

Research by design into how spatial qualities and characteristics shape the future of mixed-use business parks in the Province of South-Holland

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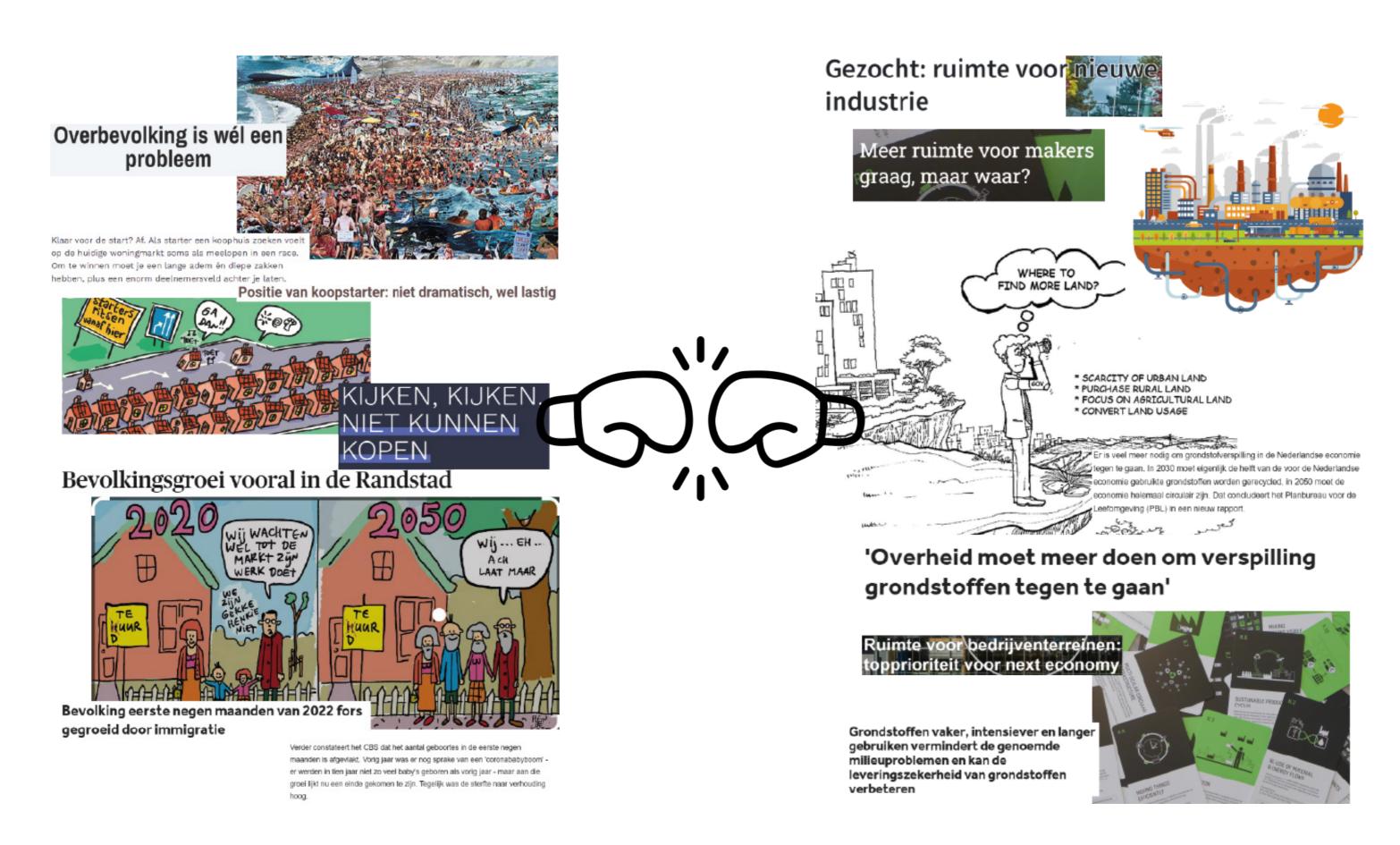
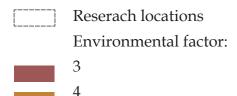


Figure 1: Drivers of change causing spatial pressure between residential and industrial functions (Tong, 2018; Stec groep, 2022; Jager, 2022, Hill et al., 2020; Freepik, n.d.; NOS op 3, 2017; Davidson, 2016; NOS nieuws, 2022; NOS nieuws, 2021; Binnenlands bestuur, 2019; Conijn, 2020; Agrivest, n.d.)

Where can this find place in already densely populated the Province of South-Holland?

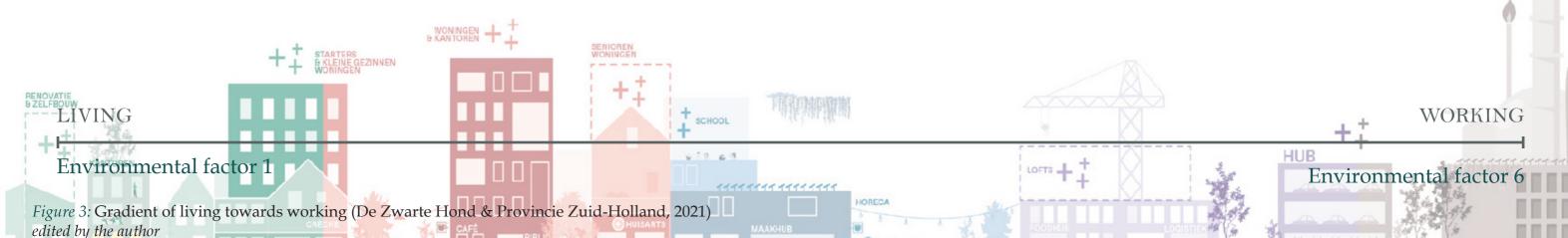


A12 High way

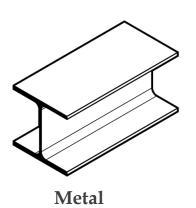


Figure 2: A12 functioning as the spine of the business parks that are essential according to the Province of South-Holland

(Scale 1:200000, 50% reduced. Based upon IBIS dataset, edited by author)

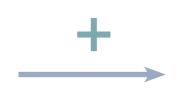


What is the future of the business ecosystem with a focus on construction materials?













Wood

Biobased construction materials

Prefab elements







(RTL nieuws, 2021; Worldstreel association, n.d.)







(Van Wijnen groep, n.d.; Stichting Bouwtuin, 2021)

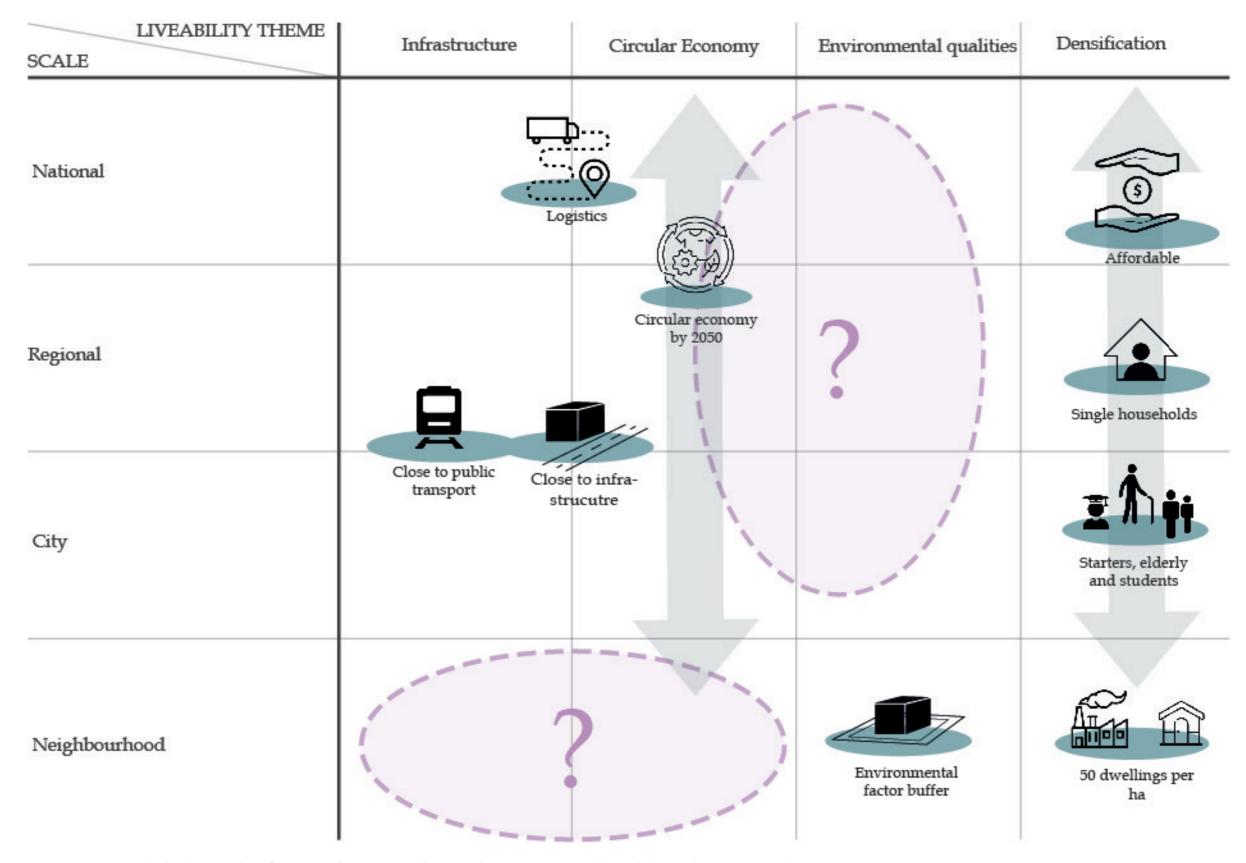


Figure 4: Currently lacking policy framework at topics like circular economy and liveability at business parks

PROBLEM STATEMENT

In order words, there is a need to research how spatial qualities and characteristics of business ecosystems with a focus on construction materials shape the future possibilities of mixed-use strategies at business parks in the Province of South-Holland by 2050.

MAIN RESEARCH QUESTION:

How do spatial qualities and characteristics of business ecosystems with a focus on construction materials shape the future possibilities of mixed-use business parks in the Province of South-Holland by 2050?

sub question 1

What different mixed-use strategies are there and how could they be applied in the Province of South-Holland?

sub question 2

How do spatial requirements frame the liveability of mixed-use business ecosystems with a focus on construction materials?

sub question 3

What spatial preconditions shape a viable circular economy?

sub question 4

How do the wishes and challenges of stakeholders influence the applied mixed-use strategies?

sub question 5

What are future scenarios for mixed-use business parks and construction materials?

