

Signage / Panel locations in Section 2 (Springvale) and Springfield Dam / Park

Officers from Physical Programmes and PEACE IV did a walkabout in Section 2 (Springvale) and Springfield Dam / Park on Tuesday 7 March 2023, to identify suggested locations for Signage (Beacons & Fingerposts) and information panels (with narratives).

Section 2 (Springvale) Annex 1

1. Information Panel - entrance to this section coming from West Circular Road
2. Information Panel - entrance onto the section from roundabout at Innovation Factory
3. Information Panel – at the gate to Paisley Park
4. Location for the Flagship Art Piece – “Carry Each Other”
5. FMCG Beacon

Springfield Dam / Park – Annex 2

1. FMCG Beacon
2. Information Panel - at green space, just inside the gates at the Belfast Metropolitan College entrance.
3. Finger Post – indicating the route to continue along the Greenway’s route or giving the option to cross the bridge to the modular building, car-park and main park entrance from Springfield Road.
4. A “Tabletop” panel – this panel is located at view overlooking Belfast and will feature a picture of the view, showing interesting landmarks (e.g., City Hospital, Stormont, Windsor Park, Conway Mill, City Hall, etc.)
5. Finger Post – indicating the route, continuing along the Greenway’s route.
6. Information Panel - on the green space, at the bottom of the steps beside the Modular Building
7. A notice board at the modular building, featuring up-coming FMCG events / activities. This could also feature a welcome to the park, highlighting that this is the central hub of the Greenway.

The panels and numbers of, are dependent on the available budget. The locations are also open to discussion. The location of the information panels will also have a say in what narratives are included. For example, the panel at Paisley Park may include how Mary Peters and Mike Bull used the track for training. The panels will also highlight Springfield Dam / Park and it’s history, along with the history of the factories that were once a big feature of this area.

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Springfield Dam Park Masterplan

Creating welcoming, safe and accessible shared spaces



By connecting Springfield Dam and Park we will create a new signature civic space with improved access, recreational facilities and environmental enhancements.

This is the first step in our plans to reconnect communities stretching from Glencairn to Bog Meadows by creating a necklace of interconnected shared spaces.

Our plans for Springfield Dam Park include:

Improving access to and around the site

There will be a number of new entrance points ① around the park, including a signature pedestrian access point to the north of the park ② and car parking, including accessible parking spaces, at the site of the current park ③. A new pedestrian bridge ④ will cross the dam, helping to integrate the site by providing access to the new pathway and recreational facilities along the east bank.

Recreational facilities

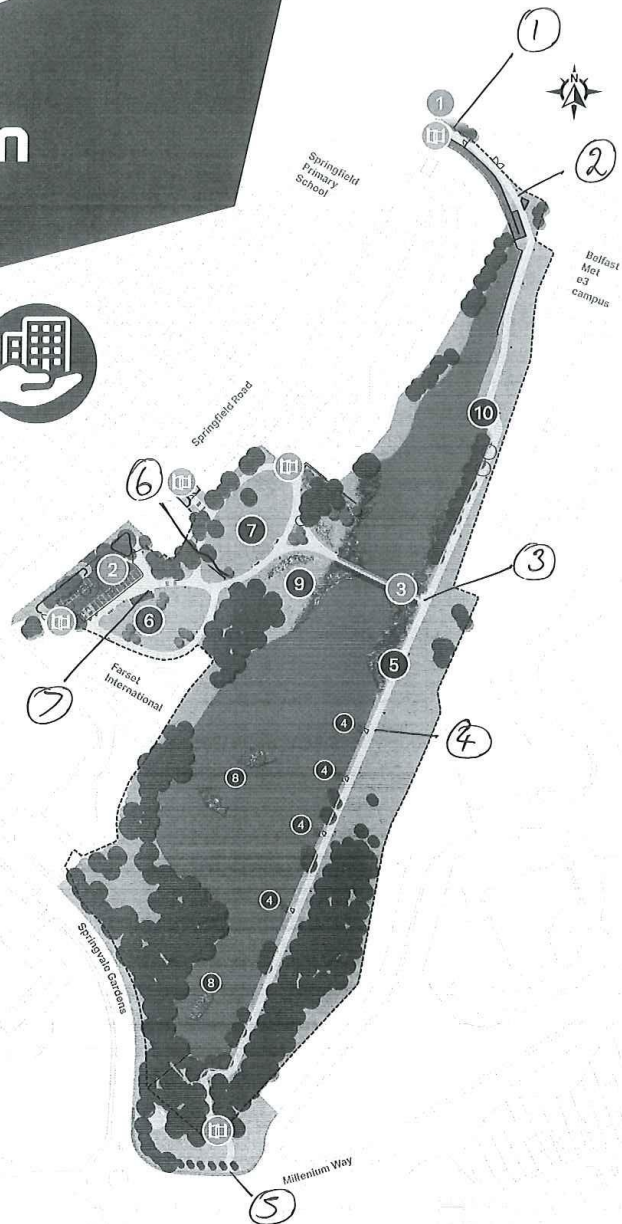
Fishing stands ⑤ will be positioned along the east bank of the dam. A circular pathway ⑥ will provide quiet and scenic places for walking, jogging and exercising. A new modular classroom ⑦ will provide a year-round meeting place for schools and community groups. Dedicated outdoor event space ⑧ will enable fairs and community events to take place.

Environmental enhancements

A number of floating islands ⑨ and wildflower planting ⑩ will provide additional habitat for birds and wildlife. The existing ecological richness of the area will be enhanced through additional planting throughout the site.

Overall site enhancements

A new viewing area ⑪ will provide a place to take in the vista while information panels will outline the history of the dam. New lighting and fencing throughout the park will ensure an attractive and uniform look throughout the site.



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