

Interview Questions

Functional/Social Impact:

- In what sort of environment is your yard situated?
 - Rural, suburb, close to neighborhoods, or on its own
- Do you experience the environment of your yard as a busy one, e.g. with much traffic? (cars, cyclists, rush hour, pedestrians, etc.)
- What does the stable offer equestrians?
- Does the stable offer anything to non-equestrians?
 - Do you believe it could have something to offer non-equestrians?
- What do you consider core functions that must be supported/regarded by the yard design?
 - What functions must the yard offer to make daily operations feasible, functions like e.g. the possibility to turn out horses in groups or individually?
- What do you think the yard means to those who use and live on or around it?
- Do you think other people's opinions about the yard have an influence on how it is used/operated?

Anchoring:

- Do you think the stable fits into its surroundings?
 - Why or why not?
- Have the surroundings been taken into consideration when designing the yard?
 - If so in what way?
- Can one reach the yard safely?
 - As in would you let a child come here on their own?
 - If not what are aspects that jeopardize the safety of the yard's surroundings?

Accessibility:

- Is it easy to reach the yard regardless of the means of transportation?
 - What are accessible means of transportation to reach the yard?
- Is there parking for different sorts of vehicles?
- Is the yard easy to find?
 - Is it easily visible or does one have to search/require navigation?
- Are all areas of the yard easily accessible for everyone?
 - Are all the facilities easy to find?
- What do you think the yard means to those who use and live on or around it?
- What is the first thing you would like to change about the terrain?

Routes:

- Are people welcome to pass through your premises on their way elsewhere?
 - Do you see any benefit in this or would you rather stay secluded?

Ambiance:

- How would you describe the atmosphere at the stable?
- What in your opinion has the biggest influence on the atmosphere?
 - How is its influence noticeable?
- What does the yard mean to you?
- What do biodiversity & equine welfare mean to you in the context of your yard?

Uses & Activities:

- Who is actively using the yard?
- What activities take place on the premises?
 - What activities that are not horse-related take place?

- Would you consider offering more activities?
 - Also for non-equestrians?
- What would you require for a financially viable implementation of equine welfare-enhancing measures?
- What would you require for a financially viable yard?
- What would a biodiverse and equine-friendly yard allow you to do?

Gregariousness:

- Is attention paid to Gregariousness, a place for people to sit, use the toilet, have a drink, etc.?
- Do you consider the integration of social aspects important?
 - Why or why not?
- Has Gregariousness been an influential factor in the yard design?
- What do you think the yard means to those who use and live on or around it?

Biodiversity:

- In your opinion, how is the level of biodiversity in your yard?
- Would you like to integrate it further?
 - Why or why not?
- Have you ever considered the level of biodiversity in your yard before?
 - If so how would you like to integrate it if anything was possible?
- What would you like for this yard to represent/mean to its environment?
- What would you say are the most important aspects a biodiverse yard must fulfill?