

EUROPAN 12

AALBORG

Site visit, April 5th 2013

11:00 Introduction at Haraldslund Culture House
11:30-13:30 Guidet tour at the study site

Guidet tour

After the presentation in the Culture House Haraldslund the contestants were treated with sandwiches and shown around on the study site by the architect Rie Malling from Aalborg Municipality.

To show one of the many kinds of typologies there are present at the study site the route of the tour first led west of the Culture House Haraldslund along Poul Buås Vej. The neighborhood around Poul Buås Vej is characterized by residential housing with private gardens. From here, the Football Stadium can be seen. The tour continued down Vestre Fjordvej, which is the western border of the project site: Kastetvej. Around Niels Juels Gade, the housing changes to block construction with big green areas in between.

The next stop on the tour was by the Yacht harbour, a small and cosy harbour where local citizens and visitors enjoys Limfjorden in the sun, mostly doing spring

Introduction

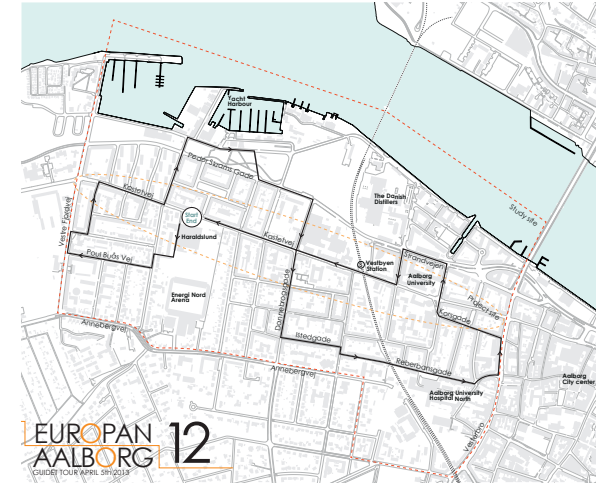
The European competition in Vestbyen was kickstartet, when Aalborg held an open house for interested contestants on Friday April 5th 2013. The event began at the Culture House Haraldslund, where the participants were given a thorough presentation of the content and competition objectives.

Among those attending, were participants from all over Denmark: Aarhus, Copenhagen and Aalborg with a relatively broad mix of professionalism.

and summer. However, the industrial area at Bådebyggervej makes the connection to the nearby harbour difficult.

The tour continued through the green park, Fjordmarken to Dannebrogsgade, where the grocery shop, Kvickly is placed. A two minutes walk from here, the group ended up at the crossing between Kastetvej and Dannebrogsgade. A central place at Kastetvej and the western part of Vestbyen with different kinds of attractors such as Fitness World, the grocery shop Fakta, a bank and the popular cafe, Ulla Terkelsen London.

From here the tour went south east to the narrow and lively street Reberbansgade, which is stuffed with sandwich bars and cafe's, small shops with special treats and the big University Hospital North. Around 2020 Hospital North will be transferred and the area will be



released for new possibilities. This is an extremely central area, with great potential as an important link between Vestbyen and the city center.

The tour continued along Reberbansgade to the big traffic artery Vesterbro, which runs at the eastern border of the study site. From here the guide followed by the group went pass the University of Aalborg and The Danish Distillers - a historical place, which the municipality has singled out for urban regeneration as well as a conservation.

After walking down Kastetvej, the guided tour ended up at the Culture House Haraldslund.

Now, we are looking forward see the result from the participating architects who has until June 28th 2013 to finish their proposals. The final results and announcing of the winner will take place at Danish Architecture Centre December 13th 2013.



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Introduction at Haraldslund



Poul Buås Vej



Blocks around Niels Juels Gade



Crossing between Dannebrogsgade and Strandvejen



Reberbansgade



Hospital North



Questions

Q: What do you mean by snapshots in the complete file?

A: We are asking for the snapshot so that we are able to see the development in the strategic over time. What is strategically smart to focus on in 2018 and why, and how does this affects the area. What is the next step and how fare is the development in 2025. Why is this this steps and focus that you take a smart strategy for the area and how does it affect the project site? Why have you thought that this is the right steps for the municipality of Aalborg to take and how can your plan help increasing the life quality in the area?

Q: We have been reading the complete file and are insecure about if you want to have us solve or pick all the mentioned areas on the study site?

A: The mentioned areas on the study site, for example the hospital, should be seen as starting point - the question is therefore when is it smart to develop what (on a general scale), and how does this development affect the project site. We are therefore not asking you to make a detailed drawing off any of the mentioned areas in the study site, but to whole these drawings/diagrams on a general strategic scale, and then show on a more detailed scale how this affects what is happening/needed/working in parts of the project site.

Q: In the material placed on the website, you have a map showing the water level on the study site – does this mean you want us to focus specific on solving this issue?

A: No, this is just as an information about the study site and to show you that it is not everywhere that you can count on leading the rainwater into the ground without having though of extra security. This is not the main issue for the study and project site, and should probably be solved on a much higher strategic level and a masterplan for the whole of region of Aalborg. If you want to take the issue into account in the proposals you should therefore just bare this in mind.

Q: Do you want us to show a details drawing on the whole project site?

A: As it is written in the complete file there is a difference is the scale and details you have to show/draw. For the whole project site you need to show/draw a plan in the scale 1:5000, and only show selected areas on the project site in 1:1000 with additional visualizations.