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# 01. Overview

### Overview

GT Architects were appointed by Persimmon & Morris Homes to develop the enclosed proposals. This Design and Access Statement provides a concise description of our approach to the project and the design proposals. The Design & Access Statement accompanies a full planning application.

This statement is composed of two parts; the design component and the access component.

The design component illustrates the design principles and concepts that have been applied to the development proposal. The particular aspects of the proposal described are the context, amount, design principles, layout, scale, landscaping and appearance of the development.

The access component demonstrates how the application proposals provide for inclusive and convenient access to the building, external spaces and public transport.

The application is for a proposed new community leisure facility with associated car parking (93 spaces total) and hard/soft landscaping on land adjacent to Rectory Lane, Standish, as part of the overall housing masterplan produced by Persimmon & Morris Homes.

The site includes 2 multi use sports pitches and 1 hard standing for external gym equipment (all to be fenced off)



# 02. Site Location and Context

### Location and Context

#### Location

The existing site is located to the East of the town of Standish off Rectory Lane (B5239)

The site is currently used by Standish Court Golf Club.

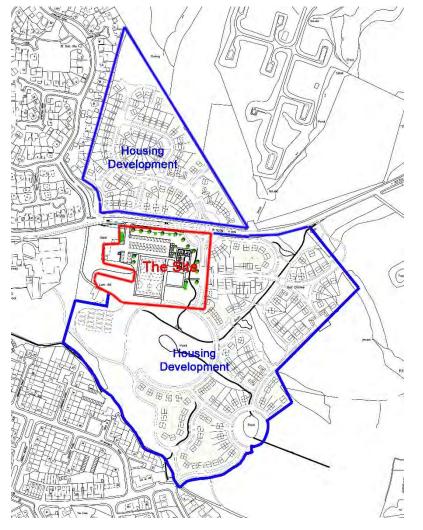
The leisure centre is part of the greater housing masterplan developed by Persimmon & Morris homes, which is situated off Rectory Lane to the north which divides the overall housing development, and adjacent a new access road to the east.

The western boundary is marked by the existing golf club boundary and existing tree line. The southern boundary boarders the proposed open green space provided as part of the housing development.

Vehicular access to the site is via Rectory Lane to the North of the site.

Pedestrian access routes are provided along Rectory Lane from the town and new routes provided through the green space as part of the larger masterplan.





# Existing Site Plan



### Existing Site Photos

#### Photo's of site context

The photographs below were taken of the site to understand the sites immediate context and to record the size, volume, scale, massing and materials of the neighbouring buildings

It is also essential to understand key linkages, routes and vistas, both to and from the site, and to gain an understanding of how the site fits within its wider context, and indeed to explore opportunities for improving connectivity via the addition of any new building.





**Before** 







Approx proposed building height after.

# 03. Design Process / Principles

### Use

The scheme proposal is for a two storey standalone community / sports centre with 3 associated multi use sports surfaces. An artificial 3G football pitch to accommodate 2 5-a-side football pitches or one full size pitch to meet Football Association guidance. A Multi use games area (MUGA) for basketball, tennis football etc and an outdoor fitness area to include gym style external equipment

### **Amount**

#### **PROPOSED**

#### Site Area

Approximately 124,75m2 (3.36 acres)

#### **Community Leisure Centre**

Gross External = 593 m2

Gross Internal = 821 m2 (GF - 487; FF - 334 m2)

Synthetic 3G Football Pitch = 2420 m2

Muga (multi use games area) = 456m2

Outdoor fitness area = 100 m2

#### **Car Parking**

Total 93 car parking spaces (including 6 Disabled)



## Use - Building Heights



### Use

#### **DESIGN BRIEF**

This project brief has been developed to inform the design process for the Leisure development as part of the Morris/Persimmon Homes development of the former golf course on Rectory Lane.

The brief captures the main spatial and operational requirements for the development to ensure the architectural and engineering design meets the operational needs of WLCT.

The brief is split into 4 main areas as listed below:

Health and Fitness
Synthetic pitch
Multi use games area
Ancillary Accommodation

Each area is detailed in turn.

