wild vähäheikkilä



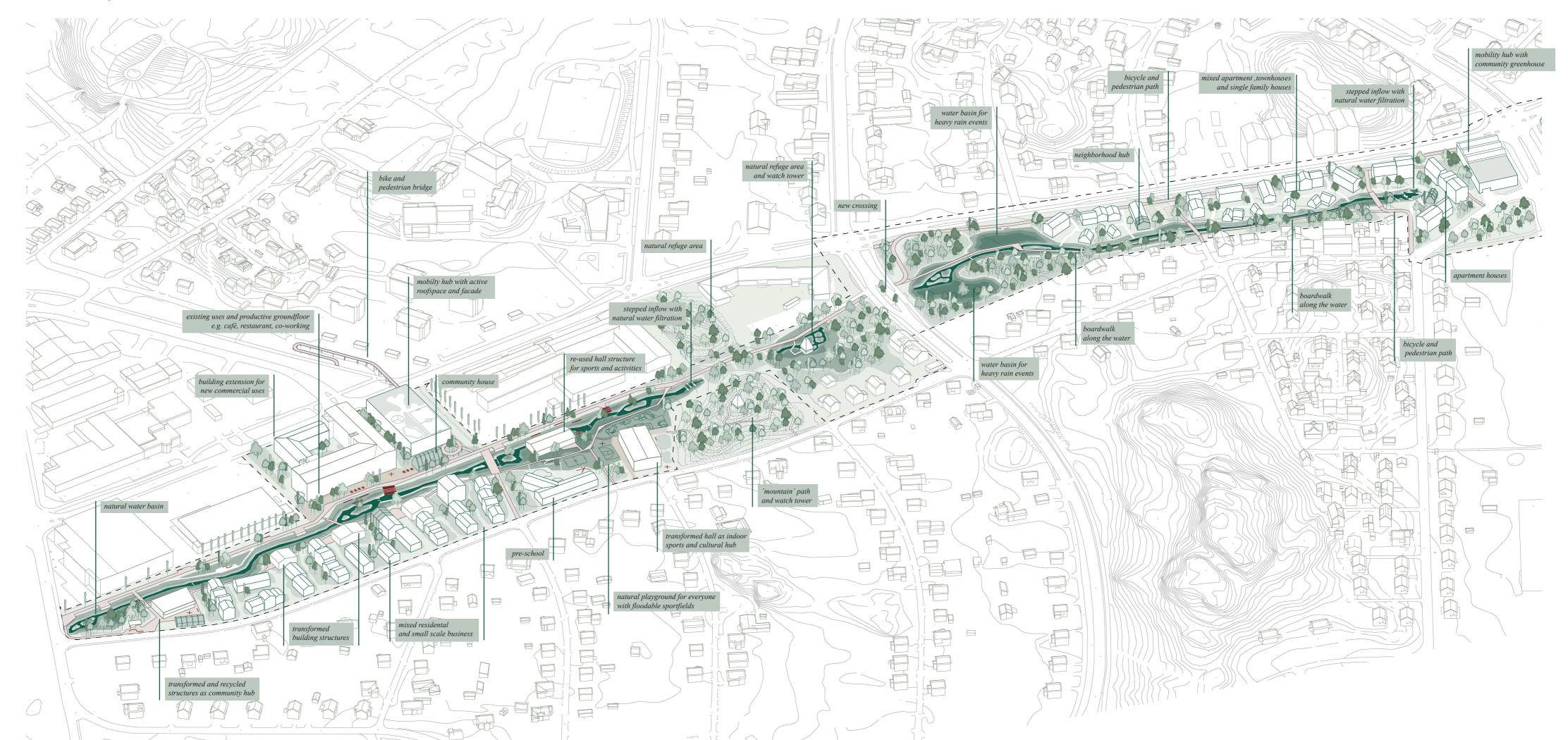
water as an experience. Water becomes a revitalizing and experienceable element of development. Infrastructural rainwater management is attractively integrated and thus creates an awareness of its importance. The public space is formed around the water and offers a variety of attractive contact points.

axonometric view

water as a retreat. Natural refuge areas offer flora and fauna protection and habitat and strengthen connections and biodiversity. Careful access allows people to experience nature respectfully and invites them to

water as neighbor. Water is an all-embracing element in Vähäheikkilä and therefore also a constant neighbor. This relationship works in co-existence and gives both sides the space they need without restricting each other.

water as the start. The exposure of the waterbody also marks the start of architectural development and new life in the area. This starting point must be celebrated and shaped together. The stepped inflow is accompanied by natural water filtration measures.



process. Wild Vähäheikkilä is a unique project in an urban city like Turku. It focuses on a holistic approach that addresses the individual development goals and requirements, but deals with and solves them collectively and interdisciplinarily. The result is a dynamic ecosystem for all types of life, creating a multitude of synergies at different levels. The concept provides the framework and initial solutions for this ambitious transformation. A development of this scale and importance requires a process-based design that offers the flexibility and adaptability to cope with change and new developments, which will take place in several phases in such a project. The concept is resilient to adjustments and offers space for new things. It acts

as a long-term point of orientation, both for municipal goals and developments as well as for the small-scale private areas in their individual character, which can be harmoniously integrated into the overarching concept. Wild also stands for something that has grown naturally, and so Vähäheikkilä should also grow naturally through the new developments. This also does not simply mean an implanted development, but a participatory development with all those involved. Wild Vähäheikkilä marks a shift in urban thinking: away from fixed outcomes and toward evolving relationships – between people, landscape, water, and time - where every phase adds a new layer to a wild city.