

KILBURN GRANGE PARK
SOUTHERN PLAYGROUND

DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT

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INTRODUCTION & CONTEXT

This document sets out proposed alterations of the existing playground located on Kilburn Grange Adventure Playground site. The Design and Access Statement should be read together with the submitted drawings.

This document was prepared by Erect Architecture and on behalf of our client the Borough of Camden. Stakeholders, including Park Department and users of the playground were consulted throughout the design process.

SITE ADDRESS

Kilburn Grange Park, Camden, London NW6 2JL

SITE

The former adventure playground site in Kilburn Grange Park is located on the southern end of Kilburn Grange Park, bordered by Messina Avenue, Kingsgate Primary School, the ornamental garden and the tennis courts within the park.

The site is a former (Victorian) Arboretum, with a variety of mature species. It was previously an adventure playground site, which has fallen into disrepair and is currently largely hoarded off.

EXISTING ORGANISATION

The playspace is open to the public and free to use. It is owned and maintained by Camden Council.

EXISTING OPENING HOURS

The wider park is open daily from dawn to dusk. This application does not propose changes to the opening hours.



Aerial view - Not to scale



View of existing playground looking south

ACCESS

ACCESS FOR PEDESTRIANS

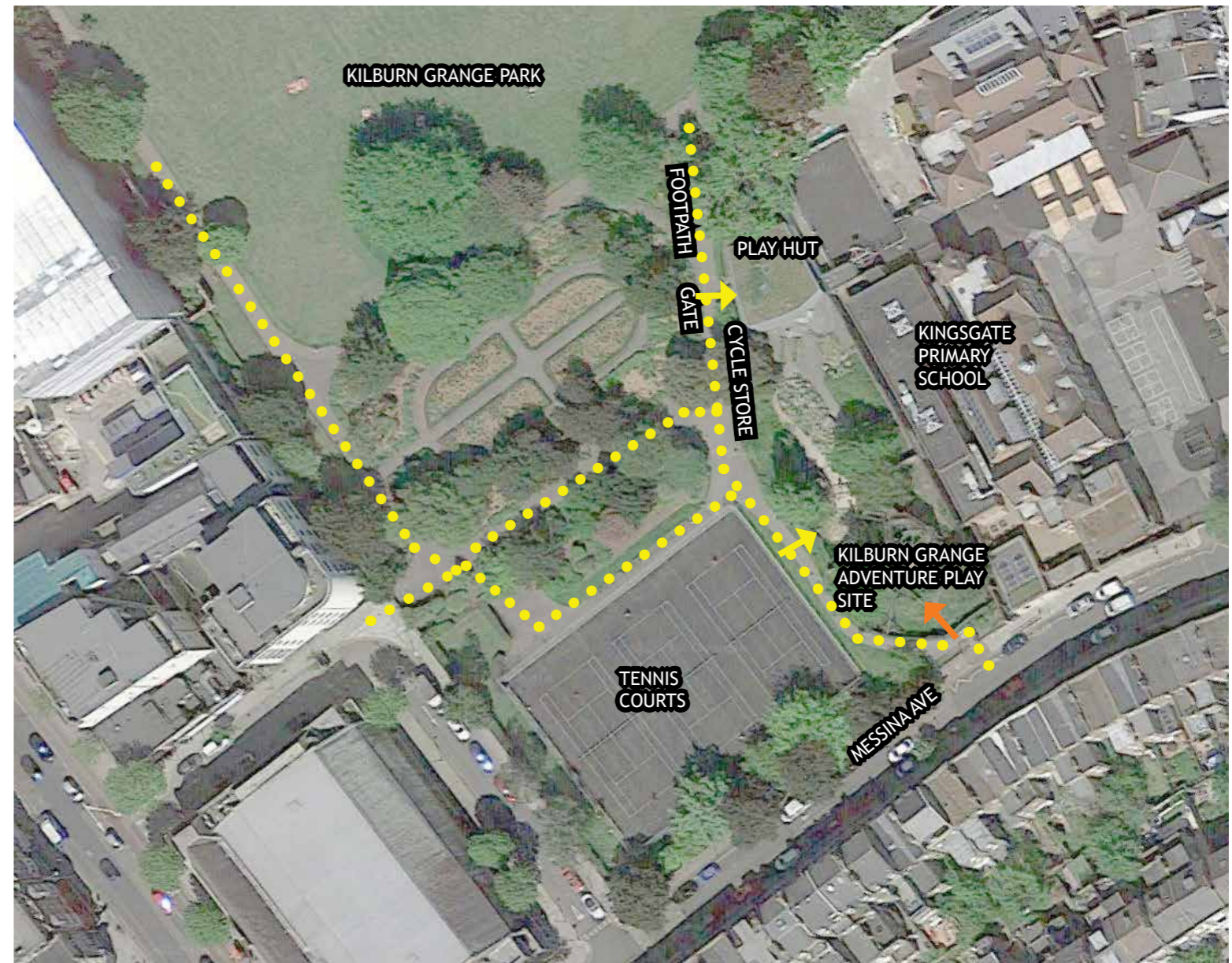
Visitors to the playground access the site from a the existing park path network. The playground has currently one access gate by the Play Centre and another informal entrance where existing timber palisades have decomposed. A further entrance is located near the Messina Ave entrance behind the temporary hoarding. The current access gate by the play hut will be replaced by a metal gate and the current southern point will be replaced with a gate (slightly shifted West to move away from park entrance). Two more access points into the site will be added, both lead off the main north south park pathway. The new entrance south of the play hut meets the objectives of the Kilburn Grange Park masterplan.

ACCESS FOR CYCLISTS

Access for cyclists remains unchanged. There are 4 bike racks with capacity to store 8 bicycles located by the existing gate to the play hut on the APG site. These will remain as they are.

ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES

Access for emergency vehicles is retained as existing.



Aerial view - Not to scale

- • Existing path network
- Existing access points to APG site
- Existing access point (currently behind hoarding)

THE SITE

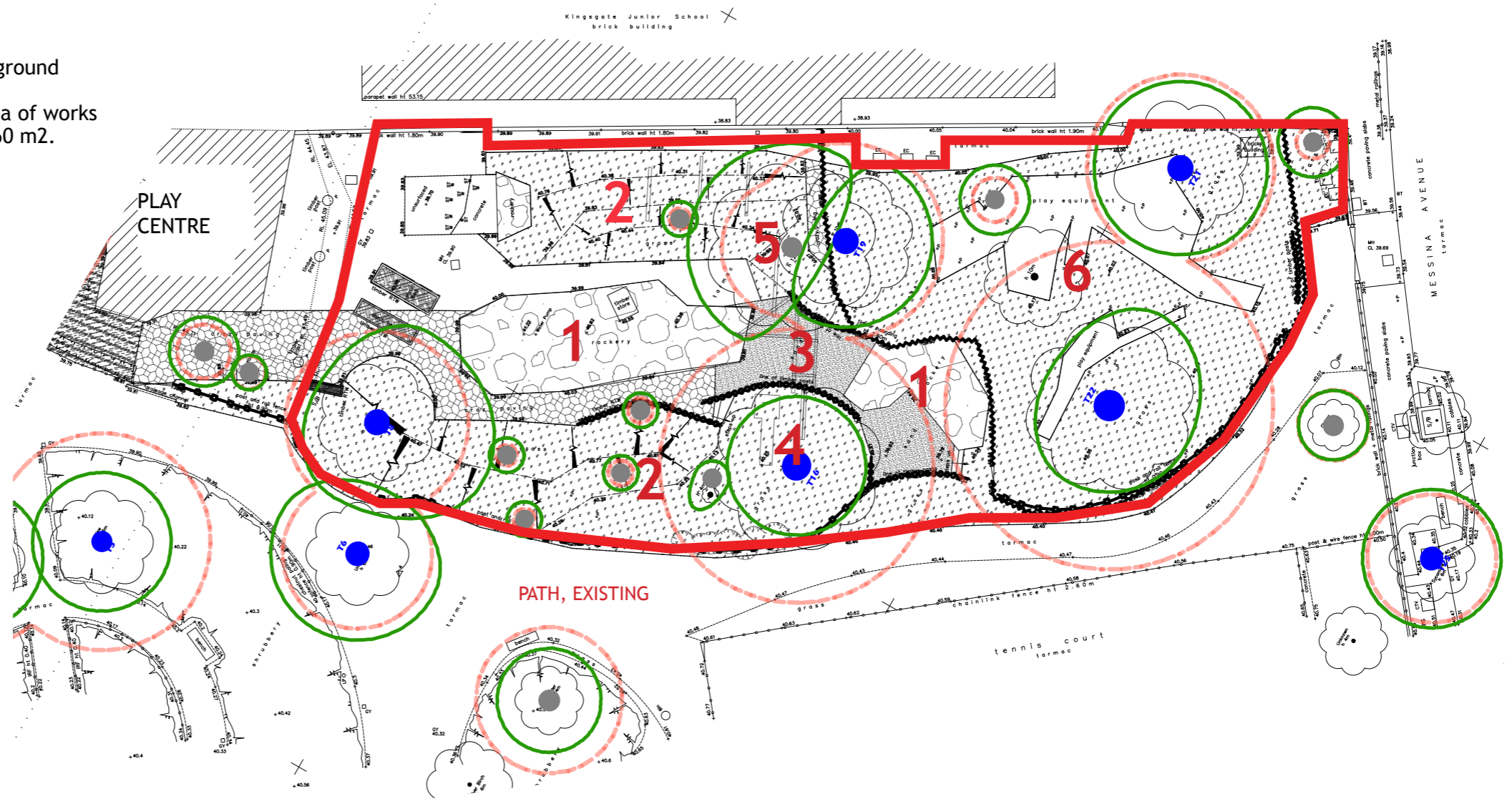
AREA OF WORKS

The site is that of the former adventure playground south of the play hut.
It measures approximately 1,360 m². The area of works of proposed playground is approximately 1,260 m².

EXISTING PLAYGROUND

- 1** Boulder mound with water pump
- 2** Grass mound
- 3** Sandpit with boulders
- 4** Play tower and mini slide
- 5** Timber balancing logs set in grass mounds
- 6** Adventure play structure - decommissioned and fenced off, consists of multiple climbing features, walkways, nets and ropes, slides, swings, play houses, musical instruments

 Area of works



PHOTOS OF EXISTING



Existing timber gate to be replaced with flat top metal gate to match fence



Existing timber post and rail fence to be replaced with flat-top railing and hedging



Existing timber post and rail fence to be replaced



Existing timber palisade boundary to be replaced with flat-top railing and hedging.



Existing hoarding and decommissioned adventure play structure behind to be removed.



Existing brick boundary wall towards Kingsgate Primary School with fire fencing above (all to remain as existing).



Existing park signage to remain. New fence behind.



Existing decommissioned adventure play structure to be removed.



Existing decommissioned adventure play structure to be removed.

PHOTOS OF EXISTING CONT'D



Existing timber balancing logs to be removed.
Existing grass mounds partially to be reshaped.



Existing palisading to be removed. Edge to be held with new retaining edge and bench.



Existing boulder mound, timber bridge and timber tower with small slide to be removed. Boulders to be reused on site.



Existing boulder mound and water pump to be removed.
Boulders to be reused on site.



Existing utilities meter behind timber casing. Casing to be removed and replaced with new.



Existing raised planters to be removed.