Health & Fitness
 - 300 sq.m gym to support 40 stations

- 100 sq.m Studio with 15 sq.m store, timber sprung floor

- Separate male / female changing area for 50 in each

in accordance with Sport England Guidance.

• Synthetic Pitches - Minimum FIFA 1 star 3G surface with shock pads.

- 2 x sets of self weighted mobile 5 a side goals

- 1 x set of self weighted mobile 7 a side pitches

- 2,7m high pitch dividing system

- Boundary fencing and floodlighting to SE guidance

- 2no. Outdoor changing spaces with external access.

Multi use games areas

- Small MUGA circa 26 x 21 as Sport England guidelines to support mullti sports activities to include mini tennis,

tennis, netball, dodge ball etc.

- Outdoor fitness area to include training rig such as the

Synergy Blue Sky 14

Ancillary Accommodation

- Reception to support 2no. Staff

- Staff Office, 10sq.m to support 2no. Staff

- Retail / Vending located near reception including 3

vending machines

- Seating area for approx. 10 seats

- Storage

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**Area Schedule** 



Area type	Area (m²)		
Ground Floor			
Entrance lobby / Café space	102.0		
Reception	8.0		
Server Room	2.5		
Admin Office	12.7		
Studio	96.5		
Studio Store	12.7		
Store	4.0		
Access Wc / Shower	6.1		
Male Change Lobby	5.0		
Male Change	50.0		
Male Wc	10.0		
Male Showers	10.0		
Female Change Lobby	5.0		
Female Change	51.0		
Female Wc	11.0		
Female Showers	10.0		
Outdoor Change 01 (inc Showers)	24.0		
Outdoor Change 02 (inc Showers)	20.0		
Accessible Wc	3.5		
Outdoor Change Lobby	13.6		
Net useable area	458		
GIFA	487		
First Floor			
Landing	14.0		
Fitness Gym	300.0		
Gym Office	10.0		
Plant	23.0		
Cleaners Cupboard	3.5		
Net useable area	351		
GIFA	373		
Total Net Useable Area	808		
Total GIFA	860		

### Layout

The proposed site layout involves the building set at the corner of the site at the new junction on Rectory Lane and the proposed housing development, on top of the existing golf club footprint whereby the existing car park can be retained. This allows natural surveillance and reduces potential crime and anti-social behaviour as recommended within 'Secure by Design' published by the Police authority.

The building is situated in such a way that provides views out onto the three multi purpose pitches with potential signage zones to the side and rear of the building adjacent the access roads.

The building has been designed so that its built form enhances this visually prominent corner location in the built environment. The building should read as a local landmark.

Elevations adjacent to the street have been designed to be visually interesting and over the street with an element of natural surveillance. Therefore, these facade elements facing the street have large amounts of glazing which also creates an active frontage into the fitness suite.

The elevations have also been designed to create a step down in height, minimising the height of the building as much as possible (given the activity space requirements internally), giving a "human scale" to the proposed street frontages.

The entrance point has been sited adjacent to the 'Square' so that it is more prominent in the local built environment and more convenient for pedestrians and cyclists.

The new access road comes directly into the existing car park off Rectory Lane as designed by CBO Transport as part of the overall housing development.

Planting is proposed around the site to match the overall development. Please refer to the Soft Landscaping masterplan.

The access road and carpark roadways will be re-surfaced with black macadam. For proposed Hard Landscaping layout, please refer to the Hard Landscaping Plan prepared by GTA for more details (14011(08)907)





