

# Developing circulation

How people move around the building from room to room is just as important as the destination.

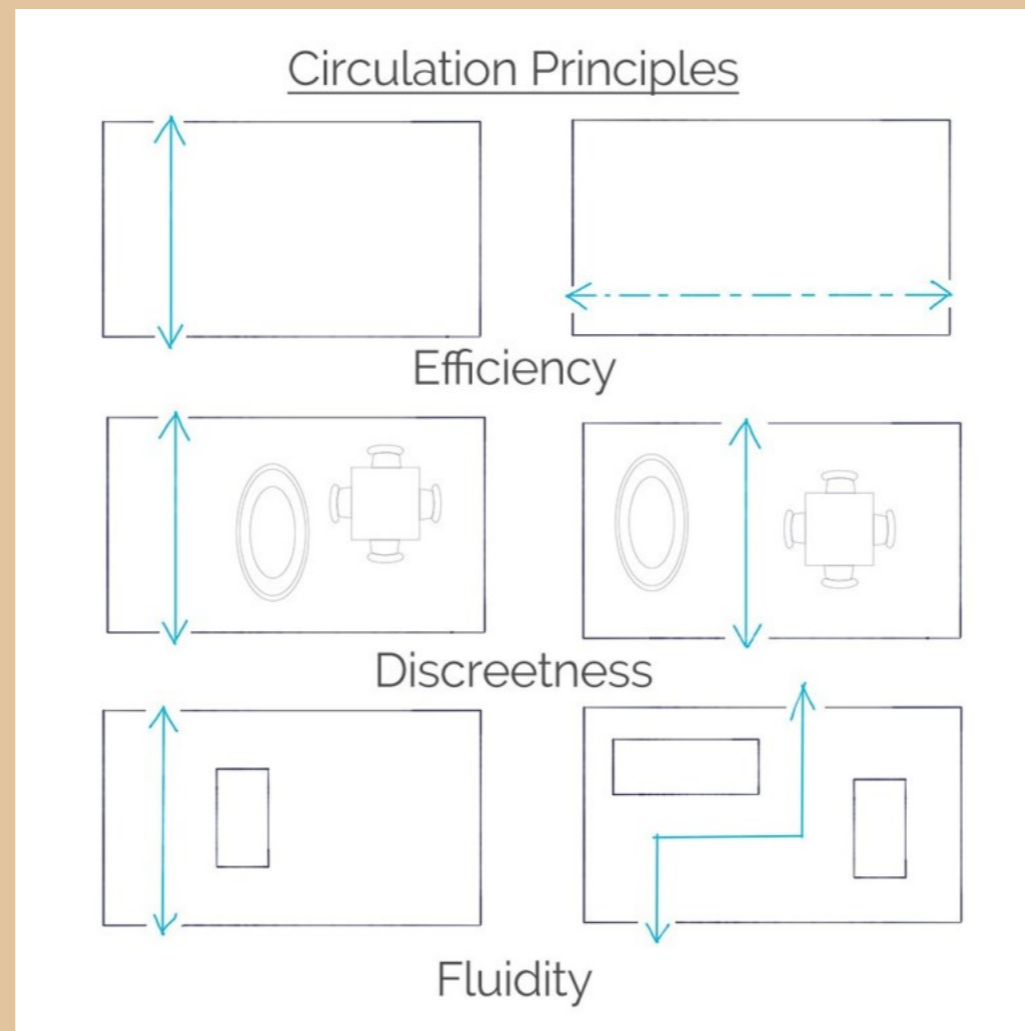
When developing a circulation structure we can look at a few basic principles.

How efficient is the circulation in getting from point A to point B  
Is the circulation discrete?

What is the fluidity of the circulation? Is there a smooth flowing route or a more direct route?

Does the circulation route clash with furnishing requirements?

# Circulation Principles



Once the spaces have been considered and the requirements have been studied it is time to start sketching out relationship diagrams.

The relationship diagram takes the design from existing as 'data' to a more visual look at physically planning out space. It is abstract, and rough but enables you to develop an understanding of the requirements and visualize how the spaces will work together and how the circulation may flow between them.

At this stage the diagram does not need to represent the building size or space, more a look at how each room relates to one another, sizes and so on. Lets look at some examples: