

Contract Name: **Tenterden Recreation Ground**
Client: **Tenterden Town Council (TTC)**

Report: **Progress Report**
Report Nr: **5**
Reporting Period: 26/10/2017 – 17/11/2017
Circulation: Phil Burgess (*TTC Town Clerk*)
Alan Sugden (*TTC Councillor*)
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Focus Group Members

1.0 Meetings / Site Visits & Communication

- 15th November – 2nd Focus Group Meeting delivered in Tenterden Town Hall. Refer to **Annex A** for power point presentation.
- Received focus group's initial feedback on our spatial zoning plan proposal through active workshop carried out during the meeting. Members were asked to discuss the proposal as a group and provide their negative and positive feedback by marking up the drawing and presenting their comments with their justification.

2.0 Information issued

- Hard copy of our Spatial Zoning Plan given to bowls green representatives and Phil Burgess

3.0 Planned Actions

- Collate, review and reflect on focus group feedback
- Define the zones and develop a final master plan taking into account the focus group feedback
- Continue with individual consultation
- Provide Budget costing for the proposal
- Facilitate 2nd Focus Group meeting/workshop

4.0 Outstanding Actions

- Prepare and distribute Summary Notes for the 2nd Focus Group Meeting

5.0 Information Required (Including the raised RFI's)

Annex A – 2nd Focus Group Meeting Power Point Presentation

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Tenterden Recreation Ground

Focus Group Meeting

15th November 2017



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Agenda

1. What is the aim of today?

2. Where we left off?

3. Our Journey

4. Our Proposals

5. Your Opinion / Activity

6. Next steps

“Developed by the People for the People”

Today's Aim

To refine the optimum spatial configuration for the recreation ground.

Discuss and evaluate our proposals

Where we left off?

Summary of Last Time

Your Fears & Concerns

Aspirations & Hopes

What you like about the recreation ground

Current issues addressed

Users & stakeholder's requirements

Initial high level spatial planning



What is in the Pot?

***Tennis
Netball
Children's Play Area
Bowls
Skatepark/MUGA
Youth Café & Youth Provisions
Open Green Space
Kiosk / Café
Path around the park***

Key Themes

- ***Sporting facilities (i.e. tennis/ netball) and bowls club nearer to the existing leisure centre***
- ***Skate park nearer the existing car park, pavilion and Recreation Ground Road away from the residential properties.***
- ***Retain the open grass frontage.***
- ***Expand the Children's play area provisions.***
- ***Refurbishment of the existing pavilion and potential of converting it to a youth club/ café / Kiosk?***

Our Journey

How have we taken this forward?



Site Constraints Plan



Our Aim & Key Strategies

- *Create a recreation ground that responds to all ages, abilities and interests.*
- *Enhance connectivity with the High Street and memorial garden*
- *Sensitive Introduction of hierarchical footpath network*
- *Enhance the street scene and linkages*
- *Integrated (and relocated) activity hubs*
- *Enhance wayfinding throughout*
- *Strengthen the character the open space within context of the Town*
- *Retain the existing historical trees*
- *Break down barriers that splits the park*
- *Ensure stakeholder satisfaction, ownership and future proofing*

