

Development of the Aasee area

Framework planning Aasee

Aasee outline planning 2023

The Aasee masterplan


The city of Bocholt is continuously pursuing the goal of further developing the Aasee and its surroundings. It forms the end of the city centre - KuBAal - Aasee development chain. The area is therefore one of the key areas at the heart of the city centre. The developments taking place in the immediate vicinity of Lake Aa were the reason for the city of Bocholt to commission Lichtenstein Landschaftsarchitekten & Stadtplanung (LILASP) with the framework planning for Lake Aa in summer 2022.

On the one hand, the developments relate to the adjacent plans on the KuBAal site and the development plan along Uhlandstraße to create building rights for restaurant locations on the north-western bank of the Aasee (SO 8, 7th amendment Aasee-Terrassen, legally binding since 1 June 2023). On the other hand, enquiries regarding the expansion of the mobile home park and in the area of the bathing bay have given rise to the conceptual development of the Aasee area.

Framework planning process

In order to structure both existing leisure activities and future developments at Lake Aa and embed them in an overall concept, LILASP was commissioned to draw up an urban development framework plan. The framework plan is the result of an in-depth analysis of the strengths and deficits of the area and the broad participation of the public and various interest groups.

The various participation formats took place in autumn/winter 2022. The requirements resulting from demographic change and the need for climate adaptation were also taken into account. In the first half of 2023, the office then drew up the draft framework plan.

The framework plan includes a broad catalogue of measures for the entire area. To this end, LILASP prioritised the measures according to cost/benefit/effectiveness on the basis of the participations. The draft framework plan was presented to the last Planning and Construction Committee on 23 August 2023 (see [submission MB/157/2023](#) ). A cost and financing overview (KuF) was then drawn up and agreed within the city administration.

The documents can be downloaded here:

- Outline planning (as a [report](#) and as a [plan graphic](#))
- Cost[and](#) financing overview



Frequently asked questions about framework planning

– When was the framework plan decided?

Following the presentation of the final framework planning for Bocholter Aasee by the commissioned office Lichtenstein Landschaftsarchitektur & Stadtplanung GmbB (LILASP) from Hamburg in August 2023, the associated cost and financing overview (KuF) was presented to the Committee for Planning, Construction and Transport in October 2023. The outline planning and the KuF were subsequently adopted by the Bocholt City Council on 23 October 2023.

– When and how will the measures be implemented?

The implementation of the measures outlined in the Aasee framework plan is planned for the period from 2025 until after 2030. As considerable financial resources are required for implementation, the administration will examine access to possible funding programmes for the individual measures and allocate budget funds in accordance with the "medium financing path" in the budget consultations for the years from 2025 onwards. The individual measures must also be concretised in planning terms and the KuF updated accordingly. The Committee for Planning, Construction and Transport should be informed annually about the implementation status of the framework planning.

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