

NOTES

The proposed scheme seeks to integrate the existing play area much more strongly into the country parks. The majority of the fencing has been removed and play features extend outwards to encourage exploration.

A combination of existing play equipment, supplemented with natural materials will offer a wealth of play opportunities for children whilst still respecting the natural environment of the site.

A new 'beach' area would provide sand and water play, building on the paddling that already takes place in summer. Stepping stones set in the shallow water (alongside the ford) will provide ample space for children to play right in the water. The sand area is raised and retained with a timber or sand bag wall.

We would also like to investigate using the pillbox as a teen space, by clearing the nettles on the island and providing steps to the roof. This would be dependant on its structural stability and any listing restrictions.

The bulk of the existing grass area is left open to accommodate occasional events and informal ball games

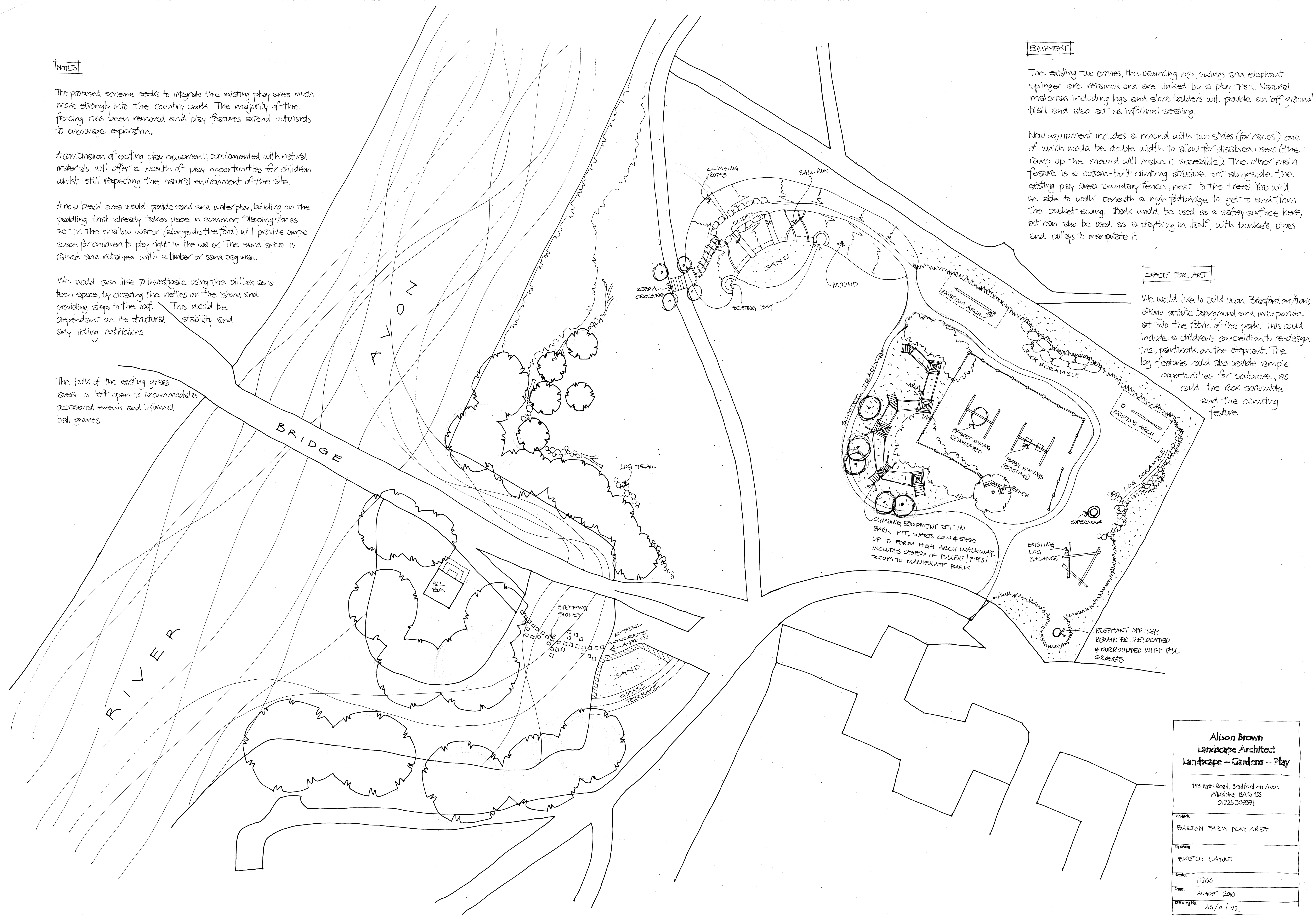
EQUIPMENT

The existing two arches, the balancing logs, swings and elephant springer are retained and are linked by a play trail. Natural materials including logs and stone boulders will provide an 'off ground' trail and also act as informal seating.

New equipment includes a mound with two slides (for races), one of which would be double width to allow for disabled users (the ramp up the mound will make it accessible). The other main feature is a custom-built climbing structure set alongside the existing play area boundary fence, next to the trees. You will be able to walk beneath a high footbridge to get to and from the basket swing. Bark would be used as a safety surface here, but can also be used as a plaything in itself, with buckets, pipes and pulleys to manipulate it.

SPACE FOR ART

We would like to build upon Bradford on Avon's strong artistic background and incorporate art into the fabric of the park. This could include a children's competition to re-design the paintwork on the elephant. The log features could also provide simple opportunities for sculpture, as could the rock scramble and the climbing feature.



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