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This chapter sets out landscape design proposals for public realm and amenity space across the Phase 4 site.

Clarendon Gasworks Phase 4 will deliver a key piece of public realm to the overall masterplan. The new neighbourhood square will be central to creating a inclusive sense of place that supports the needs of the local and wider community, a place where Clarendon residents and their neighbours can be together.

The landscape design creates a variety of spaces which will serve to enhance connectivity across the site, through to the wider surrounding area, and support a wide range of outdoor uses.

Material choices, ecologically valuable planting and motifs that reference the site's heritage will all contribute to creating a strong neighbourhood character that serves the community in its everyday needs and occasional special events.

The proposed landscape will strengthen coherence with the existing neighbourhood and link to emerging proposals on adjacent sites.

5.1 Local Context - Site Heritage

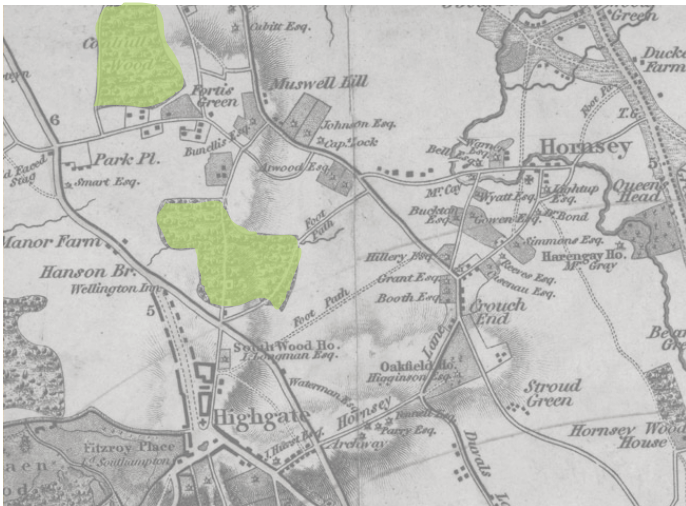
The site benefits from a rich cultural and historically significant heritage. Hornsey has preserved several ancient woodlands for the benefit of the local community and ecology. The Moselle river, which is today mostly culverted and underground, historically ran through the site.

More recent industrial activities of the gasholder works and celebrated engineering are an important part of the site's heritage.

Through the cultural strategy and the landscape design, these core themes contribute to a sense of identity and continuity of life for the development.



