

Layers of the City - Overview

Narratives

The narratives that influence how communities, onlookers, and decision-makers perceive a place or space.

This includes histories, perceptions, and stereotypes that are held about a place or a group of people.

Interactions

The interactions between individuals who occupy, run, and manage the city.

This includes exchanges with other people or the behaviours of others sharing the same spaces.

Systems

The systems that create and govern the city.

This includes decision-making processes, civic services, investment, and other, often hidden forces.

Agency & Power

Individual agency and power to shape the narratives, interactions, spaces, and systems within the city.

This includes whether someone can influence how something is invested in, designed, curated, and governed.

Spaces

The provision, access, design, and programming of spaces within the city.

This includes whether a space is provided to a community, whether it is affordable, and the way it has been designed.

