

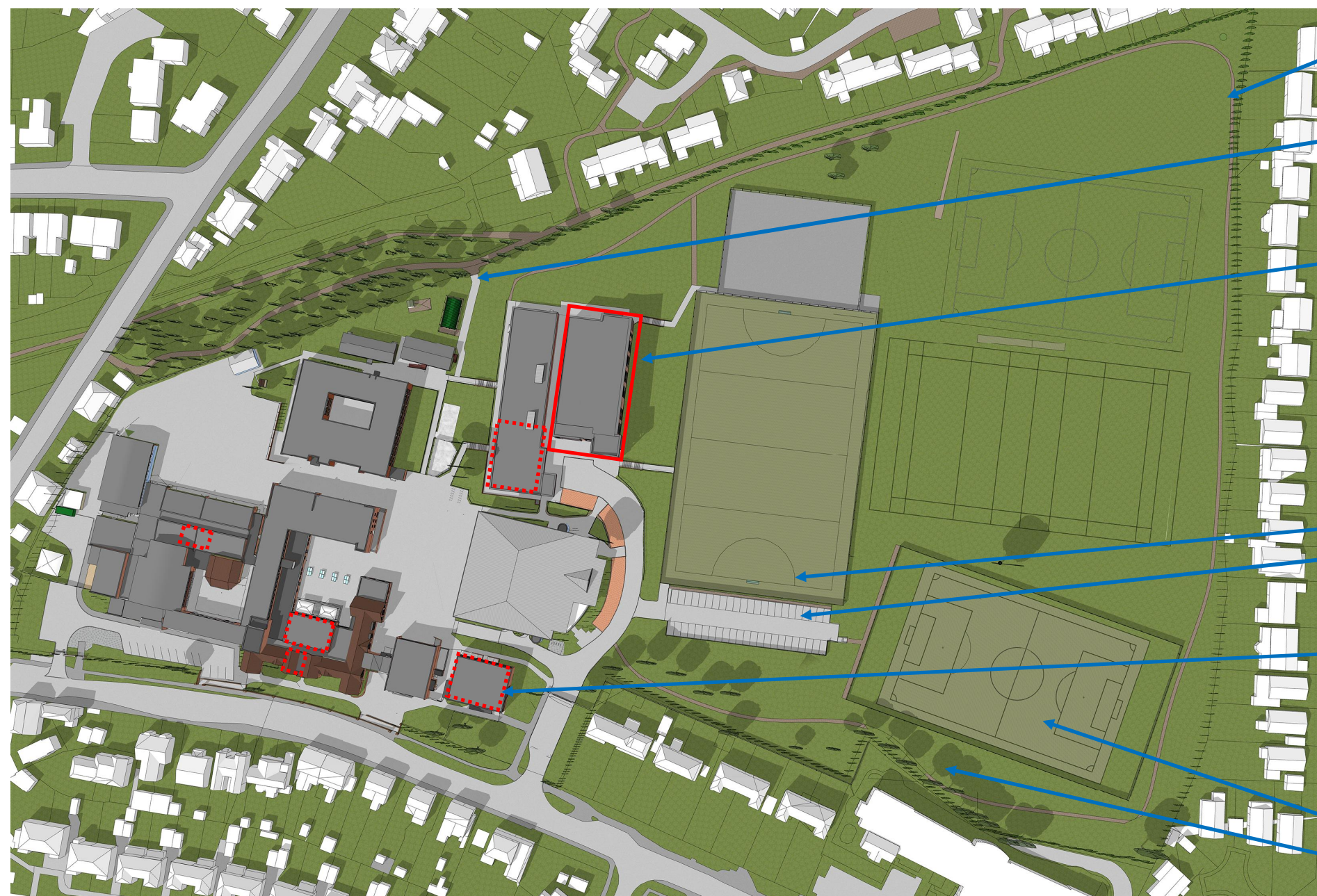
WHY ARE THE ADDITIONAL SPACES REQUIRED ?

Due to the substantial amount of new housing planned to be constructed in Hailsham and the surrounding area, there will be a resulting increase in the numbers coming through primary schools as well as additional secondary school pupils. To meet the additional pupil numbers East Sussex County Council are proposing to expand the teaching accommodation at Hailsham Community College from the current 1200, 11-16 places to 1500 places and the 230 post-16 places to 300 places, with effect from the 2022/23 academic year.

WHAT ADDITIONAL FACILITIES WILL BE PROVIDED ?

The increase in numbers will require that additional facilities are provided in nearly all subject areas as well as the 6th Form and staff facilities. The opportunity has also been taken to improve access into the school by moving the main entrance to the northern gates, creating a new car park and pedestrian entrance onto the Cuckoo Trail.

There will also be a new daily mile walking route and a new All Weather sports pitch with shielded floodlighting for both school and community use. Soft Landscaping on the site will be improved with new habitat areas and improved screening to adjacent residential properties where required.



New Daily Mile walking path around the edge of the sports field

A new pedestrian access will be formed onto the Cuckoo Trail to reduce congestion at the front of the school.

New Teaching Block constructed on part of the existing Craft Block site. This site has been selected as the existing building is in poor condition, it is an existing building plot within the built up area of the school and is well away from residential properties.

Existing Flood Lit All Weather Pitch

Location of new carpark with 46 spaces and screen fencing along its eastern side

Existing buildings will have internal alterations and be refurbished to provide new facilities adjacent to the existing such as the Library, Music Classrooms, Hygiene Room, 6th Form Centre and Craft Block.

Proposed Flood Lit All Weather Pitch
Additional tree screening and soft landscaping along the eastern boundary

SITE LAYOUT STRATEGY

A new teaching block will be constructed on the site of part of the existing Craft Block to make the most efficient use of the school site with no loss of green space or hard play area. Although 3 storeys high the new building is seen adjacent to the 3 storey Sports Centre and in front of the Science Block which is on raised ground behind. This location is also well away from residential buildings.

The main pupil entrance into the school will be moved to the existing northern entrance away from the congested Battle Road / London Road junction. Also a new pedestrian / cycle access will be formed onto the Cuckoo Trail to further reduce congestion at the front of the school and the current need to use the very narrow pavement at the southern end of Battle Road.

Parts of existing buildings will have internal alterations and refurbishment to provide new or improved facilities.

WHEN WILL THE WORK BE DONE ?

Subject to receiving a planning approval, it is proposed to start work in the Autumn of 2020 with the facilities being available for use by September 2022.

AVOIDING DISRUPTION AND SAFETY ?

Morgan Sindall Construction who have a wealth of experience with working in live school sites will be the Main Contractor. Minimizing disruption and ensuring safety will be a key consideration in the design phasing and construction of the works.