

The Project

The project objective is to generate a long-term concept plan and short term detailed design (associated with Phase 1 implementation) for the Thames Valley Corridor (TVC) on the north side of the Thames River between Wellington Street and Maitland Street, within the South of Horton (SoHo) Community.

The concept plan and detailed design developed from this study will support the goals and objectives of the SoHo Community Improvement Plan and be consistent with Official Plan policies detailed in the Old Victoria Hospital Lands (OVHL) Secondary Plan, while taking into consideration the 'Ribbon of the Thames' vision and the City's desire to maximize the area and value of future OVHL development lands.

Key Recommendations Include:

- Create Gathering Spaces along the top of the Thames Valley Corridor within a new Urban Park Setting;
- Establish Park Amenities for District Park;
- Provide Opportunities for Views to the Thames River and Other Important Site Features;
- Improve Pedestrian Circulation and Linkages to Adjacent City Parks and the Thames Valley Parkway;
- Provide a New Local Shared Pedestrian Driveway along the top of the TVC;
- Integrate the Ecological Recommendations identified in the Environmental Impact Study.

You can forward your questions, comments and suggestions to:
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Tonight's Open House

Since the Community Open House in November, 2018, we have incorporated your input and feedback into the long-term concept plan. Supporting this concept plan, we have prepared a series of graphics which help to illustrate the overall vision.

At this Open House, we want to hear your thoughts on the refined concept plan before we proceed into the detailed design of the phase 1 components, in spring 2019.

Get Involved

We appreciate your feedback! To help us further refine the concept, please provide us with your input tonight either with a Post-It note or discussing with a team member.

Send us an email with your thoughts at tvcsoho@dillon.ca

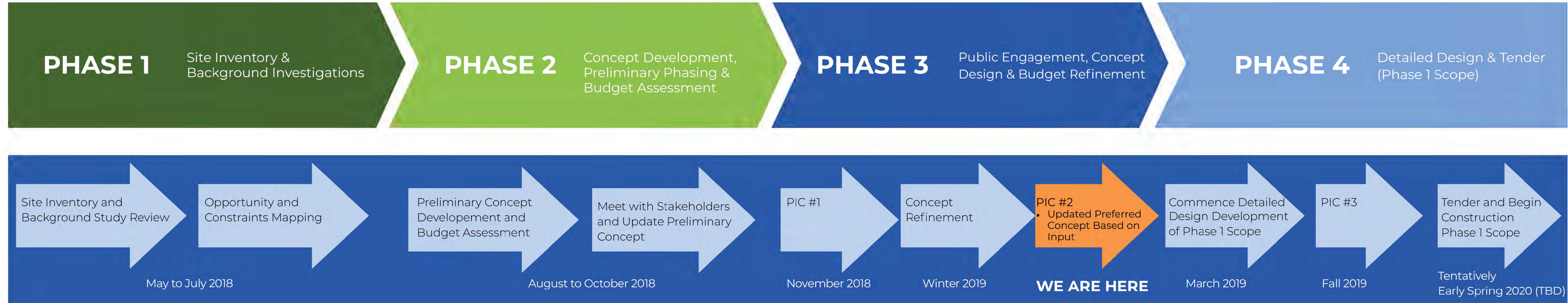
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Existing Site Context



Study Process



Site Context



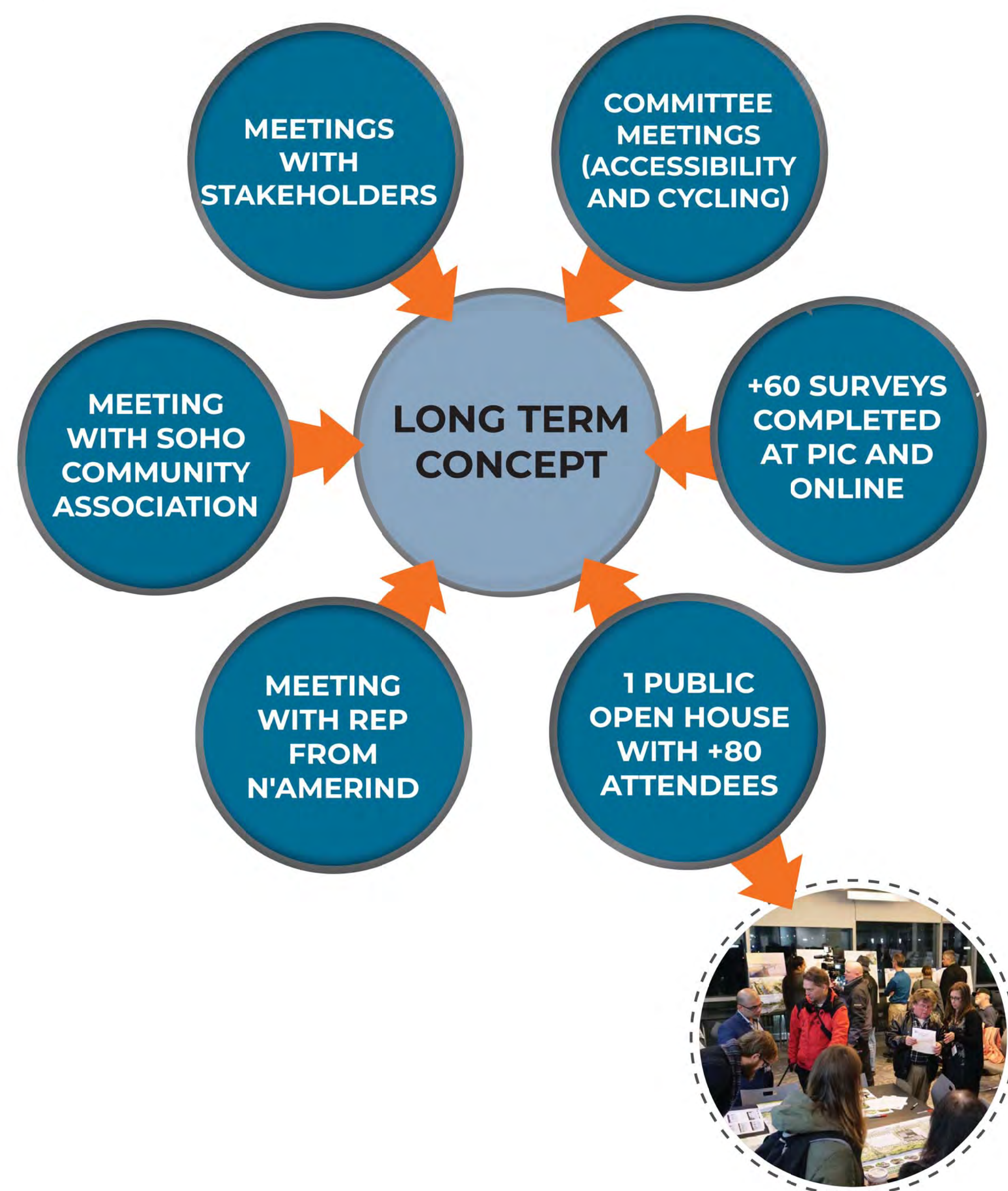
Public Engagement Feedback

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

In November 2018, The City of London held the first Community Open House with over 80 attendants from the community. We also received 60 completed questionnaires and plenty of online input to help refine the proposal.

This open house is a follow up for the proposed Thames Valley Parkway and Park project in the SoHo Community.

The graphic below summarizes the Public Engagement done to date.

