

LATCHMERE HOUSE



House design

The terraced houses have improved elevations and internal arrangements. The detached and semi-detached houses have been redesigned to more authentically reflect Victorian villas. These changes enhance the street scene and provide more attractive accommodation.

Terraced Houses

The render on the terraced houses is replaced with brickwork. A detailed brick string course is introduced at first floor level and at the parapet. The windows are changed to four pane vertical sliding sash with improved size and composition. The curved terraced houses and end house (Plots H.14-18 and H.56-60) have a rear mansard roof; reducing their top storey and improving their massing when seen from the back gardens.

Detached Houses

In the area between the site and the River Thames the older streets have a pattern of medium sized detached villas. These houses often have a gable front with a ridge from front to back. This makes an interesting street scene with a more articulated roofscape. In contrast, the semi-detached form of the original scheme has a twentieth century feel which is heightened by the integral garages and flat roofs.

The internal arrangement of the houses is redesigned to improve the living space; in the case of the semi-detached houses, this is done by removing the internal garages. A front to back pitched roof provides a distinctive gable to the street elevation and avoids large areas of flat roofs. A bay window and entrance porch, together with brick detailing at the eaves and string courses, re-inforce the Victorian aesthetic.

The pitched roof allows better use of the roof space with more floor area at an accessible height. The ridge itself is higher than the original houses, but is still a storey lower than Latchmere house.

MASTERPLAN

Consented Layout

1:1250

