

## **Banks**

Sloping ground that separates or encloses space can provide an edge space to accommodate use. Mown grass and built banks provide play environments for a wide range of age groups. Banks often become habitats for wild plants through lack of, or different, management approaches. If they are too steep, they can be uncomfortable places to sit for long periods of time.

## Ridges

Two banks 'back to back' become a ridge that, while separating spaces, also becomes a place of use in its own right especially for walking, sitting, watching/viewing, hiding, sunbathing and rolling.

## Ditches

Ditches separate spaces through lower ground. Often damp, watery and concealed places, they are attractive to children for play, hiding and for wildlife, but are less attractive to adults as places to stay. Ditches often signal their presence in the landscape through the strapped texture of rushes and reeds.