

# Memorial Gardens, Kingston upon Thames

## The story so far .... March 2020 to March 2024

Kingston Council and Kingston First are continuing their partnership to transform spaces across Kingston town centre into places where everyone can unwind, enjoy and connect with nature.

We are excited to share the updated proposals for public realm improvements at Memorial Gardens, which build on the previous engagement and design work carried out by local award-winning landscape architects Davies White in November 2023.

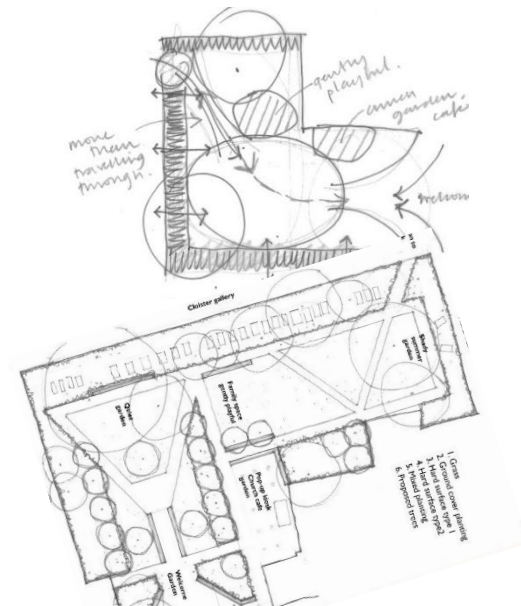
Thank you to all of those who have taken the time to provide their thoughts on the designs so far. We hope you agree that the developed designs reflect the feedback given. We are looking to submit a planning application for the proposals shortly, where there will be another opportunity for you to provide thoughts as part of the planning process.

Should you have any further questions, please get in touch with the project team:

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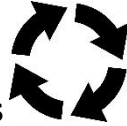
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# Public Engagement Event – November 2023

Lots of comments and ideas were shared and the new design reflects as many of them as possible.

**Improve circulation routes and options**



**Allow for Pop-up events**



**Enhance Natures home**



**Include Inclusive Seating**



**Consider subtle lighting**



**Resilient, playful and colourful planting**



**Preserve War Memorial**



**Consider all visitor moods and needs**



**Welcome 'well behaved' Dogs (inc bins/ signs)**



**Address Pigeon issue**



**Gently playful (natural not equipment)**



**Remove railings & add access to cloisters**



**Protect & include heritage**



**Include bins & separate shelter**



**Protect and care for trees & add blossom trees**



**Establish Friends of Group**



This is a summary of the key topics discussed at the in-person public engagement event. They are not listed in any sort of priority order.

# What the gardens might look like – key features

Resilient Planting



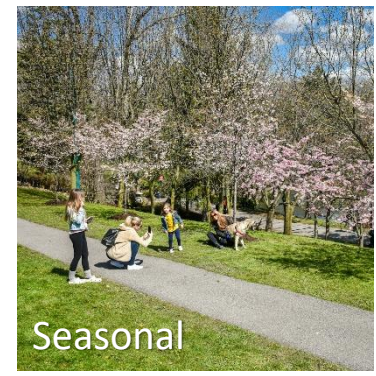
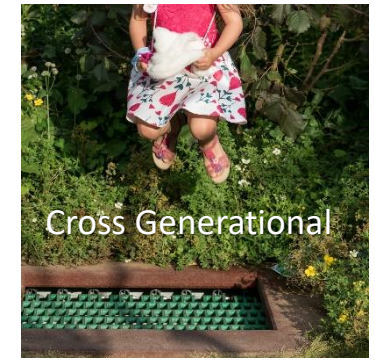
Blossom Trees