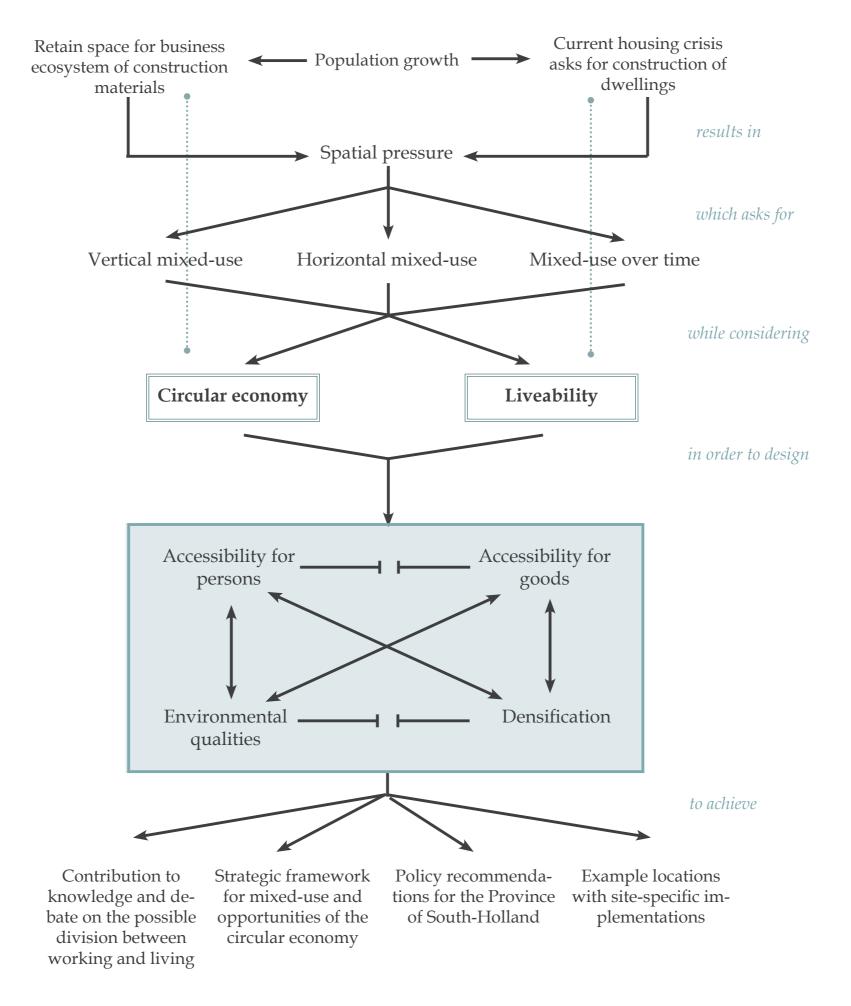


Figure 5: The relationship of concepts forming the structure of this thesis

EXAMPLE LOCATIONS

What location is suitable to contribute to the circular economy while applying mixed-use strategies?



Figure 6: Network of different business parks serving the economy of the Province of South-Holland (Scale 1:200000. Based upon IBIS dataset, edited by author)

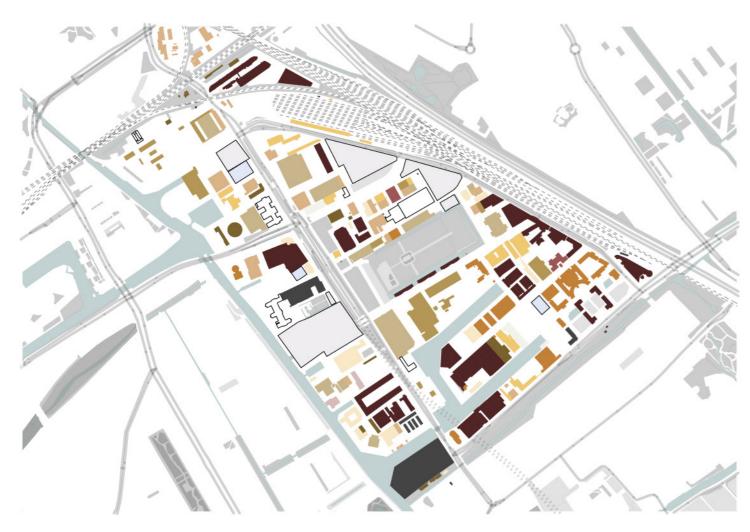
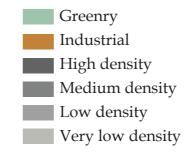


Figure 7: A variation in employment opportunities (Scale 1:6000, 50% reduced)





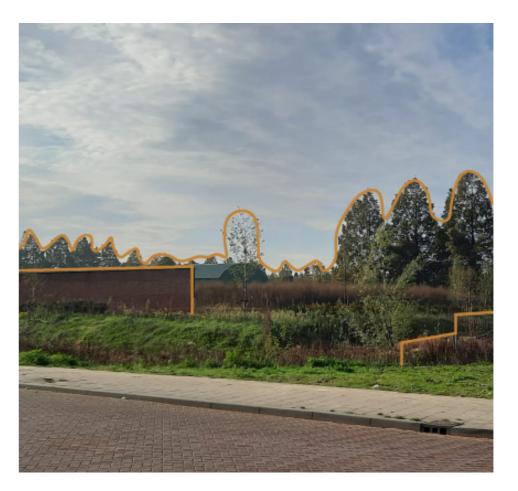
Figure 8: Binckhorst close to dense city centre which offers a lot of functions (Scale 1:20000, 50% reduced. Data set: Urban Atlas 2018)











Fieldtrip 31-10-2022 & 06-12-2022

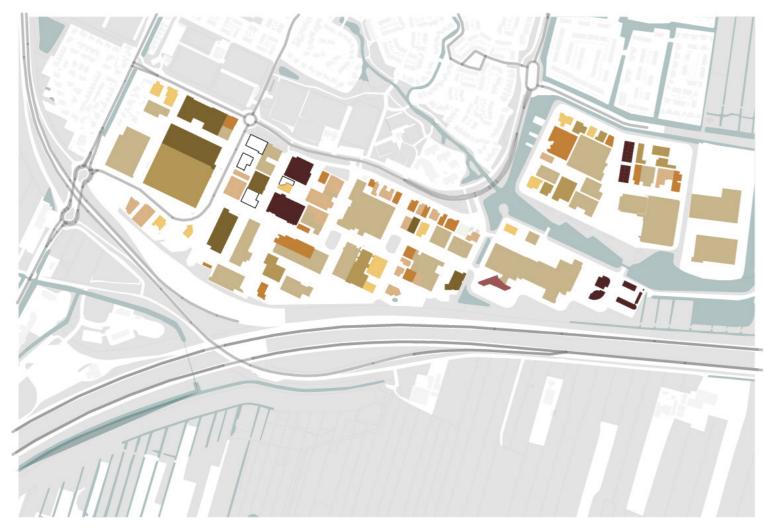
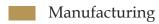


Figure 9: Broekvelden with the expertise of distribution (Scale 1:6000, 50% reduced)



- Distribution
- Vehicle maintenance
- Offices
- Shop / services
- Storage
 - Catering industry
- Multiple companies under one roof
- Education
- Sport
- Vacancy
- Transformation



Figure 10: Broekvelden separated from low densiity residential area (Scale 1:20000, 50% reduced. Data set: Bestand Bodemgebruik 2017)

- Greenry
- Industrial
- High density
- Medium density
- Low density
- Very low density



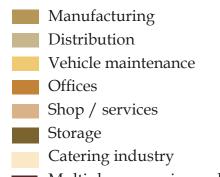








Figure 11: Smooth gradient from disruptive businesses towards residential area (Scale 1:6000, 50% reduced)



Multiple companies under one roof

Education

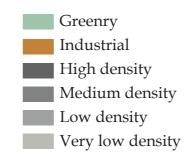
Sport

Vacancy

Transformation



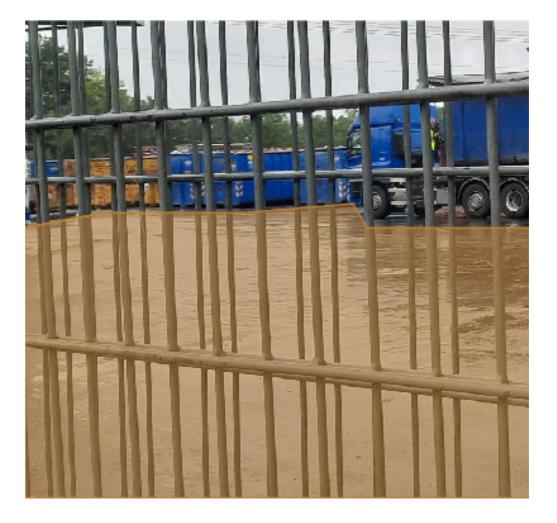
Figure 12: Lansinghage surrounded by industry and dense urban fabric (Scale 1:20000,50% reduced. Data set: Urban Atlas 2018)











Fieldtrip 26-09-2022, 27-09-2022 & 28-09-2022

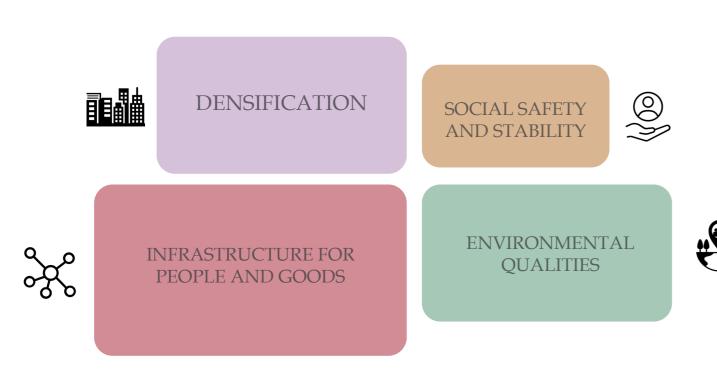
ANALYSES

What are the current spatial qualities and characteristics of Lansinghage?

Analyses based on the main themes of circularity and liveability

1] Environmental buffer 2] Infrastructure 3] Environmental qualities

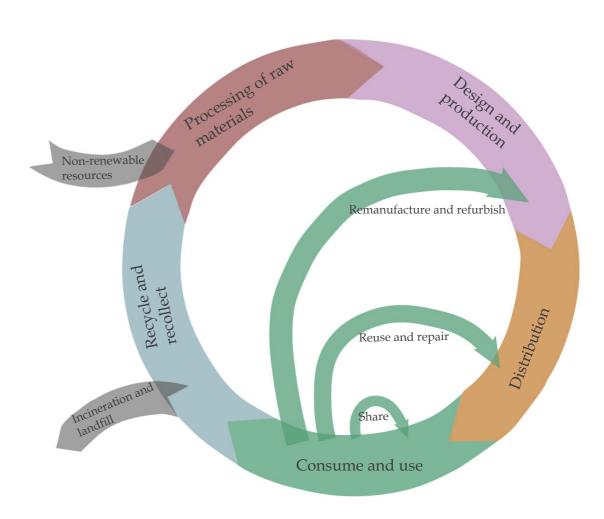
Liveability



Main theories:

- 1] Mastura, Ab Ghafar, Ahmed, and Keumala (2017): A Systematic Review on City Liveability Global Research in the Built Environment: Publication and Citation Matrix.
- 2] Easton, Saldais, Dumovic, Carrodus, and Machar (2016): *Chapter 5: Liveable cities*.

