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## Safe and healthy surroundings

### Outside space

#### Actions:

- i. Include outside space within the scope of design

The space should be an **appropriate size** to provide enough amenity for the predicted number of building users during coffee or lunch breaks to **gather, socialise, relax and connect** with the natural environment. The space is predominantly intended for building staff, but can be used by other building users where relevant and beneficial to the building users. The outside space must:

- be an **outdoor landscaped area**, for example a garden, balcony or terrace; the majority of the space should be open to the sky
- have appropriate **seating** areas and be non-smoking
- be located to ensure it **is accessible** to all building users and avoids areas that will have disturbances from sources of noise (e.g. building services, car parks, busy roads, delivery areas etc.)

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Note: This document is intended as guidance only. Consult your BREEAM AP or Assessor to ensure compliance is achieved.