


RANDALL THORP



“ I am delighted to find a practice that provides an excellent product and understands my needs, but isn't afraid to challenge me and bring new ideas to my projects. ”

Andrew Thorley: Client
Strategic Land and Planning Manager, Taylor Wimpey UK Limited

An award winning landscape consultancy based in Manchester City centre, with over 30 years of experience providing landscape solutions for all types and scales of development across the UK.

Our large scale masterplanning and implementation work has won planning and design awards and is widely recognised as an exemplar of best practice. Over 25 years of experience at Cambourne has provided us with a range of skills and expertise resulting in our involvement in some of the UK's major developments, including the expansion of Pinewood Film Studios into the UK's largest media production facility and NW Bicester the UK's first eco-town.

“Randall Thorp are a skilled and talented team, with an environmental ethos which always seems to be balanced by a commercially aware attitude, consistent delivery of high quality work, and down to earth prices.”

Director of Land and Planning, major developer client

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Cambourne, Cambridgeshire



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About us



When the practice was established in 1986, the founding partners said:

“Our clients and the landscape opportunities they present will be our most important asset.”

We've grown considerably since those early days, but it's a principle we still adhere to. We take pride in providing bespoke, professional landscape services to all our clients, however small or large their projects and all within a warm, friendly atmosphere.



Our values

As a business we want to make a positive change, which in turn assists our clients in making the most of their landscape assets.

Our fundamental aim is to deliver sustainable, high quality landscapes that maximise the benefits to our clients, local communities and the wider environment.

Our clients and where we work

We've developed a range of loyal clients from across the UK in different sectors, who recognise the value that our skills and approach can bring to their projects.

Randall Thorp is committed to delivering the best for all of its clients.

By understanding our client's needs, aspirations and budgets, and matching these with sustainable design solutions, we aim to develop strong relationships with clients who will come back to us time and again with new opportunities and challenges.



Heritage Trust *for the North West*



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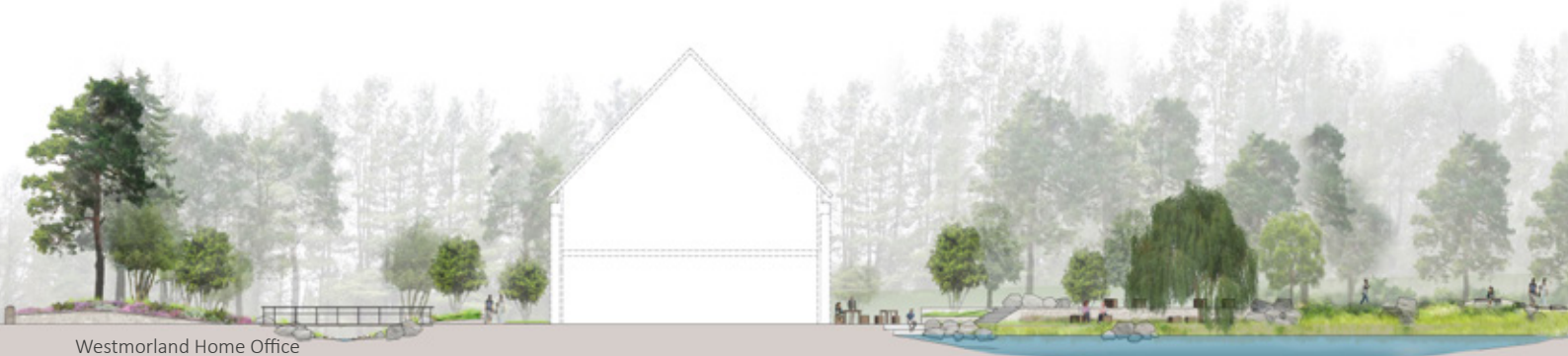
“Its been a pleasure working with Randall Thorp. I admired the way you challenged the conventional thinking ...(to) deliver an exceptional scheme we can all be proud of.”

Andy Lawson
Projects Director, Gallagher Estates



Transform your oil for good™





Landscape architecture

Landscape architecture lies at the heart of our business. We aim to ensure that our clients make the most of their landscape assets through our skills in landscape planning, analysis, design and delivery.

From the creation of large public parks and squares to the detailed planting design for intimate garden spaces, our commitment to clients' needs, matched by sound technical knowledge and imaginative design solutions has resulted in the implementation of a range of landscapes that share the common traits of commodity, firmness and delight.



Cambourne play





Landscape restoration strategy, Herefordshire

Environmental planning

Randall Thorp's skills in environmental planning have helped our clients on a range of projects with complex landscape issues.

We can develop strategies to maximise landscape potential and to rationalise and unify landscape design and management issues.

We produce Landscape Appraisals, LVIAs, design guides and planning reports specific to all aspects of the landscape, townscape and visual environment.



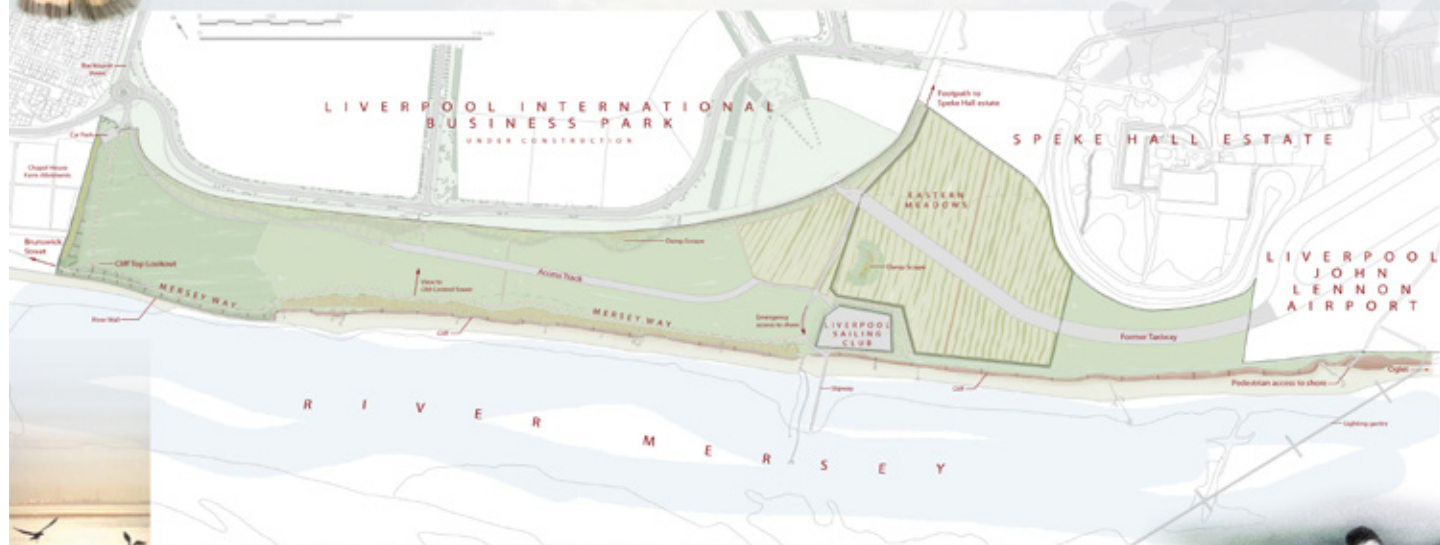
Topography and woodland study



CGI of proposed view of development



The Garston Shore



From the Cliff Top Lookout see across the River Mersey, which is approximately 3 miles across at its widest. Landmarks to be seen across the river include (from west to east):

- Turners Oil Terminal
- Eastham Country Park and Locks
- Welsh Hills: Moel Famau
- Mount Marist
- Ellesmere Port
- Helsby Hill



Old Control Tower



Speke Hall



Speke & Garston Coastal Reserve

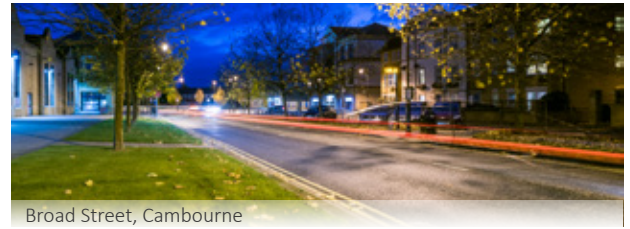


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Partington Shopping Centre, Trafford



