

Queens Drive Temporary MUGA

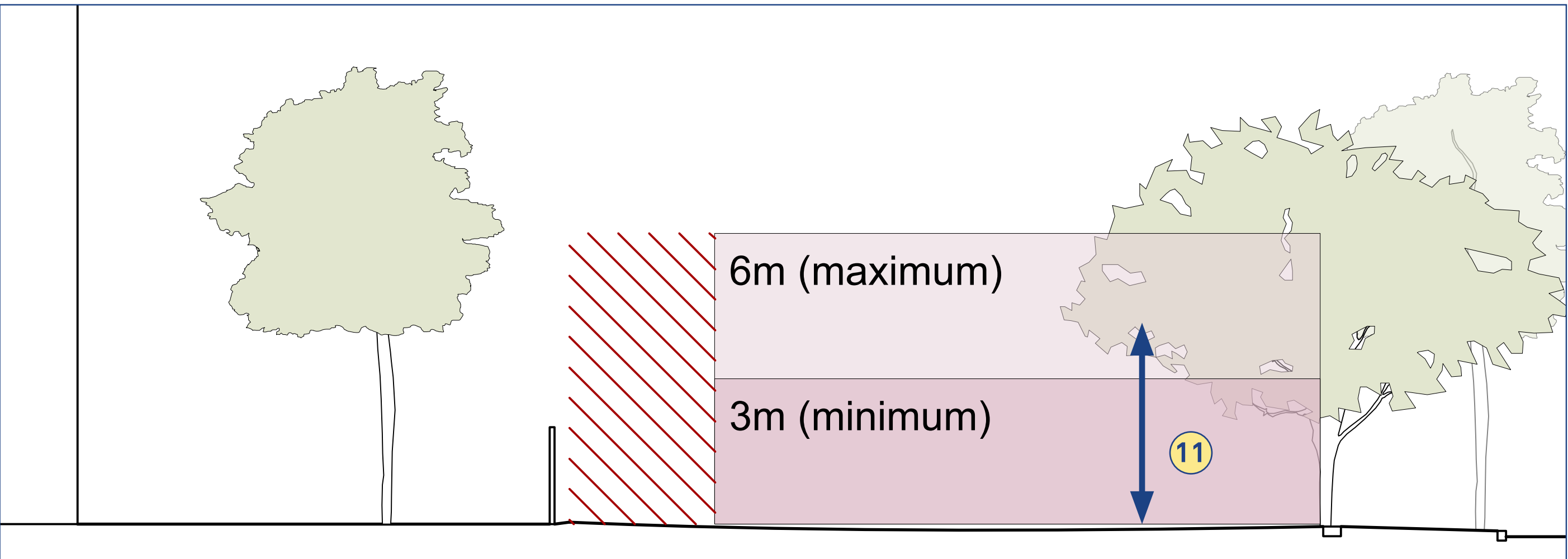
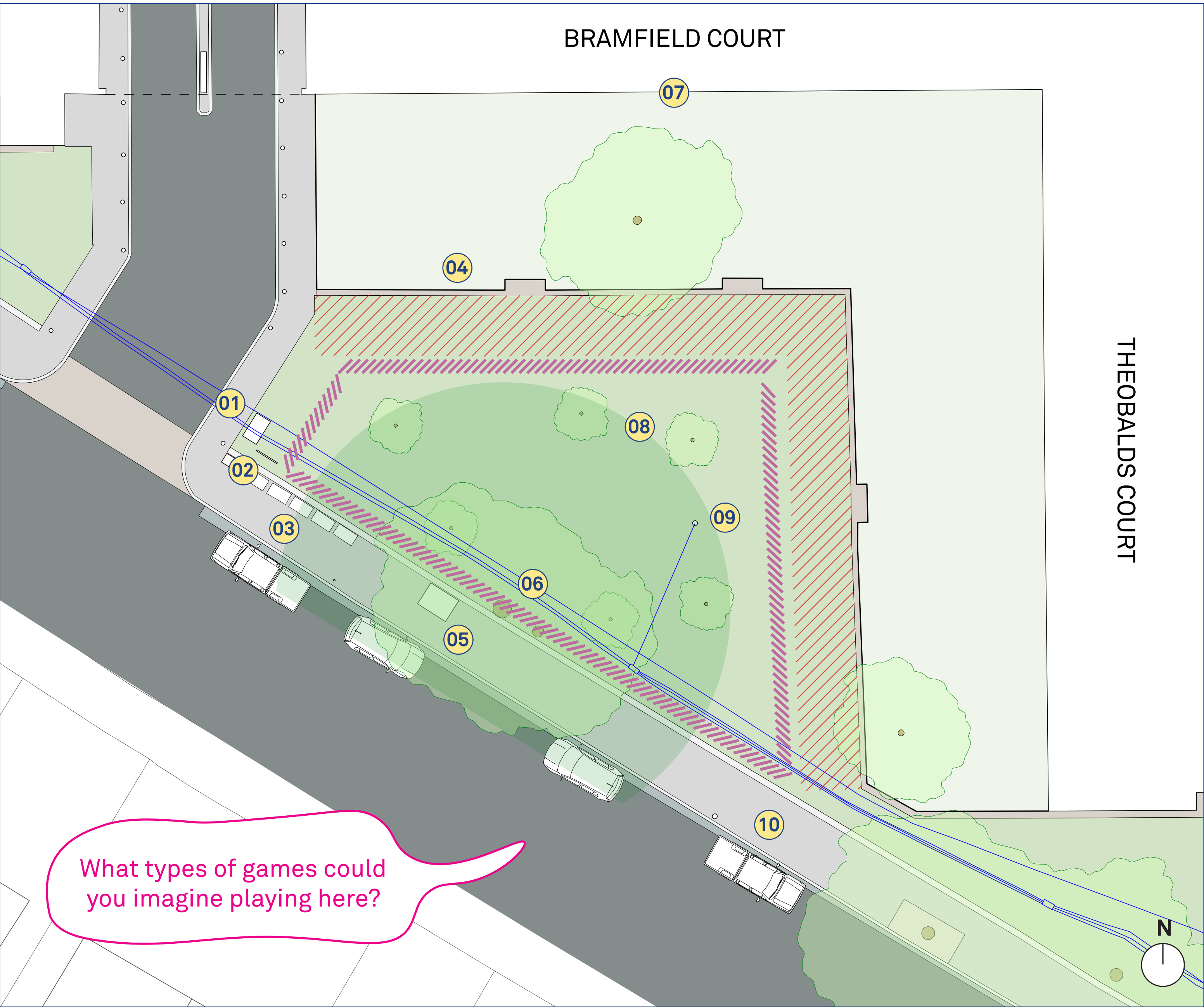
To ensure children and families retain safe space to play during the construction phase of the Kings Crescent estate regeneration, Hackney Council are collaborating with muf architecture/art to propose a temporary Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) on Queens Drive.

