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The topic of this paper is 'Promote urban social integration through urban design intervention in Cyrildene' and the research questions is How can Chinese community naturally integrate into the surrounding community? And how can Cyrildene district interface with rest of urban area and, how can people from different countries be integrated into the multicultural urban environment and people can still enjoy the atmosphere of the urban places? This paper discusses the urban structural, ethnic group segregation, space making, crime prevention, and, through urban design intervention, tries to solve social and spatial issues and promote sustainable and integrated urban communities in the Cyrildene, Johannesburg area. It seeks an understanding of the character of homogeneous communities and the reasons why these communities isolation themselves, from the perspective of the preservation of ethnic minorities' cultures and encourages the identification of these ethnicities' unique character. Additionally, it explores the relationship between space and neighbourhoods and the convivial space's values, as well as arguing that economic gain should not be applied as a lens to examine social policies. The urban landscape space is multi-faceted, it can help reduce particular type of crime, improve public health as well as reconnect the urban environment to the eco-system. From reviewing the traditional Chinese urban planning and design history, we can demonstrate that urban design can utilise these principles into today's cities to build up urban communities and emphasise the unique culture of the Chinese community. This paper, through the urban design analysis, attempts to discover the current spatial issues in the Cyrildene area, as well as using urban design principles as instrumental tools to solve urban design related-problems while strengthening urban communities and, through properly designed urban open spaces, help to improve local social relations and job opportunities for the surrounding neighbourhoods. This paper develops an example for this ethnic group to show their unique identity through urban design in the environment and foster an increase in tolerance between ethnic groups while promoting social integration. From this review, we can demonstrate that restructuring existing urban structures can improve social-spatial issues as well as build up neighbourhoods. Furthermore, the high level of local community engagement can promote progress in social integration. From the review, social integration is the goal for the urban communities and the relationship between the space adjustment and community relations. Through the urban design analysis process, this paper attempts to discover the constraints and opportunities based on the urban design analysis, generating an urban design concept framework and urban development code.