Cambourne West



Broad Street, Cambourne

Urban design

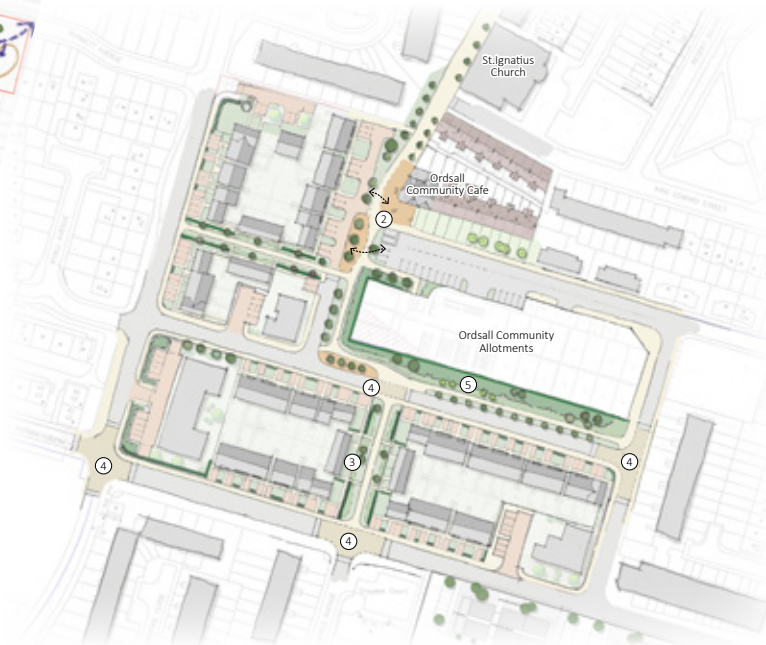
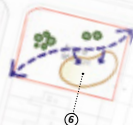
Our approach to urban design is rooted in the idea that landscape and townscape are key to creating spaces with a real sense of place, as well as delivering schemes that offer commodity, firmness and delight. Our involvement with the delivery of Cambourne new settlement has enabled us to see at first hand how design theory translates into the creation of living places.

With our philosophy and experience we offer our clients imaginative yet realistic urban design solutions that meet the needs of their project's challenges and opportunities.



Beaulieu Entrance

Ordsall housing regeneration





Bosty Lane, Aldridge

Masterplanning

Through our involvement with Cambourne new settlement and many other schemes, we have over thirty years experience of masterplanning large complex schemes.

We offer our clients a wealth of practical knowledge regarding both the planning and delivery of masterplan projects. Whatever the size or complexity of the project, we work in a holistic way, balancing the needs of engineering, green infrastructure, built development, existing constraints, site features, programme and budget to ensure designs are appropriate, deliverable and sustainable.



Waterbeach Barracks, Cambridgeshire



Barnard Gate Garden Village, Oxfordshire



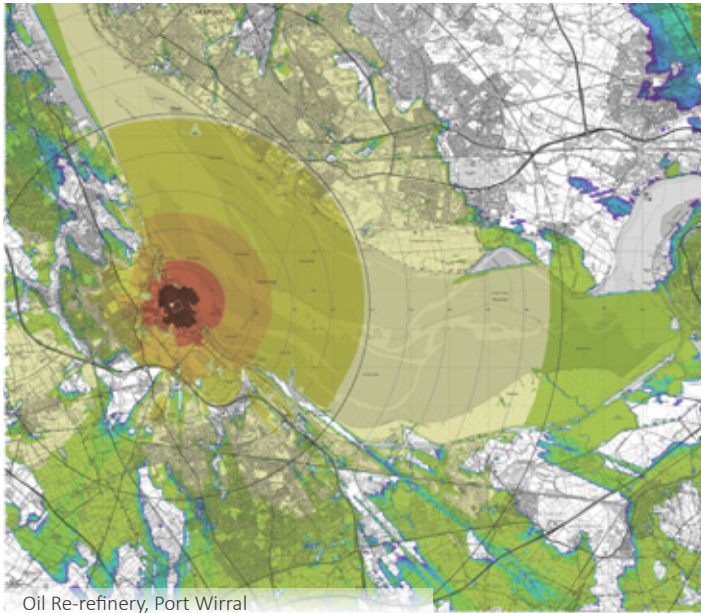
Haydock Grange, Cottam, Preston

Cambourne West



“A cracking scheme!”