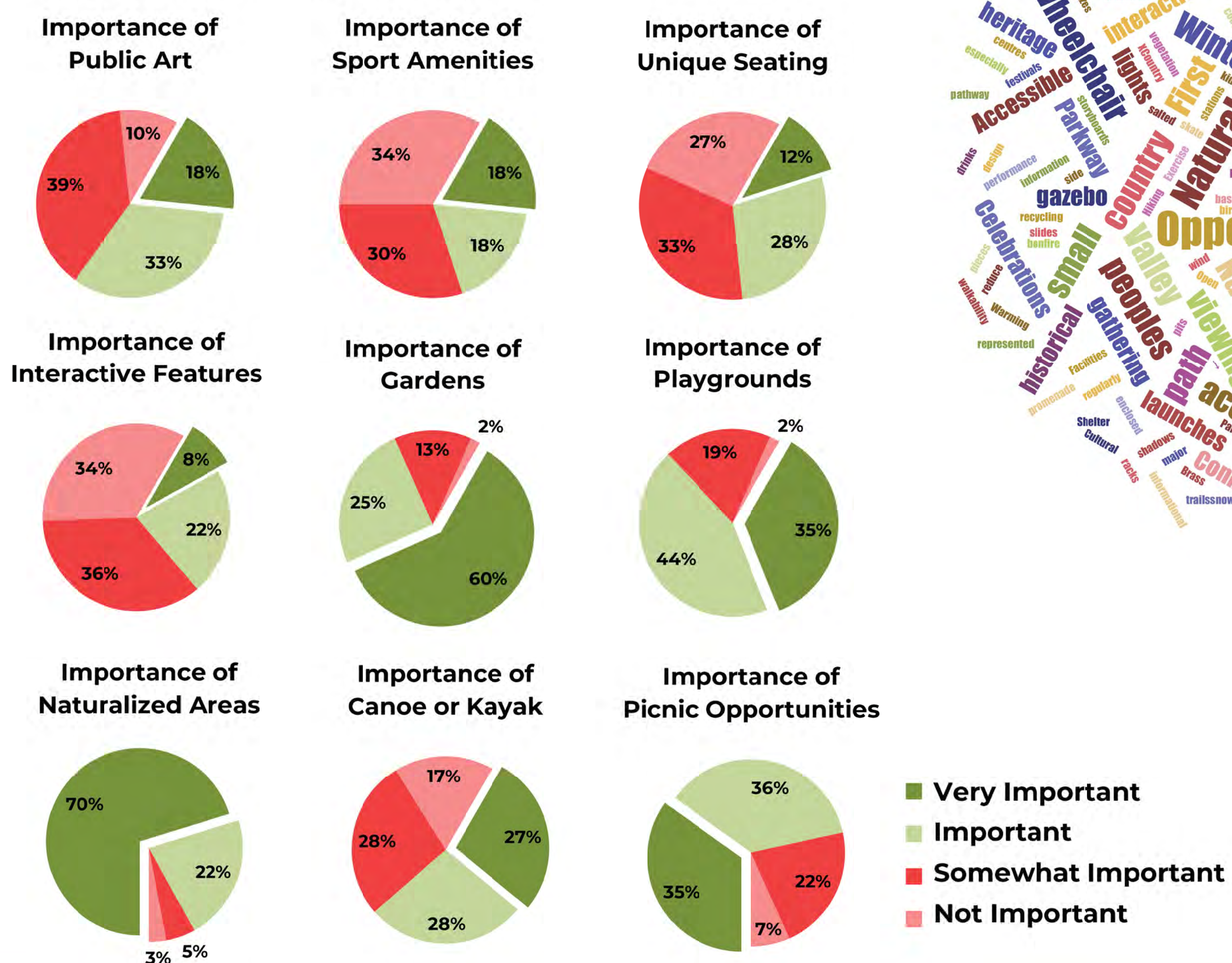


COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first Community Open House or submitted their feedback through the online survey.

The pie charts below summarize the results of the 61 surveys. The results of this survey show significant interest in multi-use trails, public art, naturalization of the environment, integrating more passive activities like picnicking, with less support for active recreation, such as sports fields. And incorporating outdoor gathering spaces for Indigenous ceremonies, cultural events, winter festivals and celebrating the heritage of the site.

What additional amenities do you think would help animate the site and encourage you, or your family to interact and visit this space?



WORD CLOUD

From the Online Survey, 61 written comments were provided. The comments were organized into different key words or phrases which were used to make the word cloud below. A word cloud helps to graphically depict written text. The more frequent a key word or phrase is repeated, the larger the word. The word cloud generated helps illustrate the concepts or activities most frequently mentioned in the written comments.



What We Heard

ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY



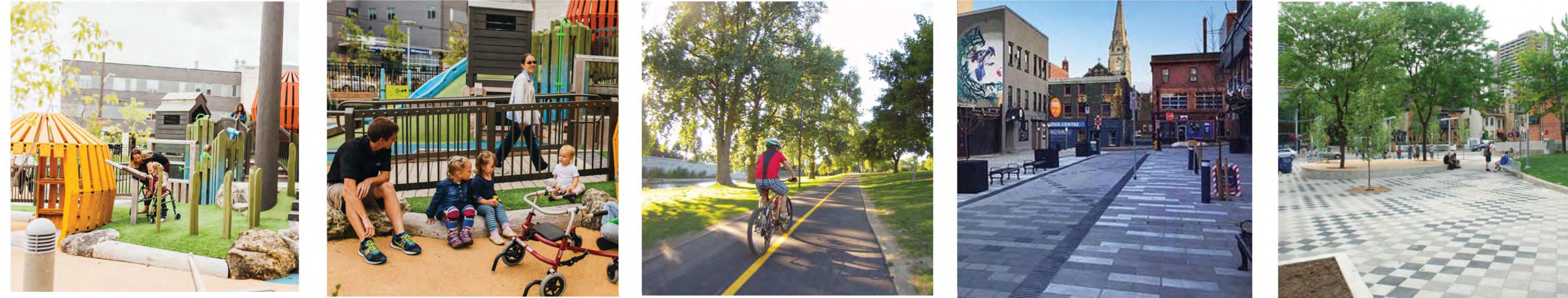
- Creating Meadow & Naturalization Areas using Native Plants
- Community Gardens
- Incorporate Pollinators for the Bees
- Incorporate Bird & Bat Boxes
- Creating Habitat for Species at Risk
- Selective Removal of Invasive Species in the Woodland

ACTIVITIES, FACILITIES & PLAY OPPORTUNITIES



- Limited Access to Water - Canoe Launch
- Multi-Use Trails for Passive Recreational Activities
- Seasonal Festivals & Support for Pop-up Markets or Community Events
- Winter Activities - Cross Country Skiing, Snowshoeing
- Natural Themed or Experiential Playground

ACCESSIBILITY



- Accessible Playground
- Wheelchair Accessibility - Less Stairs
- Paved Walking & Cycling Paths
- Accessible Seating
- Year Round Maintenance
- Linkages to the Thames Valley Parkway
- Follow CPTED principles for safe walking paths

HISTORICAL & CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES



- Outdoor Gathering Spaces for Ceremonies & Cultural Events
- Banners, Public Art & Sculptures
- Interpretive Signage, Historic Elements & Plaques
- Indigenous & Old Victoria Hospital Lands representation



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Thames Valley Parkway
 - 3.0m Wide Multi-use Pathway
 - Connection to Neighbourhood ROW's, Existing TVP and Amenities
 - Accommodate Potential Widening of Wellington Street and Bridge
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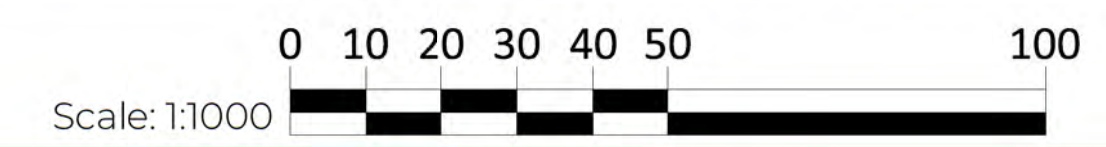
Urban Park Corridor
 - Between Wellington and Colborne Street
 - Public Gathering Spaces
 - Enhanced Key Entrance Points to Thames Valley Corridor
 - Lighting
 - Improve Key Sight Lines / Views through Potential Selective Removal of Invasive Trees and Shrubs
 - Support Recommendations / Restrictions identified in EIS
- 3

Ecological Enhancements
 - Enhancements to Existing Woodland (per EIS)
 - Enhancements to Woodland Buffers (per EIS)
 - Invasive Species Management
 - Enhancements to Turtle Nesting Habitat
 - Enhancement of Existing Vegetation
- 4

Shared Pedestrian / Vehicular Drive
 - Between Waterloo to Colborne Street
 - 9.0m Wide Shared Corridor is a Flexible Space
 - Supports Programming & Events
 - Single One Way Drive and Parallel Parking
 - Complement Urban Park and TVP
 - Incorporate LID Measures to Direct and Manage Storm Water
 - Key Entrance Points for Pedestrians & Vehicular Access
 - Integrated with Urban Park
 - Lighting
- 5

Midblock Connection
 - 12m Right of Way (two-way)
 - Asphalt Surface
 - Public Municipal Road
 - Native Deciduous Tree Planting
 - Lighting
 - Vehicular and Pedestrian Circulation
 - Access to Phase 1 Development
- 6

District Park
 - Potential Natural Experiential Playground
 - Potential Low Key Pedestrian Connections to Thames River for Canoe Launch
 - Opportunity for Community Gardens
 - Enhancement of Existing Vegetation



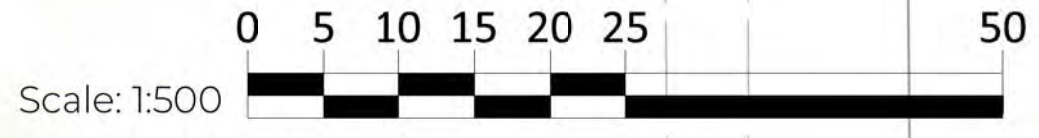
- 3.5M WIDE ONE-WAY EAST-BOUND TRAVEL LANE
- PARALLEL PARKING
- PEDESTRIAN WALKWAYS
- LIGHTING
- TREE PLANTING

- 3.0M WIDE ASPHALT PATH
- TRAIL SIGNAGE
- LIGHTING

- MID-BLOCK CONNECTION-----
- 12M RIGHT OF WAY
 - MUNICIPAL ROAD WITH LIMITED SERVICING TO SOUTH ST.
 - DECIDUOUS STREET TREES
 - MUNICIPAL SIDEWALK
 - DECORATIVE TREATMENTS AT KEY NODES

- URBAN PROMENADE
- DECORATIVE SEATWALLS
- DECORATIVE PAVING
- IMPROVE SITE LINES THROUGH LIMITED SELECTIVE REMOVAL OF INVASIVES
- CANOPY DECIDUOUS TREES
- SITE FURNITURE (BENCHES, TRASH RECEPTACLES, BOLLARDS)
- PLANTERS AND/OR RAIN GARDENS
- DECORATIVE PEDESTRIAN SCALE LIGHTING

- URBAN PLAZA / GATEWAY
 - DECORATIVE SEATWALLS
 - DECORATIVE PAVING
 - CANOPY DECIDUOUS TREES
 - FEATURE LIGHTING
 - OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC ART

