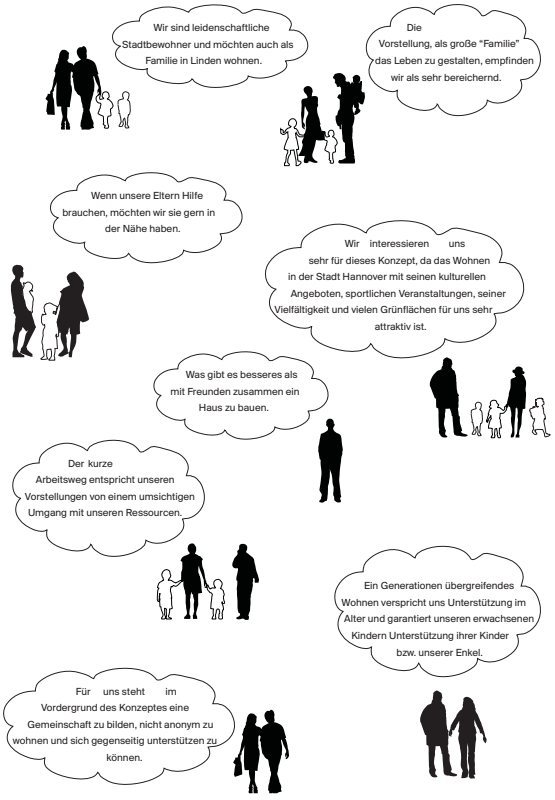
Velber4. Joint Building Venture

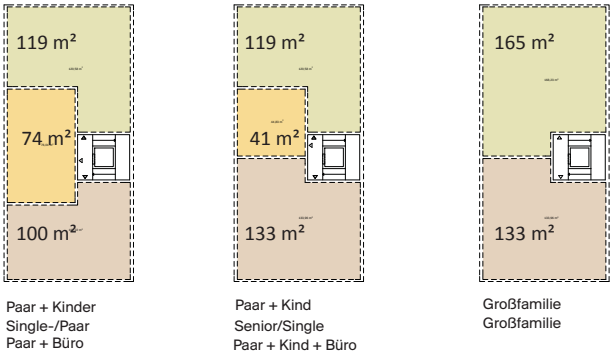
competition housing for a joint building venture with different typologies, kindergarten and shop **location** Hanover, Germany **size** 2.900m2 GFA **client** Baugruppe Velber4 **status** design 2014, LPH 1-3 **project** team Arne Hansen, Oliver Seidel, Verena Brehm

Velber4 fosters “living in the city”. The project provides a diverse set of floor plans with different standards and a low-cost project development based on a joint building venture. The building’s volume complements the perimeter block of the surroundings. Regarding heights, eaves and roof form the design follows the appearance of the neighboring buildings. The plot’s potential is utilized by a vertical layering of the program: underground parking, public uses on the ground floor and private living in the quiet upper floors to the garden. The building provides common places for recreation, play and gatherings. The great flexibility of the layout allows for a diverse mix of living styles and supports changes of design and program in response to different phases of life. It establishes a robust basic structure and offers great freedom of individual adaption by the inhabitants.