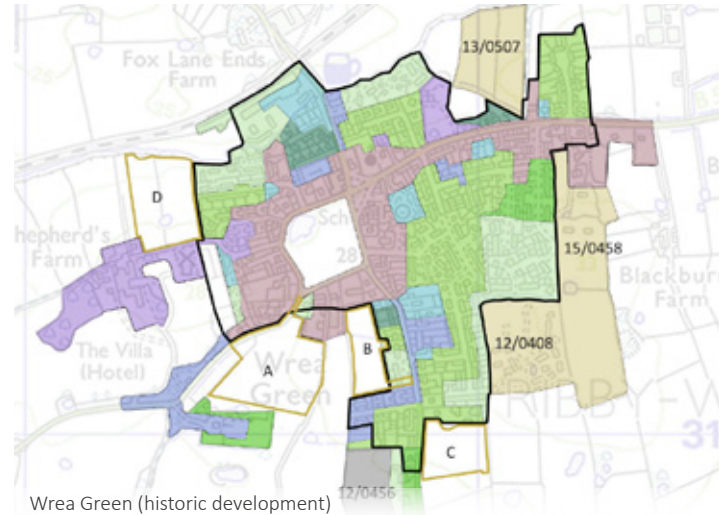
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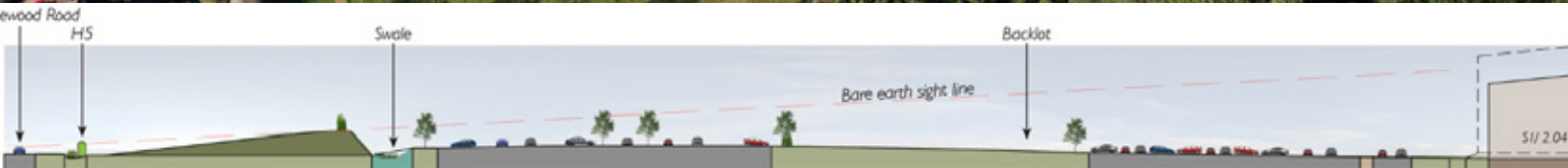
Expert witness

Since successfully presenting landscape evidence for our client during the 1989 Cambridgeshire New Settlement Public Inquiry, we understand how important it is for our clients that we can defend our work in planning appeals, whether this takes the form of written representations, a hearing or a public inquiry.

Our team recognise that our landscape analysis and design must be robust enough to withstand detailed inspection in a public forum. The senior members of our team have a successful track record in preparing evidence and appearing as expert witnesses. Our clients for this area of work include developers, individuals and Local Planning Authorities.



Pinewood Studios



Careers



We are always looking for talented people to join our team.

We believe that successful landscapes are born of a fusion of elements: our clients aspirations, environmental and human needs, the genius of the place, and the use of appropriate style and imagination.

We are proud to have been the first landscape practice to be awarded “Investors in People” status. We focus on developing the quality and breadth of our team’s skills at all levels.

Studio life

Location

Our studio is based in a Grade II listed Victorian cotton merchants building in the centre of Manchester. We're within strolling distance of great arts and cultural venues; an amazing food, bar and club scene and sporting venues that are world famous.

Benefits

We recognise the importance of our team being able to balance their personal and professional lives healthily. We offer a wide range of benefits for our staff, including social events, insurance benefits and flexible working hours.

Continuous professional development

CPD is a key part of life at Randall Thorp with mentoring and training opportunities for employees of all levels.

We actively encourage and support our graduates through the Pathway to Chartership. Our graduates host regular study group sessions in our studio, and our team includes a number of Mentors, Supervisors and Examiners, who all provide support to our candidates.





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