



*The latest news from the*

# Springfield Park Restoration Project

November 2020



Welcome back to the Springfield Park Restoration Project newsletter.

Have you visited Springfield Park recently? Work has progressed at a pace for the majority of the year and the restoration works are nearing completion.

Let's take a look at what has been happening and what we have left to do.

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## Springfield House

We are currently completing all decorations and carpentry and the mechanical and electrical works are being finalised. Other work being completed includes; preparing the ground for the new ramp to the park toilets, window installations, tiling works and floor finishes.

*Below: Final works to complete the front rooms ready for the cafe to be reinstated.*



*Below: View towards the front door*



We are currently completing all carpentry and decorations including floor finishes, and all electrical work is nearly finished.

*Below: Final works to electricals and decoration to one of the upstairs rooms.*



### **Community Building**

Our exciting Community Events Venue is close to completion, with the final electricals, tiling and decoration works progressing.

*Below; Looking into the new Venue from the Courtyard area*





*Below: Inside the Ceremony Room*



### **External areas**

The landscape works and refurbishment of the bandstand are due to be finished by December.



*Below: The ramp at Wilson's Hill has been completed*



## **Final Play Area Designs Announced**

We are delighted to present the final designs for the play areas in Springfield Park.

Both designs are informed by consultations with local people and key stakeholders who have been involved with the development of the Restoration Project over the

The play areas are funded by the London Marathon Charitable Trust and will be a very welcome addition to Springfield Park.

The play area work is now starting and will be completed by the start of the new year.

## SPRINGFIELD PARK NEW PLAY AREA



- A** Main Entrance - Incorporating existing mature vegetation with proposed carved timber archway to create magical and mysterious entrance.
- B** Imaginative Play Zone - Timber teepee and recycled logs, with natural boulders and opportunity to explore the adjacent "woodland".
- C** Adventure Play Zone - Various exciting climbing frames around the Beech Tree stump, with bark mulch safety surfacing.
- D** Natural Play Zone - More formal play including rolling ground, swing, balance beams and rope. Green wet pour safety surface.
- E** Supervision and Picnic space - Seating area with shade from nearby trees. Picnic tables, recycled logs and boulders provide additional seating and play opportunities.
- F** Secondary Entrance - Link to the main access from the north side of the park.
- G** Play Area Boundary - Bow top fencing with swathes of planting soften edges of the play spaces.

# SPRINGFIELD PARK EXISTING PLAY AREA RENOVATION



- (A) Climbing Frame - Climbing and adventure multi-play structure added to existing trim trail route.
- (B) Improvements to Existing Play - Additional natural balance play item added to existing play area to improve play provision and extend a continuous trail route.
- (C) Existing Bridge Improvements - Simple balance play elements added to the zone to add play value.
- (D) Informal Boundary - Grass mounds with scrub grassland demarcating play edge from the cricket field on site.
- (E) Formal Footpath - Additional route improves access and link to existing entrance points.
- (F) Buffer to Tennis Courts - Scrub grassland by management along tennis courts edge to enclose the play space.
- (G) Vertical Interests - Draw more attention from the busy park route along the river and mark the entrance to the play area.

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## Other News

### Community Events Venue is named

The new Community Venue has been named 'The Glass House' in reflection of the historic glasshouses which previously stood here. Inside the Venue, the generous space which forms the reception space has been named 'The Orchard Room' and the Ceremony Room has been called 'The Sky Room' in reflection of the skylight in the centre of the room.

We are receiving lots of interest from the public to use the venue. More information on the opportunity to hire the spaces can be found at <https://www.hackneyvenues.com/the-glass-house>

### Activity Plan

After the Restoration Project capital works have been completed, we will be delivering a 3 year Activity Plan which seeks to engage our communities with the newly restored park. This will include a families programme, school activities, physical exercise activities and volunteering opportunities.

Given the current pandemic, we anticipate this will get started from Easter but we are hard at work developing our plans and proposals to make Springfield Park an exciting destination for all.

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