Strategic Level Character Zoning



Links to
Memorial
Garden

OPEN SPACE
& INFORMAL
RECREATION

ACTIVE PLAY &
RECREATION

FORMAL
SPORTS

Links to
Leisure Centre

Links to
Town
Centre

Links to Tent 1
Development

Links to
School

Existing Structure



Site Access Points



Links to
Memorial
Garden

Links to
Town
Centre

Sandy
Lane

Waitrose
& Town

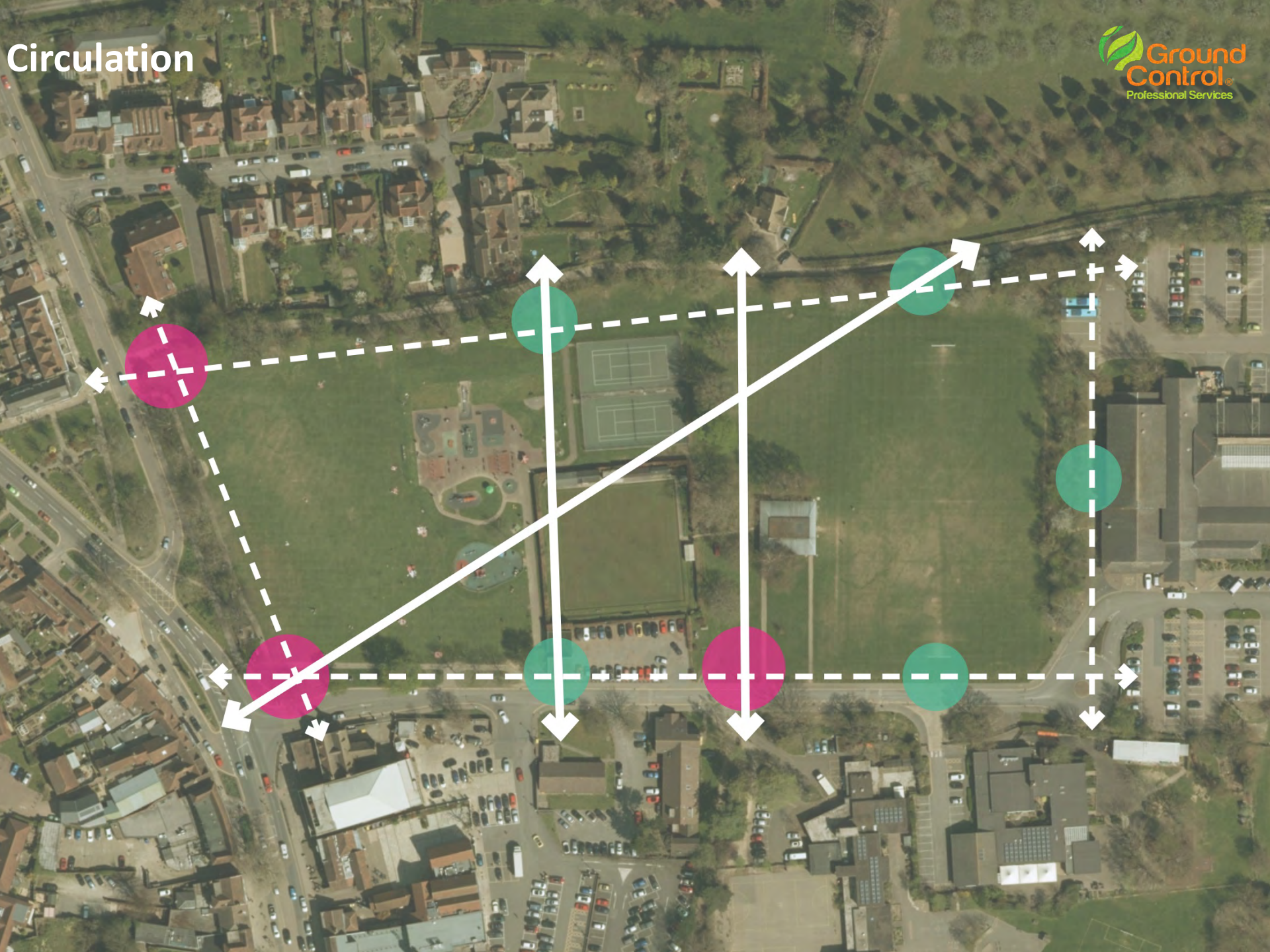
Links to Tent 1
Development

Public
Right of
Way

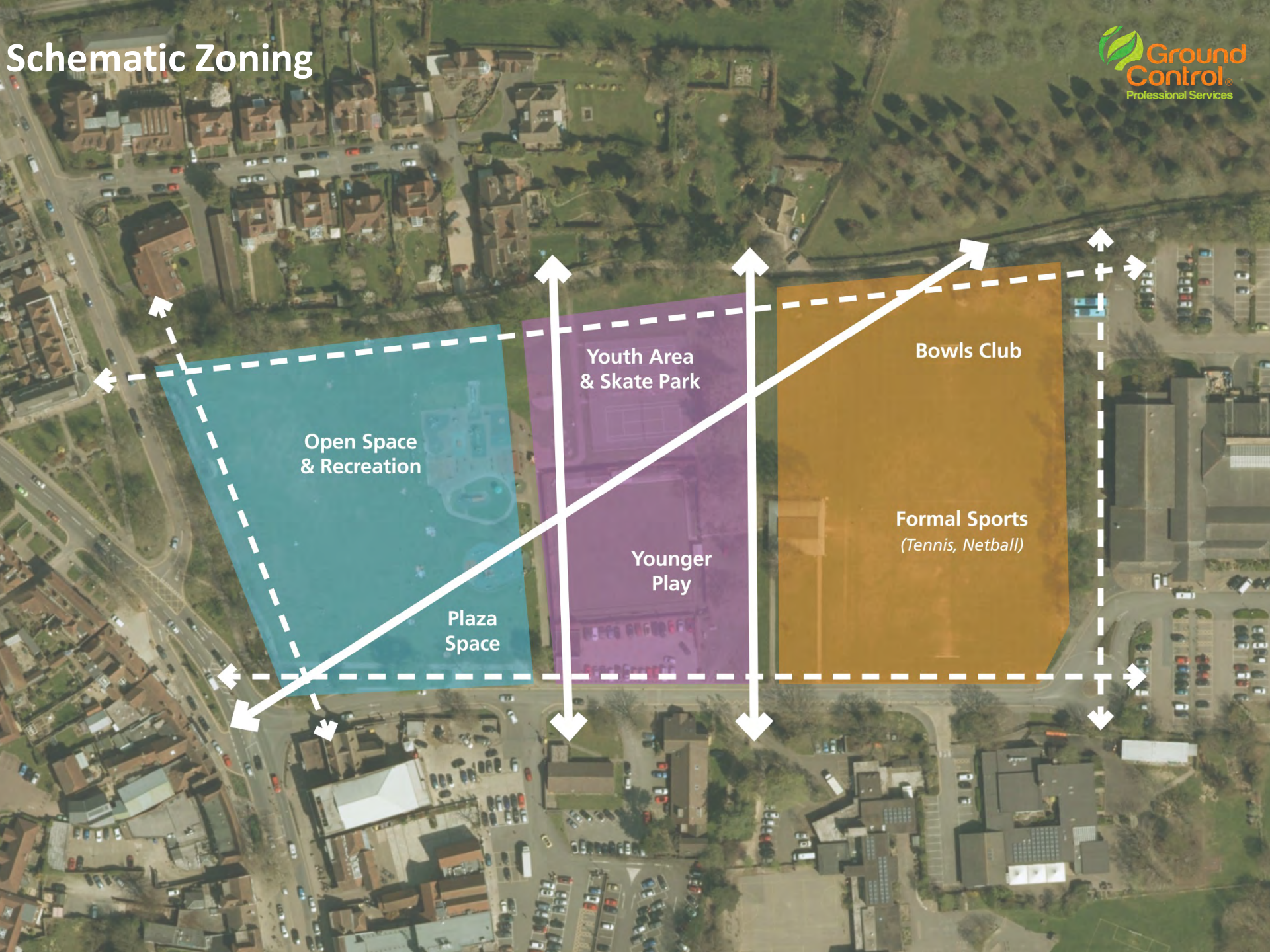
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School

Circulation



Schematic Zoning



Spatial Zoning Proposals

“ Optimum solution for the function and future legacy of Tenterden Recreation Ground”

