

16th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

Barnet Council in a bid to ensure good SEND provision in the borough and the need for essential works at the Queenswell Schools is carrying out building works at Queenswell. This project will mean that the existing site which currently serves three schools will serve four schools from September 2026 (Queenswell Juniors, Queenswell Infant and Nursery School, Oakleigh School and Mapledown School) with each school enjoying its own site.

There will be an information evening on **Wednesday 25 March at 5pm in Queenswell Infant School** where you can ask questions.

The aim of these improvements is to create a better learning environment for the whole school community on the site. Below is a map of the intended changes for the site. Please note that all images are for illustrative purposes only and are subject to change.

Queenswell Schools Improvements

Building A (see images) is one-classroom building to replace the existing 2-Year-Old Nursery with the addition of parents' room. This will significantly modernise and upgrade the existing space for the 2-Year-Old Nursery and bring it closer to the existing Early Years classes supporting a strong start for the earliest learners.

The Early Years outside classroom (area B) will also be improved to provide one cohesive space for all of the Early Years children which will be redesigned to create an exceptional outside classroom of excellence.

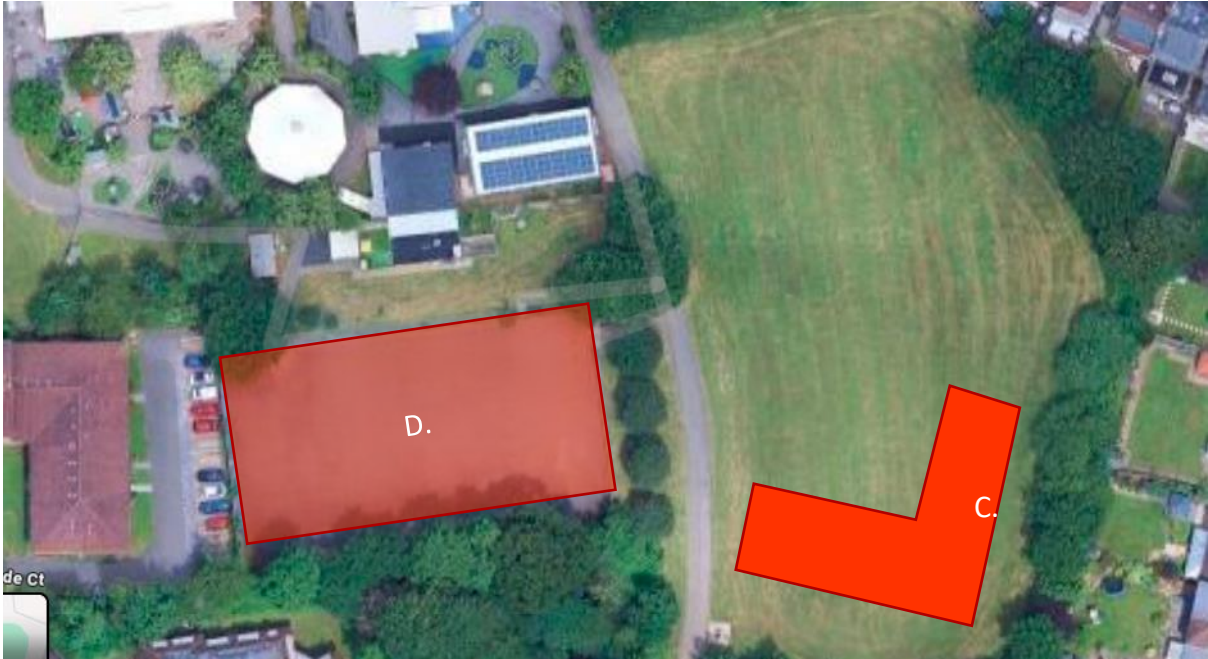
Internal works will develop the existing breakout space, create an additional intervention space as well as greatly improve the staff area.

Barnet SEND Provision

There is an existing Oakleigh School satellite already hosted at Queenswell.

Oakleigh School pupils will start using the old Queenswell 2-Year Old nursery building from September 2026. This is next to two of their current satellite classes and near the Acorn provision. This creates a community of four classes for Oakleigh pupils which creates a better and safer environment for both staff and pupils.

In addition, there is a pressing need for secondary SEND places. To meet this Barnet will construct a 5-classroom modular building on the field to the southeast of the site (see images - building c). This will host pupils from Mapledown Secondary School. Area D will be made into a car park with a separated play area for Mapledown pupils only.



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