

Central Station 200m

Jacob's Ladder

In my youth, I walked in the city with my parents around the city, the sun shone down harshly on my skin, but there was a breeze light in the air. I walked past a gray, isolated building; I asked my father, what is that? That was used to shelter people in the time of war. We walked towards a great set of steps; my father said to me that "These are steps that will take you to heaven", and with every step up, I quickly made it to the top. Overlooking the city I was surprised by the variety of buildings and how the skyline was captivating.

The immediate access is used as part shortcut instead of going around Wickham and Edward Street; this is a functional access that is used regularly by joggers, workers, school children & dogs

There are buildings with commercial use. To the immediate East is a building wall; creating a sense of dominance. To the West is a park, but a park that lives along the steep hill and has a sense of folly and flow. "When you focus on a place you do everything differently" - Fred Kent.

It has functional access, but I feel that there is no access for disabled users; although the park zig zags walkways and landings for rest link these

It is isolated from the rest of the hustle and bustle of the city area despite being inside the city, for as soon as you leave the street level, you are transported to the world of the stair, and rest points along it's walk

The sense of the building wall from the IBM building to the East seems to have little effect to the feel of space. This is contrasted to the parks seemingly endless contours. These move from the (transitional) random and natural flow of the park, the sub-man made relation of the steps, to the ridged structured building

The stairs have a rhythm that is a metamorphosis from the flowing natural landscape towards the angular constructed manmade building

Accessing the park is given by access to the zig zag walkways, but not to the garden that adjoins the building

Traveling to Jacob's Ladder is determined by the access to Turbot Street and also from Wickham Tce

