

# New Parkland Consultation



The site shown on this page is situated to the north of Meridian Way and east of the M1 adjacent to Thorpe Astley. It is owned by the Trustees of the Drummond Estate.

Now the Meridian Way bridge over the M1 is complete, the land is to be landscaped and a new area of parkland created.

Technical survey work has been undertaken to understand the constraints and opportunities the site poses.

The team have been in consultation with Blaby District Council, Braunstone Town Council and New Lubbethorpe Parish to understand what features the new parkland should possess and how the space should function.
















A list of requirements has been provided and these have all been included within the proposals.

These posters show a preferred concept for an area of parkland that will integrate with the existing public green spaces around it.

We welcome your comments and feedback on what we hope will be an exciting new use for this land.





-  Site boundary
-  Contours
-  Footpath
-  Seating area
-  Public art
-  Welcome signage
-  Potential views
-  Existing watercourse
-  Surface water drainage
-  Community orchard
-  Usable open space around existing play area
-  Fenced area for off-lead dog exercise
-  Existing tree and scrub vegetation
-  Tree / woodland planting
-  Parkland / street trees

A new area of public parkland is proposed adjacent to, and connecting strongly with, existing parkland along the western edge of Thorpe Astley.

The proposals include reworked landform seeded with varied grassland habitats and new woodland blocks.

Surface water drainage proposals include filter drains, swales and a pond with permanent water.

New footpath / cycle routes connect the existing parkland and children's play area with Meridian Way and smaller recreational routes make the full range of proposed spaces accessible.

Seating, public art and an orchard offer further interest and will create new focal features.

A fenced-off area will be created for dogs to be exercised off the lead.



Mounded landform creates focal points.



