



Proposed children's play space comprising naturalistic timber equipment.

Proposed development set back from existing vegetation associated with the southern corner and south western site boundary, ensuring space for future long term health.

Proposed attenuation basin in the southern corner of the application site. Opportunities to provide ecological enhancements through reed / marginal planting and wet grassland seeding to the south, with a potential informal recreation area to the north.

The proposals have been developed to ensure that a carefully considered and sensitive development approach is achieved. From the outset the proposals have sought to respond to, and where possible enhance, the existing vegetative features of value within the site, including the retention of existing field boundaries and key trees. When combined with the proposed tree planting it is considered that the site positively contributes to the green infrastructure of the localised setting. This green strategy will not only contribute to the sustainability of the site, but also assist in creating a high quality development which integrates well with Cottenham and is conducive to happy and healthy family life.

The landscape proposals have been informed by the site constraints and opportunities, and local policy objectives to ensure that an appropriate and high quality landscaped setting is achieved. The key objectives are to:

- Retain key components of the existing vegetation and treescape associated with the site's boundaries to assist the integration of the proposals into the receiving environment.
- Where possible, reinforce the existing, retained planting with appropriate new planting to assist the integration of the proposals.
- Ensure opportunities for habitat creation and biodiversity enhancements are maximised.
- Ensure that areas of open space and green links are maintained to maximise the development's contribution to localised and wider green space provision.
- Provision of a linear park in along the south eastern site boundary, comprising a trim trail and children's play space.

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