Circular economy



Main theories:

- 1 Van den Berghe, Dabrowski, Ersoy & Van Bueren (2019) : *The Circular Economy: a Re-Emerging Industry?*
- 2] Kennedy & Linnenluecke (2022): Circular economy and resilience: A research agenda
- 3] Hill, Croxford, Domenech, Hausleitner, Meijer, Orban, Munoz Sanz, Vanin, & Warden (2020): Foundries of the Future: a guide to 21st century cities of making
- 6] Verga & Khan (2022): Space Matters: Barriers and Enablers for Embedding Urban Circularity Practices in the Brussels Capital Region.

What places are assigned to business due to environmental factors and produced nuisances?

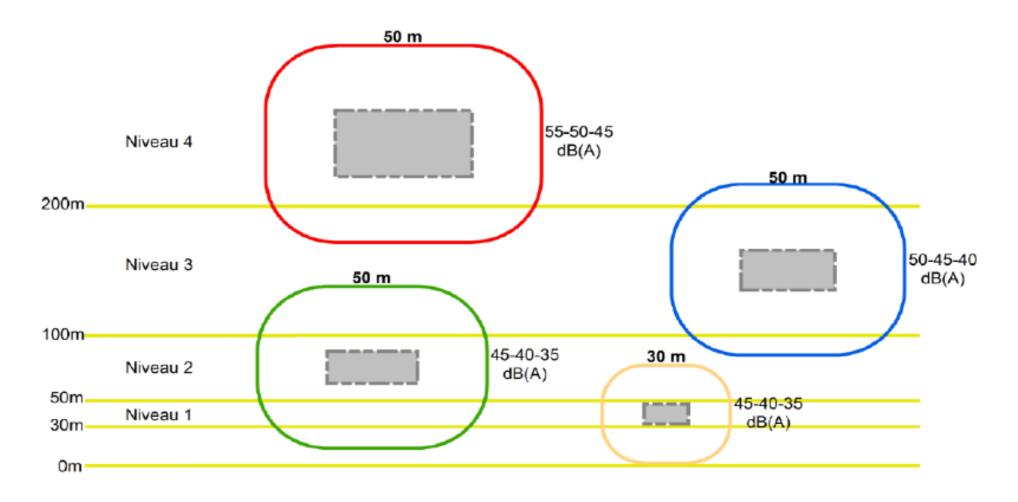
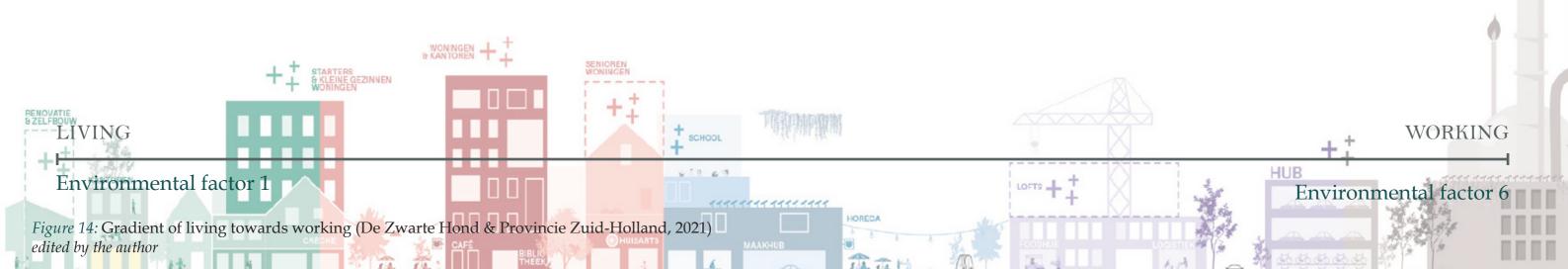
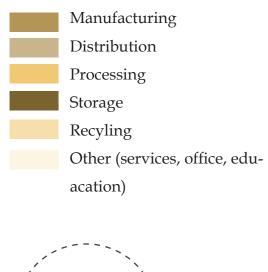


Figure 13: Different distances from industries to protect living environment and development areas industrial processes (Vereniging Nederlandse Gemeente, 2019)







Environmental buffer: 100, 200 and 300 m

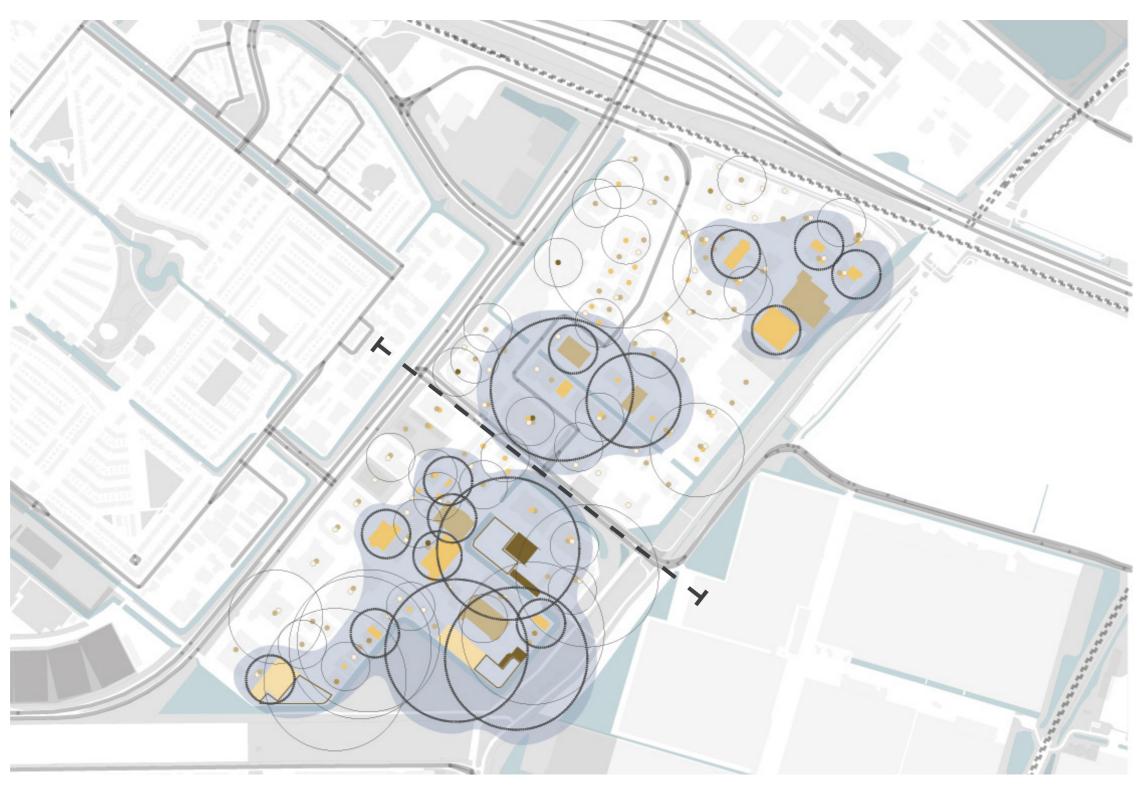


Figure 15: Network of different business parks serving the economy of the Province of South-Holland (Scale 1:200000.. Based upon IBIS dataset, edited by author)













How are the roads used by different vehicles and how does this influence the mixed-use possiblities?



Figure 17: Companies relying on infrastructure designed for transportation via trucks (Scale 1.6000, 75% reduced)



Figure 18: Infrastructure creating access to companies via the car (Scale 1.6000, 75% reduced)



Figure 19: Mismatch between business accessible for slow traffic and the infrastructure supporting this (Scale 1.6000, 75% reduced)

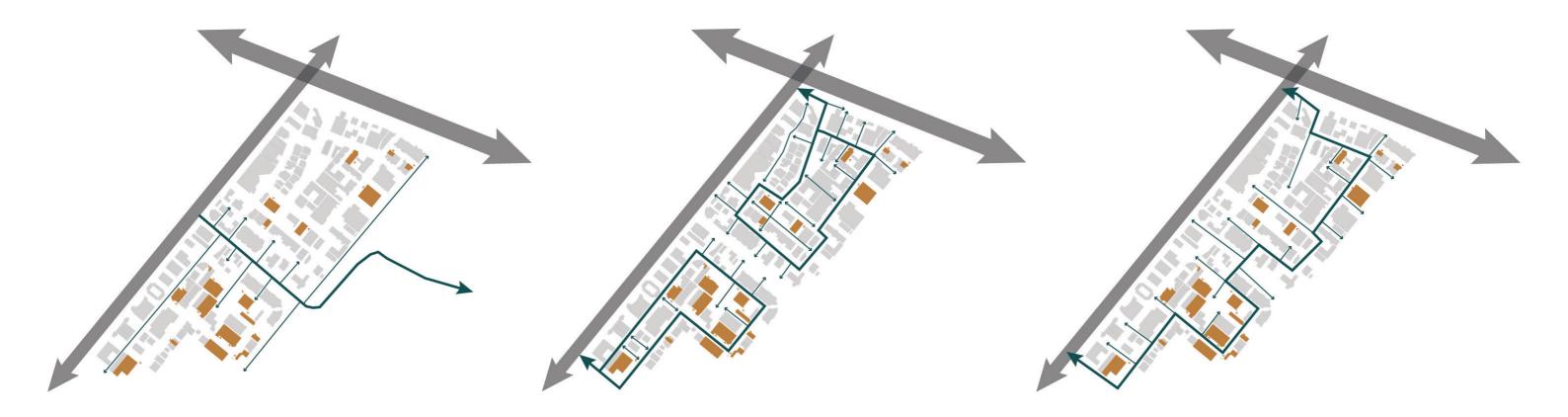


Figure 20: Experimenting with the roadnetwork to create space for other functions