Our intention is to create an inclusive space while remaining deeply mindful of our residents, addressing concerns they may have around noise, safety and anti-social behaviour.

This is a temporary installation designed to be easily removed in the future, and will be actively managed rather than left unmonitored. We want to hear your thoughts to help shape the design and management approach.



Challenges & Opportunities

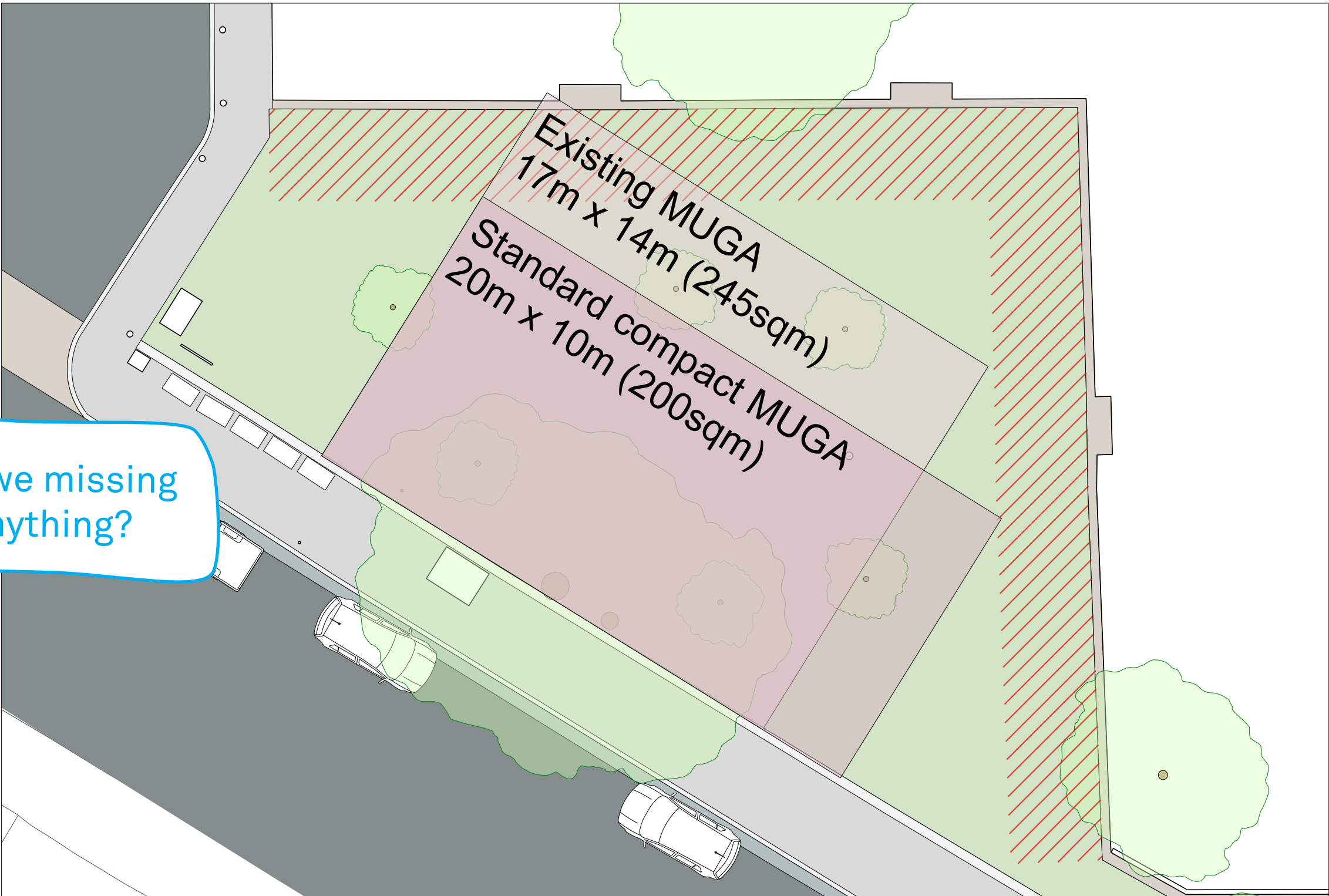


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Considerations

- **Types of games** –how can we design the shape of the MUGA to allow for lots of different types of play and ball games?
- **Noise** – what types of fencing can minimise the impact of noise on Bramfield and Theobalds Court residents?
- **Surface** – what type of surface works well for ball games and can also be removed in the future without disrupting existing tree roots and underground services?
- **Access** - should the MUGA be lockable or open to use at all times?
- **Lighting** - what type of lighting is needed to make the space usable during the winter months without impacting Bramfield and Theobalds Court residents?
- **Active edges** – there is an opportunity to create a larger playable area by introducing additional play opportunities outside of the MUGA edge

Are we missing anything?



Due to the existing site constraints, a standard rectangular-shaped MUGA will not fit within the available area.

We therefore have an exciting opportunity to design a bespoke shaped MUGA that is designed to host different types of games and activities, whilst still protecting the adjacent properties, private gardens and parked cars.