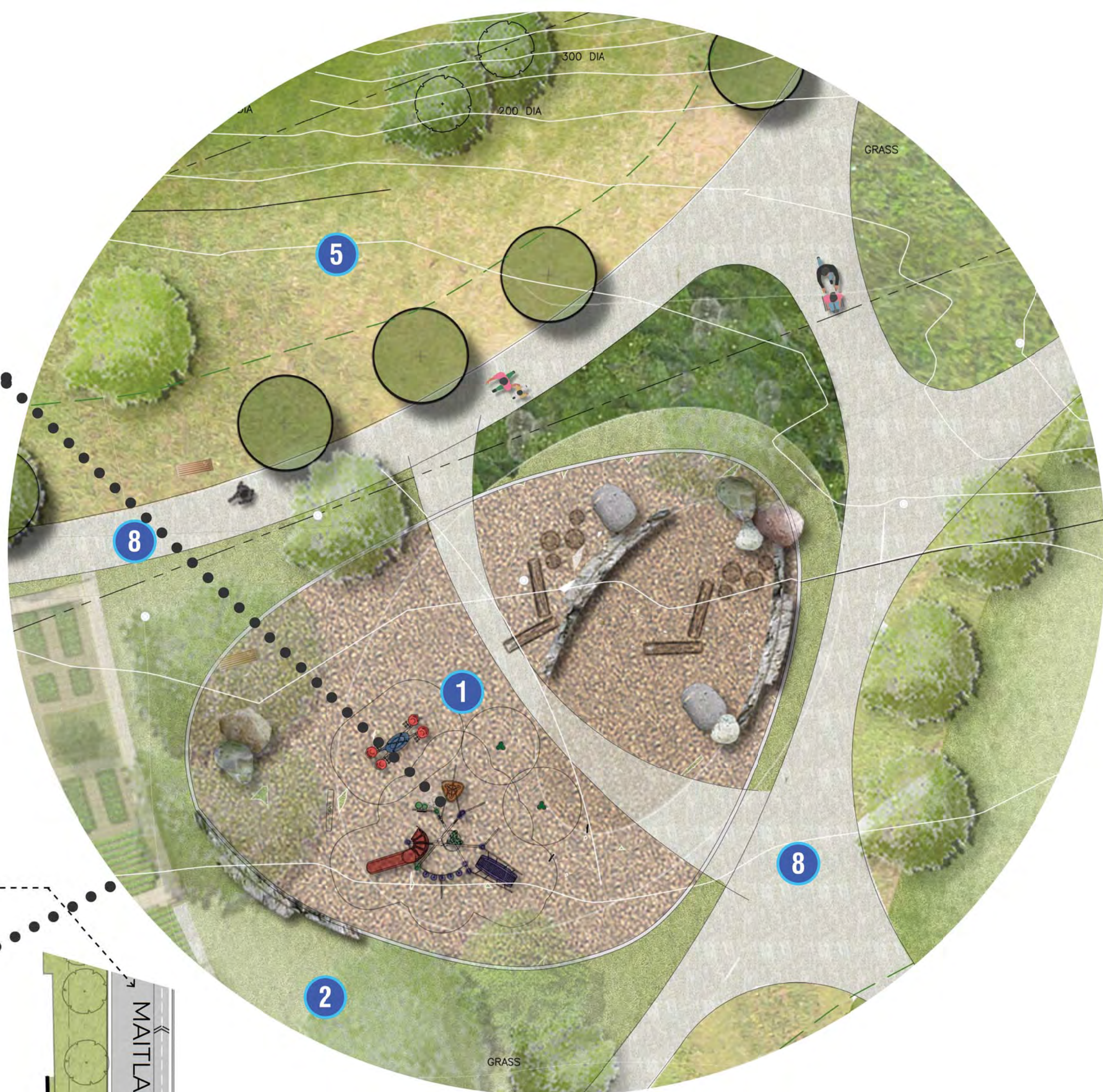


THAMES VALLEY CORRIDOR: **SOHO**

CENTRAL ZONE



District Park



Play Environment

LEGEND:

- 1 Experiential Natural Playground
- 2 Open Lawn / Multi-Purpose Space
- 3 Canoe Launch
- 4 Community Gardens
 - FRUIT TREES
- 5 Meadow / Naturalization
 - MEADOW SPECIES TO PROVIDE HABITAT FOR MONARCH BUTTERFLIES
- 6 Thames Valley Parkway
 - 3.0M WIDE ASPHALT TRAIL
- 7 Parking
- 8 Park Paths
 - 3.0M WIDE HARD-SURFACE PATHS
 - BENCHES AND LITTER RECEPTACLES
- 9 Cultural Learning Opportunity
 - INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE / TEACHING AREA



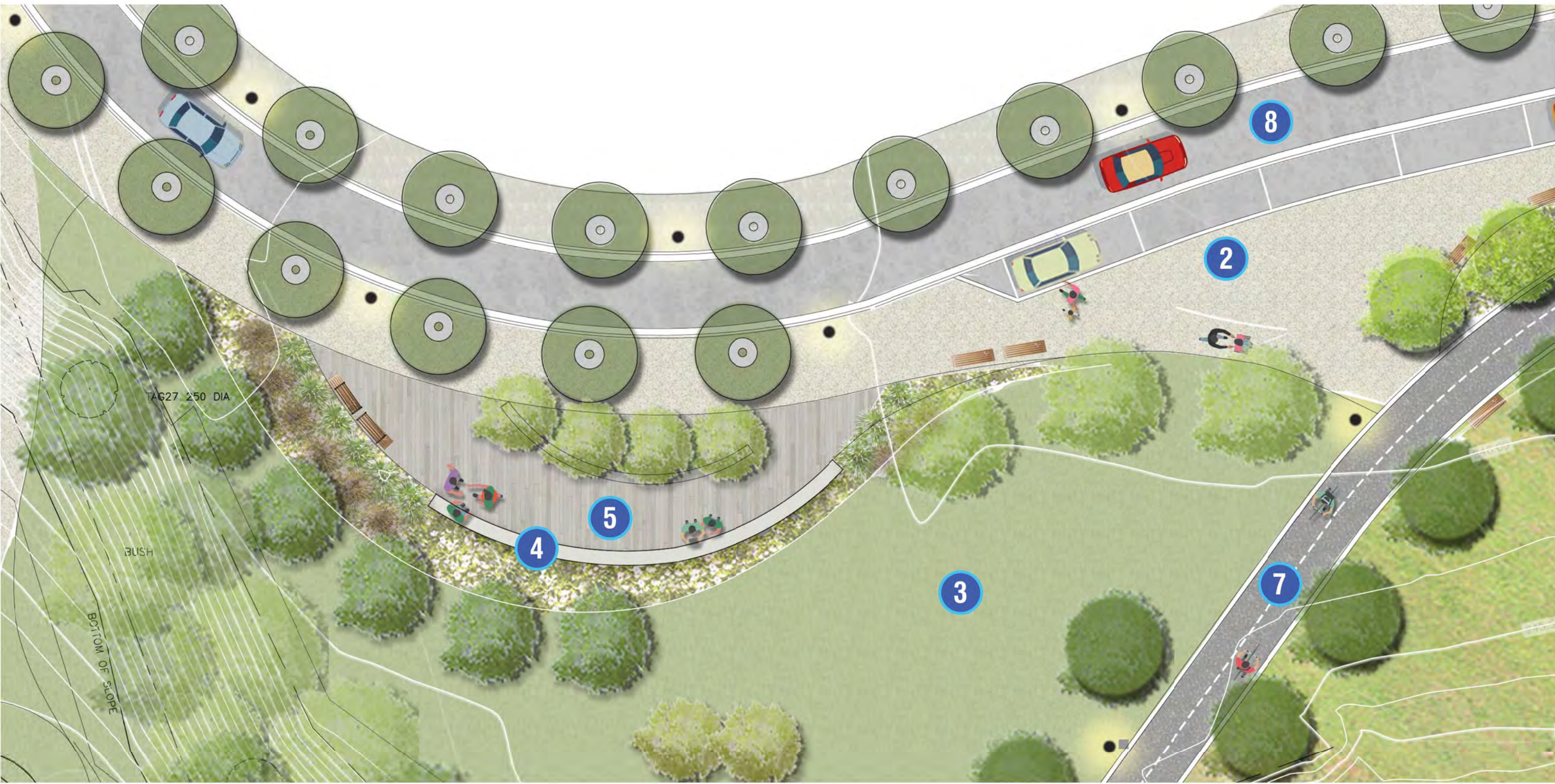
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Park Promenade & Urban Plazas



