



Belsay Awakes @EH

Summer Newsletter 2024

CENE Awards - Belsay Awakes We're Growing!

We are delighted to announce that Belsay Awakes has won the [Constructing Excellence North East \(CENE\)](#) Awards under the category of Conservation and Regeneration.

Not only that, we also received a second award recently, as Project Darling won [RTPI Awards for Planning Excellence North East - Best in Region](#). Congratulations to all the teams involved!



We are delighted to have Annie Watson and Niranjana Balachandran join the SG Team as student Assistant Landscape Architects.

Both Annie and Niranjana have just completed their first year of the MLA Landscape Architecture at Newcastle University. The team are beyond excited to help nurture their passion and skills for Landscape Architecture. Find out more about Annie and Niranjana [here](#).



SG Mid-Year Meeting

We are more than halfway through 2024, and Southern Green took a moment in the [mid-year meeting](#) to reflect on the achievements and projects we have been working on. The SG Team are very much involved with the future goals and movement of the studio, and it was all hands on deck as everyone came away with an action from the meeting...even Toby!

Briarwood Phase 2

During last year, Southern Green were appointed by Everyturn to reimagine the landscape spaces for three care homes across Gateshead; Pinetree, Alderwood, and Briarwood.

As part of the earlier works of creating a more welcoming arrival space, **Phase 2 for Briarwoods** is renovating the courtyard space. Our Senior Landscape Architect, Amanda, has been busy picking out plants and carrying out site inspections - watch this space for further updates!



London's Best Playgrounds

We are delighted to be featured in Hoxton Mini Press, London's Best Playgrounds publication by Emmy Watts - stressing the importance of play, risk and child development. Southern Green and our friends and colleagues at Studio Hardie undertook a series of collaborate workshops to create an exciting new play space at The Canons. Read the blog [here](#).

Chirton Dene

L.P. Hartley said in his novel *The Go-Between* that '*the past is a foreign country...*'. Landscape Architects are also known to say 'go back to your old projects at your peril, as they might be unrecognisable after a few years!'. However, a recent flying visit to Chirton Dene Park, Royal Quays, was a delightful exception. It's now 34 years since Simon and Ros were involved with designing the park. It is amazing to see how the scheme has developed - [click here!](#)



Morag's Plant Session

We are proud to have such a diverse and broad wealth of knowledge here at SG, and one of our team members Morag recently facilitated a lunchtime session in the garden on planting combinations (while dinners were scoffed in the sunshine!). After visiting Edinburgh Botanical gardens a couple of weeks ago, Morag was inspired by the planting in the long herbaceous border. The team were so impressed with this CPD session we are eagerly awaiting part two! Read more [here](#).

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