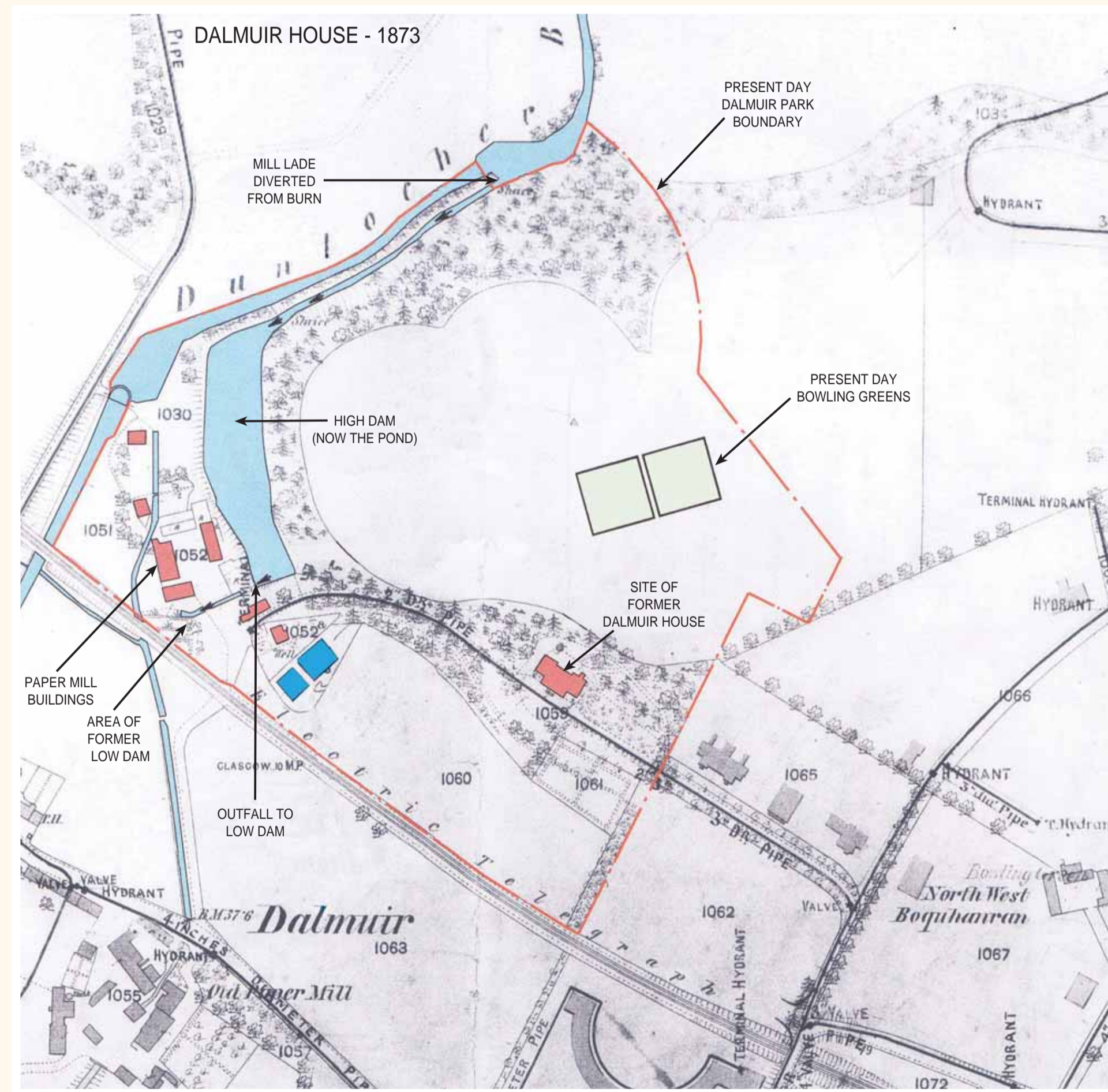


Dalmuir Park

Overtoun Road Entrance

Dalmuir Park was opened in 1906 within the grounds of Dalmuir House. It was extended into this 'upper' area when Overtoun Road was built c 1910. Dalmuir House was built in 1818 by Richard Collins and stood near the present children's playground. It had an outstanding view over the surrounding area to open countryside. The landscape around the House was laid out with woods enclosing open parkland typical of the 19th century and more ornamental trees and shrubs (yew, holly etc) planted near the House itself. There was an enclosed kitchen garden to the south of the house. The driveway from the House led down to the Paper Mill which was also owned by the Collins family.



The arrival of shipbuilding and other industries in the 19th century on Clydeside changed this rural landscape. The grass parkland was designed to be open with no trees. Tenements were built on the south west side of the railway in c 1900's.

The belt of trees which stands to your left along the east boundary of the Park was planted around 1910 after this driveway into the Park from Overtoun Road was built and the Park was enclosed by railings. The railings were repaired and repainted as part of the 2012 RESTORATION PROJECT.



The Clydebank Blitz of 1941 decimated the surrounding area. As a result, many houses were lost and, post war, new housing schemes and high rise buildings were built.

The Erskine Bridge, opened in 1971, is visible from some of the more open high points of the Park. The bridge replaced the old Erskine Ferry. On a clear day you can see down the River Clyde estuary and over parts of rural Renfrewshire.

Dalmuir Park has, since its opening in 1906, been used and enjoyed by locals for general recreation and events.

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