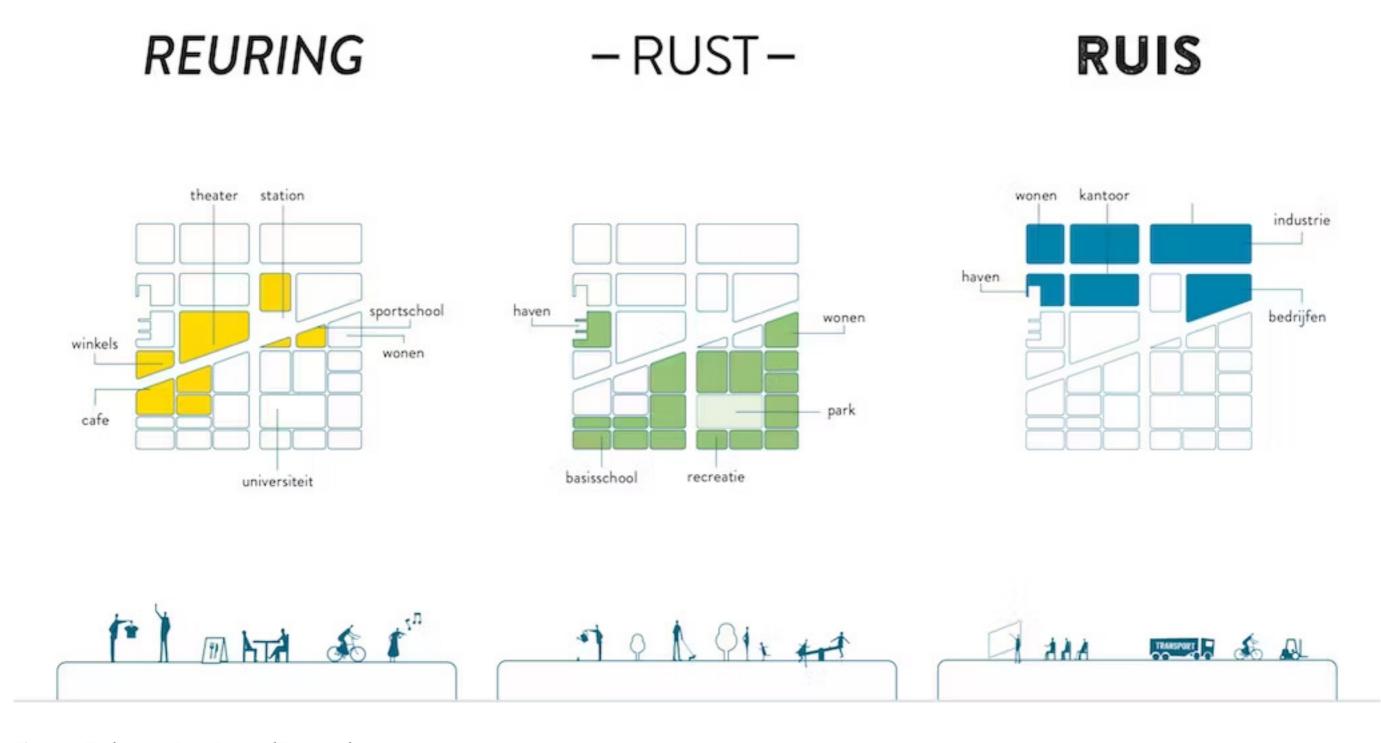


Figure 21: Explanation Rust, Ruis and Reuring theory



Figure 22: Streets that should remain for industry (scale 1.6000, 50% reduced; based upon Ruis)

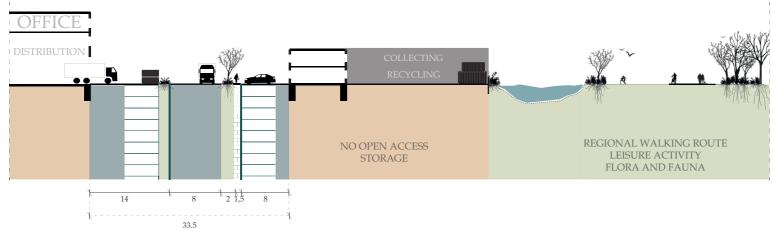


Figure 23: Section A Lansinghage - Industry demanding accessbility of trucks (scale 1.500, 25% reduced)







Figure 24: Lacking in space for trucks to turn (Photo 1, field trip 26-09-2022; photo 2, google earth, 2023)



Figure 25: Infrastructure serving commotion at Lansinghage (scale 1.6000, 50% reduced; based upon Reuring)

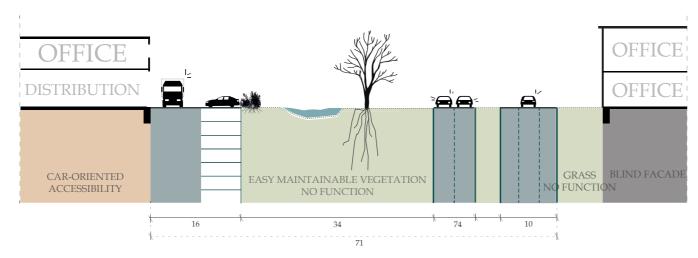


Figure 26: Section B Lansinghage - Lansinghageweg passing through the area (scale 1.500, 25% reduced)

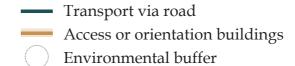






Figure 27: Small businesses with a lot of visitors (Photo 3, field trip 26-09-2022; photo 4, google earth, 2023)



Figure 28: Infrastructure creating opportunities to form a walking network (scale 1.6000, 50% reduced; based upon Rust)

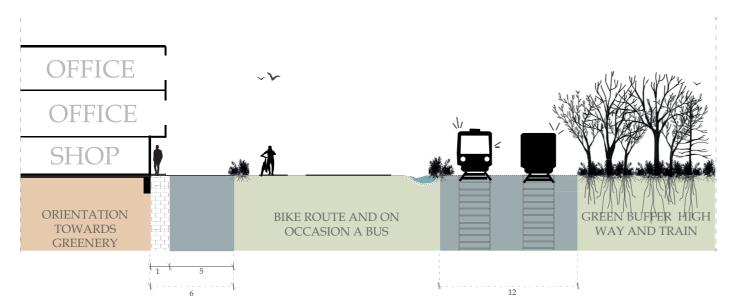


Figure 29: Section C Lansinghage - Mix of different types of vehicles througout the day (scale 1.500, 25% reduced)







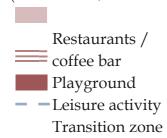
Figure 30: Seperated roads from the rest of the business park (Photo 5 and 6, field trip 26-09-2022)



How are people attracted to Lansinghage and what needs to be added?



Figure 31: Lack of amenities at Lansinghage (Scale 1.6000, 75% reduced)



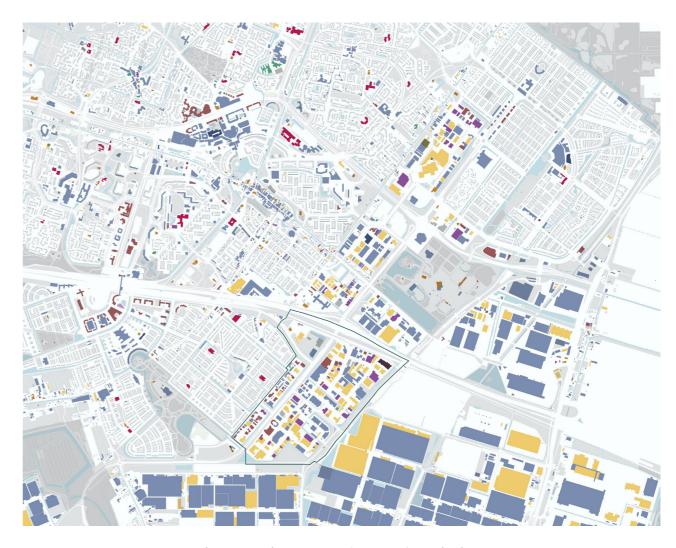


Figure 32: City centre too far away for Lansinghage to benefit from it (Scale 1.25000, 75% reduced; Based upon data set BAG panden)





Figure 33: Greenery embracing the business park (Scale 1.6000, 75% reduced)

- Focus connecting green network
- Surrounding greenery
- Transition zone

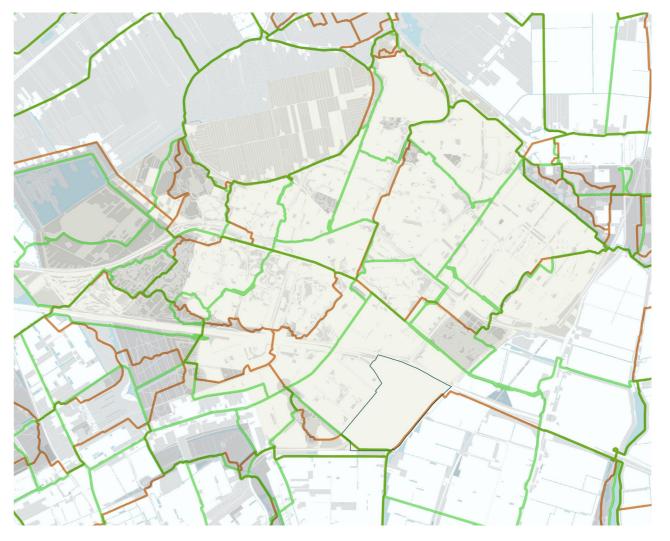


Figure 34: Regional bike and walking routes connecting Lansinghage to rest of the region (Scale 1.40000, 75% reduced. Based upon data set Wandelnetwerken)

Green network

Zoetermeer

Regional walking

routes

____ Regional bike

routes

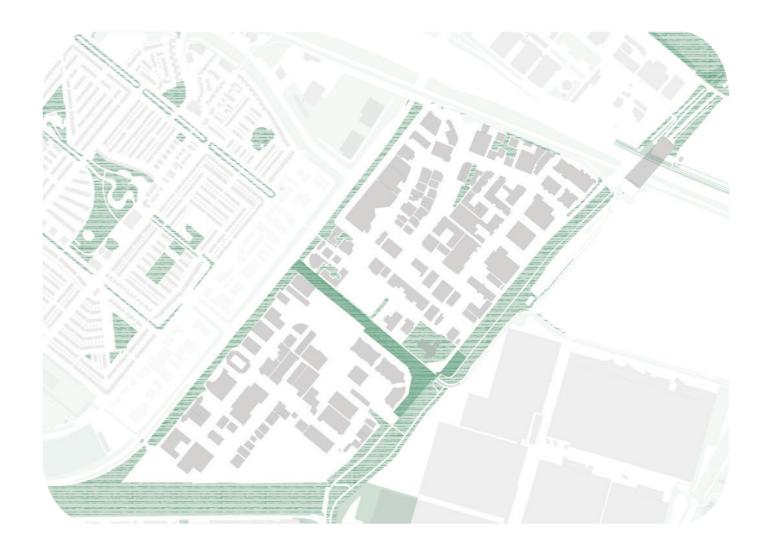
DESIGN-LOCAL

How do the outcomes of the analyses reflect on the design of example project Lansinghage?





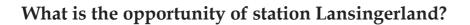
- Wide streets connecting businesses to the rest of the region
- Enough space to improve environmental conditions



How could the green structure be strenghtened?

- New road network results in open space for other function
 Park does not only function as a public space but also contributes to climate adaptivity and biodiveristy





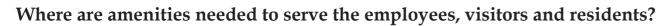
- Addition to the current network
- Connect with the region via multiple forms of transportation



What roads should become more active?