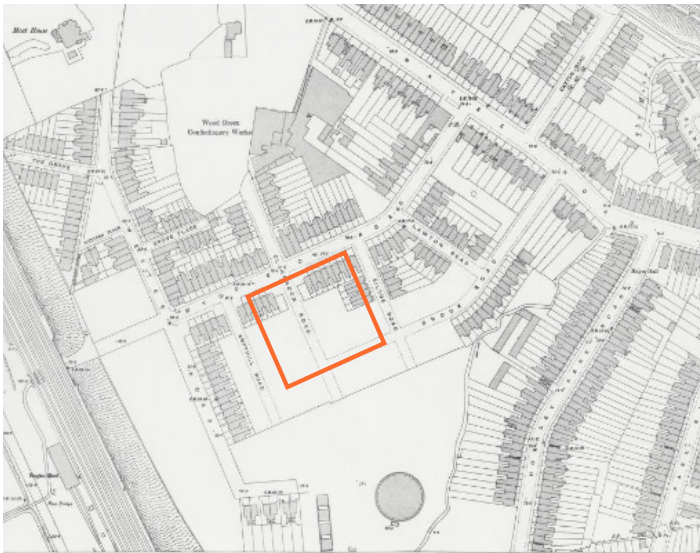
Haringey ancient woodland



1822 Map of Hornsey



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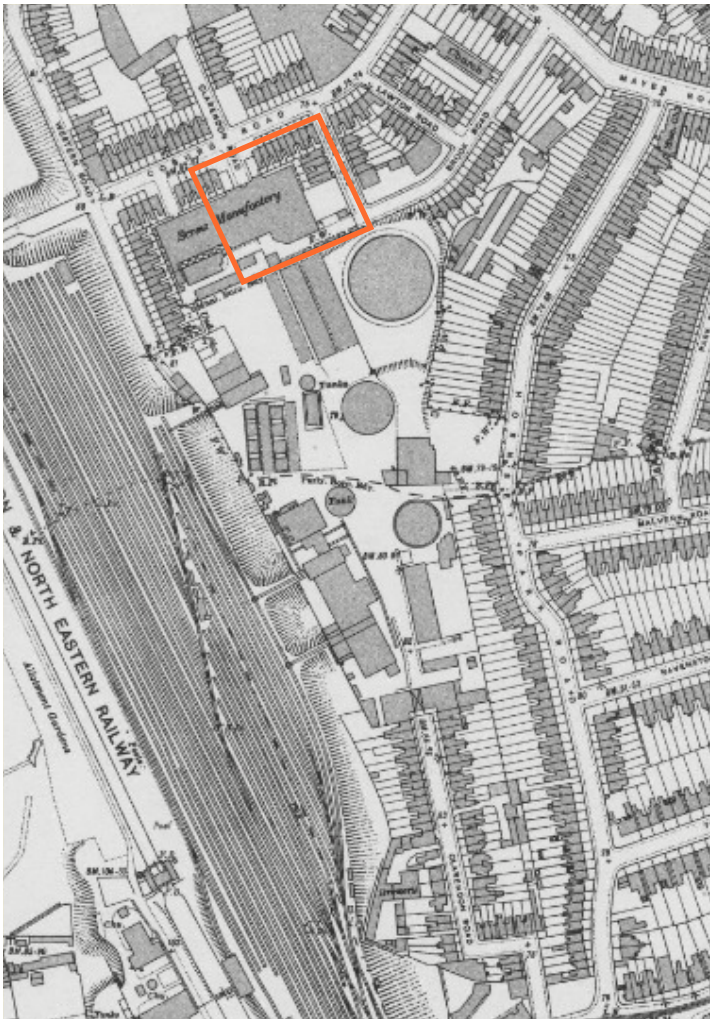
The Moselle river-1895



The Moselle river



Gasholders at Clarendon



1935 Map of Wood Green

5.2 Local Context - Emerging Character



Jelly Lane (credit Barton Wilmore Chocolate Square DAS)



Chocolate Square (credit: Barton Wilmore Chocolate Square DAS)



