

## Ormskirk Wellbeing and Leisure Hub - Community Engagement

Thank you for viewing the proposal for a new Wellbeing and Leisure Hub in Ormskirk and engaging in the vision for the site.

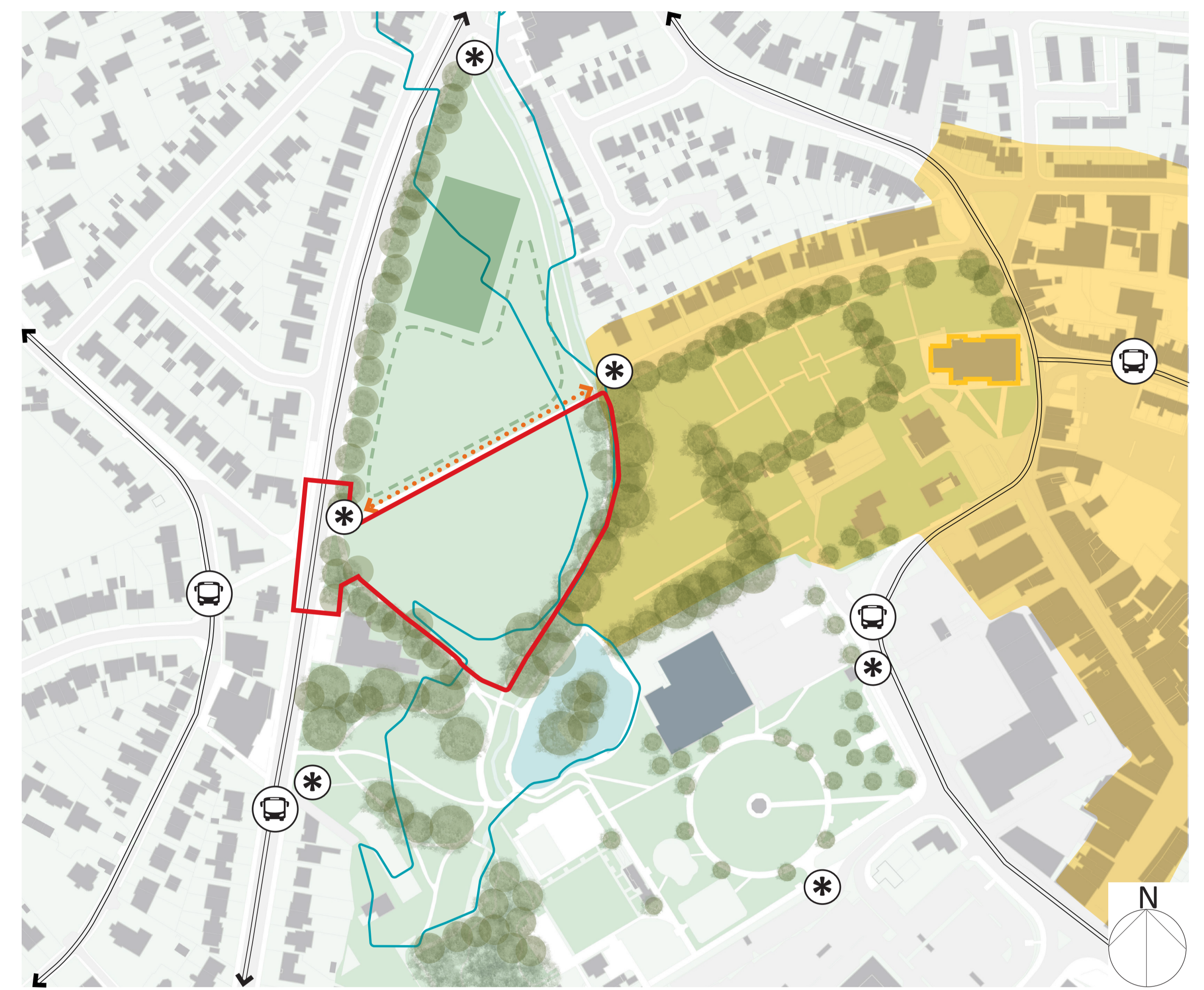
West Lancashire Borough Council has been developing exciting plans for a new Wellbeing and Leisure Hub in Ormskirk, working with Development Partner Alliance Leisure. The new hub will replace the ageing Ormskirk Park Pool and will provide modern fitness and leisure facilities to meet the needs of Ormskirk and surrounding areas.