Examples of non-standard MUGA's



Bogaardplein Rijswijk, The Hague

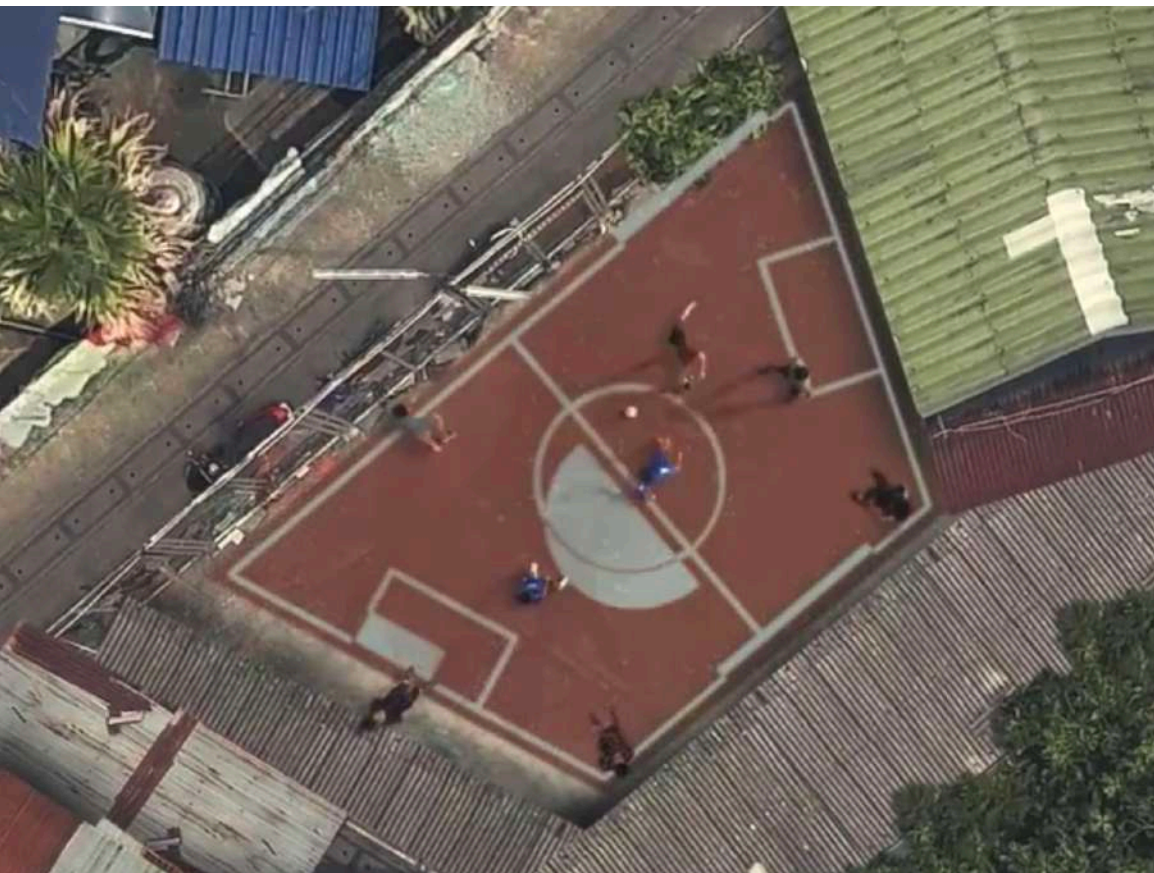


