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Merton Abbey Mills Car Park Review

Description

Merton Abbey Mills is a historic site on the River Wandle, now a vibrant arts and crafts village with studios, independent shops, cafes and the popular Colourhouse Theatre. The car park plays a crucial role in supporting businesses, staff, visitors and weekend market activity.

The objective of the review was to assess the car park's current capacity and layout, identify traffic flow challenges and evaluate its overall condition and user experience. The study also explored opportunities for modern improvements to ensure the facility remains safe, efficient and adaptable for future needs.

Approach

The team carried out a site visit covering the below points with some key outcomes;

- Current parking capacity and layout: identifying several green spaces that can be utilised as well as reconfiguring current bays.
- Traffic flow challenges: identifying lack of one-way system creating congestion and reviewing location of disabled bays.
- Car park condition and user experience: identifying faded bay markings, uneven surfaces, improving lighting and clear signage and wayfinding markings.
- Review of opportunities for modern improvements: identifying provision of EV charging points to future-proof the car park towards sustainable transport.

Outcome

The review identified multiple opportunities to enhance and add more available parking spaces at Merton Abbey Mills car park, without compromising safety or accessibility. By optimising the layout, addressing traffic flow, upgrading Infrastructure and investing in future adaptability,

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