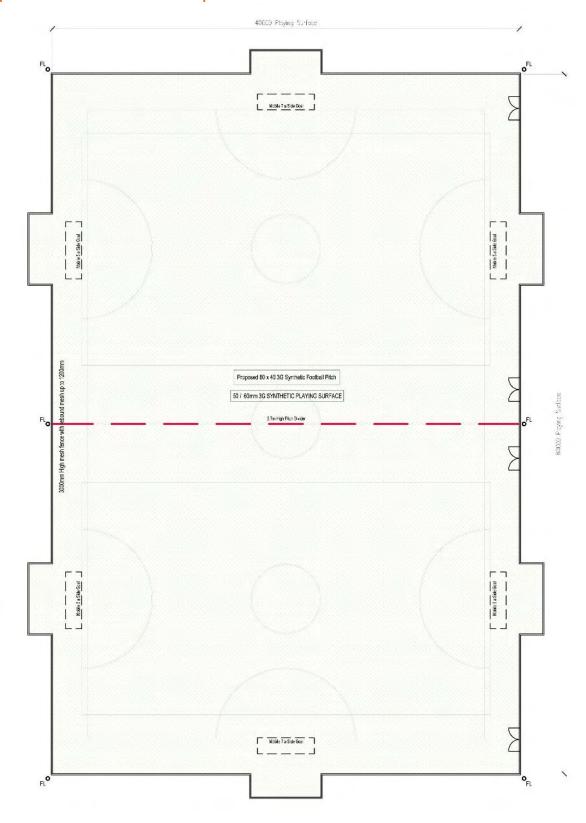


# Proposed Site Plan

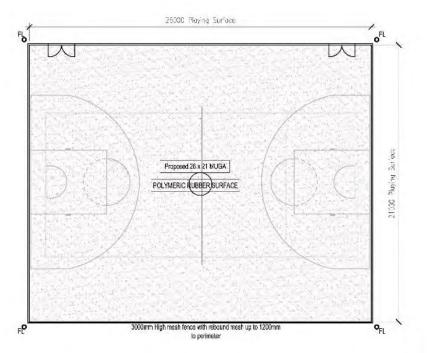




# Proposed Multi Purpose Pitches



JUNIOR FIFA 1 STAR 3G SYNTHETIC PITCH



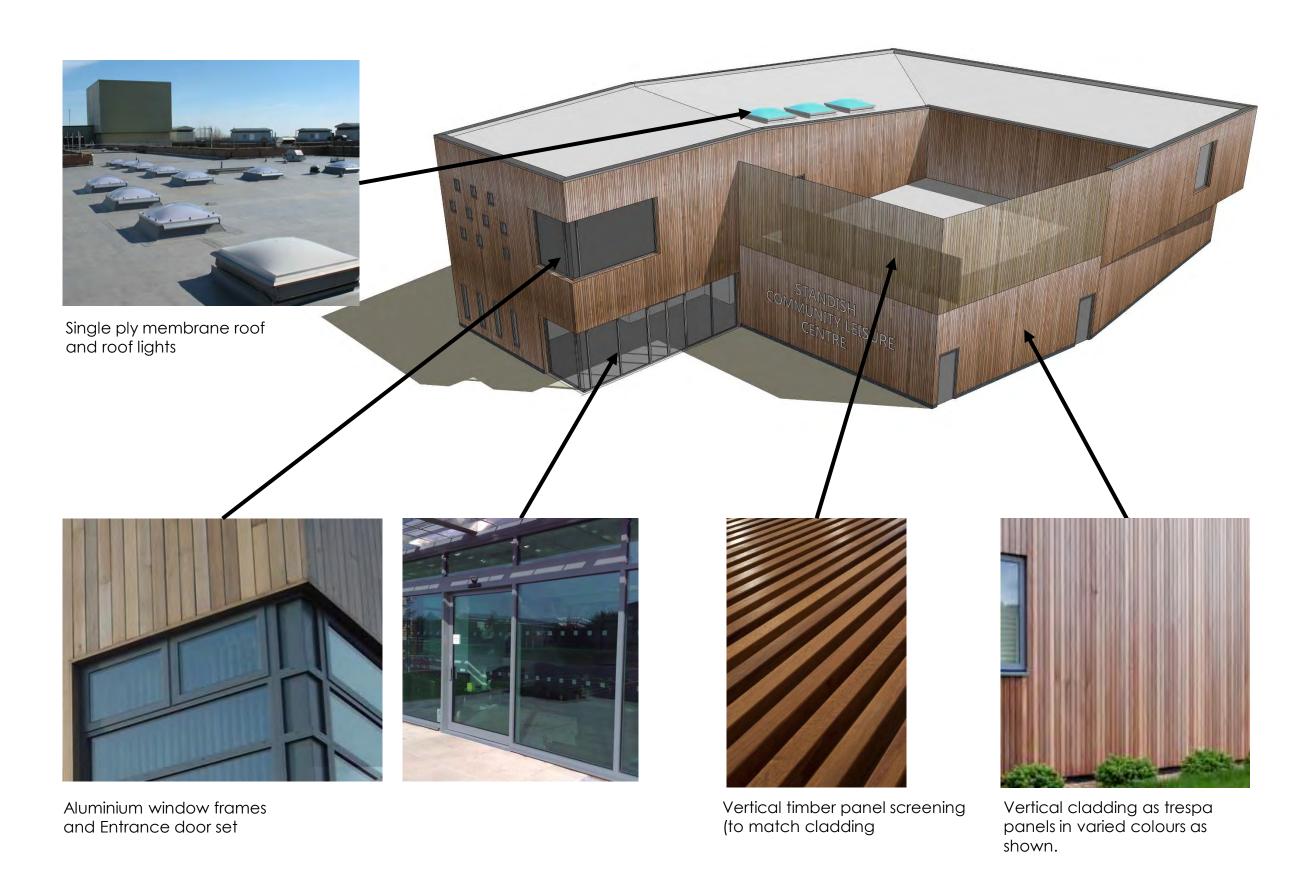
#### SMALL Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) PITCH