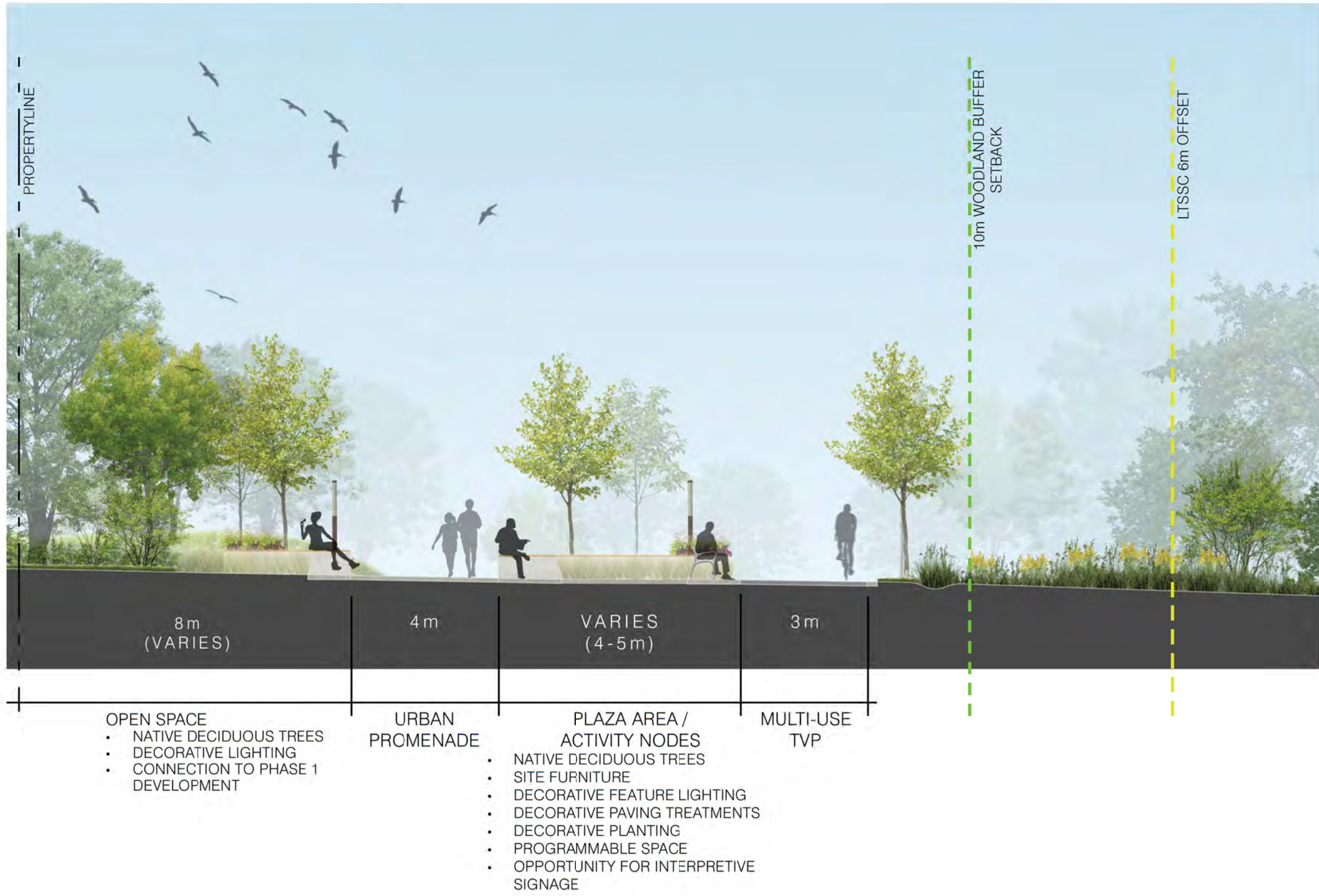
Urban Promenade Activity Node

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Viewing Area

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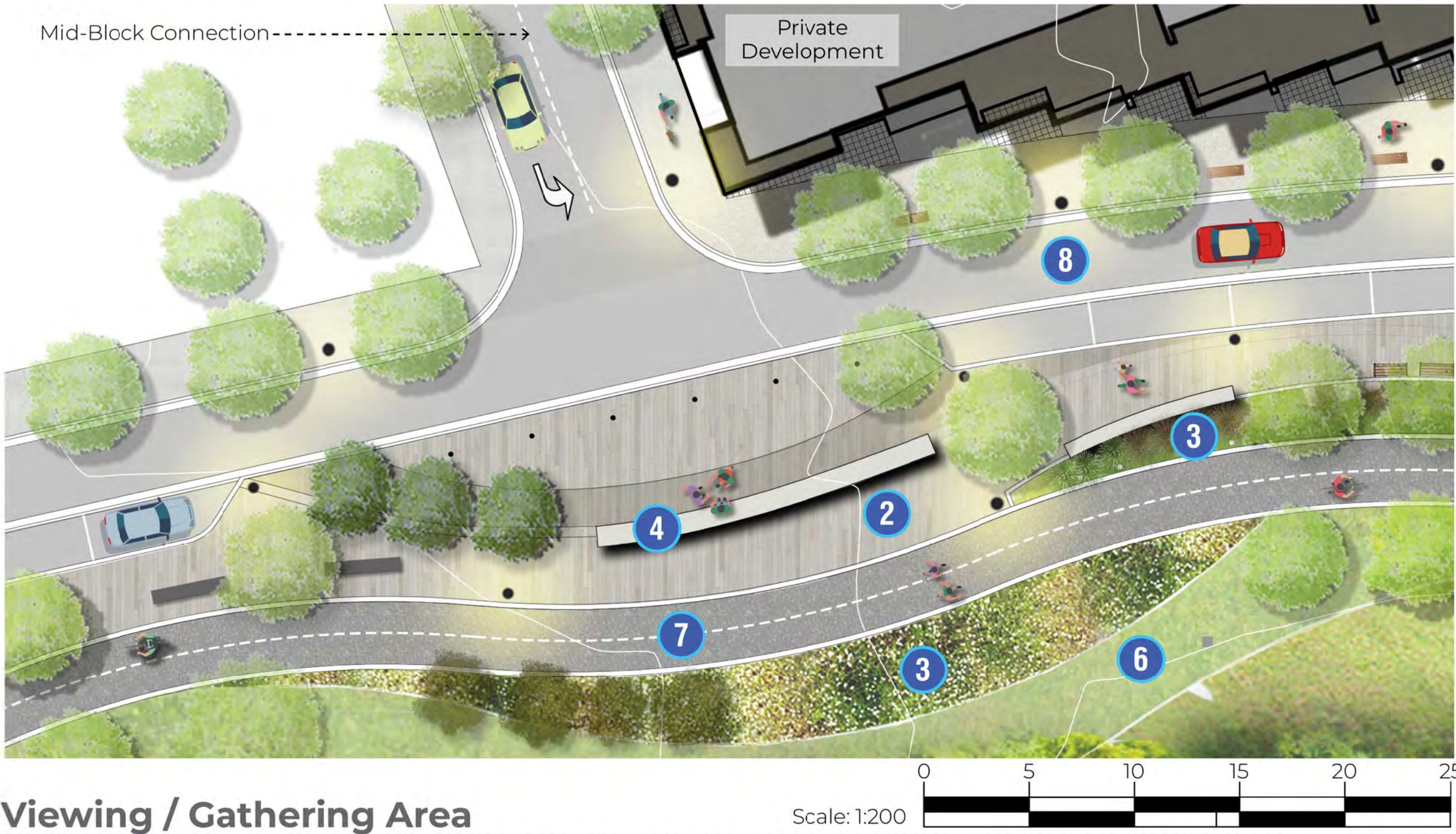
- 1 Plaza Space**
 - DECORATIVE CONCRETE PAVING
 - SEATWALLS
 - GATHERING AREAS / EVENT SPACE
 - LIGHTING
 - OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC ART
- 2 Urban Promenade**
 - DECORATIVE CONCRETE PAVING WITH THEMATIC ELEMENTS
 - NATIVE DECIDUOUS TREES
 - SEATING AND LITTER RECEPTACLES
 - DECORATIVE LIGHTING
 - RAIN GARDENS / NATIVE GRASSES AND PERENNIAL PLANTING
- 3 Open Lawn**
- 4 Seatwall**
- 5 VIEWING AREA**
 - DECORATIVE CONCRETE PAVING
 - SEATING AND LITTER RECEPTACLES
 - OPEN VIEWS TO THAMES VALLEY
 - INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE
- 6 Meadow / Naturalization**
 - MEADOW SPECIES OR WOODLAND BUFFER
 - BIRD / BAT BOXES
 - NATIVE PLANTING, FRUIT BEARING SHRUBS
- 7 Thames Valley Parkway**
 - 3.0M WIDE ASPHALT TRAIL
 - BIKE RACKS
 - TVP TRAIL SIGNAGE
- 8 Shared Pedestrian Driveway**
 - 3.5M WIDE EAST-BOUND TRAVEL LANE
 - LOW PROFILE CURBS
 - PARALLEL PARKING

