

Landscape Masterplan

Allenwood Play Park

On behalf of Kildare County Council

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Site Location and Context

Objectives :

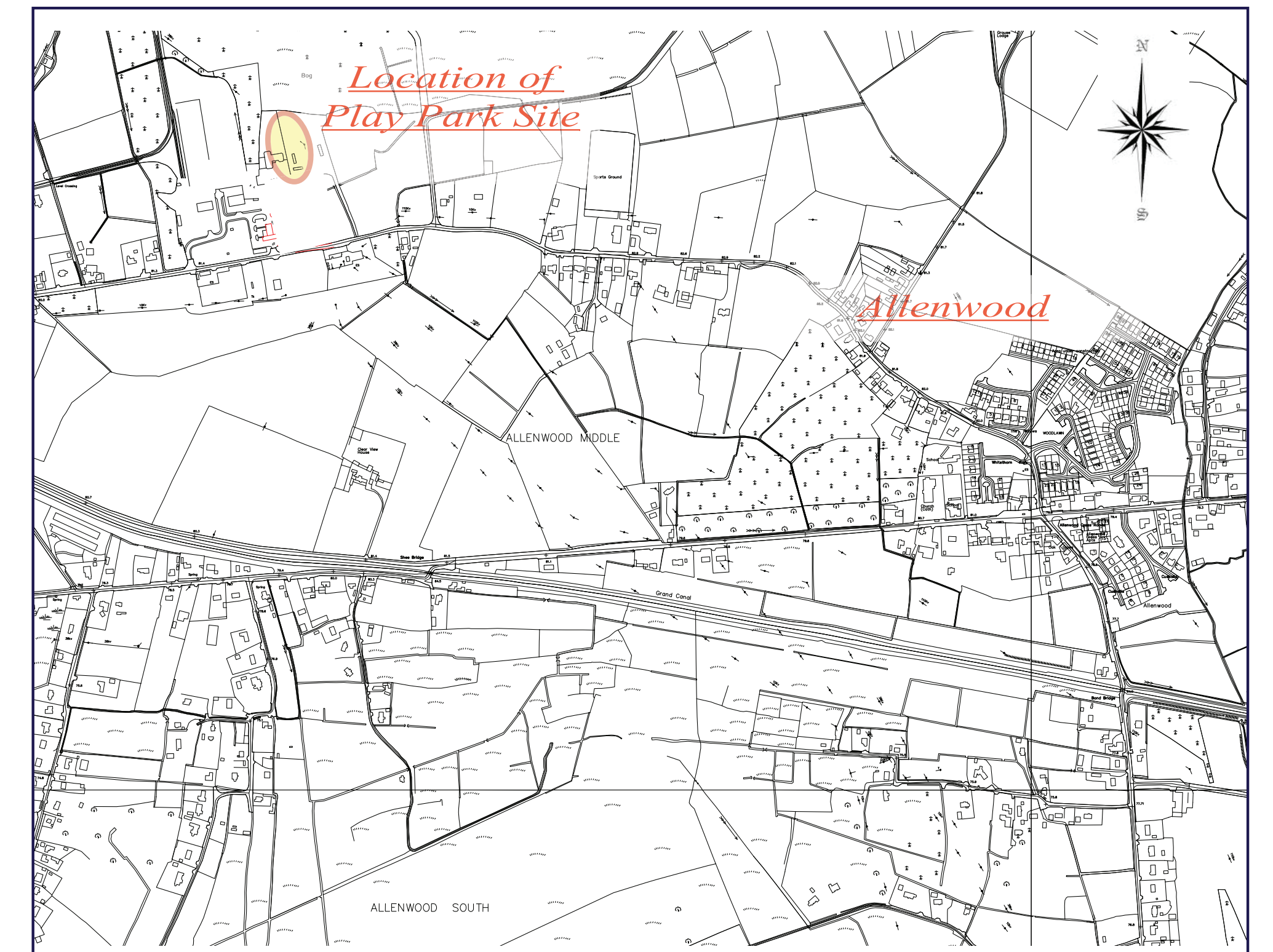
The principal objectives of the landscape proposals are :

- To provide key areas within the plot which are flexible and cater for a number of informal uses within the site. The objective is to create an environment which forms an integrated designed setting and sense of place.
- To create a layout which provides a visually and aesthetically pleasing context for the playground and various activities to sit into, to create a distinct character, and to form quality exterior spaces in keeping with the semi rural location.
- To form a unifying layout design for the plot which compliments the design style and character of a playground based on natural and informal play.
- To optimise the landscape content of the proposal to ensure that the proposed elements sit well within the plot and are visually softened with greenery and integrated into pleasant surrounds so that the area is attractive to users of all ages.
- Complimentary areas are placed adjacent to each other. For example, hardstanding, seating and resting areas are positioned beside play areas for passive supervision. Adult exercise equipment is strategically positioned located away from key play areas. The MUGA is centrally placed and the pump track occupies a strategic zone to the north of the site.
- The objective is to create a sense of identity for the park through a series of key zones. These areas are differentiated through a combination of planting and access pathway loops so that the proposed structures and elements are integrated into a unifying green environment.
- Cognisant of the need to attract a wide range of users, the design considers the juxtaposition of passively supervised areas, sheltered areas and active play areas to provide for gathering and informal social interaction. The intention is that the arrangement of spaces, planting, walking loops in conjunction with the activities proposed will create a distinct sense of place.
- A focal point pop up pavillion may be incorporated in future, accessed from the entrance hub, the play area Eco corner can be conveniently passively supervised.
- Biodiversity elements is a key factor in the proposals for the park. These include retention of existing trees at the northern end of the site, planting a range of low maintenance, indigenous and biodiverse planting consisting of a proven pollinator/ bee friendly varieties.

Existing site photographs



Location Map



Overall Layout Plan / Context

Scale : 1 : 200 at A0 size

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