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Description of the project:

Locations:

Site 1: The open space is located along the southern edge of Balgaddy Road. To the east lies Tor an Ri Court and the western edge is bounded by Meile an Ri Green and Meile an Ri Road. To the south lies the Fonthill Link Road.

Site 2: This oval shaped open space is located at Meile an Ri View and is surrounded by houses.

Site 3: This site is the northern edge of the open space along Balgaddy Road between Foxborough and Balgaddy.

Proposals:

Site 1: A wide footpath is proposed for the northern edge with trees along the roadside. An appropriate boundary treatment will be used as required around the park.

Within the park pedestrian footpaths will provide internal links. A central spinal path will run in a north-west to south-east direction. Smaller pedestrian footpaths will connect to this central footpath from east and west.

A new multi use games area (MUGA) is proposed for the northern portion of the park. A playground for younger children; (toddlers to 12 years) is proposed for the central area of the park.

The area between the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) and the playground will be grass with trees adjacent to the pathways.

The area to the west of the central north-west to south-east path will consist of grass bounded by a curve of trees. Beyond this longer grasses and wild flowers is proposed. (A strip of mown grass 2-3m wide will bound all footpaths in this area). This portion of the site does not have an intense landscape treatment. The housing intended originally for this site may be implemented at a future date.

Trees will be planted along footpaths and within the park to provide shade and shelter and will generally match those species existing within Balgaddy. All trees will have high clear stems to ensure sightlines are unimpeded.

The Clonburris Strategic Development Zone to the south of the Fonthill Link Road contains proposals for a pedestrian crossing on the Fonthill Link Road to facilitate a link between this proposed park and Clonburris; with its proposed local centre, schools, and transport interchange on the Fonthill Road. This plan shows the location of this proposed link, (outlined in blue and labelled 'future link') which will be created at a future date when access is required to the facilities proposed at Clonburris.

Site 2: The existing remnant shrubs will be removed. Trees to match those existing adjacent will be planted around the periphery of the site as shown and the top soil cultivated and seeded.

Site 3: The existing boundary will be moved back as depicted and a footpath and grass verge with tree planting (to match those existing at Foxborough) installed at the roadside edge. A grass verge with trees and will extend down the western edge of Tor and Ri Walk.

In all three sites tactile paving and dropped kerbs will be installed as appropriate in proposed footpaths to match existing tactile on site.

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