A Urban Promenade Activity Nodes

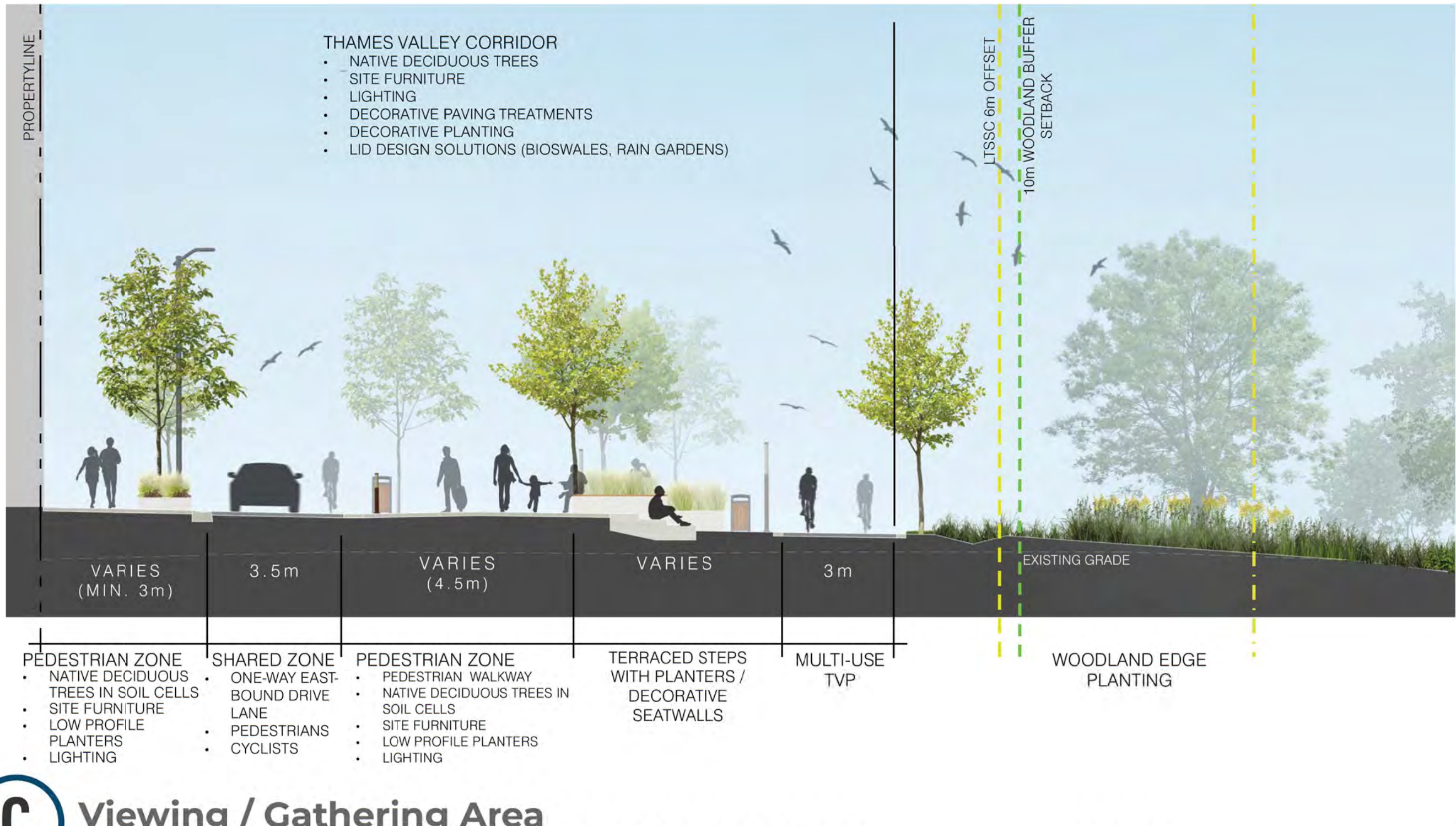


B Viewing Area

Park Promenade & Urban Plazas



Viewing / Gathering Area



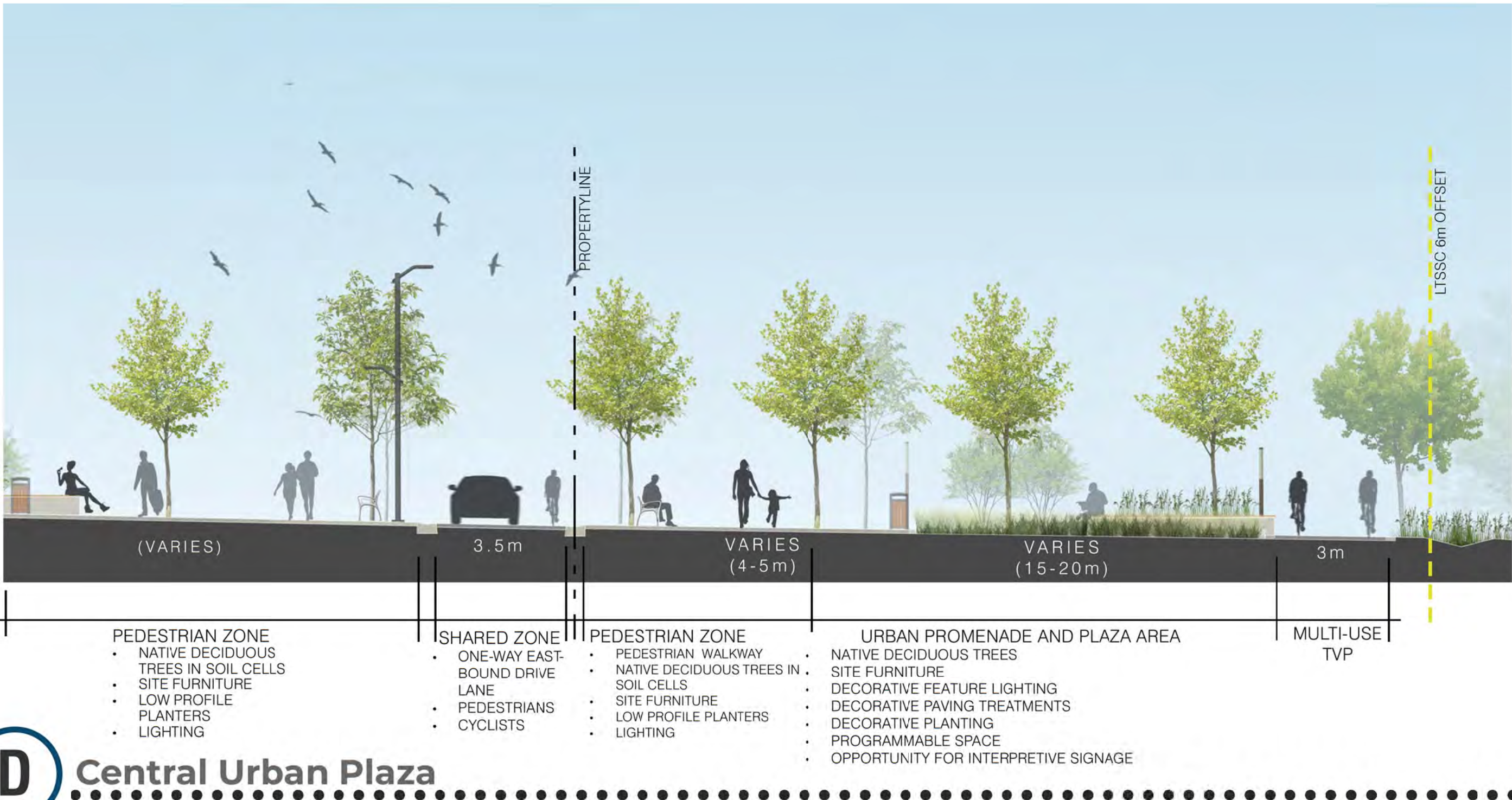
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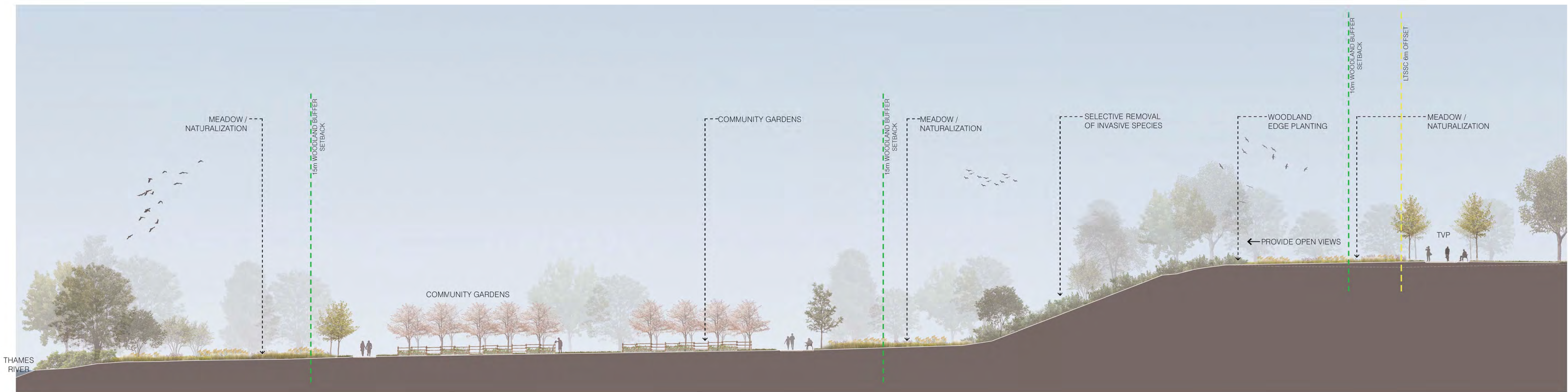
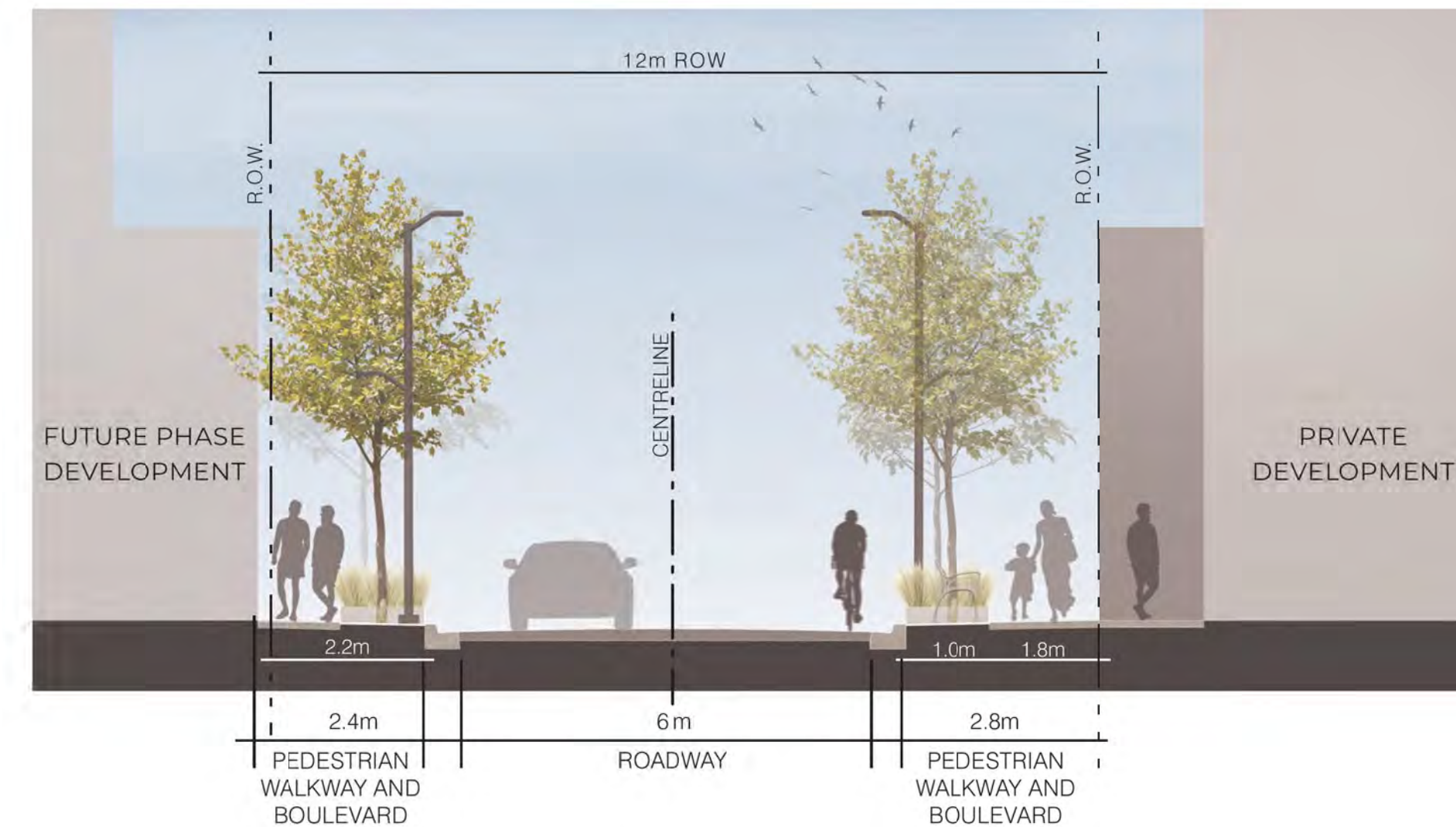
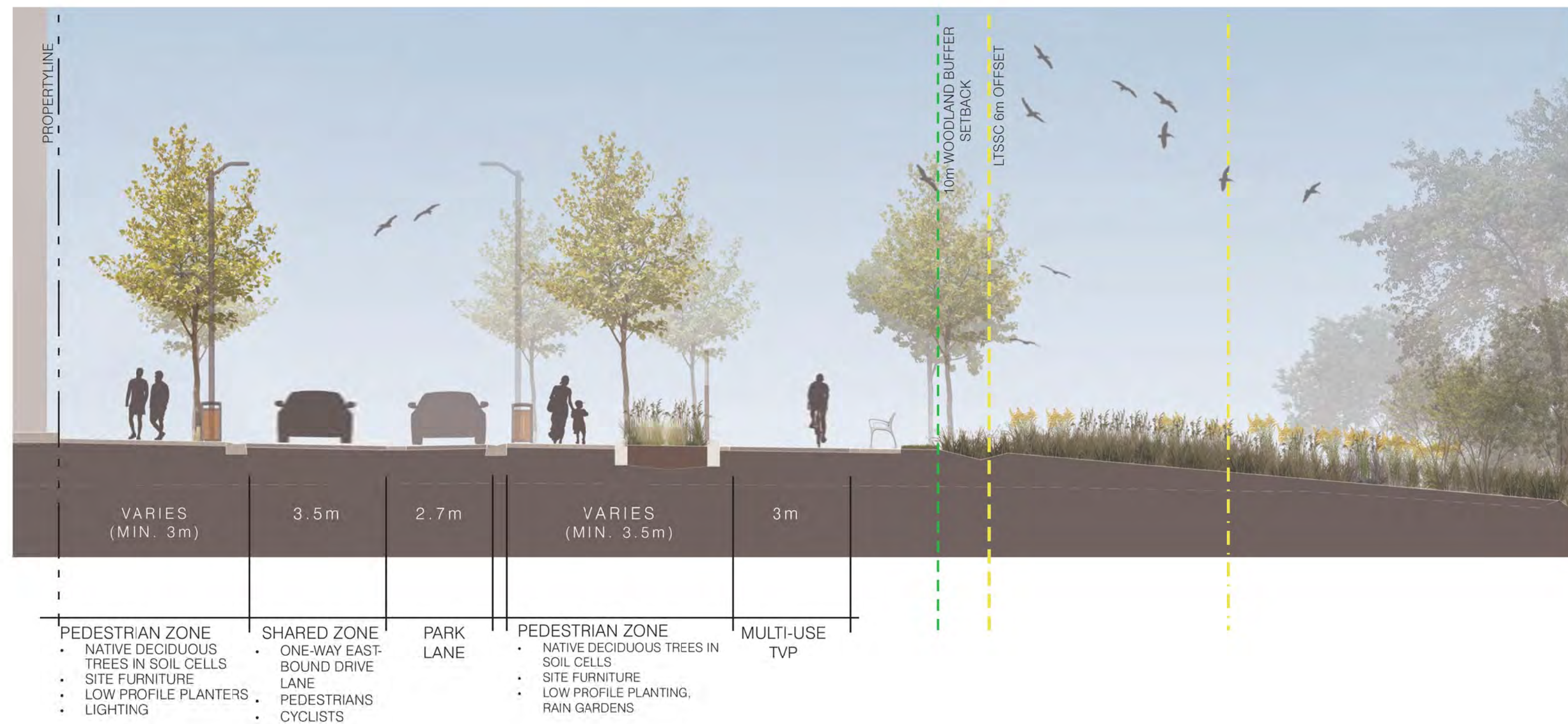
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- 3** Decorative Planting / Rain Gardens
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Central Urban Plaza



