Braiswick Primary School

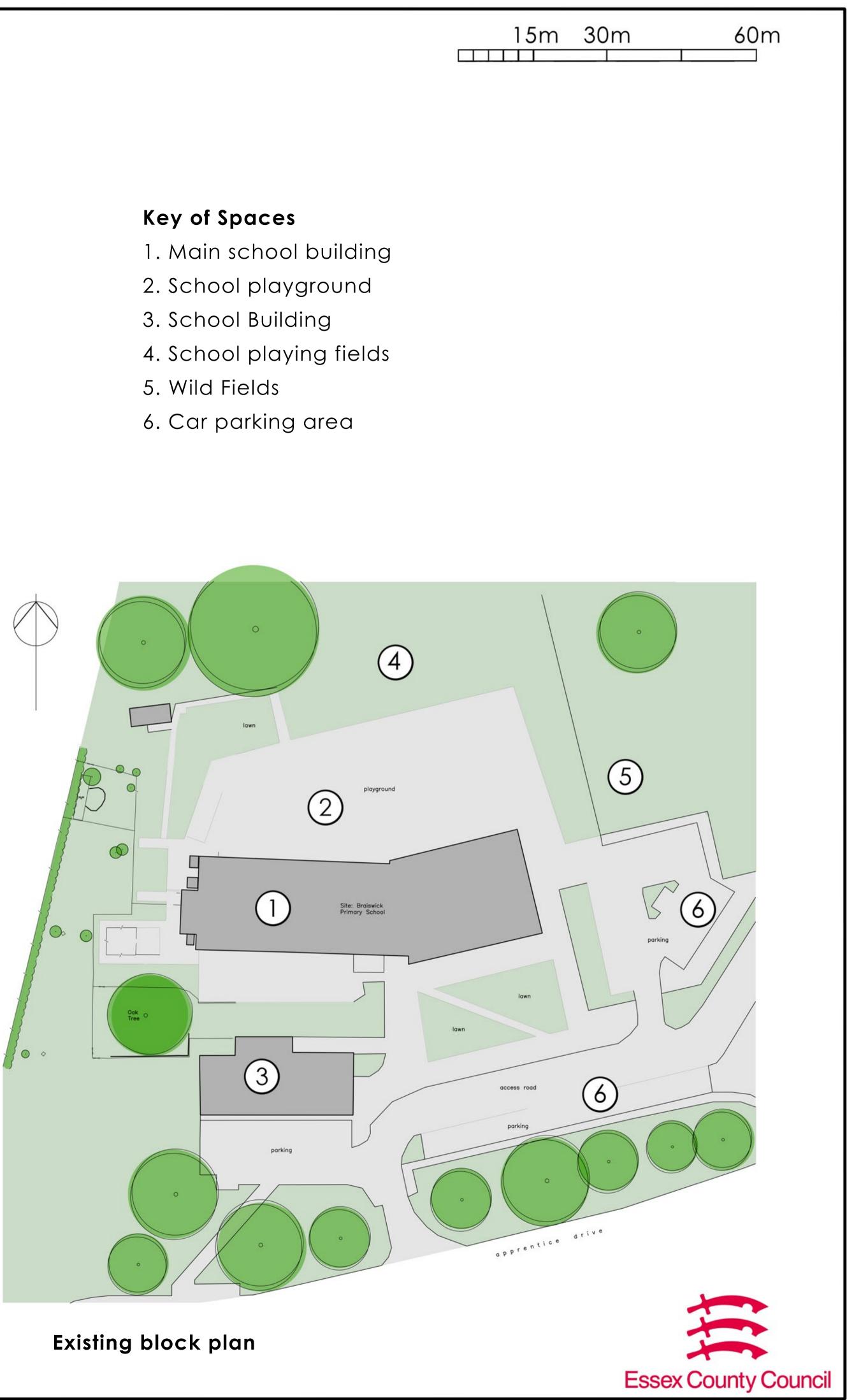
Proposed School Block

The school site is located to the north west of Colchester in a predominantly residential area. There are residential properties to the north on Bergholt Lane, south in Apprentice Drive and east in Fernlea. The school operates a one-way road access system with ingress being from Apprentice Drive and egress via Fernlea. To the west of the site is open space and the Moat Farm Dyke which is a Scheduled Monument.

Braiswick is a new school which opened in September 2014. The school has been filling with successive 2FE reception intakes over a seven-year period. Because of a large cohort in the local area the school admitted a bulge group at the request of ECC, which is now in Year 4. In academic year 2020/21 the school is using all 14 classrooms, with 2 classes operating in Years Reception, 1, 2, 3 and 5, 3 classes in Year 4 and 1 class in Year 6. When the small Year 6 group leaves in August 2021 it will be replaced by 2 Reception classes, meaning that the school will require 15 classrooms. The large Year 4 bulge group will leave the school in August 2023, which means that the 15th classroom will not be needed from September 2023 onwards.



Site location plan



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It is proposed to provide a single storey classbase for a temporary period of 2 years (from September 2021) to provide accommodation for an existing bulge year at the school. The proposed classbase is to provide a single teaching area with supporting toilet and storage areas.

The proposed location for the new classsbase has been chosen to prevent the loss of any existing outdoor play space, whilst being positioned close enough to the school to allow convenient day to day use. The siting on 'soft' ground also allows for services to be installed with as little disruption to the school grounds as possible. This placement on unmade ground also assists in reducing additional remediation works once the temporary building is removed after the temporary 2 year period. When considering the siting within the wider context, this location has been chosen to provide significant separation between any nearby residents, with the nearest house being located approximately 90m away from the proposed new unit.



Key Spaces

- 1. Proposed relocatable unit
- 2. Main School Building
- 3. School Playground
- 4. School playing fields
- 5. School Building

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Proposed block plan

proposed new classbase

new/resited fence & gate

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