We are keen to hear your views on the proposals ahead of the planning application being submitted. All comments will assist and be addressed in a Statement of Community Involvement, which will be submitted in support of the planning application. All comments will be anonymous.

The proposed site is a sustainable location with good pedestrian connections to the town centre, and to public transport links. Its situation within the park places it next to complementary uses whilst still being within walking distance of neighbouring residential areas. The identified site sits to the south of Churchfields and will link with the existing recreational facilities in the area. The site benefits from existing pedestrian pathways, a duck pond and mature trees for its setting.



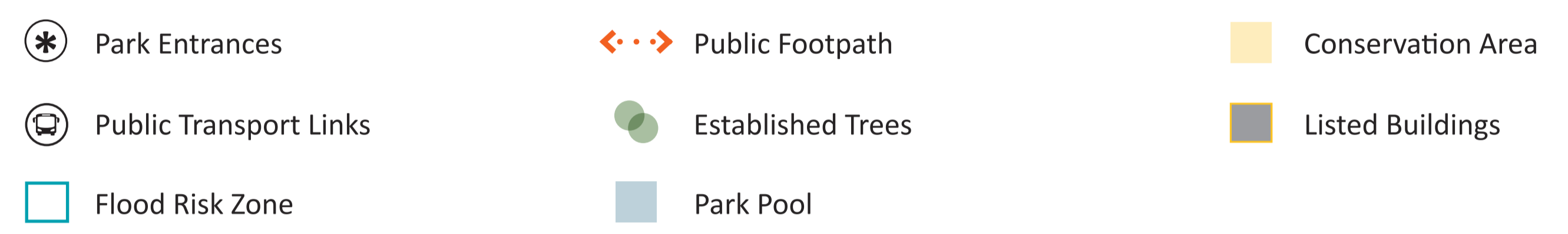
Site location plan



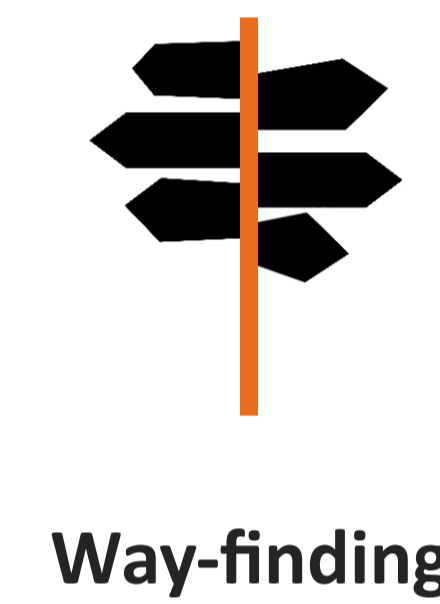
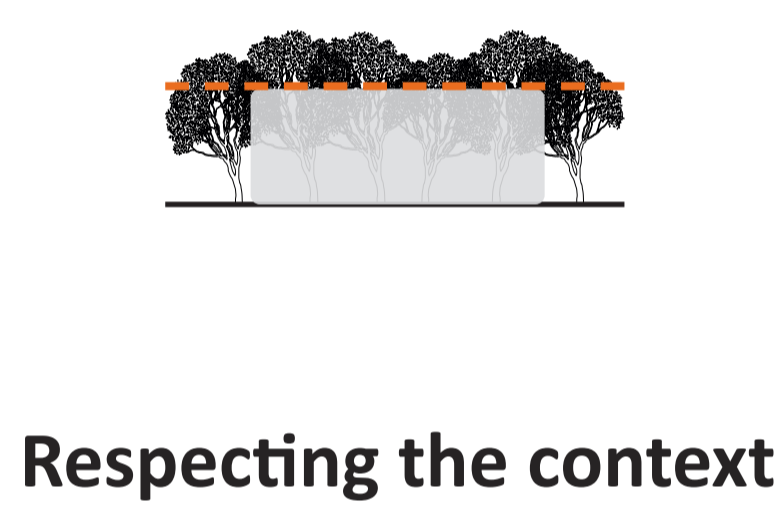
Site analysis - constraints and opportunities



Site photographs



### Key themes



### Site plan

An area of open parkland to the south of Churchfields has been identified as the preferred site location. It retains the existing playing pitch located on Churchfields and its recreational use and positions the building well within the overall site leading to a sense of openness to the duck pond to the south.