D Central Urban Plaza



G Thames Valley to District Park



BENCHES



MAGLIN BENCH



PARC VIEW, LANDSCAPE FORMS

TRASH RECEPTACLES



SAGE, BY VICTOR STANLEY



MAGLIN

BIKE RACKS



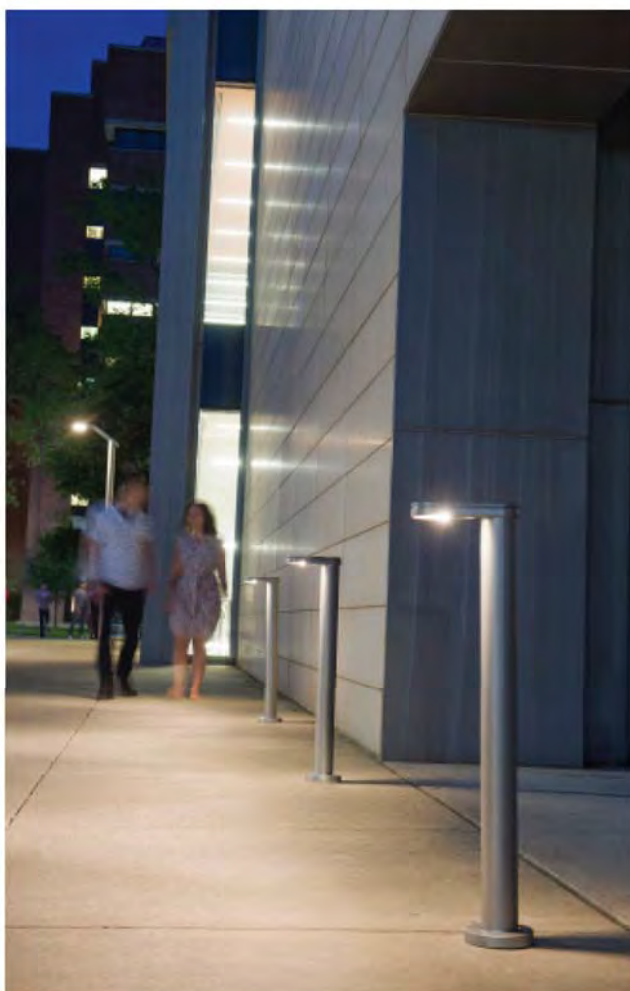
LANDSCAPE FORMS



PATH LIGHTING & BOLLARDS



MULTIPLICITY COLLECTION, LANDSCAPE FORMS



FORMS+SURFACES

URBAN PROMENADE LIGHTING



LIGHT COLUMN PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING, FORMS+SURFACES