- Next to dwellings and facilitate slow traffic
 Open doors welcome visitors to look inside at the industrial processes



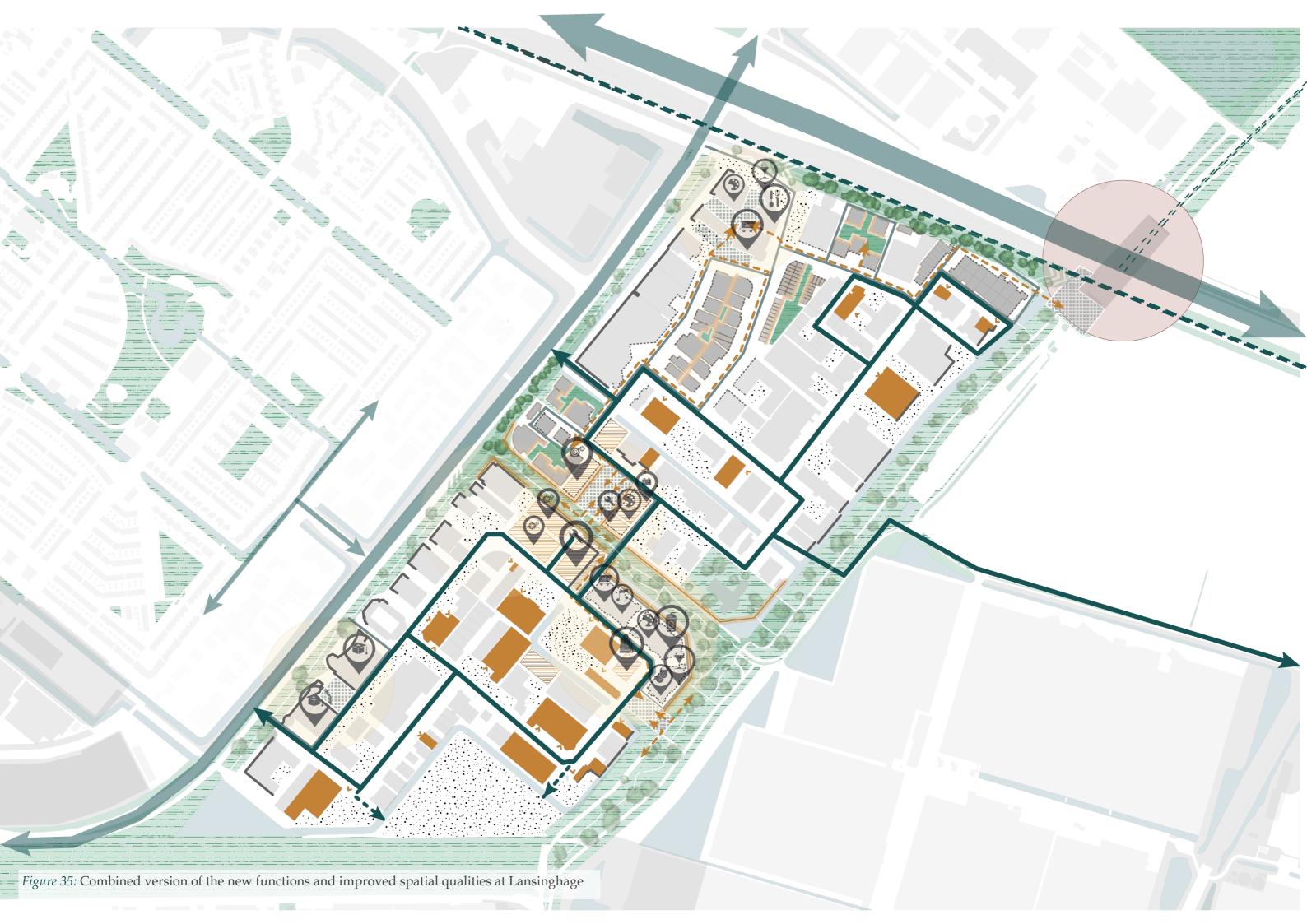


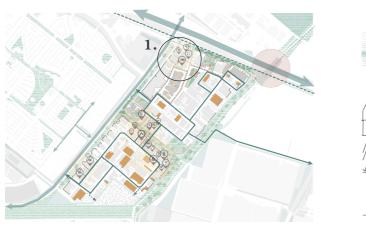
- Serve the future residents, employees and visitors
 Next to circular hub, regional walk and bike routes and added dwellings

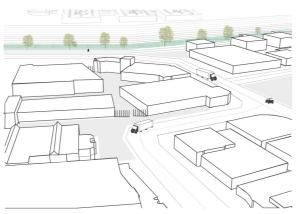


What private space do the future residents have?

- No private spaces facilitated yetCourtyard only accessible for residents and employees

