

Urban greenspace and communications

Landscape design takes place within the context of urban greenspace planning and transport networks. In this book the term 'greenspace' is to a certain degree interchangeable with 'landscape at design scales' and is used to describe all (not just 'green') outdoor places that offer recreational, social, cultural and environmental benefits to city dwellers. Landscape architecture involves the design of all types of outdoor places to provide these benefits. The planning and design of 'greenspace' and transport networks and routes (paths) are also the concern of landscape architects as well as urban designers, transport planners and engineers. The designed landscapes that this book deals with are typically urban greenspaces. They include public parks of different scales and types, and public gardens, squares and streets.