

ALMONDVALE PARK,
LIVINGSTON:

4 MURALS
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“Young people had to develop ideas, encourage creativity and realise impressive pieces”



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> 2. SHALE-FIELD:
dandelion/ oak tree/ liverwort/ fern/ Livingston quarry map/ willow tree/ quarry machinery
This design celebrates the relationship between the natural environment and Livingston's industrial past. Quarry maps and shale mining machinery inspire the geometric pattern while incorporating the original texture of the concrete.



“The pupils really enjoyed and benefited from this experience”

^ 1. WHIRLPOOL:

wood pigeon/swan/squirrel/fox/badger/lichen/water ripples/ferns/brown trout/sea trout
Inspired by the natural surroundings of the Almond River the pattern is an abstract representation of the local plants and wildlife. Standing with your back to the river the front facade draws you into the artwork enhancing the circular form with a whirlpool of creatures found in the water. The back of the structure which faces the river reflects the surrounding foliage whilst looking through the circle like a viewfinder to the river beyond.

∨ 3. METAMORPHOSIS:

new town housing elevation and ariel views/ football stadium/ shopping centre/ train station/ town planning maps/ west lothian house
Focusing on the transformation from a farming and industrial town to the fourth Scottish New Town development, the design is inspired by maps and housing encouraging movement through the space which connects the riverside to residential areas. The flowing lines reflect the marks made when skating and connect with the well known skatepark on the opposite riverbank.

> 4. CONCRETE JUNGLE:

ferns/ dandelions/ willow tree/ squirrel tail/ housing- aerial/elevation view/ 5 sisters/ shape of the river/ shopping centre roof
The largest mural in the sequence tells the story of Livingston through a bright and colourful landscape which reflects the spirit of the local people. Drawing inspiration from natural aspects, industrial and new town imagery the design celebrates and combines the themes explored across all 4 sites.