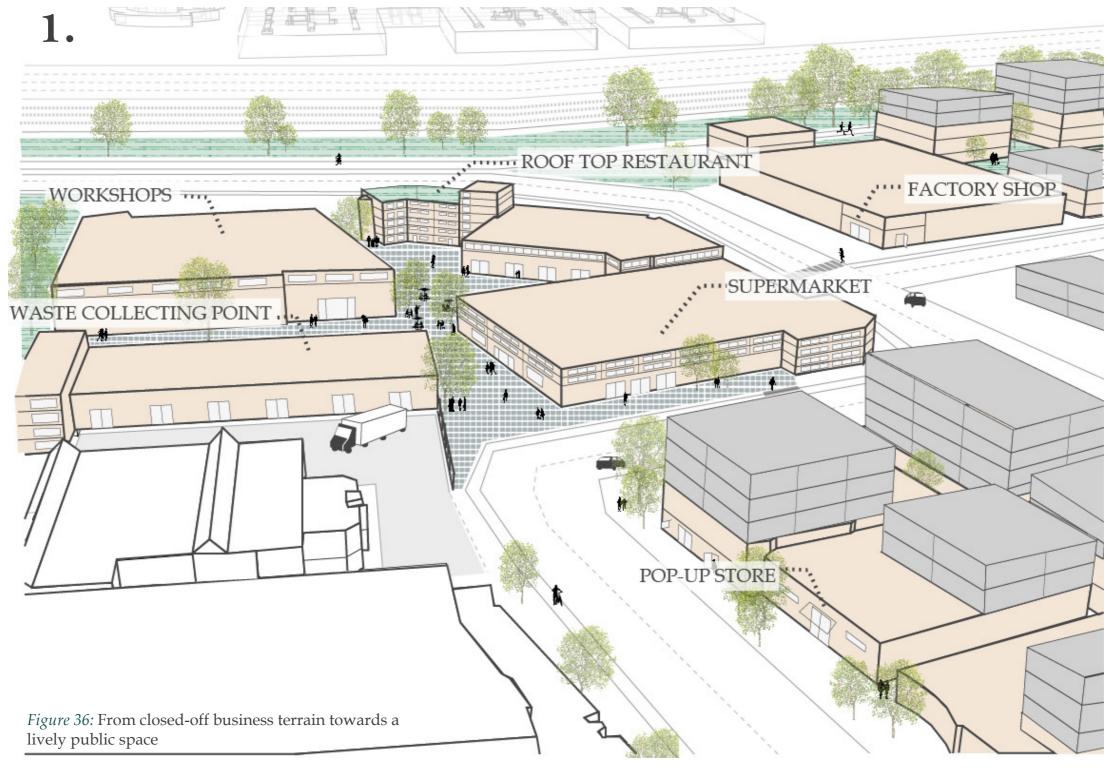


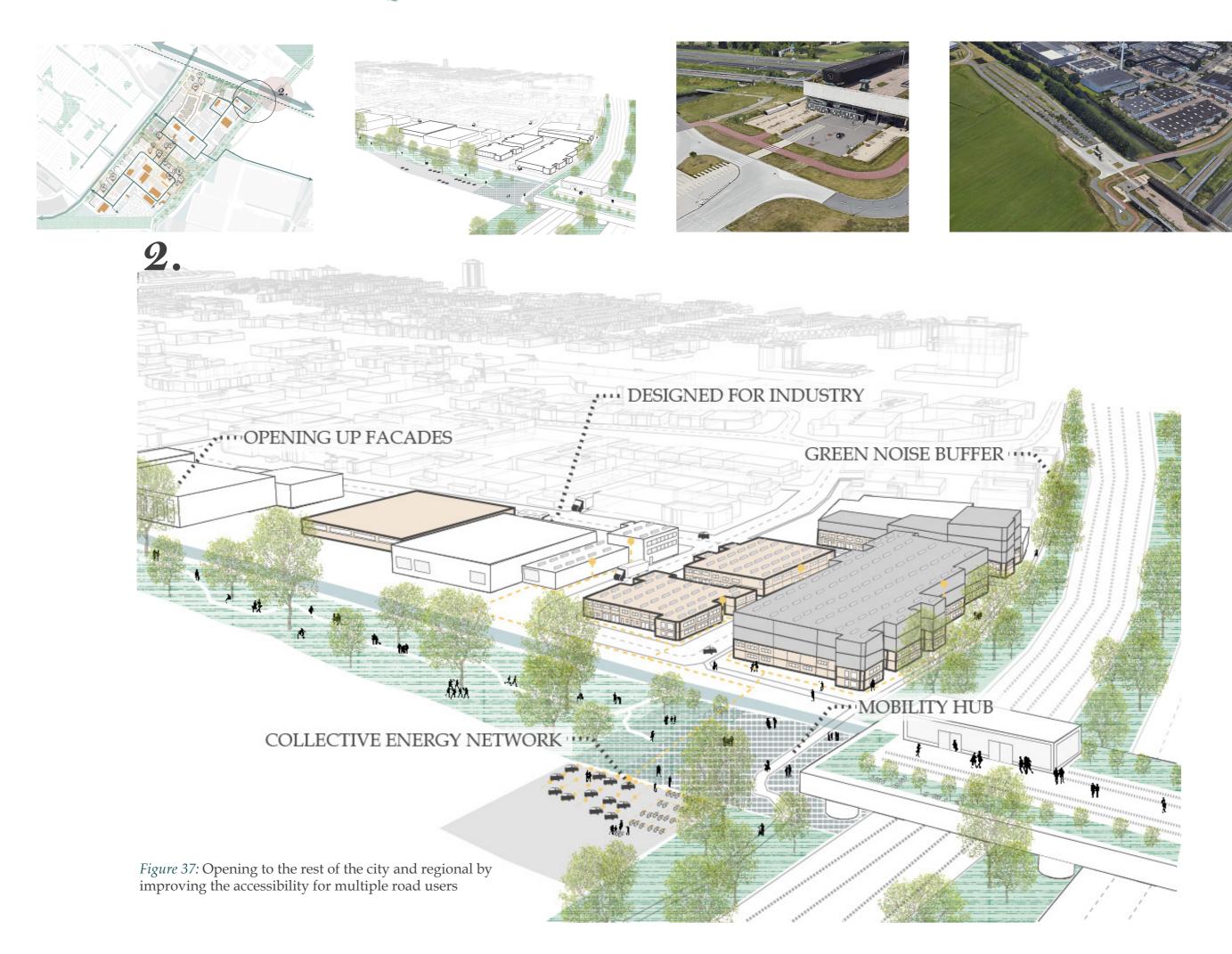


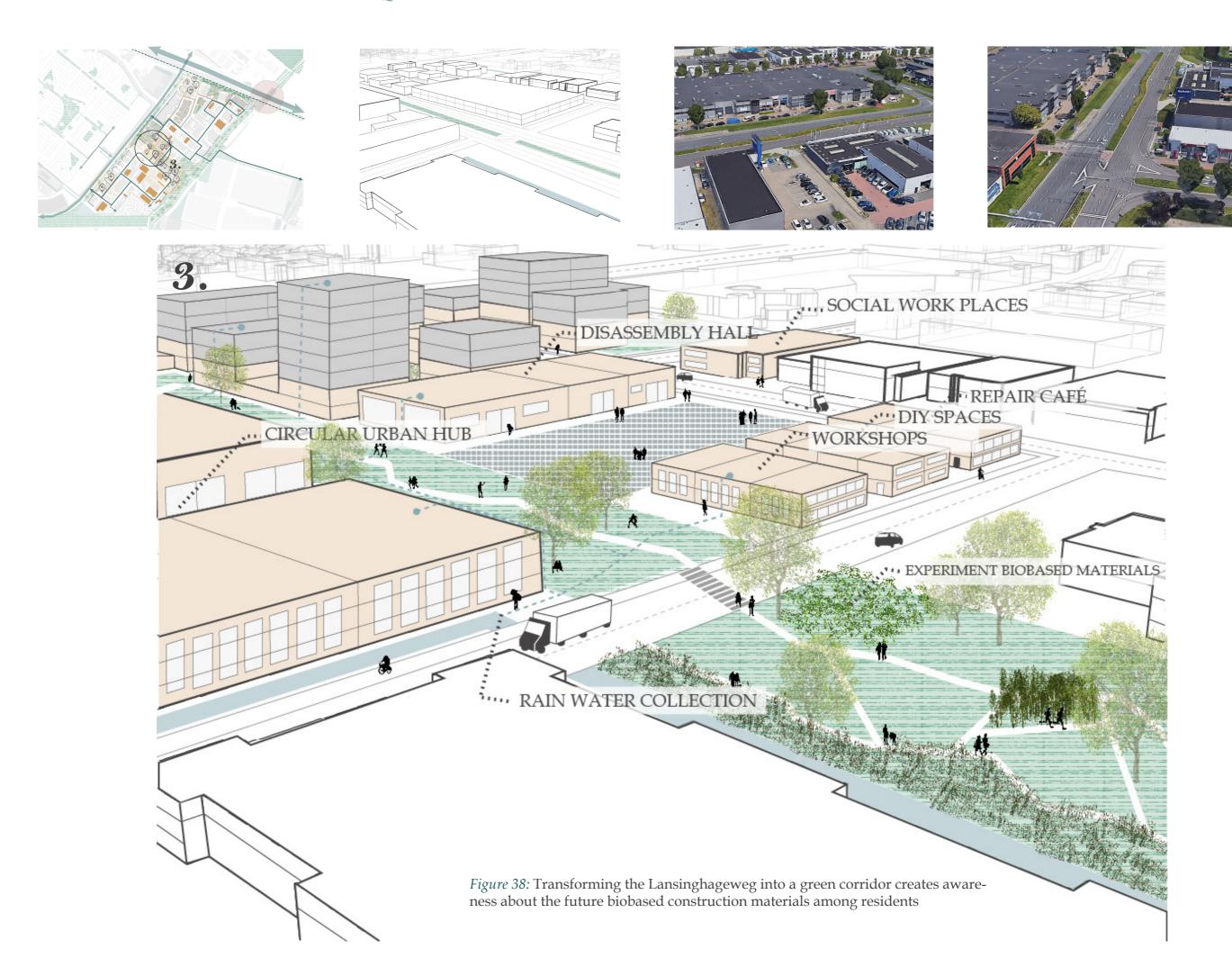
















Reference case: Merwedekanaalzone Utrecht

The park ensures the green anchoring of the new city district with its surroundings. The favourable location of the new centre of Utrecht makes it an ideal testing ground for innovative mobility concepts and provides a high-quality public space. Furthermore, the water system can be linked to the park to make it climate adaptive as well.

Figure 40: Unknown, n.d.

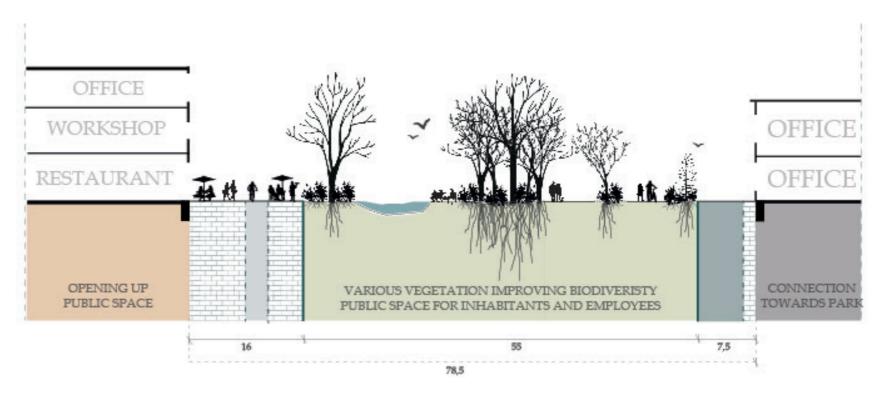
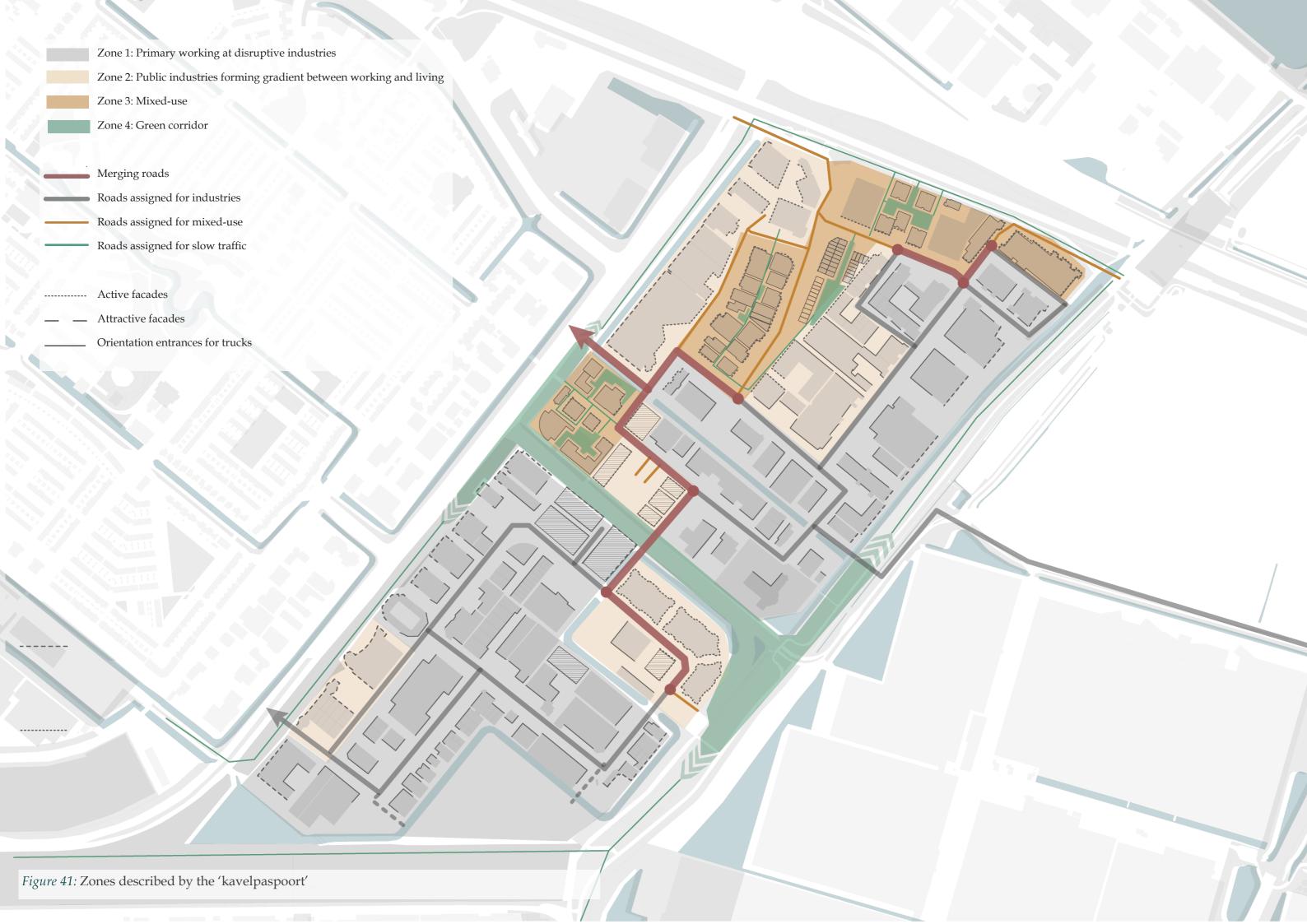


Figure 39: Creating a public space from instead of a major thoroughfare (Scale 1.500)