Contrasting grass species for texture and movement



Opportunities for rest and experience previously unseen views



Playful sculpture forms a local landmark



Landform defines routes and creates a range of spaces



New areas of woodland and open space

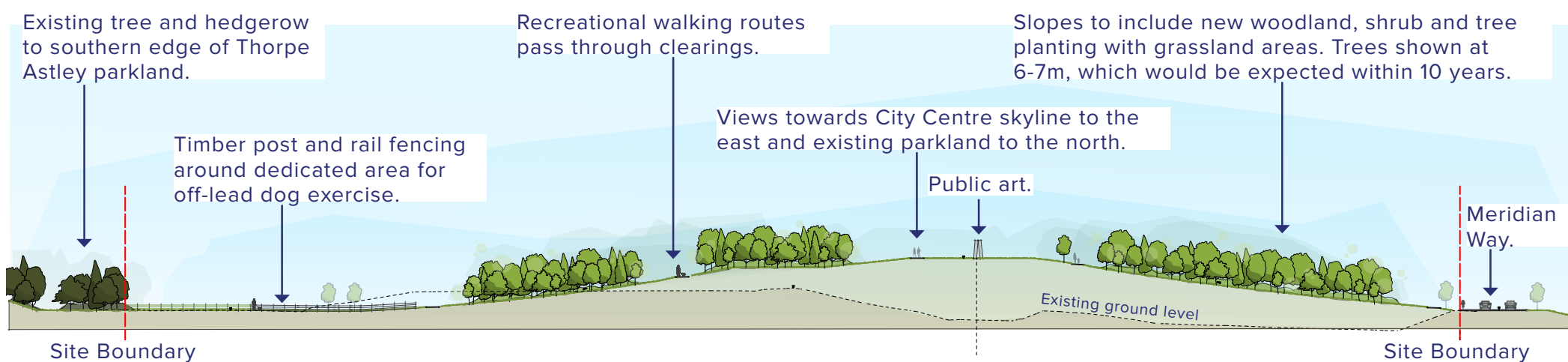


Elevated vantage point with feature defining summit



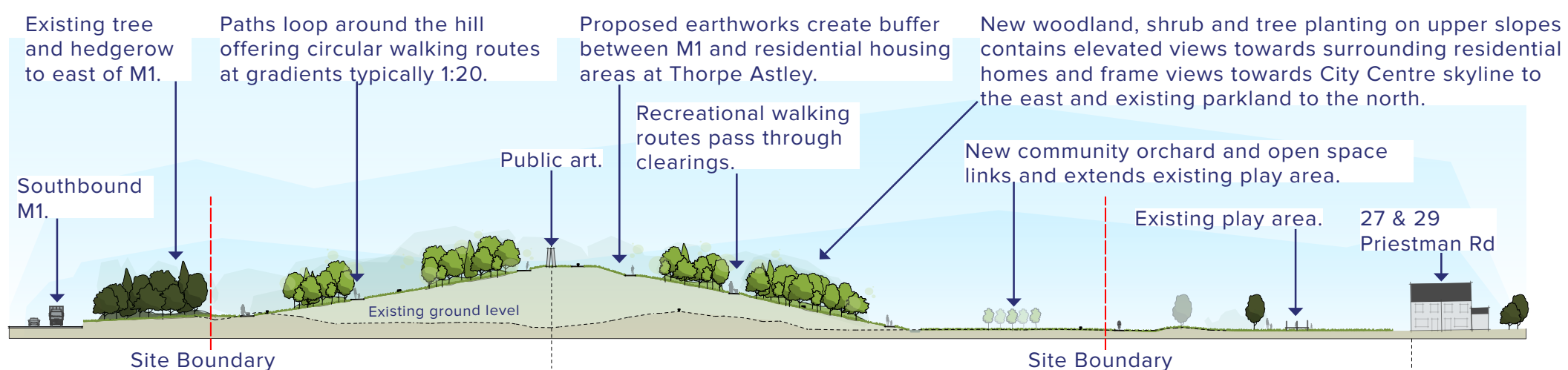
Tree planting accompanies paths





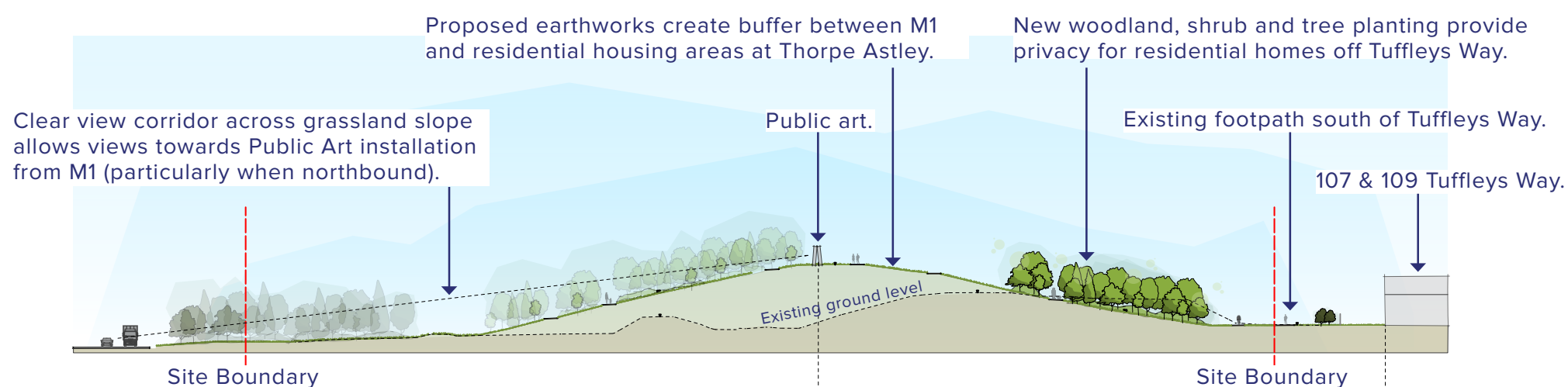
## Section A-A

Distance between edge of Meridian Way and proposed highest point approximately 80m.



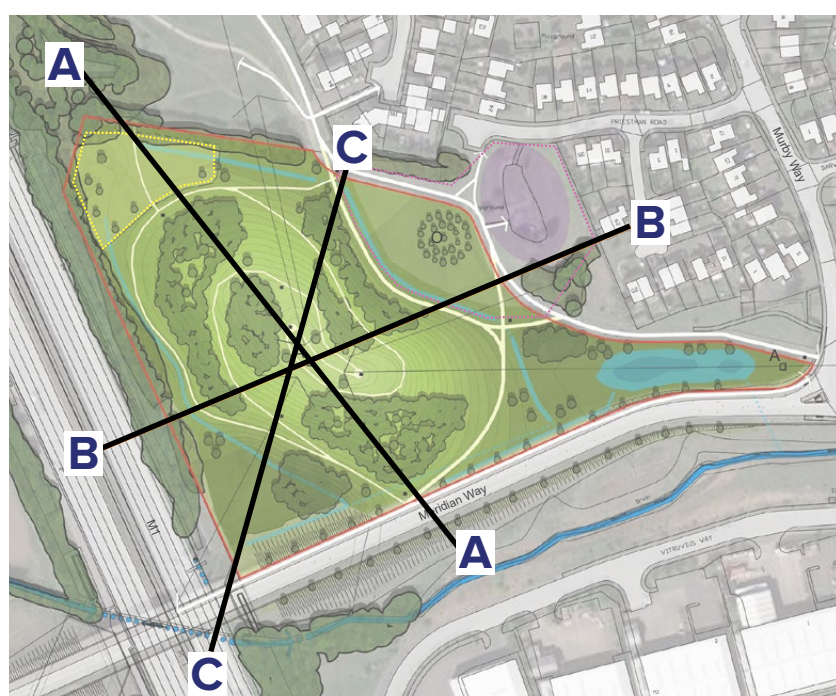
## Section B-B

Distance between existing homes and proposed highest point approximately 140m.



## Section C-C

Distance between existing homes and proposed highest point approximately 90m.



The new parkland will offer a variety of open spaces, walking routes and a more direct connection with Meridian Way.

The revised landform will create carefully framed views across parkland to the north and views east to the Leicester city skyline.

Public artwork is yet to be designed but will create memorable focal features (proposals will follow later).

FPCR is an Environmental Design Consultancy and is consulting on the proposals ahead of submitting a planning application in early Autumn. If you have any comments, please send them by the 2nd August 2021 to:

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