Swing seats to pocket park



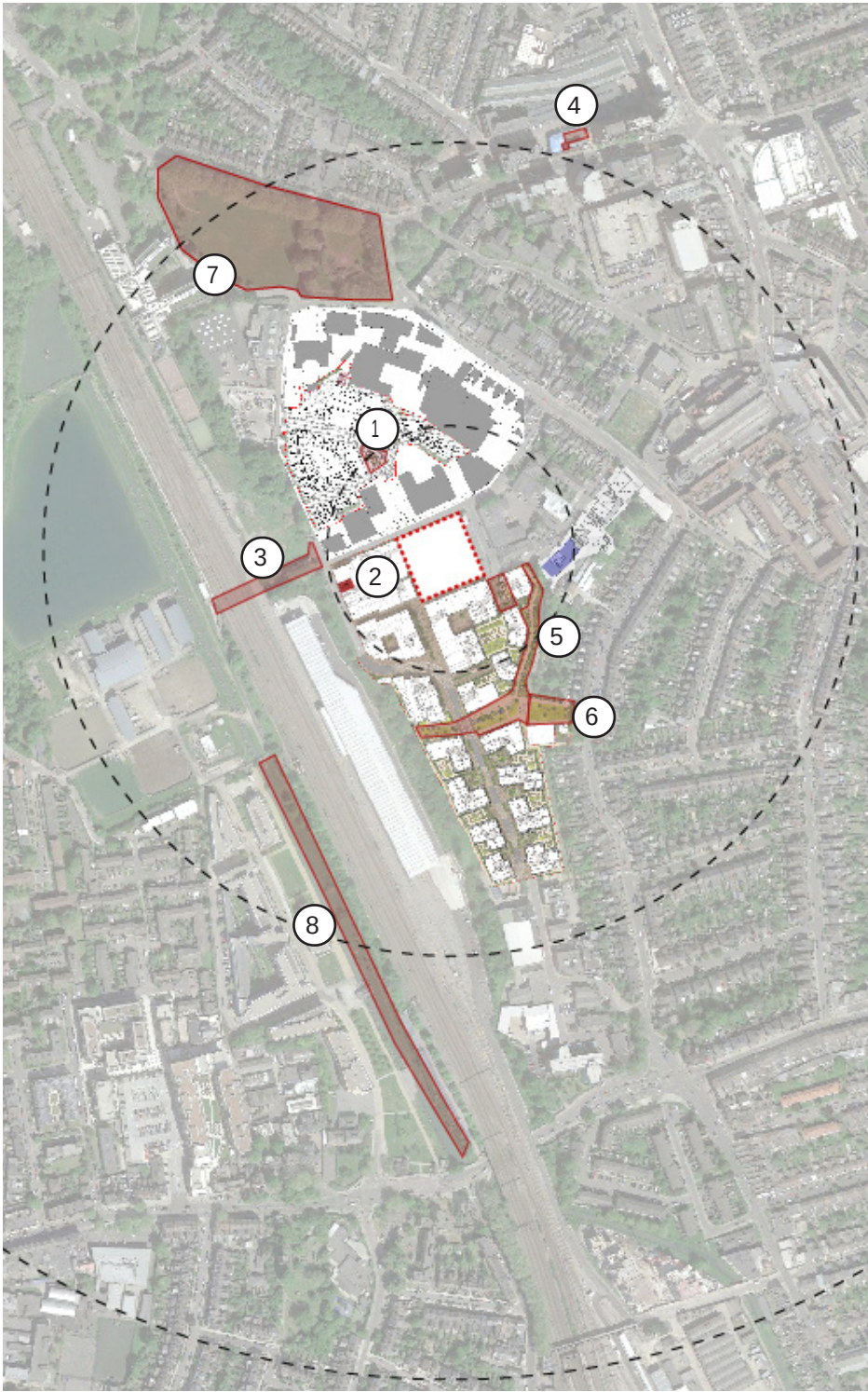
Moselle Walk



Hornsey Park



Penstock tunnel image (credit: We Made That)



1. Chocolate Square (new development)
2. Clarendon Pocket Square (under development)
3. Penstock Tunnel (proposed improvements)
4. Blue House Yards
5. Moselle Walk
6. Community park and playground (newly developed)
7. Wood Green Common and Barratt Gardens (existing public park and garden)
8. New River walk (existing path)

5.3 Design brief

5.3.1 A Neighbourhood square

The square will become the heart of the neighbourhood at Clarendon and will be a thriving meeting point and gathering place for the community.

The new square will take inspiration and precedence from two types of urban squares: the London square and neighbourhood squares in Barcelona.

London residential squares such as Soho Square, Bedford Square and Clapton Square have historically provided a communal front garden space for residents that do not have their own front gardens. Often an open space framed by trees, these open spaces serve residents and their guests. Some of these private communal spaces became open to public use when iron railings were dismantled for materials.

The neighbourhood squares in Barcelona are smaller, less formal, more hard landscaped with trees, and well used by the local community for everyday socialising, as well as gatherings and events.

Planting in the Barcelona squares serve to enhance the micro-climate, providing shade and seasonality, and a backdrop to the life happening in the square.



Soho Square



Grosvenor Square



A square in Vila de Gracia, Barcelona



La Plaça del Diamant, Barcelona



Plaça de la Vila de Gracia, Barcelona



La Plaça del Nord, Barcelona