

3 Paths

This section explores the roles, potential and design of paths in the landscape. Together with spaces, paths are considered to be principal structural components of designed landscapes because they play a crucial role in mediating or facilitating the experience and use of landscapes.

This section provides a conceptual framework for considering path design informed by social, aesthetic and environmental aspects. The potential use of topography, vegetation, structures and water in creating path forms is illustrated. The focus is primarily on pedestrian environments and their experience.