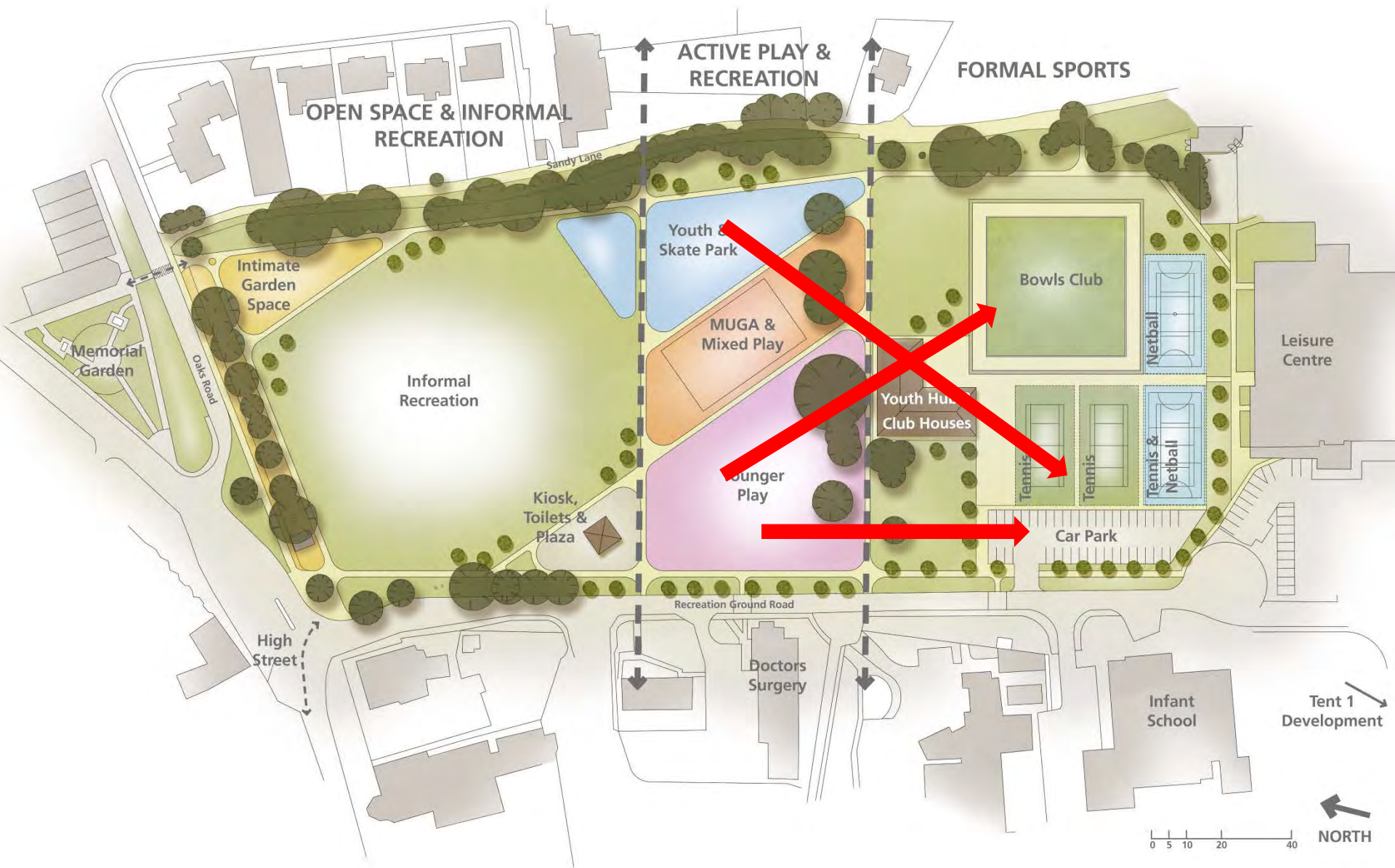
This is subject to;

- *Planning & statutory requirements*
- *Liaising with relevant governing bodies such as Sports England and LTA*
- *Stakeholders feedback*
- *Budget and additional funding streams*

Spatial Zoning Plan



Spatial Zoning Plan – Key Moves



Open Space & Informal Recreation

Design Principles

- *Extend open space and traditional village green character*
- *Perimeter footpath around the green*
- *Connection to the memorial garden with the introduction of a Intimate Garden Space*
- *Kiosk / Plaza Area nearer the entrances and active play zone*
- *Extension of the tree line along Recreation Ground Road*



Active Play /Recreation

Design Principles

- *Located with back ground of existing mature tree line, allowing integration of natural play features*
- *Younger Play area nearer the access paths, kiosk and facilities*
- *Enhanced buffer between Sandy Lane and recreation ground*
- *MUGA and mixed play area in middle of the active zone separating and connecting the skate park, older and younger play areas*
- *Youth area & skate park located at the back of active zone with clear connections to the Youth Hub*

Formal Sports

Design Principles

- ***Located nearer and direct access to the leisure centre***
- ***Shared club house with separate access, facilities and spill out areas***
- ***Removal of the vegetated mound along the leisure centre boundary***
- ***Relocated car park nearer the sport facilities and club house***
- ***4 courts in total including 4 Tennis and 2 Netball lining***

Activity: Discuss & Reflect



- *Discuss the scheme as mixed stakeholders*
- *Using the stickers plot positive and negative zones (Red/Amber/Green)*
- *Each plot needs a justification*
- *Select 1 member to present back to the group*
- *30 minutes exercise*

Next Steps

We will collate, review and reflect on focus group feedback

We will develop and refine the zonal master plan

Carry pre-planning application discussions and liaising with the relevant statutory/governing bodies

Define the zones to develop a final master plan

Present the completed Landscape Proposals

Next focus Group Meeting:
TBC

Thank you

