

Approaches to restorative city building in Beijing

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After some 30 years of practice and debate in urban conservation and renewal, a new package of conservation policies was launched by the new Master Plan of Beijing in 2017, of which a concept of 'restorative city building' was introduced to the historic city of Beijing. Literally, those parts of the city are not meet the standard of historic city per se, be it the built or vacant land should be upgraded or developed to promote the whole historic cityscape. This paper will discuss the methodologies and tools of urbanism and architecture applied in life projects in the historic neighborhoods in Beijing's old city.