Sadler Close Estate, Mitcham

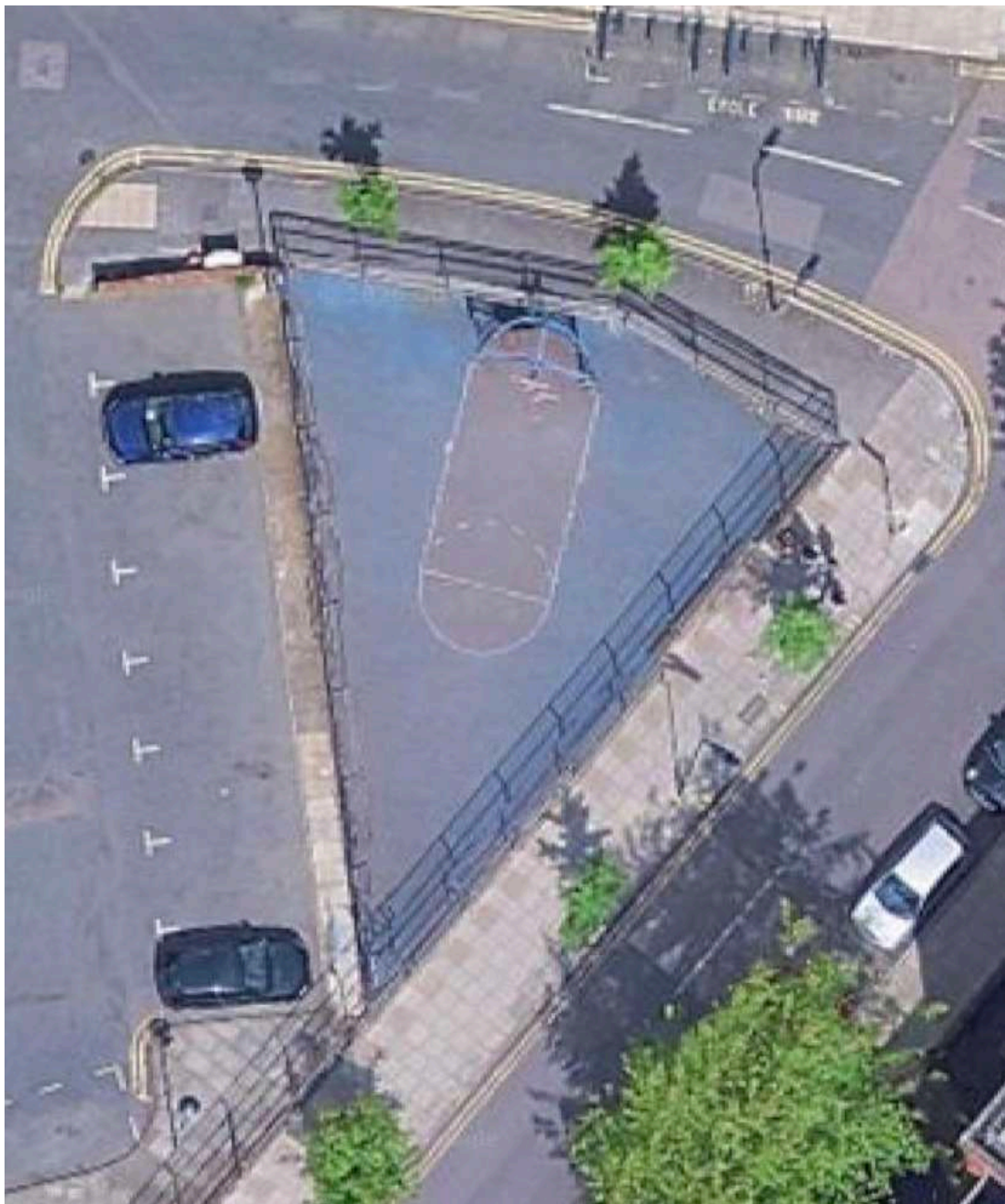
What type of shape would you like to play on?



