Potential for New Street and Extension to the Swan Leisure Complex

This sketch from the original Swan Leisure design scheme shows the potential for a new street linking Rathmines Road Lower with Williams Park at St. Louis Primary School.

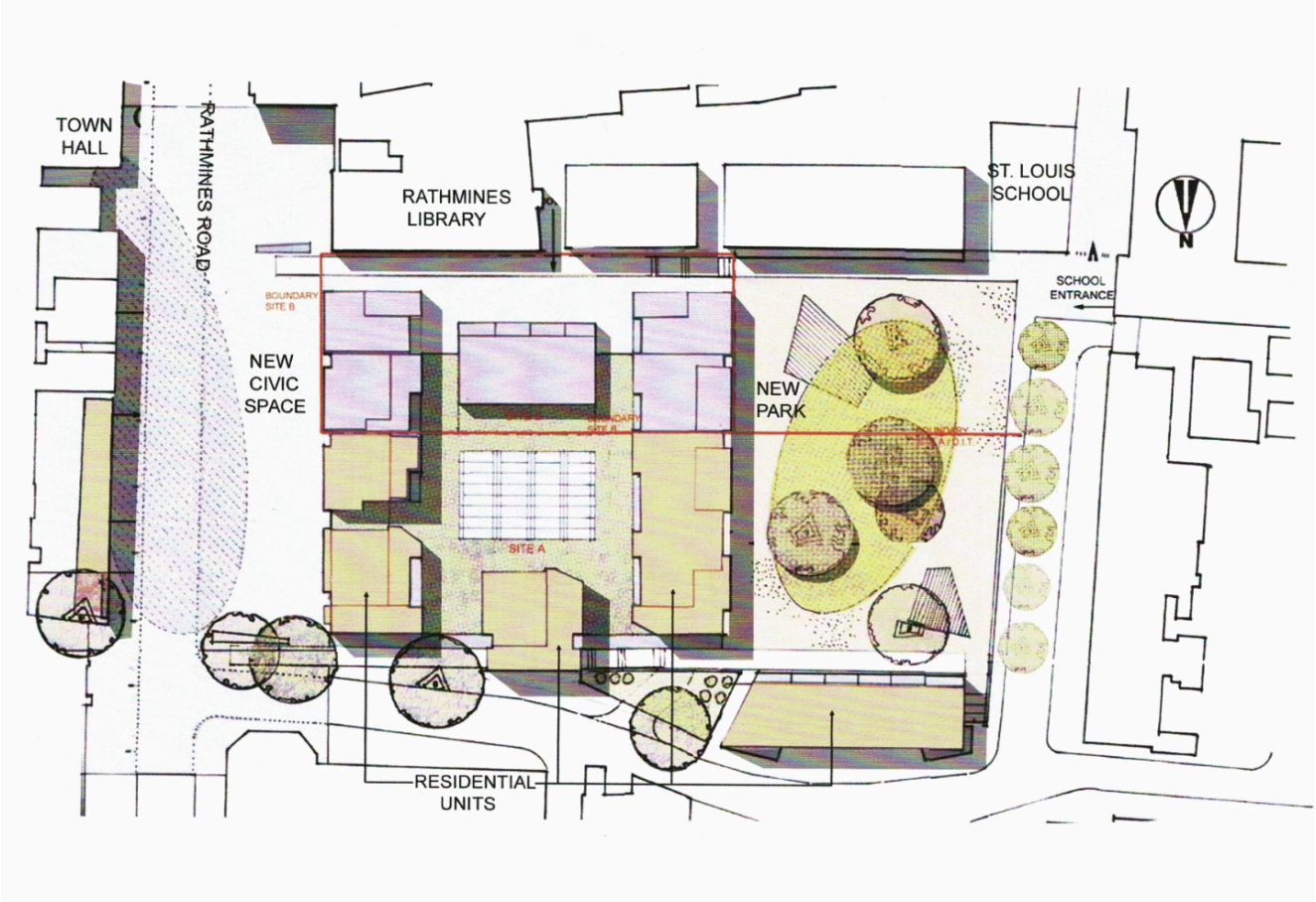
In the early stages of the Swan Leisure project, Dublin Corporation was in discussions with the owners of the Herman White premises to purchase their property and amalgamate it with their own former swimming pool site and portion of the Technical Institute site. The sketch below is based on the potential of the amalgamated site if the purchase had gone ahead.

However, the purchase did not go ahead, and the extent of the actual development lies *below* the horizontal red line in the sketch.

The sketch shows how the amalgamated site could provide for:

- a new street hugging the side of the Tech Institute building beside the Library, connecting the main street with St. Louis Primary School
- an extended civic space to the front, along Rathmines Road Lower
- an extension to the Swan Leisure Centre
- space for new residential buildings and a community hall
- an extended park in from of Williams Park.

(The building marked "Rathmines Library" in the sketch is in reality part of Rathmines Tech Institute.)



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