Alton Activity Centre Design Elements



The Alton Green regeneration provides an important opportunity to create improved community provision on the estate. A core component of this is the re-provision of community space for children and young people, and in particular, improvements to the Alton Activity Centre to provide open access to a new Mixed-Use Games Area and dynamic landscaped play space for all ages.

The displays here today have been produced to give you more information on what the new Alton Activity Centre will provide.

The improvements are scheduled to be included as part of the first phase of development, which subject to planning approval, will start in 2020.

Alton Activity Centre

- Main active play hub at Alton Activity Centre
- Play spaces for age 0 to 11+
- Social and communal areas
- Space and facilities or informal sport or recreation activity (e.g. table tennis table)
- Multi-use games area (MUGA), climbing walls or boulders, wheeled sports area
- Seating areas on the edge of the activity space
- Landscaped buffer and seats
- Youth spaces
- Social corners: places to hang out, relax and watch others while being next to physical play events
- Secure and well lit

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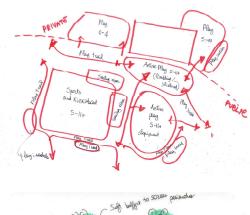


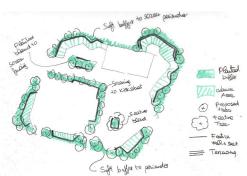


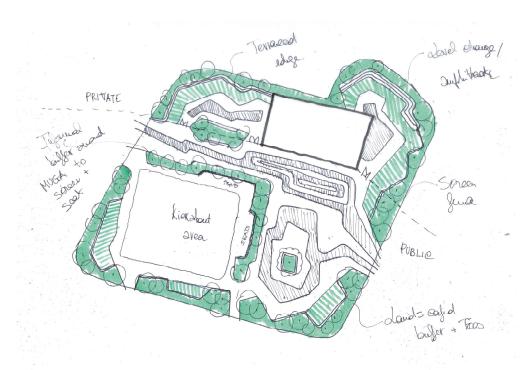


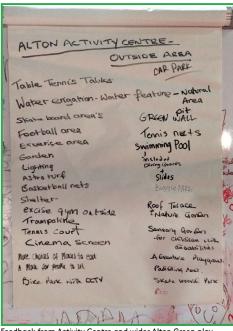
Alton Activity Centre Sketch design development











Feedback from Activity Centre and wider Alton Green play discussion at Base Youth Centre - 6th September 2018

Feedback from young people on the estate

A workshop was held with young people who live on the estate at the BASE youth club on 6th September 2018 to explore what they thought of the proposals and what they would like to see as part of the upgraded Alton Activity Centre.

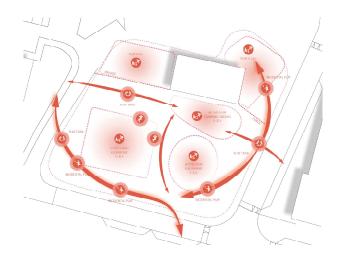
- Feedback was positive with a strong desire for sensory play including play for all abilities
- It was clear that the Activity Centre should be an area to learn for all ages. Suggestions were to include more education through gardening and sustainable design
- The MUGA was generally agreed to be the correct size and there was consensus that it should be used as a flexible sports, skating and performance space
- Older ages requested more external shelter and seating areas
- Most felt the Activity Centre should be open more, and that a regular children's/youth events programme should be developed





Alton Activity Centre Landscape features









ZONING

The hierarchy of play space has been defined by the age groups of children who will come to use it. Older children can engage with play trails to the boundaries which activate the edges while younger children are kept closer to the community centre building.

SOFTWORKS

Soft landscape is used primarily at the edges to provide visibility into the space whilst also providing safety from the road. Existing trees are retained where possible to add a sense of maturity to the new play space.

HARDWORKS

Graphic line markings create a dynamic floorscape that bends, twists and curves around fluid forms. Children are able to follow the lines as a journey that connects them to different play environments, whilst still providing convenient access to the existing building.





Alton Activity Centre Feature plan



The Alton Activity Centre is well positioned at the heart of the estate, situated between Downshire Fields and the new Village Square in Danebury Avenue. The proposal is to provide a diverse range of dynamic all-age play space that is accessible to children and young people on an open access basis all year round.

The space is purposefully bold and visually rich with ambient floor graphics to create an identity that is striking and unique for the area.

Tree planting and soft landscaping is used at the edges to provide a screen and safety buffer from the surrounding roads, whilst views will be opened up into the space to provide security. Discreet fencing will also be included, so that the space can be secured out of hours.

An informal sensory play train runs along the inside of the boundary as an adventurous way for children to navigate the space and provides moments of discovery and fun.

The unique site topography is utilised through a series of dramatic soft terraces, ledges and changing levels that provide opportunities to sit, climb, scramble and explore.

Key Legend

- 1 Feature rubber safety surface in 2/3 colours/graphics
- 2 Play area 0-5 years sensory play elements
- 3 Play area 5-11 years
- 4 Planted perimeter buffer
- 5 Feature bench seating
- 6 Lawn areas and incidental play
- 7 MUGA including skateable elements
- 8 Active play areas 0-11+
- Undulating rubber landform for climbing & sliding
- 10 Shelter structure
- 11 Terraced play and grow gardens
- 12 Perimeter fence and gates surrounding Activity Centre
- 13 Opportunity for artwork
- 14 Storage tools and play equipment
- 15 Existing building







Alton Activity Centre Next steps



The proposals for the Alton Activity Centre will be considered as part of the wider detailed planning application for the first phase of the regeneration.

The application is currently expected to be submitted in early 2019. Once submitted the council will be writing to all affected residents with full details of the application and how to comment.

Have your say:

Please let us know your thoughts on the Alton Activity Centre proposals using one of the feedback forms provided here today. Your comments will be considered by the project team ahead of submitting a planning application.

The exhibition boards on display today will be made available on the www.AltonEstateRegen.co.uk and www.wandsworth.gov.uk/roehampton websites.

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