3G		Primary S	port	Secondary Sport	
	60 & 65mm (incl. shock pad)	Nº.	Rugby	本	Football
ш	50 & 60mm	J.	Football	Nº.	Low impact Rugby
nn	40mm (incl. shock pad)	*	Football	A	Hockey
Sand					
	18-23mm Sand Dressed (Incl. shock pad)	A	Hockey	to or	Football Tennis
1010	18-23mm Sand Filled (incl. shock pad)	A	Hockey	it is	Football Tennis
Muga*					
6	Tarmac	京文学	Basketball Tennis Netball	本	5-a-side
L	12-20mm Polymeric	ネカスツ	5-a-side Basketball Athletics Netball	in	Tennis

\* Multi-Use Games Area

PREFERRED PLAYING SURFACE Prestige Sports Pitch Surfaces

### Materials



# Proposed Elevations - 1



#### SOUTH ELEVATION



#### LEGEND

- Trespass (or similar) timber veneer cladding.
   Through colour render Colour: tbc
   Below ground masonry
   External steel door sets Colour: tbc
   Aluminium framed double glazed window units -
- 6. Aluminium framed double glazed main entrance,
- with automatic opening door Colour: tbc
  7. Pre cast concrete external stair & spectator terracing with anti slip finish.
- 8. PPC aluminium balustrade Colour: tbc

# Proposed Elevations - 2



NORTH ELEVATION

#### LEGEND

- Trespass (or similar) timber veneer cladding.
   Through colour render Colour: tbc
   Below ground masonry
   External steel door sets Colour: tbc
   Aluminium framed double glazed window units -
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- with automatic opening door Colour: tbc
  7. Pre cast concrete external stair & spectator terracing with anti slip finish.
- 8. PPC aluminium balustrade Colour: tbc