The main building entrance is located to the north and will link in with the existing footpath network. To the south the cafe will be able to open out into a landscaped area.

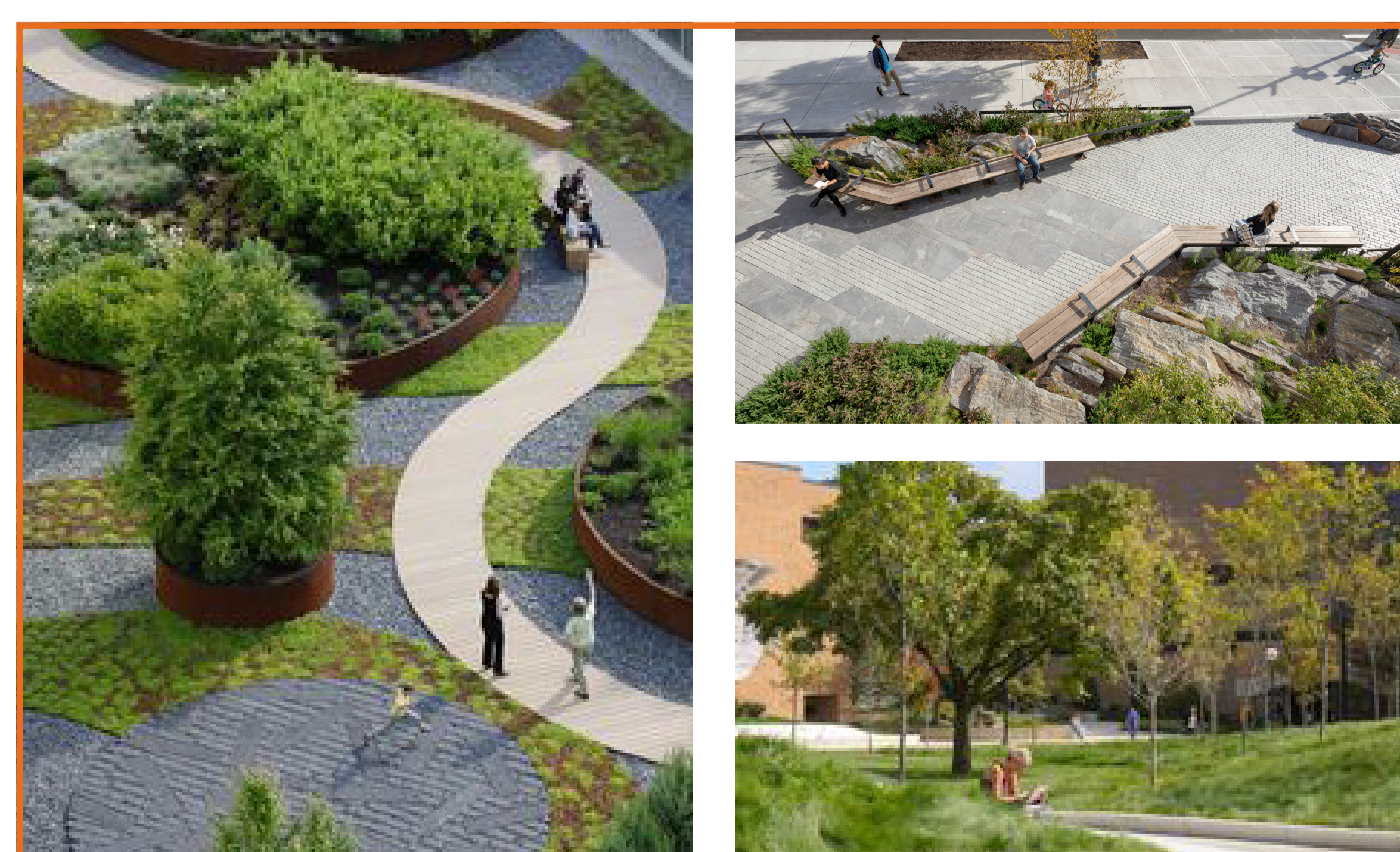
Vehicular access to the site will take the form of a new junction from County Road relieving pressure from the town centre. A driveway will link to the parking area to the east of the site.

Car parking will be located to the east of the proposed hub with the addition of electric car charging bays and secure cycle parking. Servicing for the building will run to the north elevation. Flood risk has been considered as part of the development plan in developing the strategy for the site.



