The Landscape Detective

Reading clues to the operation of natural and cultural processes in the landscape
An investigation process

- What settlement pattern? • Historical research, street map, subdivision maps
- What urban character? • Observation
- What cultural patterns? • Building types, historic settlement pattern, changing in building uses, changes in communities and work patterns
What can you find clues about?

- Why the area developed as it did
- Why certain building types are found there
- What kind of problems the site has for building
- What changes are happening at present around your site
- What kind of a cultural context the site has now
- Why materials and methods were used there