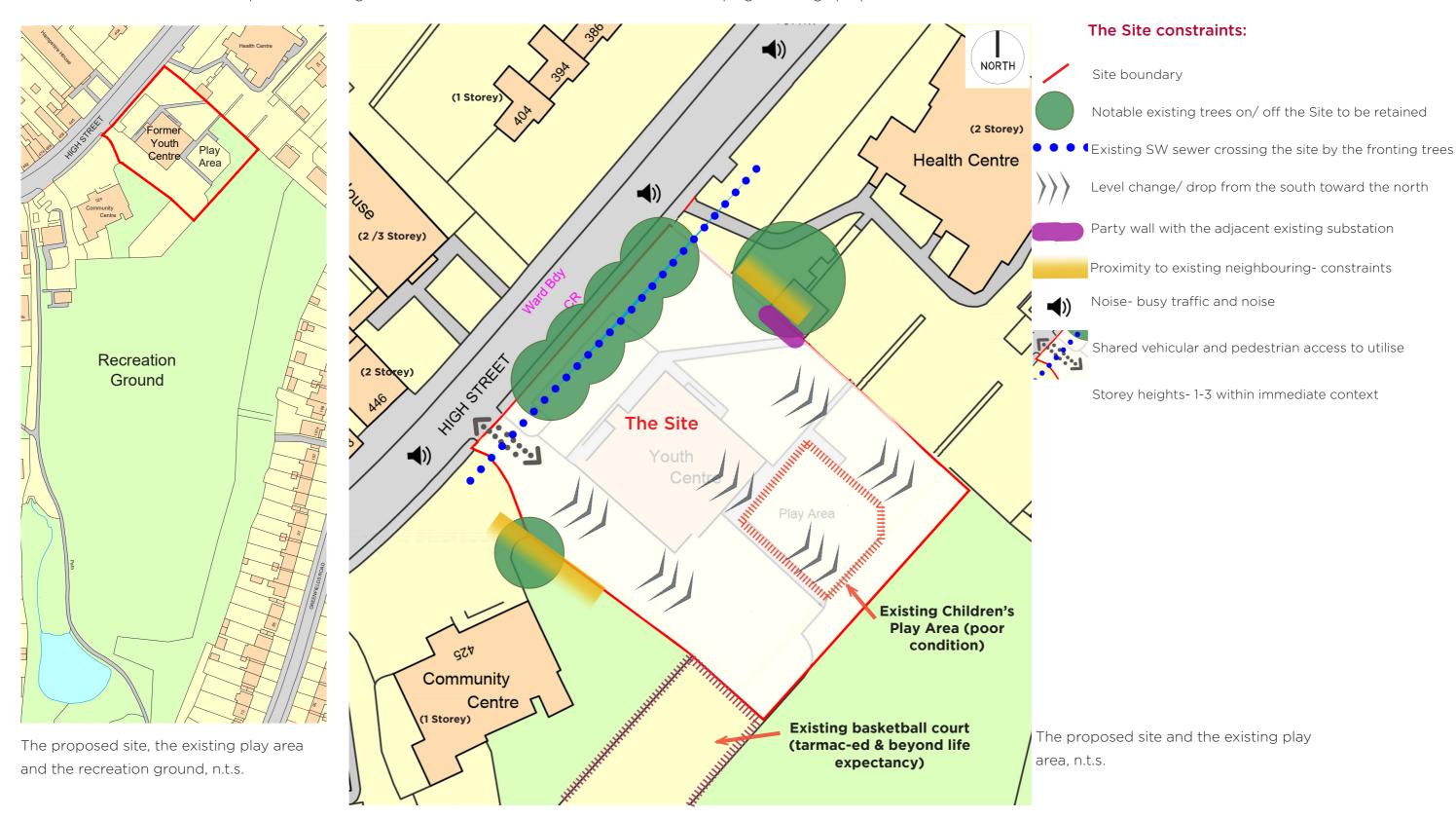
SITE CONSTRAINTS

The urban location of the development site brings constraints that must be considered when developing the design proposals.





SITE OPPORTUNITIES

The urban location of the site brings with it the existing opportunities that helps developing the site





EXISTING FACILITIES PHOTOS









AERIAL VIEW WITH THE EXISTING PLAY AREA

The attached photos, showing the poor condition of the existing Children's Play Area.