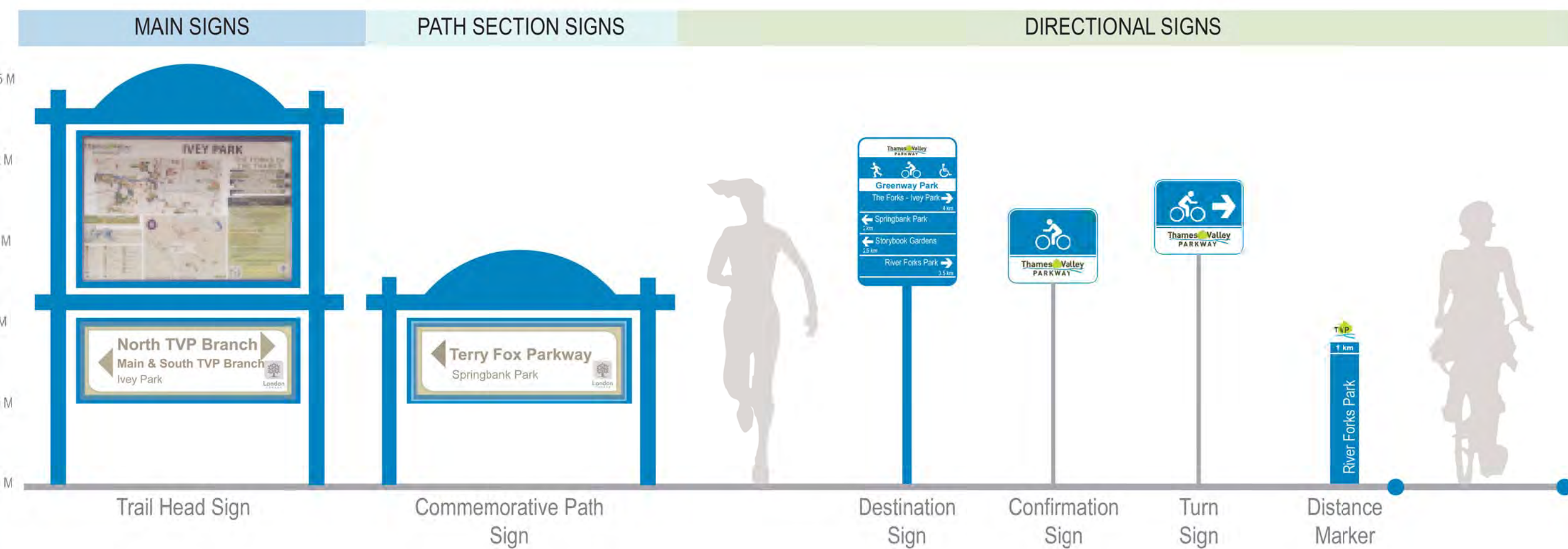
SHARED DRIVEWAY/MUNICIPAL ROAD LIGHTING



TORRES COLLECTION, LANDSCAPE FORMS



THAMES VALLEY PARKWAY SIGNAGE FAMILY



INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE



MEADOW AND BIOSWALE PLANTING



NATIVE PERENNIALS AND GRASSES



RAIN GARDEN PLANTING



NATIVE PERENNIALS & POLLINATORS



URBAN PROMENADE AND URBAN PLAZA PLANTING



STREET TREES - COMMON HACKBERRY



SUGAR MAPLE

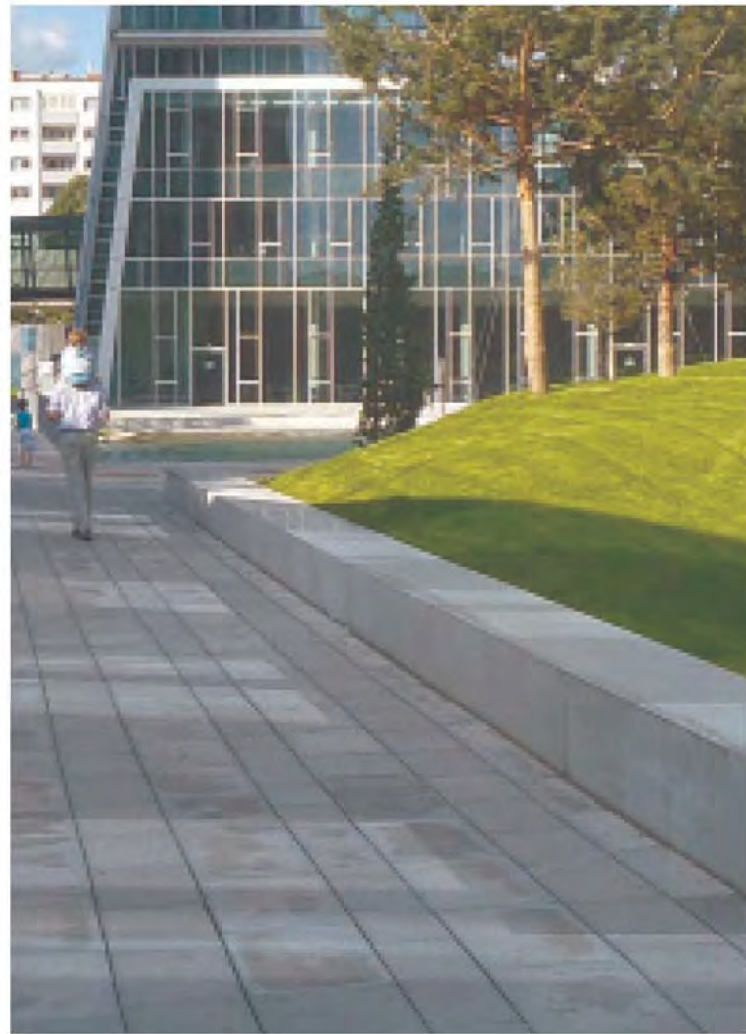


WHITE OAK

DECORATIVE SEATWALLS AND PLANTER WALLS

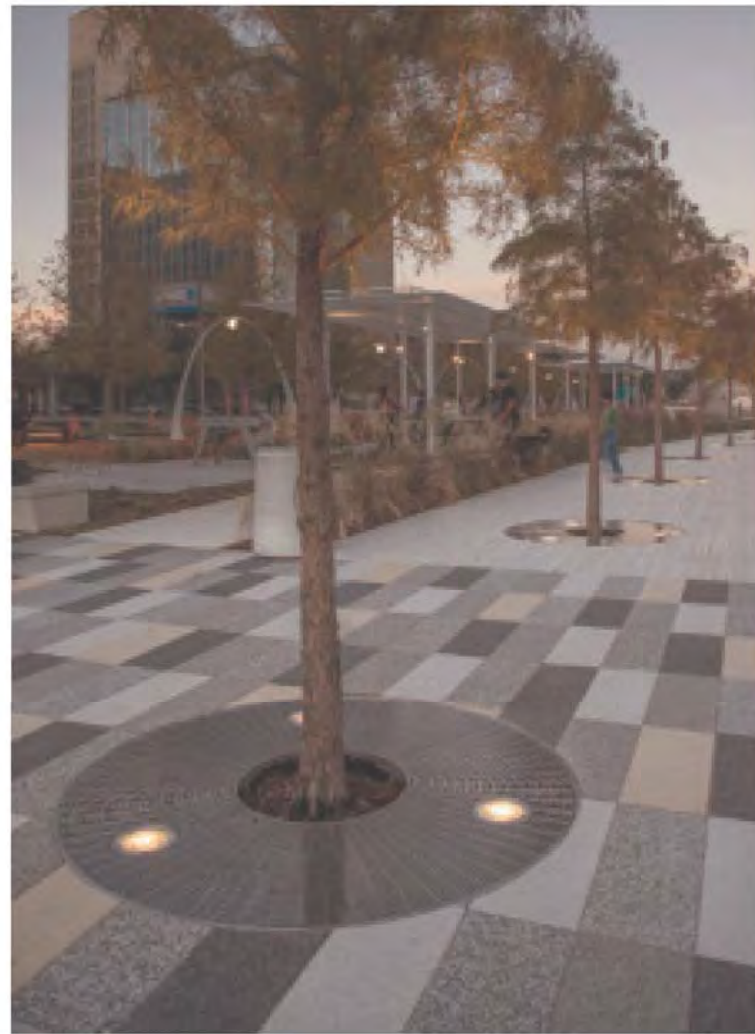


LOW-PROFILE DECORATIVE WALLS



LOW-PROFILE RAIN GARDEN PLANTERS

STREETSCAPE



TREE GRATES



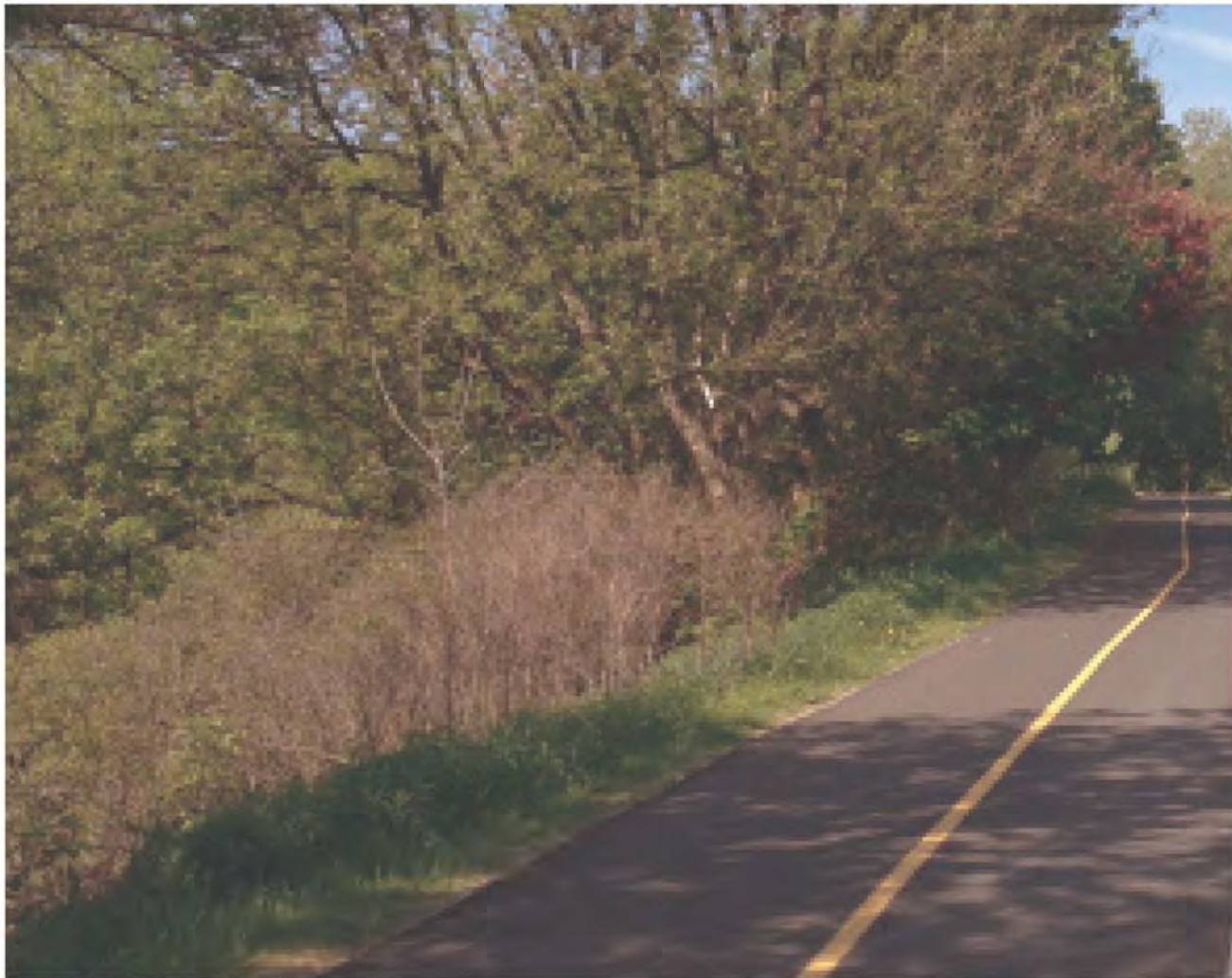
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BAT / BIRD BOXES

