

Project 372: New School Pathway

Client: Saxon Way Primary School, Gillingham, Medway, Kent

Programme: 4 Weeks

Construction Details: Disabled Access, Ground Works, Handrail, Pathway, School Improvement

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Saxon Way School was in need of a new school pathway to link the school building with their sports field. The reason for the ramped pathway was to provide disabled access to a more inclusive play area. This is to help disabled children and parents attend sports day and for the school to hire the sports field to a more diverse cliental.

The Build

The existing area consisted of a grass bank. Initially, we excavated the area and laid type 1 foundation with edging stones being added along the complete length of the pathway. We then installed a top layer of Breedon gravel, a hard compacted material which is wheelchair friendly. Breedon gravel delivers an exceptional, resilient and attractive natural finish with a robust surface which subtly blends in with the scenery.

To complete the pathway, we installed a new key clamp galvanised handrail system. In addition we also added steps, an area with large planters and a space which the school will turn into a seated area in the future.

Helping to be Green

For the new pathway to go ahead we needed to remove many trees. To compensate the loss to the environment, we planted 50 new trees at the end of the project which ensures that the school is more environmentally friendly and also providing a more inviting green area.

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