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350.HAN – Residential Quarter Bothfelder Kirchweg/ Hanover (DE) *less is more*

The Bothfelder Kirchweg residential quarter combines the social fabric of a village community with the qualities of a naturally grown open space. Grouped around a public circulation area—the common—are five yards which, as semi-public areas, provide a transition zone to the private gardens on the fringe of the estate. The situation of the built volumes secures the preservation of the existing tree population, which are a defining identification factor for the entire quarter. The typology of the traditional yard also extends to the projected residential buildings, which, as pairs of two, are arranged into connected L-shaped structures that accommodate up to nine residential units. A semi-public yard provides the center of each L-unit, with private gardens and a connecting covered passageway adding to the offering of outdoor spaces.

The barrier-free layout of the ground floor is informed by the idea of an intergenerational neighborhood. Compact family and senior-citizen apartments are complemented and expanded with multifunctional units for collective use: laundry rooms, playrooms, workshops, guest rooms or residential microunits extend private living space into a community zone. In addition, unheated garrets are available for use as generous storage space. In this view, the residential quarter Bothfelder Kirchweg presents itself as an estate of small-scale urban yards, upgraded by a green village common as a central idyll and place of social encounter.

Projectdata

Planning: AllesWirdGut + laser architekten

Project Stages: 1–5

Client: Gundlach GmbH & Co. KG

Invitational competition: 11.2014 – 1st prize

Completion: 11.2019

GFA: 4.212 m² / 42 residential units

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Structural engineering: Barkat & Doering

Buildings services: ENATEC Hannover GmbH

Fire protection: HHP West

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