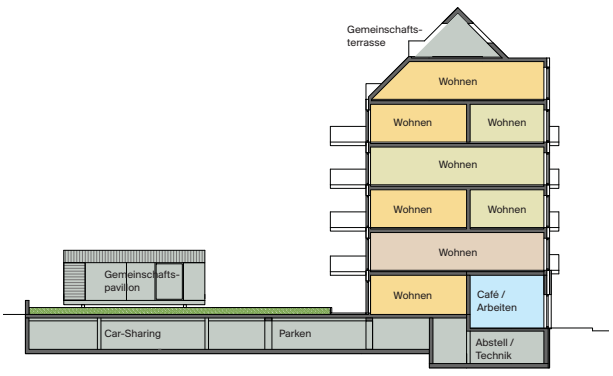
Street perspective



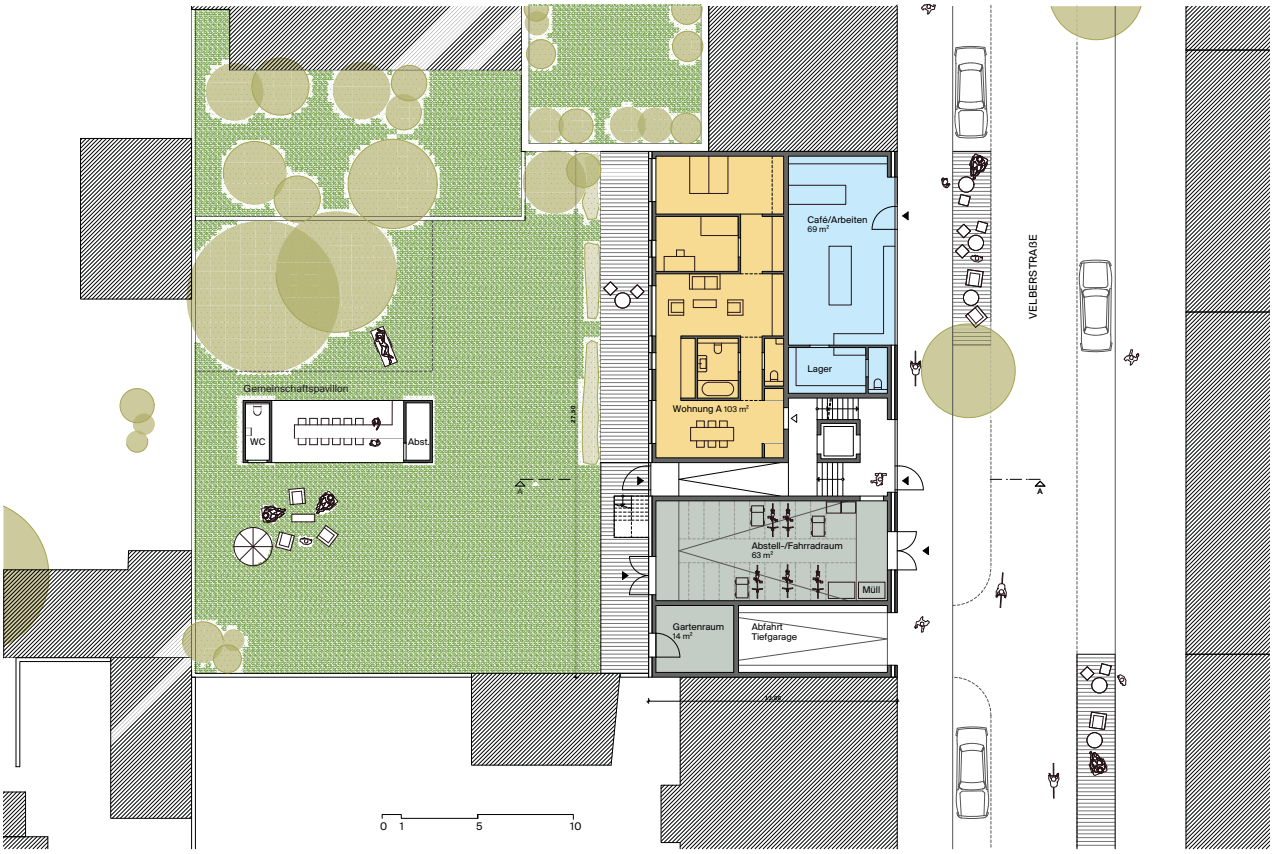
User groups and living ideas



Flexible floor plans



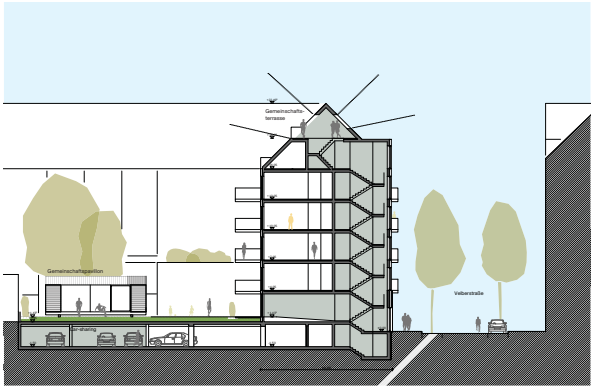
Mixed floor plans at different levels, shared garden and underground parking



Ground level floor plan with bicyle room at grade and access to the community garden

Floor plan varations

Sustainable materials and construction method



Shared spaces - social venues for residents

Street side elevation