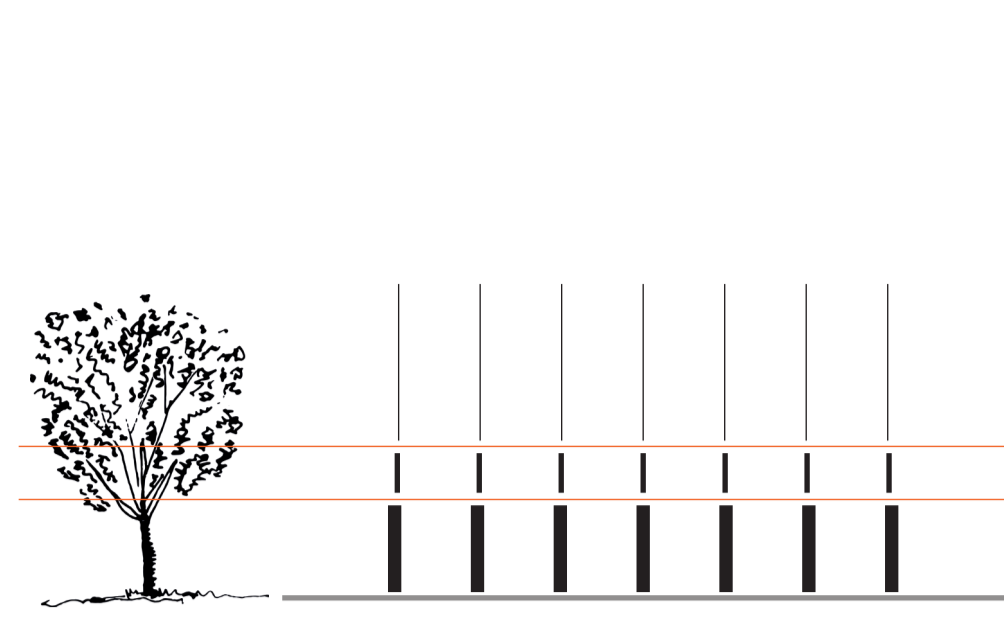
### Existing leisure centre

Building on previous consultations, the site of the existing leisure centre is to be demolished and replaced with landscaping to provide public amenity space. The landscaping design for this area will be developed following the conclusion of this round of public consultation.

