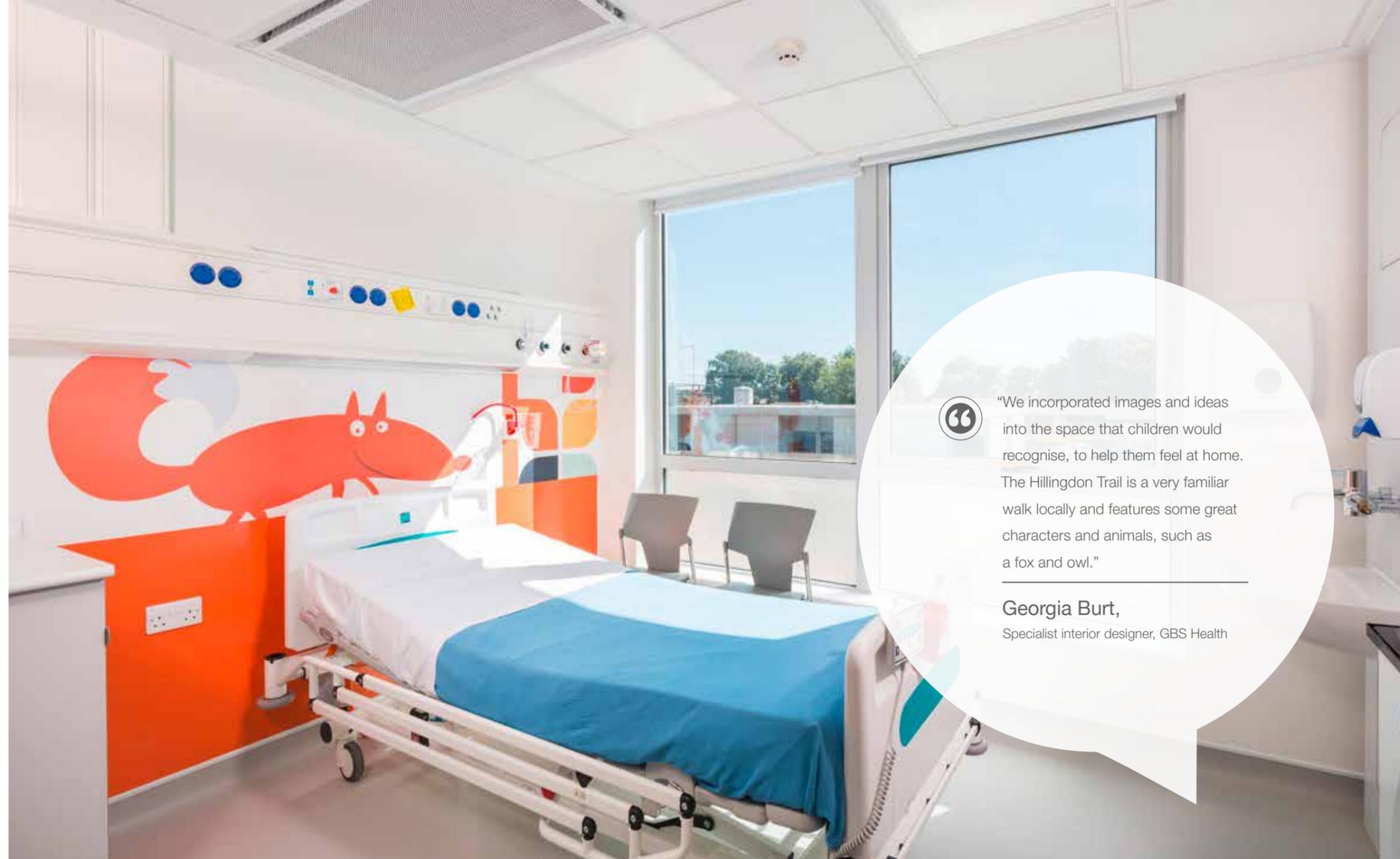




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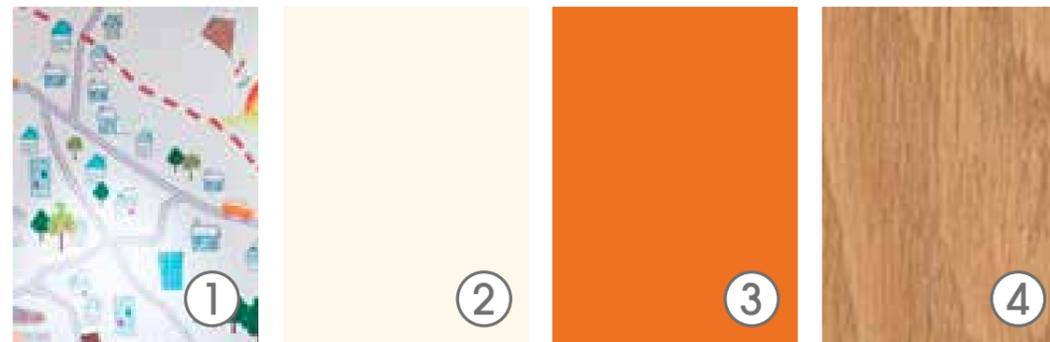


"We incorporated images and ideas into the space that children would recognise, to help them feel at home. The Hillingdon Trail is a very familiar walk locally and features some great characters and animals, such as a fox and owl."

**Georgia Burt,**  
Specialist interior designer, GBS Health



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#### Issue

Altro revisited Hillingdon Hospital, London, to see the lasting impact of products used to create patient-centred, healing, safe and homely environments in several departments.

The Paediatric A&E was transformed just over three years ago. Architect and healthcare specialist interior designer Georgia Burt of GBS Health worked closely with the hospital, lead designers Oxford Architects and with Altro on the project, with the aim to create a healing environment that would be comfortable, friendly, non-clinical and focus on wellbeing at a time of great stress.

Georgia says: "Being in hospital can be an upsetting and frightening experience for everyone, but especially for children. The interior space can have such a powerful effect on how they feel, and using the right designs, colours and materials will set the scene from the moment a child enters the space."

