

STAPLES CORNER MASTERPLAN

Location

Staples Corner, Brent

Client Type

Local Authority [Brent Council]

Workstage

RIBA 0-1 Strategic Definition & Briefing

Summary

Supporting the masterplan consultant team for the Staples Corner Growth Area, a designated mixed-use site for redevelopment, by mapping the constraints and risks of the site.

The Challenge

The development site is large – 42 hectares – and has significant parts of networks within and close to its boundary, including high-voltage National Grid cables and fibre optic trunk routes.



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Our Approach

The Infrastructure Coordinator carried out a site appraisal, examining existing assets (e.g., historic assets and policy around ecology and air quality, utility networks). Additionally, using the IMA and NUAR, utilities' planned work was identified and a curated list of potential collaborative opportunities was provided.

Key Outcomes

The Infrastructure Coordinator produced a site appraisal report, which has key diagrams for the National Grid assets, interprets UKPN asset drawings, and summarises the constraints and risks for the site. This will be invaluable at the planning stages.



Testimonial

"It's been great working with the Development Service on our masterplan for Staples Corner. They added real value to the project with a one-stop solution for our site appraisal. Having this information from an early stage has allowed us to incorporate into our design brief, making the team more aware of constraints from the very beginning. That could save us a huge amount of time and money by avoiding re-design, allowing us to deliver the project quicker and at better value. I think the GLA Infrastructure Coordination Development Service is a great asset to local authorities!"

Pratibha Bhatt,
Regeneration Manager,
Staples Corner and Wembley Housing Zone