

# Design Response

## Character Area - Housing Quarter

### Aesthetic Approach

The design approach for this character area draws visual references from the houses along Station Road which adopt London stock brickwork and rendered detailing to the lower floors and around openings. The properties are grand in scale, emphasised by a taller ceiling height to the ground floor - a traditional detail. Reflecting the housing stock within Twickenham the facades are well-proportioned with generously-sized openings which are repetitive in nature. Houses are handed alternatively along a terrace to create rhythm.

Entrances are celebrated by incorporating porticos which provide balconies above to serve rooms on the first floor and which help activate the courtyard. The main facades include brick detailing which reinterprets traditional detail in a more contemporary manner, for example the recessed brick band around openings in lieu of projecting stone bands. Although a wide variety of differing options were considered (see opposite), the roofs proposed are dual-pitched (mansard) roofs which have been articulated with dormer windows. Balustrades are picked out in black-painted metalwork rather than glazed.

The architecture of the buildings is reflected in the design of the space, through the resolution of the boundary walls, gate piers, gates and surface materials.



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Typical Elevation facing courtyard



Typical Elevation facing private gardens



View of Housing Courtyard



Elevation facing south towards Station Road

View of Housing Courtyard