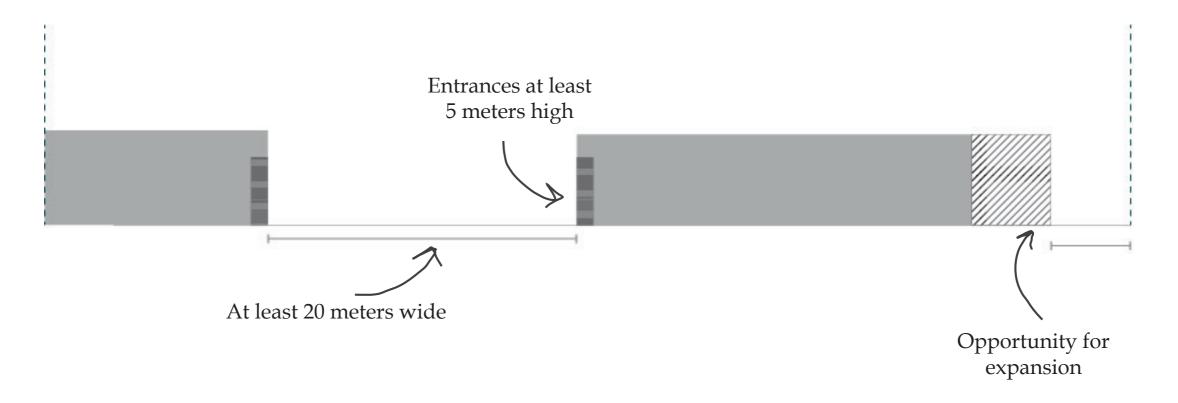


Figure 42: Primary industrial working area





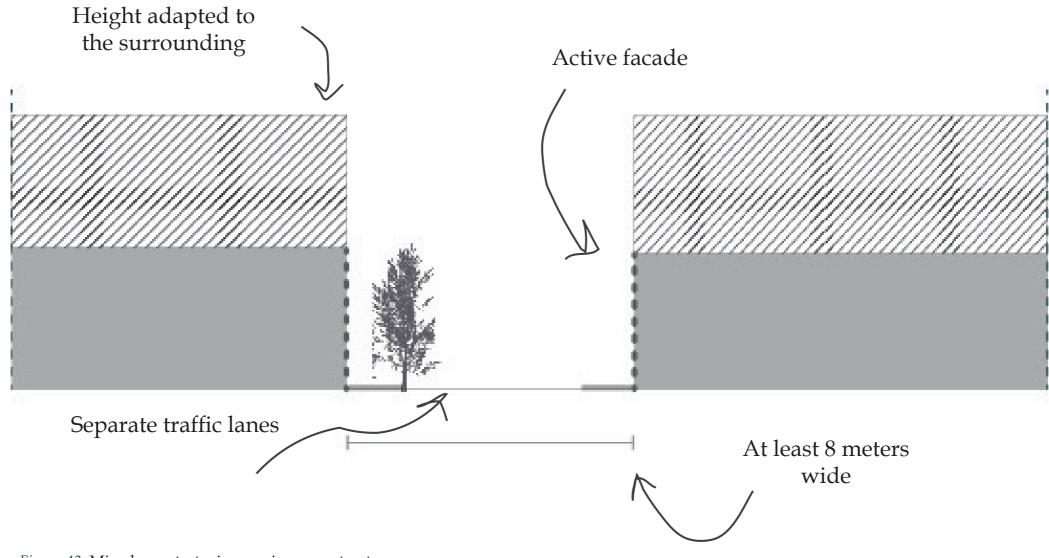


Figure 43: Mixed-use strategies causing new streets



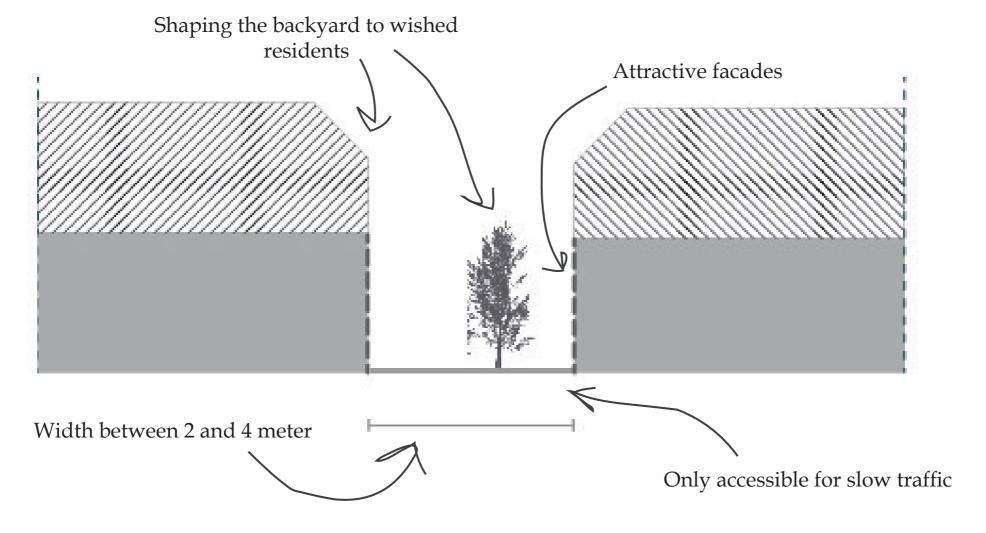


Figure 44: Private backyard of added dwellings

Set of rules 4:



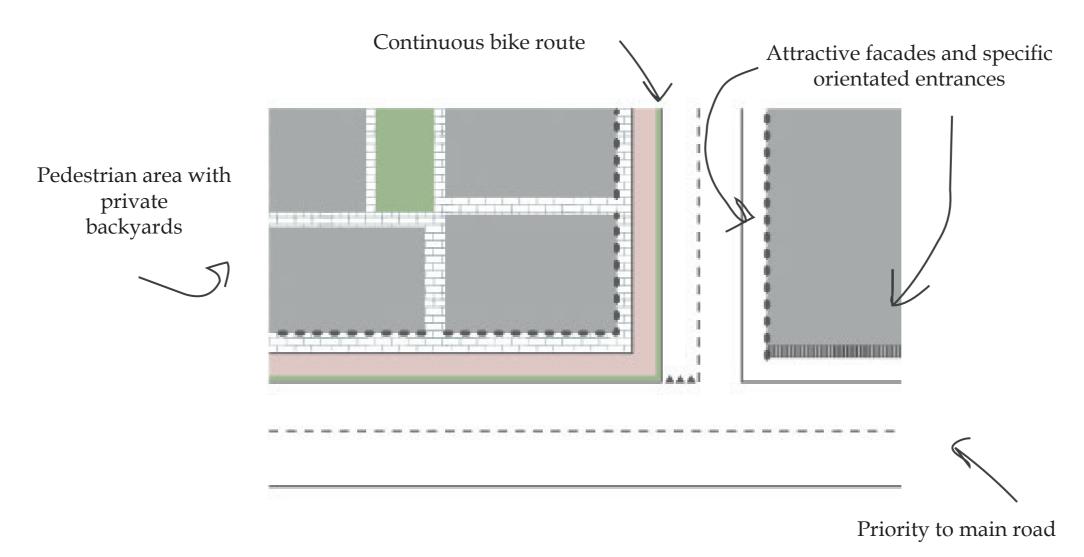


Figure 45: Different streets come together

DESIGN - REGIONAL

What is the role of each business park on the regional scale and how do they work together?

What locations and processes should remain for industry only to achieve the circular economy goal by 2050?

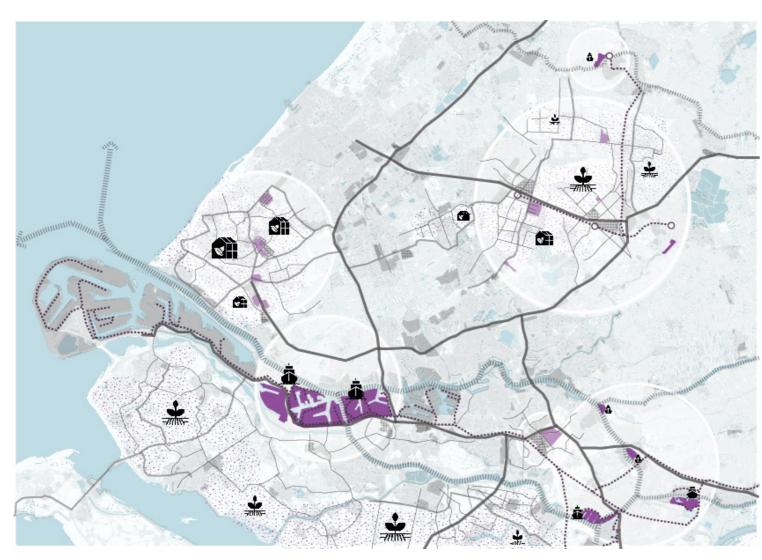


Figure 46: First group: Not mixable business parks that focus on the manufacturing of components that are needed in the circular economy Business parks occur as islands that focus on their own expertise (Scale 1.200000, 50% reduced)

Mining - waterbound

Mining - biobased materials

| Water way

____ Highway

..... Train track

Farmland

Greenhouses



Figure 47: Second group: Not mixable business parks related to the distribution of (raw) materials, components and products (Scale 1.200000, 50% reduced)

Distribution hub - biobased materials

Distribution hub - other products

Distribution hub - waterbound

|||||||||| Water way

—— Highway

..... Train track

What locations and processes facilitate mixed-use strategies and a circular economy?



Figure 48: Third group: Mixed functions serving a the addition of dwellings through the region (Scale 1.200000, 50% reduced)

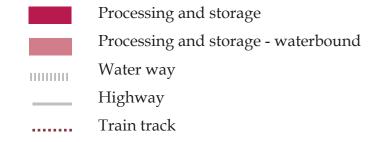




Figure 49: Fourth groep: Innovative companies contributing towards mixed-use strategies and the circular economy (Scale 1.200000, 50% reduced)



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- MBO

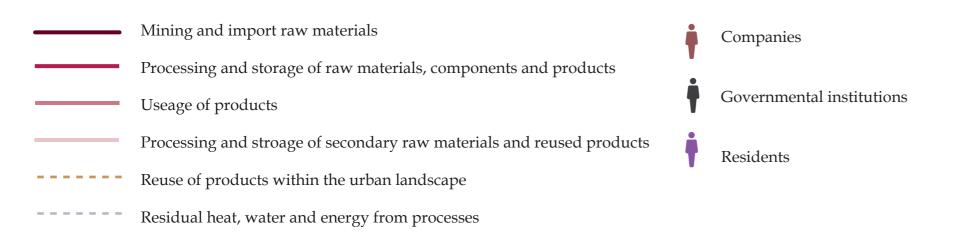
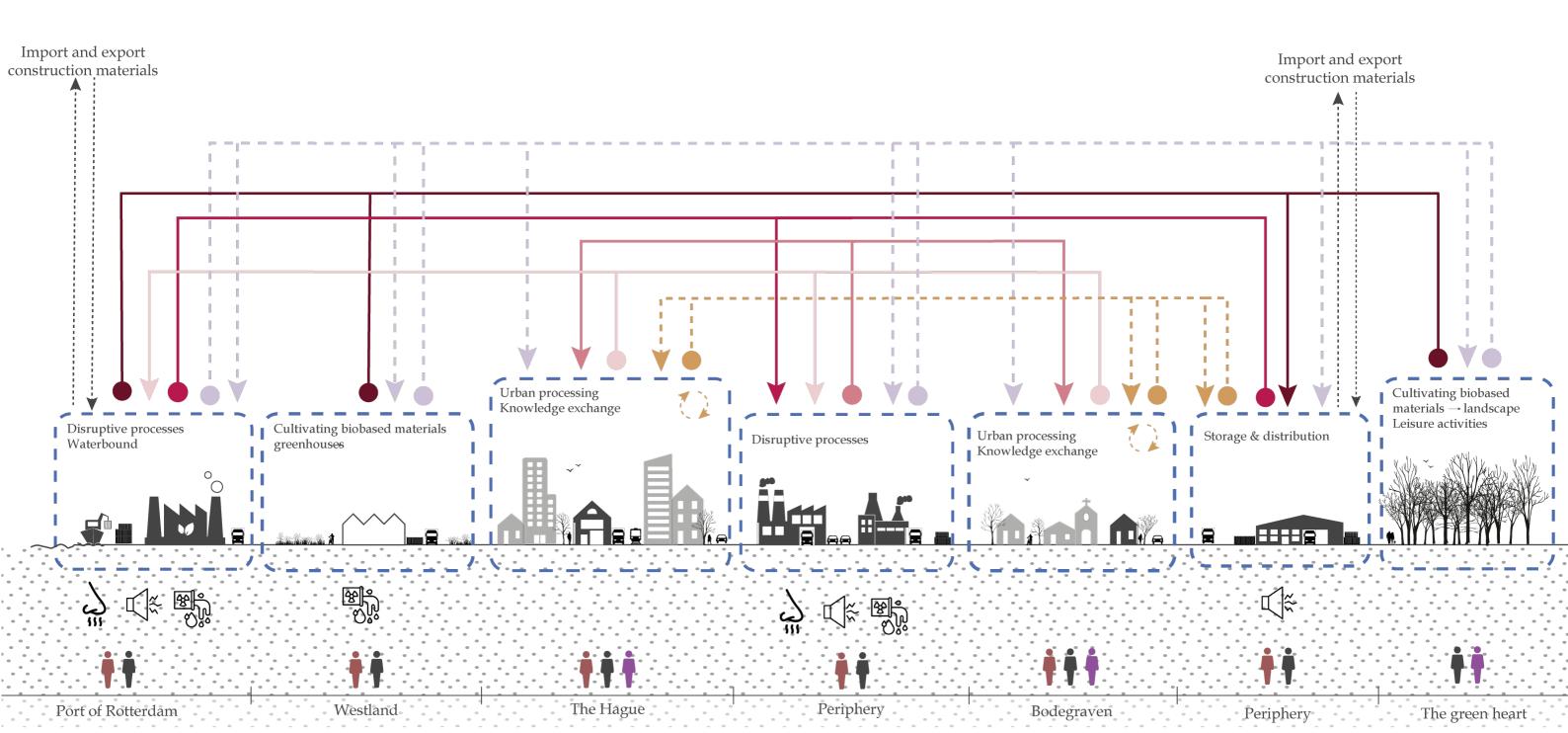


Figure 50: Systemic section that shows the flows, stakeholders, and atmospheres in this new business ecosystem of construction materials



POLICY RECOMMENDATION

What policies should be implemented to achieve these recommendations?