THE NEW PLAY AREA AND MULTI-USE GAMES AREA - LOCATION

NEW PLAY AREA AND MULTI-USE GAMES AREA MAP- N.T.S.



The site currently comprises an existing children's play area and a basketball court, both of which are either wholly or partly within the proposed redevelopment area. Both facilities are no longer fit for purpose and are in a very poor condition, especially the children's play area to the rear of the current vacant youth centre. To overcome the loss of these facilities as a result of the redevelopment proposal, Churchill Living have been working closely with the Council to propose suitable relocation and replacement with modern and fit for purpose facilities. These replacement facilities comprise of a Multi-Use Games Area and a children's play area.

The proposed location of these facilities has been shown to be located on the recreation ground, adjacent to the existing Kingswinford Community Hall, thereby affording easy access via the existing pathway.

As part of Churchill Living's involvement, a secondary public footpath has been proposed which will provide direct access to both the children play facilities and the Multi-Use Games Area. This new footpath will therefore enable level access available for use in all weather conditions.

To facilitate this delivery, Churchill Living have teamed up with Playdale Playgrounds Ltd, who specialise in delivering these types of facilities. Extensive works have gone in to ensure state of the art equipment is being supplied, which includes:

- Play equipment for children between the ages of 2-14 years
- Inclusive access and play opportunities, providing a full range of equipment including catering for those with limited mobility.
- Equipment to encourage learning, creative and imaginative play.

Similarly, the proposed Multi-Use Games Area facility, which has been proposed as a replacement and betterment facility for the degraded basketball courts, is a modern and adaptable facility which can be utilised for a host of ball-game sports, including basketball, football and cricket.

An indicative layout which has been produced by Playdale Playrounds Ltd has been shown on page 17.

Both the proposed Multi-Use Games Area and children's play area would be a welcome replacement and overall betterment to the existing facilities which are currently present on this site, both of which have been considered unfit for purpose and at the end of their functional life.

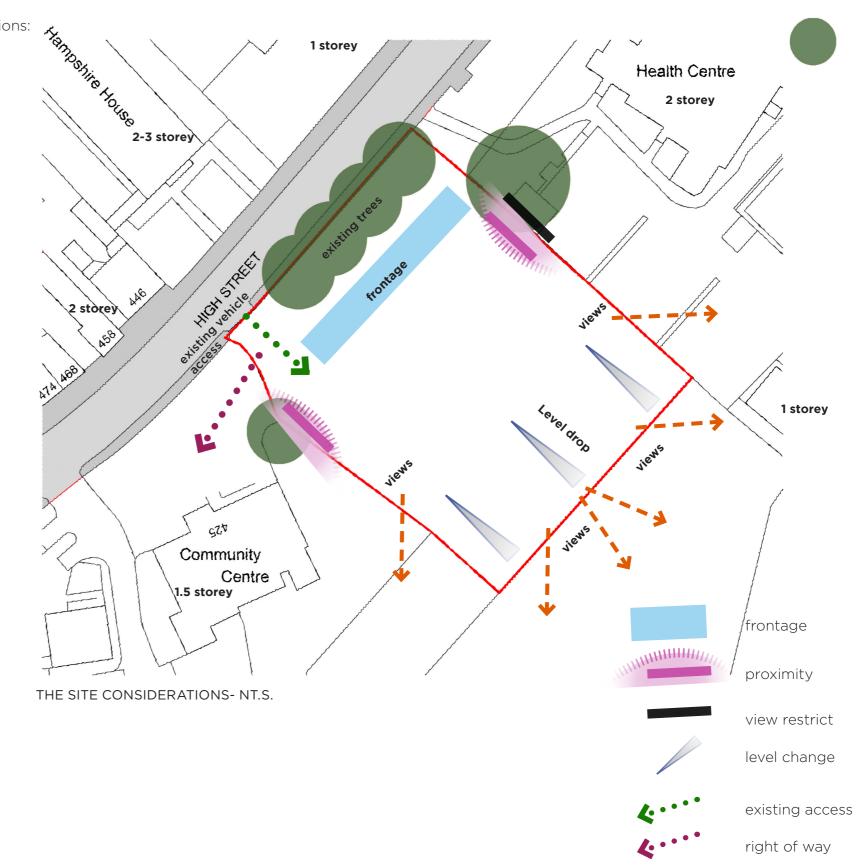
Churchill Living, in funding these replacement facilities, hope they will be of a benefit to the wider local community and will be actively used by younger people.



