







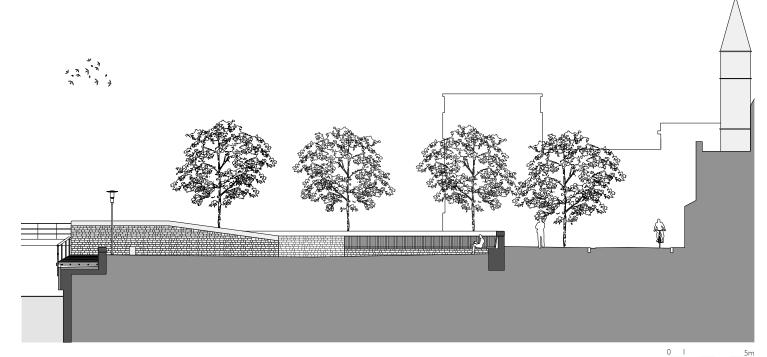
Just past the Onze-Lieve-Vrouwekerk, at Sint-Poppoplein, the market place meets the newly redesigned space along the river, the Leiedam. The riverbanks have been re-established, with the removal of roads and parking spaces allowing for the creation of two new promenades along the Leie on two different levels.

A row of trees that had previously stood between the church and the river has been reinstated, lining a curved wall that accommodates the height difference between the level of the church and a new lower square to the south.









A long, wooden bench has been integrated into this wall, facing the Leie and perfect for enjoying the sun on a fine day. This new lower square opens up onto the river to the south, making it accessible via a gradually sloping deck that leads to the lower quay, with its wooden boardwalk and jetty for mooring boats.









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