#### Approach

Following a series of interactive consultation meetings with clinical and service users, a unique interior wayfinding strategy and supporting arts programme was developed.

Based on an urban study of the Borough of Hillingdon's bio-diversity and award-winning parkland, the interior design and art concept were developed around the map of the borough as if imagined from a young person's perspective.

#### Solution

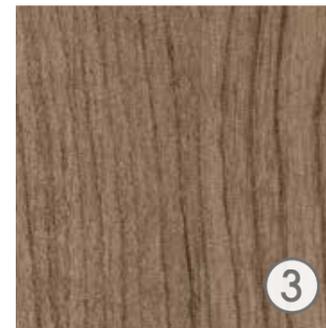
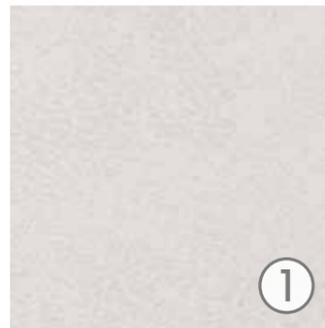
Christopher Knight, Capital Projects Manager, Estates Department, at The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, says: "Everyone says how lovely the A&E unit looks, the Hillingdon Trail is such a great idea for a focal point, because it's so famous in the area, so children immediately feel at home and relaxed when they arrive. It truly is a child-centred space from the moment you arrive and it looks and feels different; the atmosphere has changed and it's so much more positive."



"The Altro products look great, and still as good as the day they were fitted. They have enabled us to create the most wonderful environment that is not only safe and clean, but helps children to feel better and happier at a stressful time."

**Christopher Knight,**

Capital Projects Manager, Estates Department,  
at The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust



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