



**Design Statement:**

- The new building takes advantage of the existing changing facilities and improves the under-used elements of the existing building
- The aim is to open up the present visual barrier between the buildings and the all weather football pitch
- The new building is intended to be a multi-purpose space with a focus on community related activities that support and are connected with sport in and around Burges Park
- The new and existing buildings will be linked around the new protected outside terrace and a new reception area which forms a focal point for both buildings
- The form of the new building reflects the form and geometry of the existing building in order to emphasise the relationship between them. They will both share the a curved profile landscaped roof structure and a glass facade
- The new reception and admin area will have full visual control over the users movement inside and outside both buildings. The new entrance will be visible and obvious to anyone approaching the site and will link all the internal and external activities
- The main hall is a multi-functional 200 sq.m. space and forms the central core of the project. It can accommodate a full sized badminton court, provide a large indoor cafe, provide counter served food and meals, provide space for fully catered functions and be used for performances. It is connected to a part covered outside terrace and a south west facing open terrace.
- Groups of workstations 'hot desks' open onto the main circulation route opposite the main hall and can be secured with roller shutters when not in use
- At the end of the corridor is a large 90 sq.m. fitness suite with 20 to 30 fitness machines for use by sports participants and outside fitness club members with an all glass west elevation facing the football pitch
- Opposite the fitness suite is a 60 sq.m. multi purpose studio, classroom and meeting room with opaque translucent multiwall polycarbonate sheet walls for a combination of light and privacy. The space has a pie t hien elliptical floor plan which creates the most efficient space to wall length ratio
- Three separate stores for internal and external activities. Two new toilet areas will be provided to serve the increased number of visitors
- A 'green legacy' outside all weather gym is provided as a free fitness facility for use by all visitors and sports participants of all ages. It also provides an attraction encouraging more people to use and visit the building
- The landscaped 'brown' roof provides a refuge for wildlife, avoids surface water runoff, provides better thermal and acoustic insulation to the building, protects the water proofing materials and provides an invaluable visual amenity within a parkland setting

**BURGESS PARK SPORTS YOUTH CENTRE**

GROUND FLOOR PLAN

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