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previous view over the historical city

Accessibility

First of all, we analyzed the slope to favour the connection and accessibility among the platforms. There is over three metres between each one. Due to the space we could design ramps to connect the lowest three of these platforms and low lying steps between the highest two. You can enter directly from the outside to the intermediate platform without steps. We can call this the long walk. We also designed a short, and quick, walk, close to the ruins. In some strategic points, between the ramps, or among the trees, or sites with good views, we put benches to rest, or to talk, or to enjoy the Historical City picture. People can even use the old stone walls to seat on.

Activity

However, the maintenance of a park can be expensive sometimes. If we introduce other uses or opportunities, citizenship can collaborate with this maintenance. If we look into the site history we can recover the old allotments and bring them back to the present. In fact these plots were the kitchen gardens of the old houses in the current ruins. The neighbourhood can use these allotments, over forty or fifty, and collaborate in the maintenance of the plot, among other advantages.

Sustainability

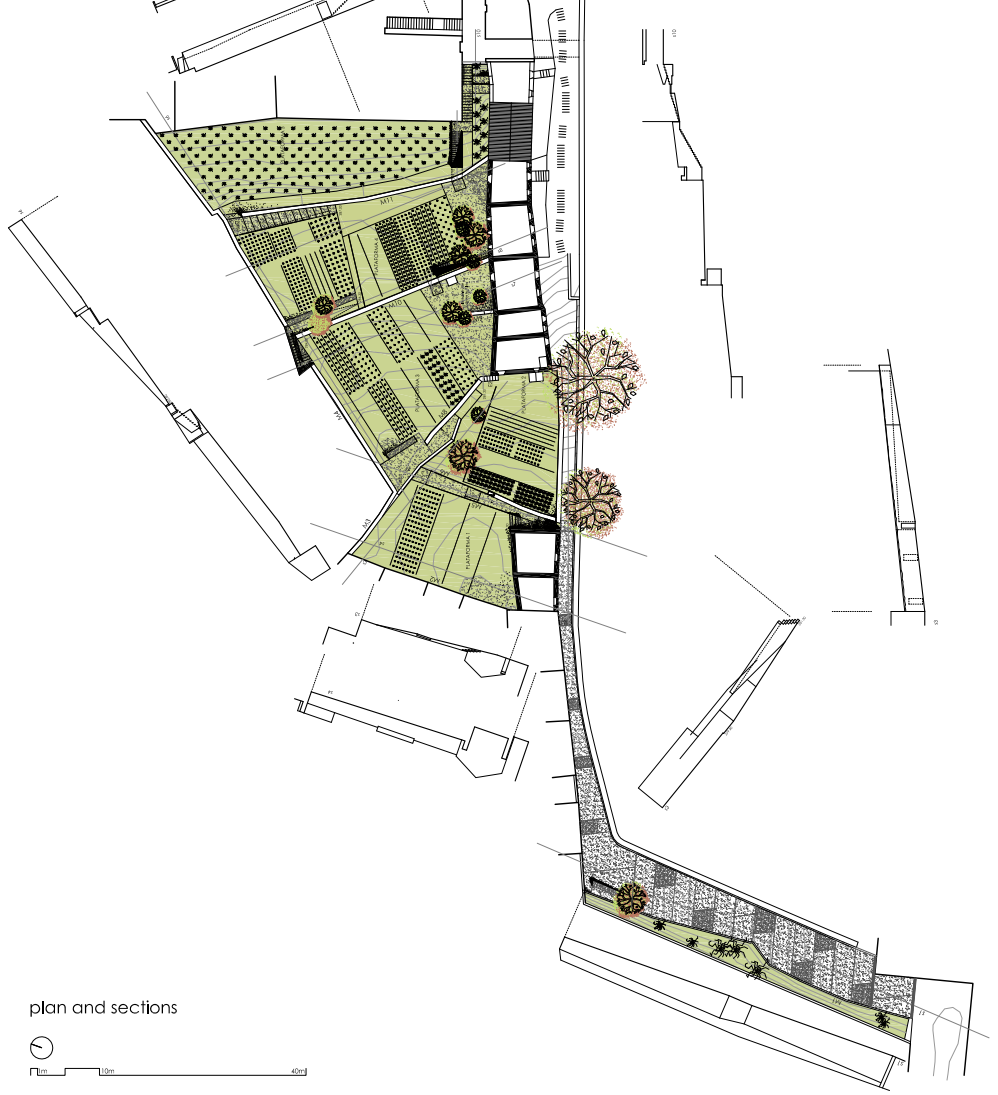
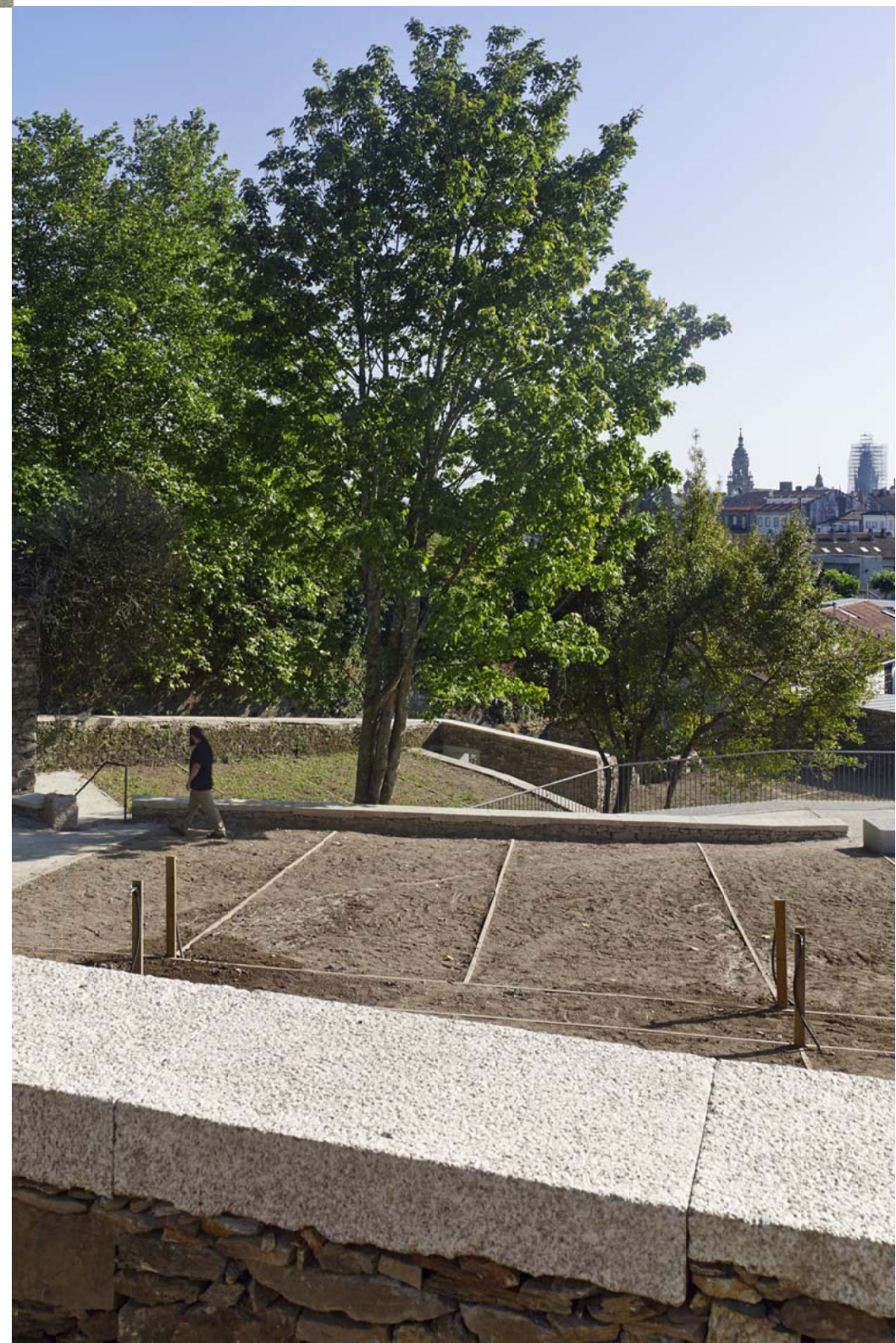
Is there anything more sustainable than a site which cares for itself?
Accessibility plus activity lead to sustainability.
In order to complete this sustainability, we restructure and purge the land, and reuse the old stone walls. We also recover the old wells and make a watercourse through the sequential platforms. At the end of this watercourse we shall rehabilitate two of the ruins as storage, wash room and toilet, where we will recycle the water. The wash room is important for the workers, but public toilets are also very important for children and the elderly.
We illuminate the plot as if we were in the fantastic “Campus Stellae”, with several types of embedded lights in the ground. Some people say that the name of the city proceeds from the Latin “campus stellae”, star field.

Quality of life

Accessibility plus activity plus sustainability give us a better quality of life. We improve the connection and accessibility between both of the neighbourhoods, those who live in the Historical City and those who live in the Almáciga. We also allow them get better and well known fresh food while they do exercise. We design a place where they meet, a secure place easy for the elderly or disabled to use.

Materials

We use stone in some of the walls, concrete in other walls and some pavements, and earth in other pavements. And we also use orchards, and onions, and lettuces, and carrots, and...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