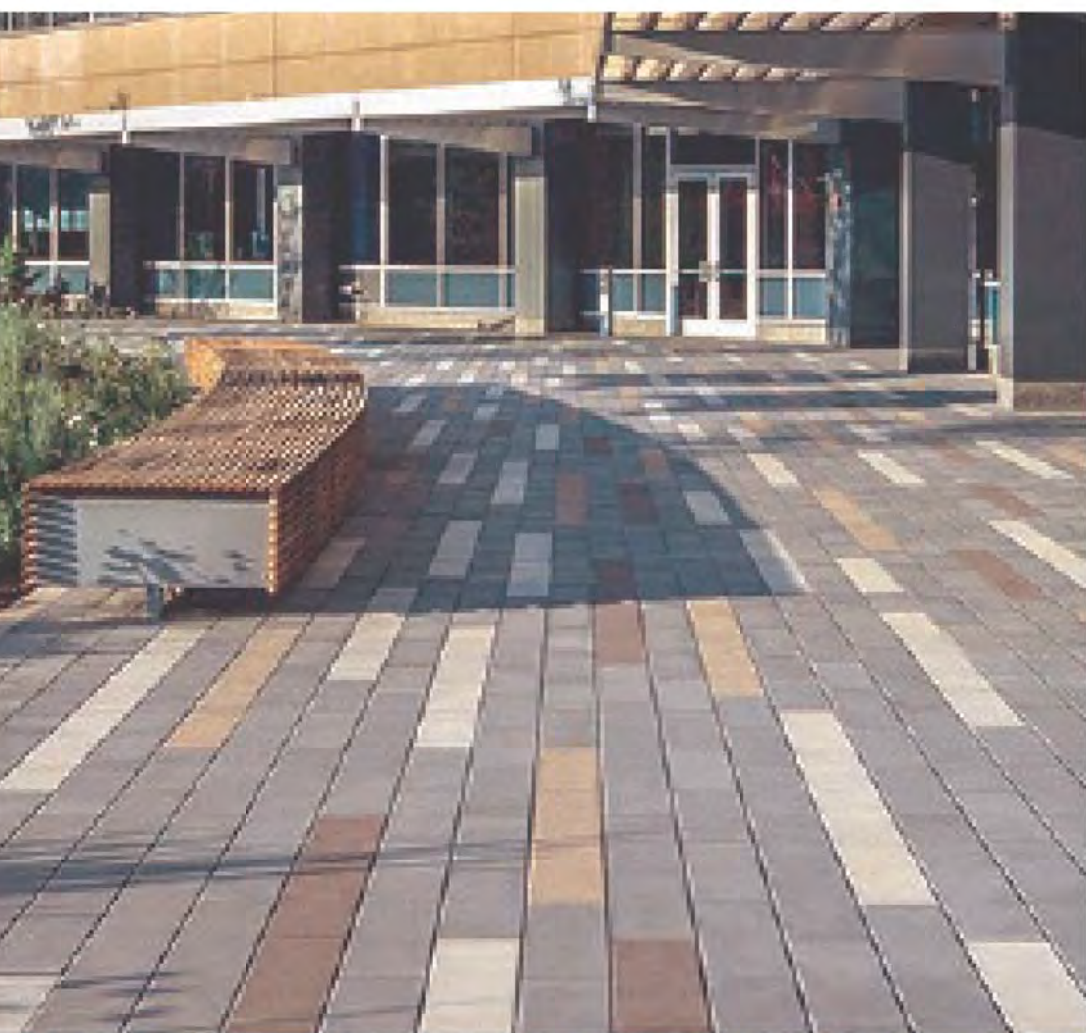


THAMES VALLEY PARKWAY



ASPHALT PATH

URBAN PROMENADE AND SHARED DRIVEWAY OPTIONS



UNIT PAVING WITH ACCENT COLOURS/SHADES IN SPECIAL ZONES



DECORATIVE CONCRETE - EXPOSED AGGREGATE FOR ACCENTS AND PATTERNING IN SPECIAL ZONES



INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE

SIGNAGE & WAYFINDING MARKERS



INDIGENOUS SCULPTURE & INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE



STONE MONUMENT WITH DODEM



WAYFINDING MARKER



EMBOSSSED WAYFINDING SYMBOLS



BANNER SIGN WITH SCULPTURE



INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE



INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE

SPECIAL PAVING

PAVING MATERIALS



ENGRAVING IN CONCRETE



THEMED PAVING PATTERN DESIGN



WILDLIFE TRACKS



ENGRAVING IN CONCRETE



CUSTOM CONCRETE PAVING PATTERNS

THEMED ELEMENTS

CULTURAL TEACHING AREAS, THEMED ELEMENTS & SCULPTURES



INDIGENOUS THEMED RAILING DESIGN



MEDICINE WHEEL & PAINTED TURTLE BRONZE SCULPTURE



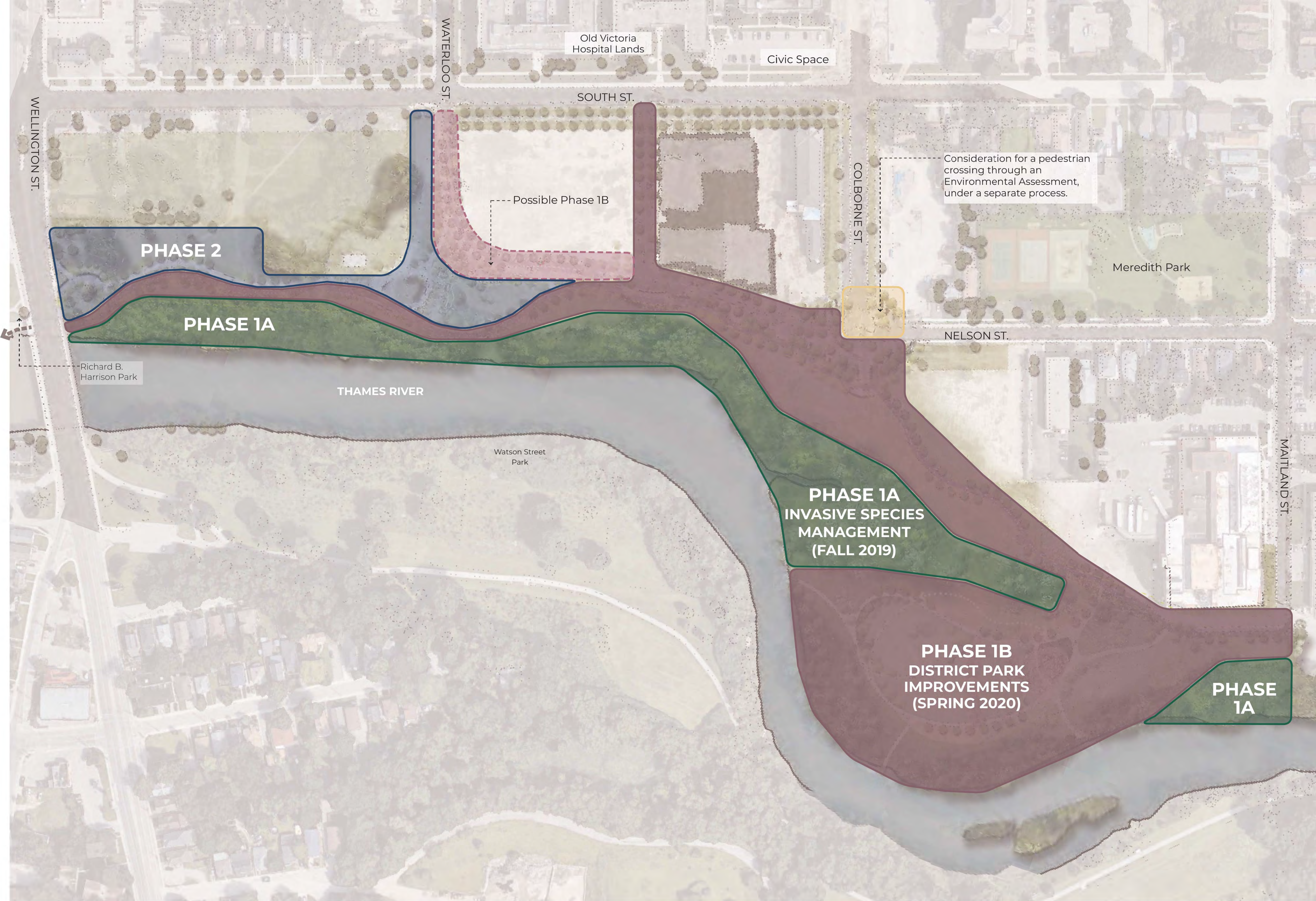
OUTDOOR CLASSROOM



SANDBLASTED SYMBOLS



WILDLIFE SCULPTURES



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