THE CONCEPT

The design concept has taken into account the following considerations:

- the retirement living accommodation requirements,
- the site constraints,
- the existing trees on site and on neighbouring properties,
- the level fall from south towards the north and north east,
- the mass and height of the surroundings,
- the green open spaces and views opportunities,
- the site accessibility and visibility,
- the right of way to the adjacent Community Centre,
- the separation between the private amenity and public realm,





DESIGN EVOLUTION

The images below illustrate the methodology of best placement of the footprint of the building, the shape of the building, the disposition of car parking, landscaping, and building articulation.

BUILDING DISPOSITION - Short frontage to High St & the Park - Short frontage to High St - Short frontage to High St - Good frontage to High St & the park Existing development site - Inadequate amenity distribution - Inadequate amenity distribution - Inadequate amenity distribution - Good amenity distribution - Not the best use of land - Lack of consideration to site level at rear - Not the best use of land - Feasible PARKING LOCATION Existing parking-big hardstanding - Lack of amenity to the north & east - Good car parking location - Good car parking location - Good car parking location - Good for maneuvering - Tight for maneuvering - Good for maneuvering - Good for maneuvering - Not commercially viable - Not the best use of land - Inadequate amenity distribution - Good amenity distribution **ARTICULATION** Existing building The L shaped foot print Primary articulation to create a Secondary articulation to create Further articulation to create wider frontage to the Park niches within the block interest, betterment & wider



amenity

DESIGN PRECEDENTS

As discussed in previous sections, there are a wide variety of design styles within the vicinity of the site; the flat-roofed, modernist style buildings could be founds in Hampshire House, E.ON offices, Larch House, the existing building on site and Kingswinford Shopping Village. Low rise gabled roof post-war dwellings would be founds across High Street, Water Street, Standhills Road, Windermere Drive and Penzer Street. A traditional pitched and hipped roof appearance of the commercial properties is evident on High Street.

A varied material palette can be observed throughout the town. In the vicinity of the subject site alone, there are examples of two storey red brick detached, 20th century dwellings and retails buildings. Red brick has been used widely in the area with sections of concert cladding, stone covering, hanging tiles and coloured rendering enriching the appearance and creating interest within traditional façades. Both of the Community Centre and the Health Centre are constructed of traditional pitched roofs, red brick and sections of cladding.

Examples of Varied Design Styles and Palette of Materials- Kingswinford



LARCH HOUSE APARTMENTS, HIGH



LARCH HOUSE AND E.ON, STANDHILLS ROPMMUNITY CENTRE, HIGH STREET



HEALTH CENTRE, HIGH STREET



E.ON offices, Standhills Road





DWELLINGS, PENZER STREET









DWELLINGS, WATER STREET





HOUSING, HIGH STREET

DWELLINGS. HIGH STREET



KINGSWINFORD SHOPPING VILLAGE. HIGH





DWELLINGS, HIGH STREET TO WATER







DWELLINGS AND COMMERCIAL, HIGH



PROPOSED SITE LAYOUT



PROPOSED ELEVATIONS

Following extensive site analysis and design work, below is the proposed elevations of the scheme.



High Street Aspect - North West Elevation



Community Centre Aspect - South West Elevation



PROPOSED ELEVATIONS

Following extensive site analysis and design work, below is the proposed elevations of the scheme.



Greenfield Aspect - South East Elevation



Health Centre Aspect - North East Elevation

NEXT STEPS

Thank you for taking the time to review our initial proposal for the redevelopment of the former Youth Centre Site in Kingswinford.

We would be most grateful if you could take the time to put any comments or questions you may have into the feedback form on the website.

Feedback received online will be considered by Churchill Living and where feasible inform further development of, or changes to the design and layout of the proposed development.

Once again, thanks for your time.



3D study - access to the development, main entrance and communal sitting area, n.t.s.

