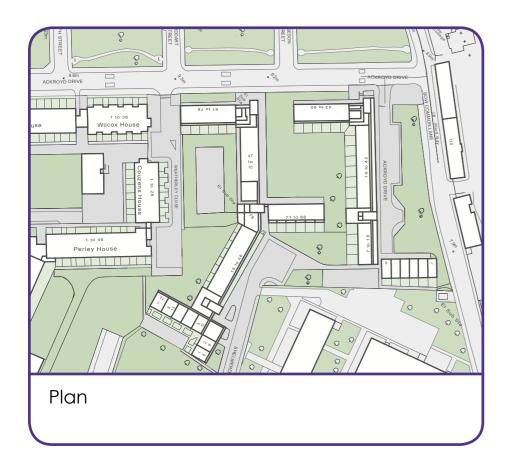
- no access to green space
- multiple entrances and cut throughs
- poor wayfinding and poor connectivity to surrounding streets
- lack of active frontage
- anti social behaviour



Mulitple entrances and small cut through between buildings



Inaccessible green space







carports at ground floor create inactive frontage and encourage ASB



# LEOPOLD ESTATE AFTER (ST. PAUL'S SQUARE)

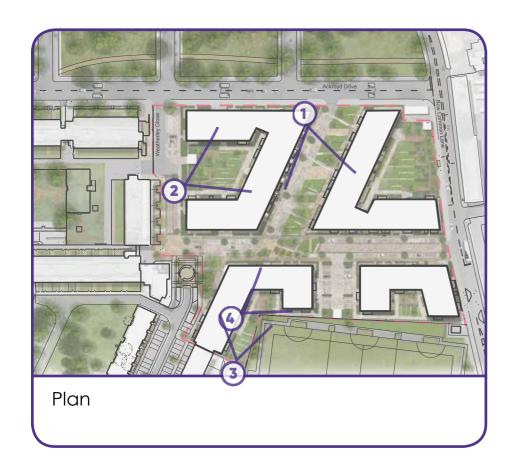
Some photographs of the completed scheme showing different elements. The plan below shows where these are taken from.

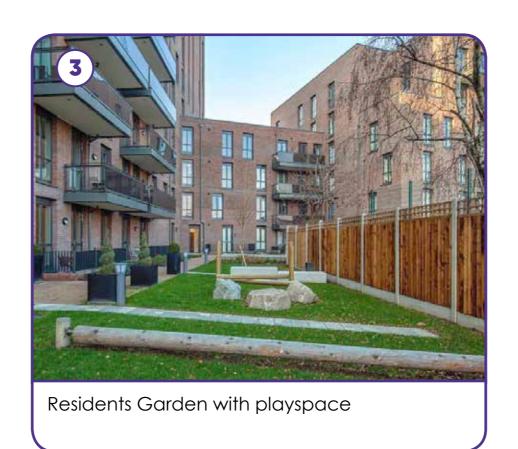


Primary Street with linear park 25 metres between buildings



Residents Garden







Private balconies and terraces

# **LEOPOLD ESTATE (ST. PAUL'S SQUARE)**

#### **Street widths**

A key design factor is how close the buildings are to each other. A standard principle is to maintain 16-18 meters (52 to 60 ft) between two residential buildings facing directly into each other.

By varying this width a hierarchy of streets can be created.