Chase Lane Park, London



Bangkok, Thailand



Moye Close, Hackney

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Early Ideas



Tree as setting



Space for more than just ball sports

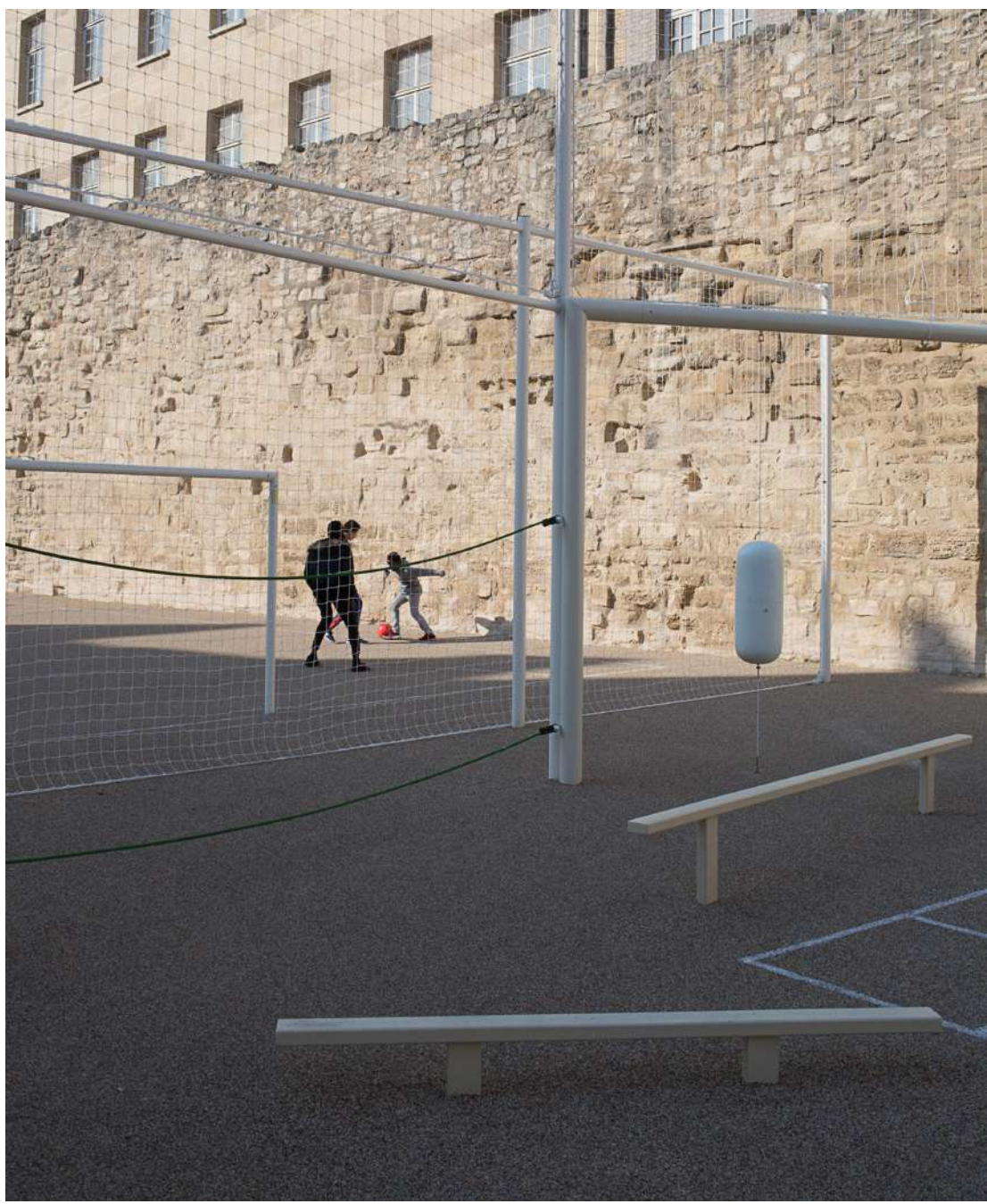
What are your ideas?



Open fencing



Biodiverse boundary



Playable edges

Surfacing



Fencing



We have researched various surface materials and we think that **Bonded Rubber Mulch** is the best solution because:

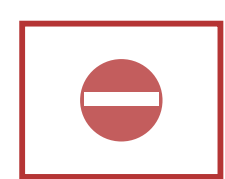
- It can be laid directly on top of the existing turf, avoiding disruption to tree roots and services - this means it can also be easily removed in the future
- It is permeable so there will be no puddling after it rains, allowing for year-round play
- It comes in a range of colours which can be used to create different designs and shapes

We are exploring bespoke fencing systems to create a uniquely shaped MUGA that supports a variety of sports and games. The fencing will help reduce the impact of noise and protect nearby properties, private gardens and parked cars.

We require a flexible system that can be designed to avoid disrupting underground tree roots.

We are currently exploring both **Rigid Fence Panels** and **Wire Mesh** as options.

What do you think would work best?



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Kings Crescent Estate is entering its next construction phase. This map shows where the construction site is, with a red outline, it is fully out of bounds for residents and only accessible for construction workers and deliveries.

The two delivery points are shown on the map.

During this phase we want to make sure that everyone is able to safely access the places they need to go to and that children are able to play outside with their friends as much as they can.

We are producing a **Safe Play Charter** to explain where children can play and the support we will provide. Through an active management approach, we will directly facilitate play opportunities and continuously monitor play spaces throughout construction to ensure safety and respond to community needs. To help shape this Charter, our monitoring process, and general safety measures, we want to hear directly from residents on the estate.