

Project Example

Bristol Zoo Gardens Masterplan

Client Bristol Zoo Gardens



As part of the £5 million redevelopment programme of the Zoo, we were appointed as Design Coordinators for the preparation of a Masterplan and Landscape Strategy.

A number of major new projects have now been completed or are in progress to revolutionise the way in which the zoo's educational, conservation and research work, the animals and their habitats, and the recreational components are presented to the public.

Working closely with the zoo staff and design team members, we produced a strategy for the redevelopment work, and acted as Project Coordinators and Landscape Design Consultants on the £1.75m central area redevelopment.

Our design work included:

- Gorilla Island
- The new aviary
- Wendy (now sadly departed) the elephant's enclosure
- The playground
- Redesigned open spaces, circulation and access
- The Education and Research Centre

The development strategy:

- Analyses the existing landscape context and visitor experience
- Identifies opportunities to enhance overall landscape quality and visitor perception of the zoo
- Presents strategies for site development and a philosophy for the future