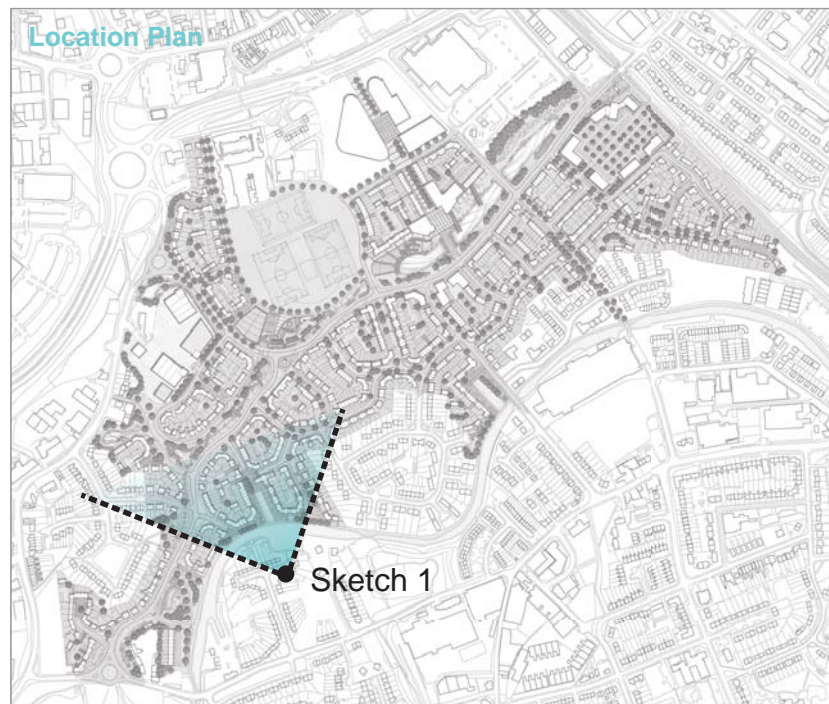


This sketch illustrates how development could be realised along the Canal frontage by following the masterplan layout, the prescriptions in the design code for the 'Bankside' character area and the illustrated design principles set out below.

The sketch illustrates development in Plot K. It includes a new basin as envisaged by the development framework, which could be provided dependant on discussions with British Waterways and the technical constraints associated with this location. A similar approach could be taken with canalside development to the west of Dudley Street.

Illustrated Design Principles

1. Development set back from the canal edge in key locations to allow views to buildings across a new basin – creating visual linkages and aiding legibility (progression) within the canal corridor.
2. The new basin will be a focus for development, creating activity and reflecting the historic location of a former basin.
3. There will be a mix of dwelling types along the canalside including apartments and houses. Taller, narrow dwelling types will create more activity (individual front doors) and passive surveillance over the towpath. Private space to the rear of dwellings would be used for gardens and parking.
4. The central space will be predominantly hard landscape with occasional trees and limited vehicular access.
5. Potential moorings along the canal corridor in addition to the basin.
6. Vehicular / pedestrian links allow movement into the development and provide connections to the Bilston Brook Corridor.
7. 'Landmark' apartment block overlooking both the basin and the canal side to be a modern interpretation of canal or wharf side architecture – refer to design code.



Bilston Urban Village Sketch 4: Along the Canal frontage