

Vejle Kommune, Henrik Stjernholm, 6.2.2009

Hello everybody

First of all thank you very much because you all have responded to this planning experiment. And I am sure that we will succeed in the end. Already we have a lot of fine planning ideas and comments and so on. Very, very nice, and enthusiastic.

And thank you too for ideas and positive comments to the first concept from Janne with the ICE – planning idea.

I think that ICE could be developed to a good principle for the planning, and it could be interesting to see the idea transformed to a 3-D plan from a birds view. A kind of study of the volumes, not detailed at all.

Specially to Jannes remarks:

I think all mostly of your thoughts and comment about the contents are on the right way. So I need to see a more detailed plan before taking decisions that will

Specially to Alessandros remarks:

I think you have many good points to make a more detailed program before going to the designing process, and it could be developed more.

However I thought that that the new program is so near to the European program that it was not needed to make a detailed description because you have one time read and understood the program.

You are right that I have cancelled some points, because I have realised that the European program was too complicated to solve in one project. That is why the sustainability is out even if it will be an issue in the realisation.

The content has in the moment changed so the campus area is more concentrated on the west side of the Boulevard, where we are working just now, and very soon I will upload the project on the ftp nethotel. I will give a message.

SOUL - Flegmade

Point 1 “roles”

If all what you write could be put in the project it would be very fine. I am not sure that there will be some conflicts, but maybe some priorities. Or am I wrong.

Point 2 Typology

I think **A** must be the typology, it means a open air street, light, green with trees, places for people to stay and meet, pedestrians, and also cars even Flegmade in the long term will be changed from a pass-through street to a closed street, where cars only are coming for serving the local buildings.

Point 3 “character”

I think **E** is the only possibility because the we have many different private owners, use of the existing infrastructure, development over time (10-20 years).

Point 4 – geometry

Both **A** and **B** are possible

SOUL - district

A must mostly be the point -

II SUSTAINABILITY

1-2. Orientation and height

I think the townscape is the most important but of course if there can be built in some sunny project it will be OK. (You know that the area and the whole town centre have a district heating system that means the energy for house heating is coming from factories etc. as surplus hot water.).

But if we can make a good plan with your principals it is fine.

3-4. western wind and rain

I think the wind must be reduced by trees and plants and some covered terraces etc. – the traffic must be in the street on ground level. Vejle is too small to have underground traffic systems. And you know it is also windy when we are leaving from our house to the centre, så maybe we are used to have wind more or less. BUT at the places for resting it is very important to have calm areas – outdoor cafés, playgrounds, relaxing areas, etc.

5. noise

The cars must go very slow – max. 30 km/h and the streets must be designed for that

6. green

It could be nice to have a connection to Byparken with the Music Theatre etc.

7. water

good idea

8-9. waste – recycling

You do not need to handle that question. Vejle has already a system over the last 15 years for recycling 90 % of the waste etc. And it is going on in the centre too. Children are learning in Økolariet, kindergarten, schools etc.

III Buildings energy:

It will be an important point, but I do not think you have to work with this issue now in the planning process.

IV Circulation:

Cars, bicycles and pedestrians must be integrated together in the street and urban spaces, and Flegmade need a special design

V. Architecture

You mention a lot of possibilities and I think this is point where we need how to show in the plan how it can be solve, and the n in the end maybe focus on 1-3 ideas.

But for me it is mostly:

Middle size buildings

Not middle age urban texture as in the town centre

Why not colours, skinny buildings, surprising !!!

Anarchy – nice but difficult – but fine with a program that have possibilities

We have Christiania in Copenhagen and let it be there – not in Vejle.

VI. DEMOLITION

I some of the existing buildings can be used positively in the plan it is OK, but from an architectural point of view I cannot see any at all.

It means that you are not going to take care some special buildings, but if you can see possibilities in the recent buildings it is OK.

Specially to Julie, Anette and Trine remarks:

(First of all congratulation that you all have finished your specialization, I am sure you soon will have your diplomas if you have not already got the paper).

I think it is very important with the difference between public and private spaces, and half private spaces.

Also the idea with high buildings around of square in the middle of Flegmade is important. And a fine illustration you have made too on the plan.

And I agree that if there should some taller building (not very tall) the right place must be at Boulevarden.

So I agree with your comments.

Specially to Ramón and Celia.

You have done a great job to give the idea to this project. And you are working very positively to support and to develop the blog.

And it is fine that you have more ideas to develop the international future planning with new programs and methods. So if you experience in some other tasks that you are involved in please let us know.

3 questions:

1. I have not found out how to start to a new contribution / question – I can only answer another comment. Where is the bottom ? is it possible to make a “short cut” on the front page ?

2. Where is the bottom where I can upload a file – is it possible to make a “short cut” on the front page ?

3. Is it possible to have a mail message every time, when a new message is on the blog (as Alessandro has asked) ?? and a link to the message ??

General questions:

The task:

Please read again the program I made before start, and see my comments in this file.

Just one thing to mention here: keep Flegmade as it is as a street but make a new definition of the use.

Time schedule

I think we need February to have more comments to the ICE plan and other ideas and question, and if you can answer both in words and “drawings-comments” as Julia, Anette and Trine it is fine.

1st March: I make a new schedule.

The fee.

The fee is without tax included – net amount. It means that the teams from abroad send a bill on 2.700 Euros without tax. I send the account number later.

The Danish teams send a bill plus tax. (Trine, Anette and Julia – we speak about that)

My comments:

If you do not understand what I have written or if you disagree or anything else, please let me know, the discussion is always open.

Henrik