# 3D Visuals - 01





SOUTH WEST SOUTH EAST





NORTH WEST NORTH EAST

# 3D Visuals - 02



### Context 3D Visuals - 01



### NORTH WEST



**NORTH EAST** 

### Context 3D Visuals - 02



Roundabout - Rectory Lane



North West – Car Park



South West Corner on top of embankment

# Proposed Ground Floor Plan

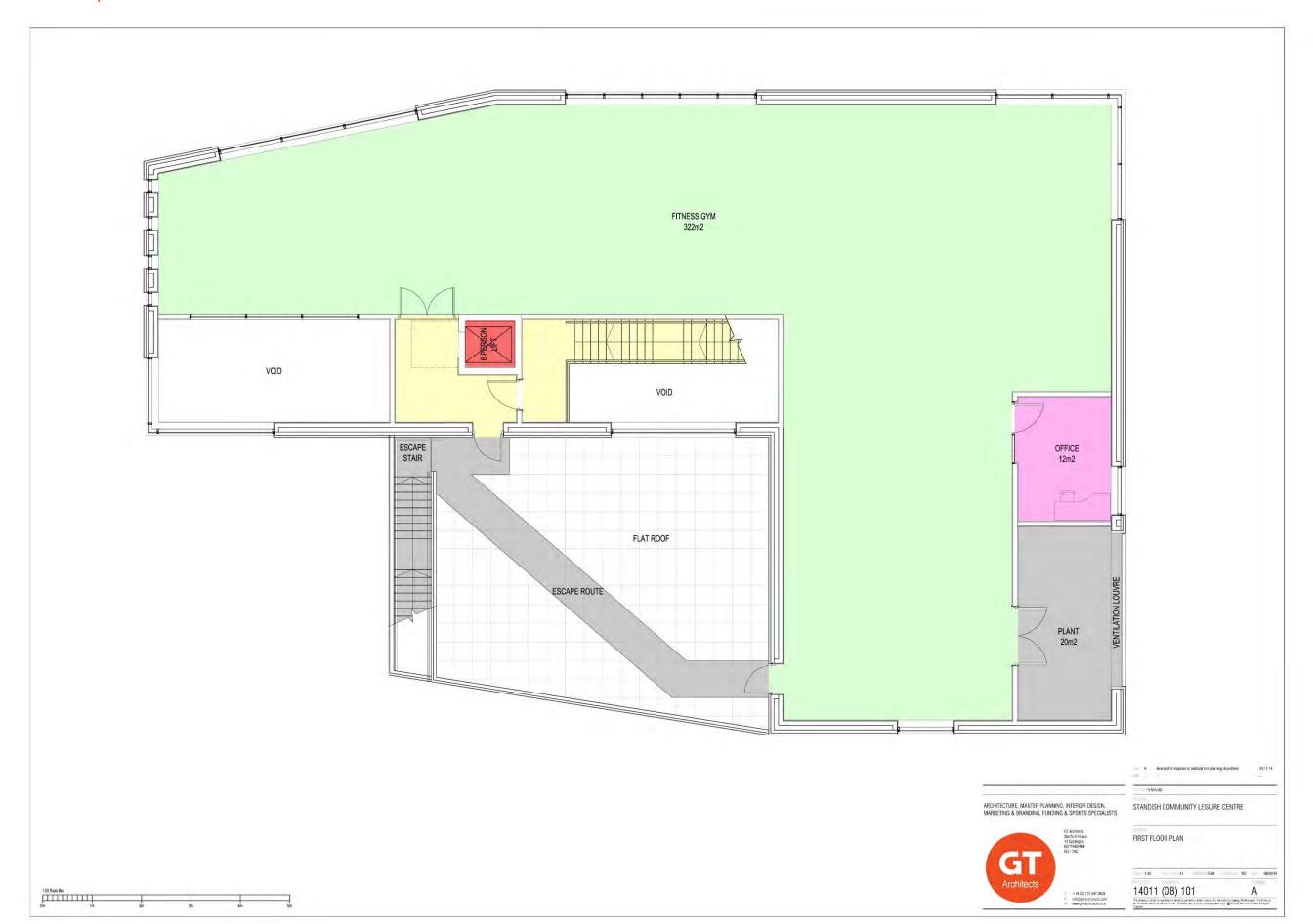


### Proposed Ground Floor Plan (continued)

- 1. Easy to navigate around the plan simple circulation.
- 2. Reception desk adjacent main entrance to control access.
- 3. Dry change is arranged to allow easy access to the Studio and adjacent the stairs up to the fitness gym.
- 4. Outdoor change is positioned in such a way to allow separate access from those using the outdoor facilities to people using the indoor areas to avoid dirt transfer.
- 5. Café has a link to every indoor facility to promote a community feel.
- 6. Plant room in ideal location.



# Proposed First Floor Plan



# Proposed First Floor Plan (continued)