Gently Playful



Inclusive Furniture

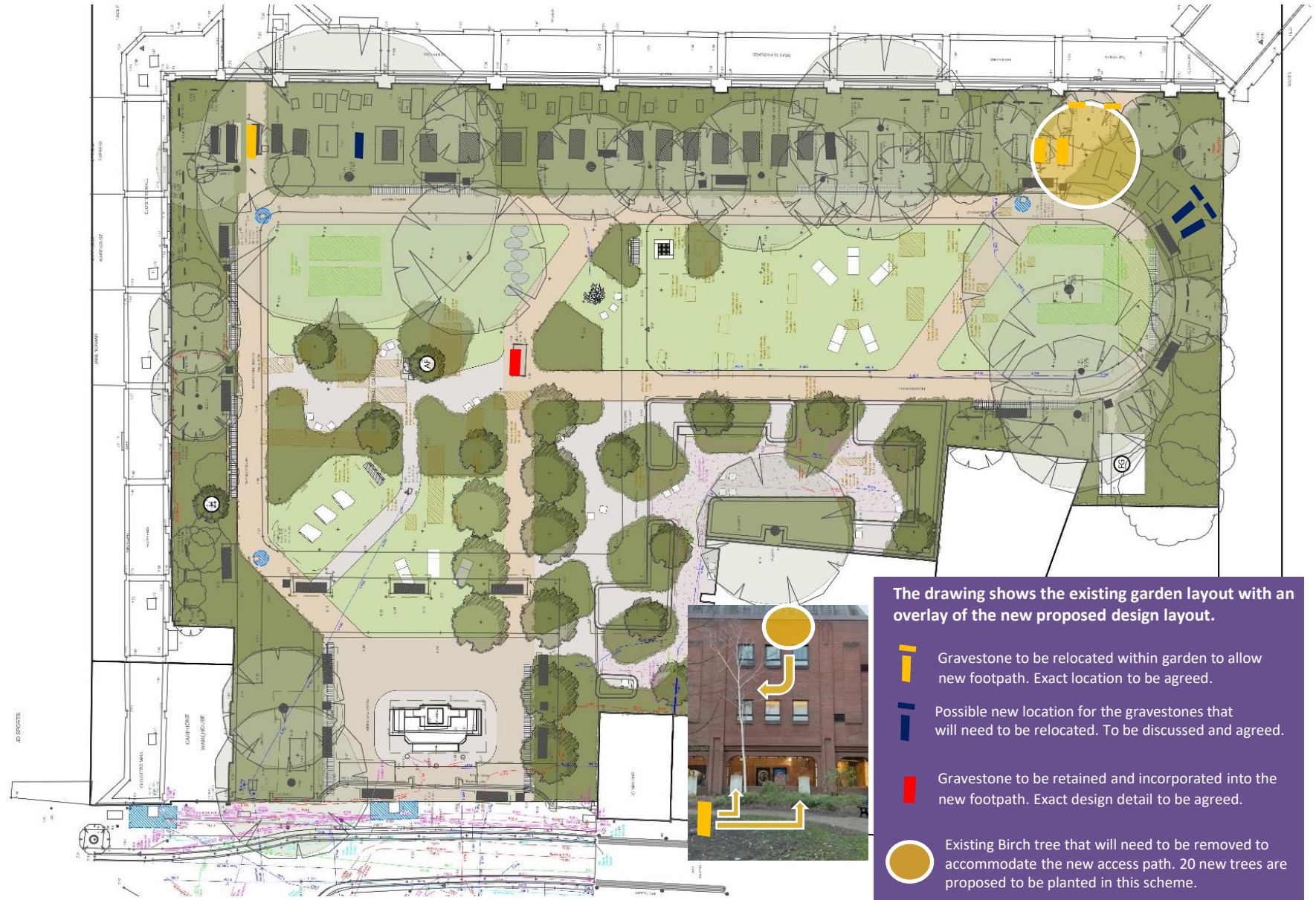


# What the new gardens might look like – key features







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Gravestones to be relocated within the gardens and a Birch Tree that will need to be removed and replaced to accommodate the additional access point into the cloisters.



The drawing shows the existing garden layout with an overlay of the new proposed design layout.

-  Gravestone to be relocated within garden to allow new footpath. Exact location to be agreed.
-  Possible new location for the gravestones that will need to be relocated. To be discussed and agreed.
-  Gravestone to be retained and incorporated into the new footpath. Exact design detail to be agreed.
-  Existing Birch tree that will need to be removed to accommodate the new access path. 20 new trees are proposed to be planted in this scheme.

# Kingston's Memorial Garden Proposals 2024



Hard Landscape





Scale 1:200 Model

**NOTE:**








This drawing is for planning purposes only. Do not use this drawing for construction, setting out, or for the taking of measurements.





**Key**

**Existing Landscape**




-  Existing buildings
-  Existing trees
-  Holocaust Memorial tree, including new plaque
-  Anne Frank Memorial tree, including new plaque

**Hard Landscape**

-  Bound gravel
-  Existing Yorkston to be relaid
-  Cobbles
-  Stepping stones
-  Willow pool
-  In-ground trampoline
-  Hollow log

-  Artificial grass loungers
-  Vestre APRIL GO seats
-  Vestre VROOM bench
-  Friendship Group Shed

**Soft Landscape**

-  Proposed tree
-  Proposed planting
-  Proposed lawn



No.	Date	By	Revision Notes
6	26/02/2024	DC	Updated landscape layout

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