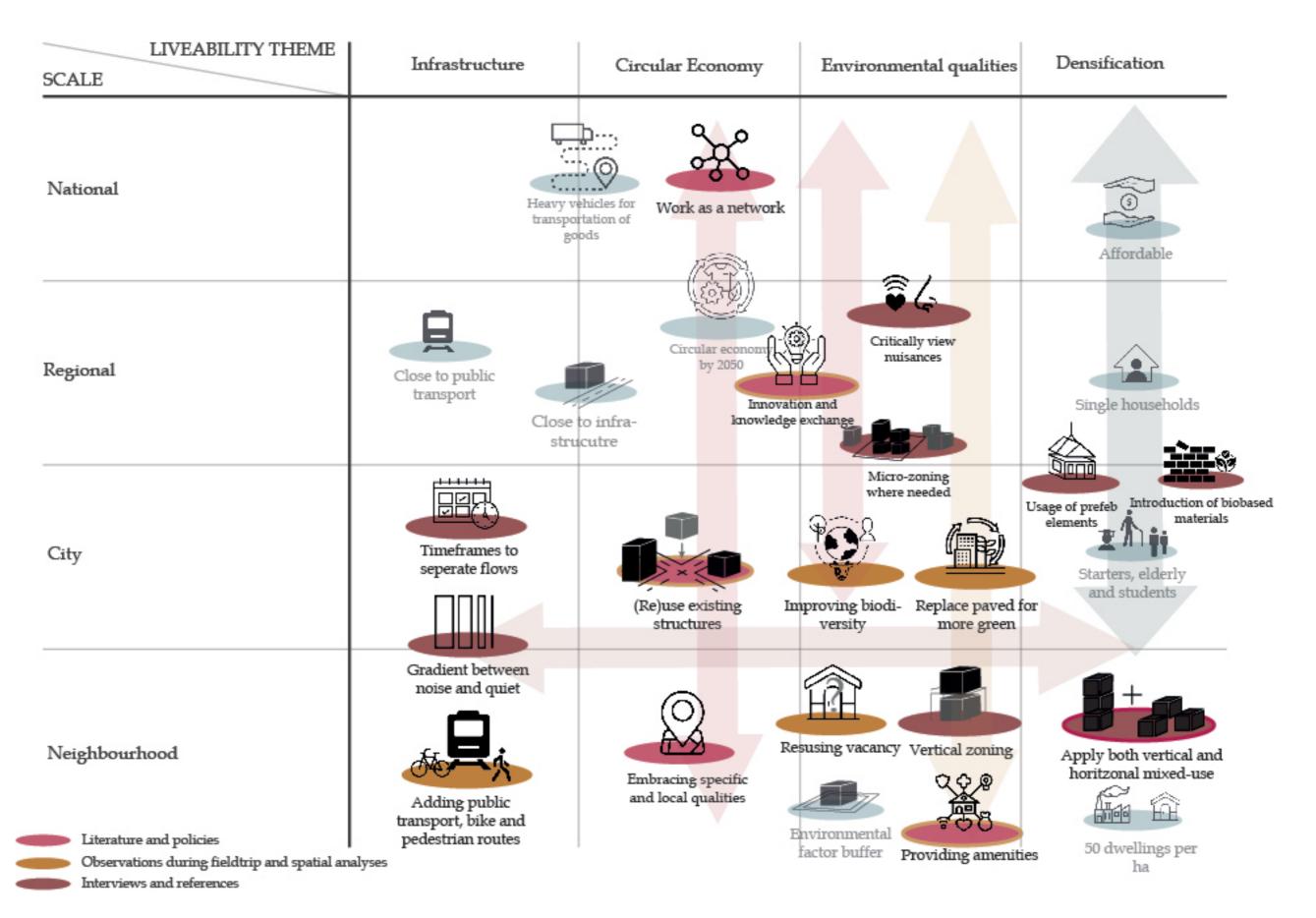


Figure 51: Implementing all the guidelines derived during this research to create regulations, funding and events on liveability and circularity at business parks

1] Protect spaces for industry

Why:

Without these spaces, the companies located at business parks are not able to grow towards a circular economy. Especially **water-bound** businesses are in need of specific spatial qualities, like access to water, for their production processes. These companies chose the location for a reason and **work together** on a bigger scale like Binckhorst is connected to the Port of Rotterdam. Protect these companies by looking at the **existing structures** and using **zoning** where needed.

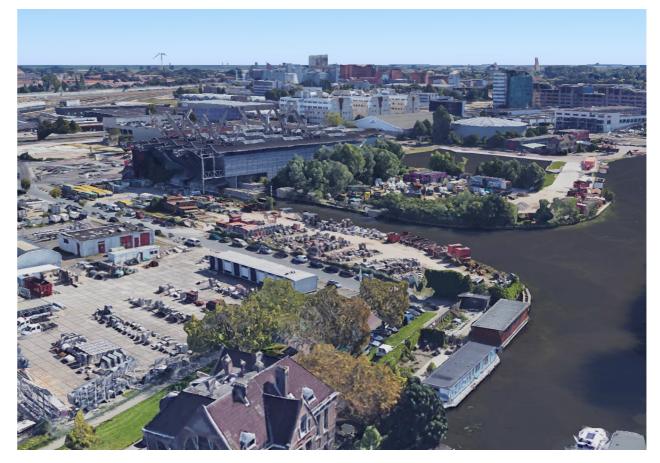
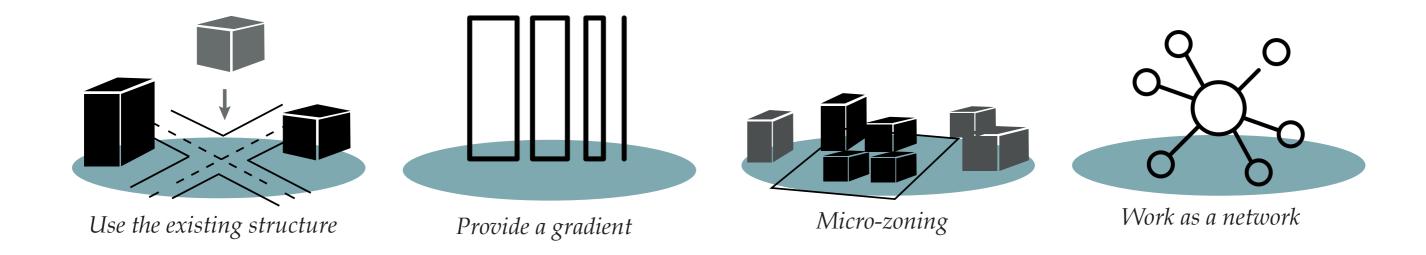


Figure 52: Waste processor - Binckhorst, The Hague (Google earth, 2023)



2] Provide an indication of spaces assigned to dwellings and industry by a spatial framework

Why:

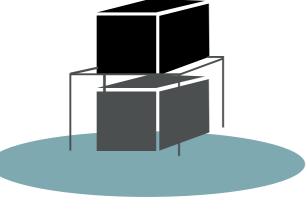
To be sure that a mix between working and living does not cause conflicts between different stakeholders, it is important to provide a **spatial framework**. These opportunities and limitations differ for each business park. Looking at the **infrastructure**, facades and spaces to develop a circular economy is important.



Figure 53: Quartier Massena - Paris (Fieldtrip Paris (07/09-09-2023))



Reusing vacancy and wastelands



Vertical zoning



Use timeframes



Micro-zoning

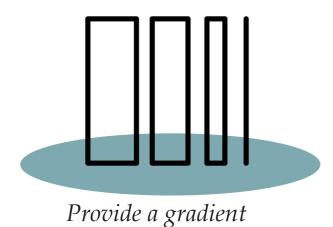
3] Regulate access for different vehicles

Why:

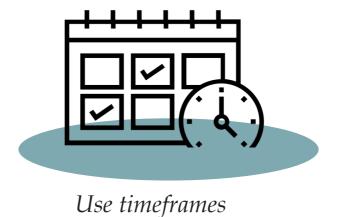
The urgency to **adapt the infrastructure** is caused by the arrival of new forms of transportation, residents, and material flows. The addition of **slow traffic** opportunities in the form of sidewalks and bike paths is crucial. In addition, a theory like rust, ruis and reuring can provide support for the different functions at a business park.



Figure 54: Parc de la vitleet - Paris (Google earth, 2023)







4] Improve climate adaptivity, biodiversity, and public spaces

Why:

Business parks are currently paved and ask for diver vegetation to become **climate adaptive** and improve **biodiversity**. In addition, these green networks add to the **recreational opportunities** for surrounding neighbourhoods, visitors, and employees.



Figure 54: Cheonggye Freeway - Seoel (Oh, 2015)



Improve towards divers flora and fauna



Facilitate different traffic flows, especially slow traffic



Replace paved for open soil



Addition of amenities

5] Funding to promote circularity

Why:

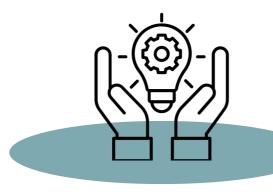
The improvement of industrial processes is needed to provide less nuisances. The goal to become 100% circular in 2050 is therefore important. Currently, **bettering the environmental conditions** is expensive and unimportant for companies. Using a fund, this can change and create a support base.



Figure 55: Green village - TU Delft (Google earth, 2023)



Experiment with new contruction materials



Create space for innovation



Facilitate shared working places to steer towards knowledge exchange

6] Facilitate events for knowledge exchange and education

Why:

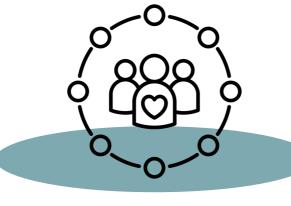
Facilitate **informal and public spaces** for companies and residents to collaborate on existing transitions. Events create **awareness** among stakeholders about cases like the circular economy or mixed-use strategies. Giving insight into the industrial processes creates **acceptance**.



Figure 56: RDM terrein - Rotterdam (Unknown, 2017)



Facilitate shared working places to steer towards knowledge exchange



Achieve togetherness



Organise events



Keep the door open for visitors

What else can you find in my report?

- Introduction with benefits and origin of the term mixed-use
 - Theoretical foundation
- Analyses of the two other locations, Binckhorst and Broekvelden
 - Stakeholder analyses
 - Future scenarios Province of South-Holland
 - Phasing on how to achieve the design for Lansinghage

Thank you for listening!
Are there questions?