Southwark Park Playground
Existing Condition

The existing play space has many internal play spaces which are contained by fencing and railings which does not encourage interactive, creative play. Dense planting acts as a barrier to views in and out of the playground and can make the play space feel cut off. Thinning the planting and removing the internal fencing and railings would permit more exploratory, creative & interactive play.
**Key design proposals:**

- Welcoming entrances: clear views into the park
- Clear zones for different activities
- Increased permeability of the site: cut back dense hedges/vegetation
- Play equipment for both older and younger children
- Enhancement of popular existing features: water play and hill slide
- Shaded seating and picnic tables area
- Swing zone with swings for all ages
- Retain existing access whirl for accessible play

**Key principles for material selection:**

- Coloured asphalt footpaths
- Jungle mulch safety surfacing to play areas
- Natural materials to adventure play zone: timber, jungle mulch etc.
- Herbaceous planting to entrances for variety and texture
- Hedges and shrubs cut back and maintained
- New trees for shade

**NEW AREAS**

- toddler play
- swing zone
- water play
- climbing zone
- picnic area
- adventure play

**Diagram:**

- Toddler play with new play equipment
- Coloured asphalt paths
- Existing Access Whirl
- New basket swing
- Existing swings retained
- Existing slide with new climbing wall
- Timber trail
- Existing vegetation thinned
- Expanded water play splash pad
- Picnic area with new trees & tables
- New climbing area
- New water fountain
- Existing fountain
- New pavilion
- CGP Gallery
- Lake