

Structure plan Westerbork >>>



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project
structure plan

location
Westerbork

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client
municipality of Midden-Drenthe

size
+/- 1500 ha.

year of design
2007 - 2008

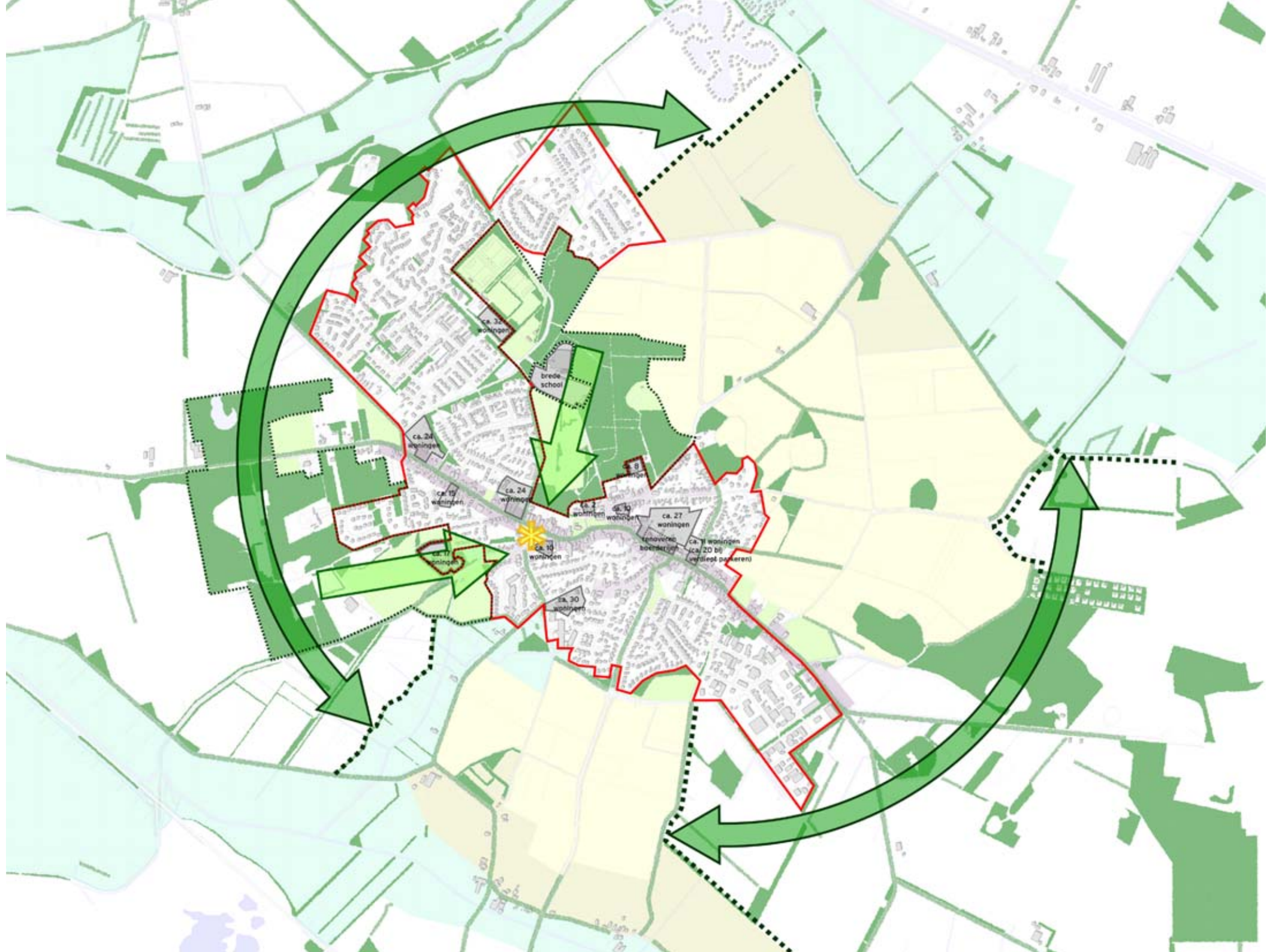


aerial picture

Concrete and visual concept

Westerbork is one of the main cores in Midden-Drenthe (in the north-eastern part of the Netherlands). The village is closely interwoven with the surrounding landscape, which is of great importance for the character and the quality of life of the village.

The Westerbork Structural Concept is not based on abstract drawings but specifically focuses on a number of concrete key areas and locations that have been formulated during the open plan process and that have been 'present' in the village for a long time. A concrete example elaboration has been made for a large number of locations to start off and stimulate planning.





Open Studio Days

Residents and stakeholders have played an important part from the start of the project with regard to creating the structural concept. They have specified what they believe is important to the village during four Open Studio Days. The knowledge and arguments for or against specific interventions contributed during these Days form the foundation for the Structural Concept.





living in a village lively centre



Community School centrally located in between childfriendly neighborhoods, sports fields, allotments and the Padenwood



living on green "farmsteads"



living green courtyard

Result and Continuation

The specific results of the Structural Concept have been:

- that the call for a ring road over the Es has died down and has been reorganised in renewed attention for the structure and layout of the main street of Westerbork,
- that location and target group-specific inward expansion has been chosen instead of a new residential neighbourhood and
- that options have been created to live rurally in the outskirts of Westerbork.

The Structural Concept has been approved unanimously in the municipal council, can count on support from the residents of Westerbork and has now been converted into two voluntary agreements with the housing association for building the Brede School and the first village inward expansions.