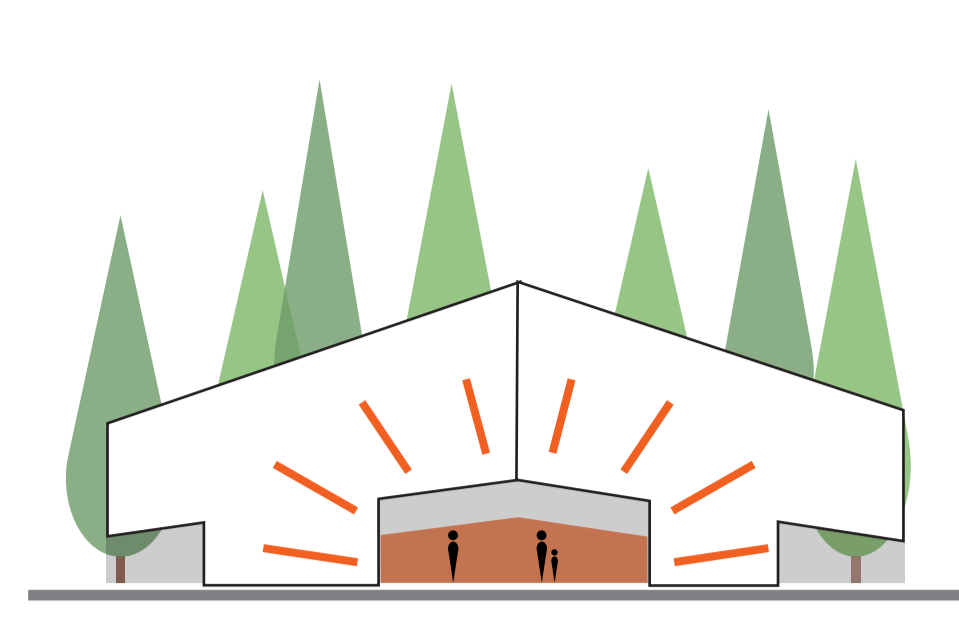


# LAYOUT AND FACILITIES

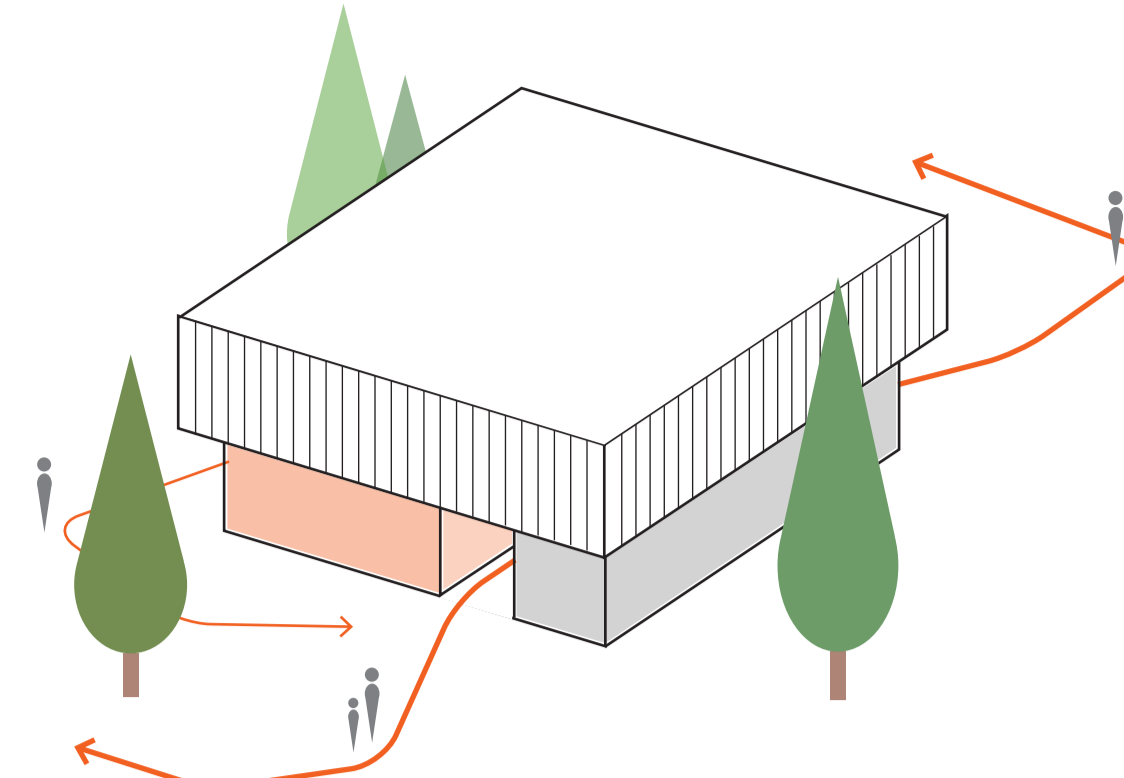
## Strategic moves



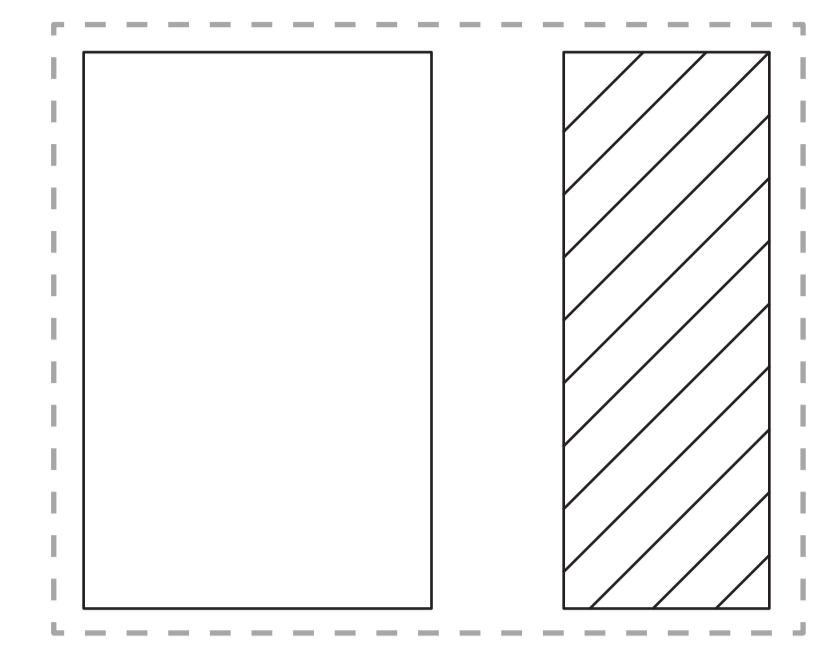
Responding to context



Clear corners



Moving through & around

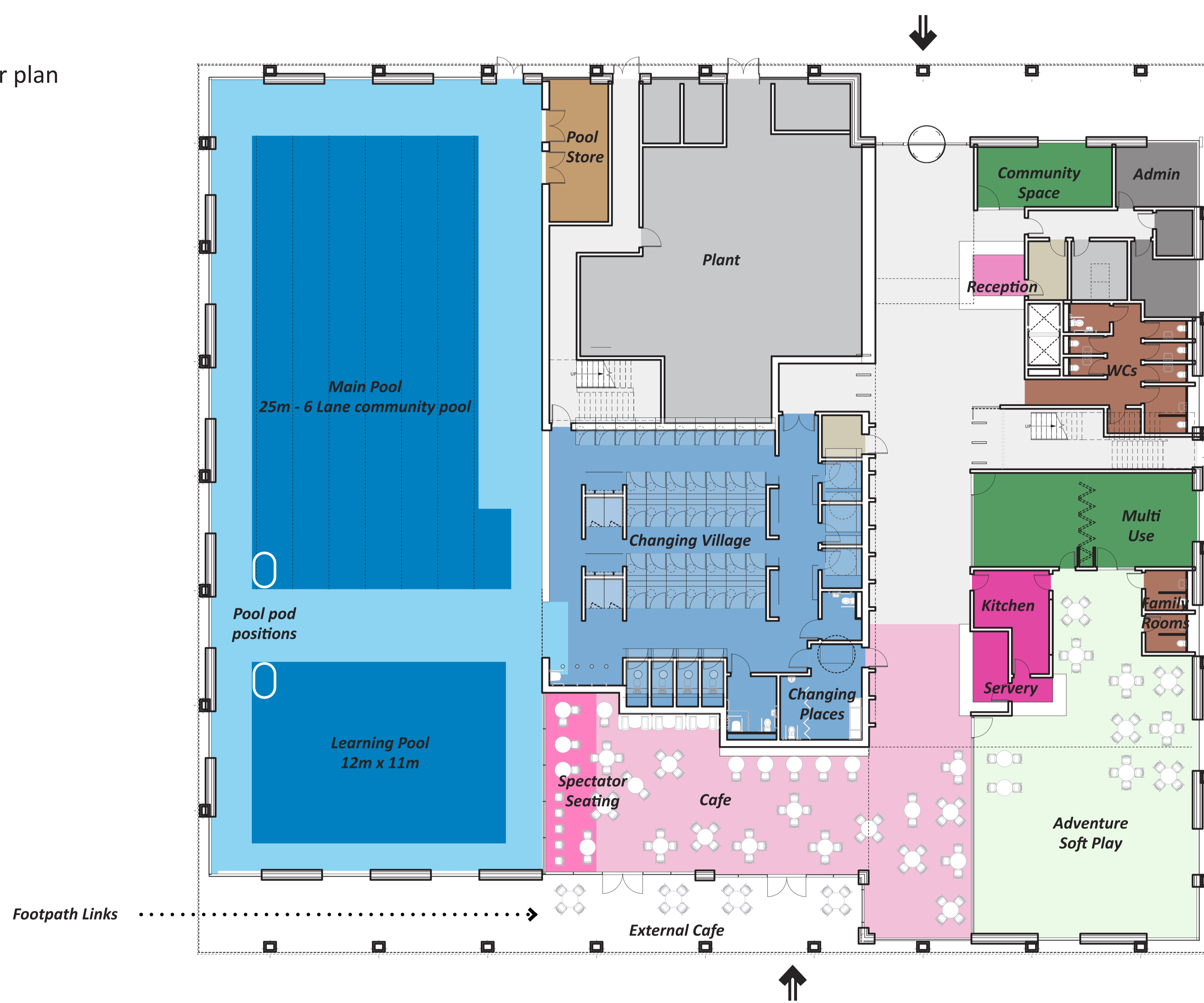


Efficient footprint

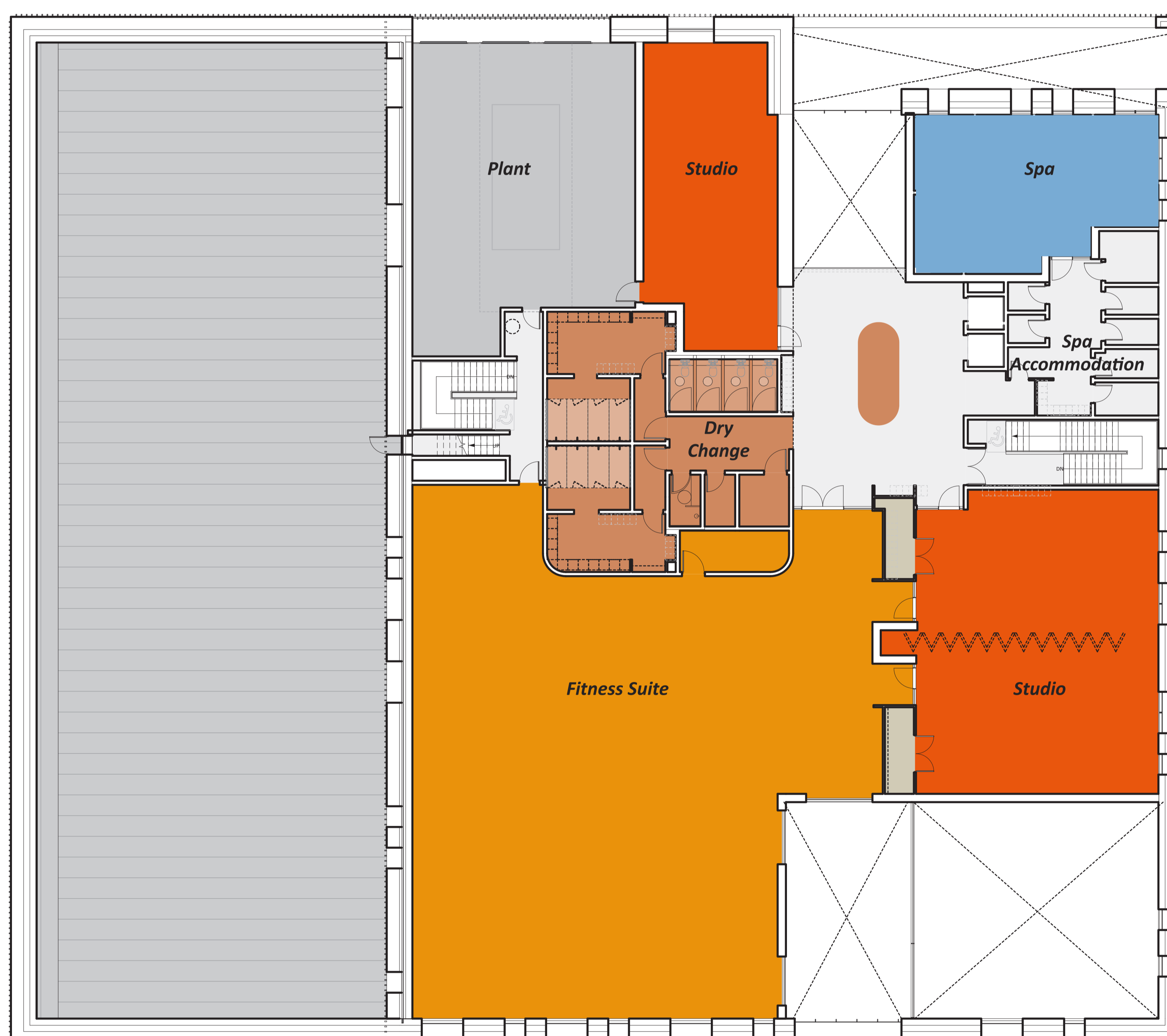
## Floor plans

The new hub will provide modern facilities in light and airy spaces. Key to the design is connection to the park setting. Facilities will include; 6 lane 25m pool, 12m x 10m learner pool, 110 station gym, large fitness studio, dedicated studio for smaller classes, a cafe, spa area, a Changing Places room, 12m x 10m adventure soft play, 2 multi-use/party rooms and parking. The main 'street' and cafe will provide a range of spaces to suit all user needs. The layout places all of the pool areas, changing and cafe, as well as associated storage and pool plant, on the ground floor with fitness facilities at first floor.

Ground floor plan



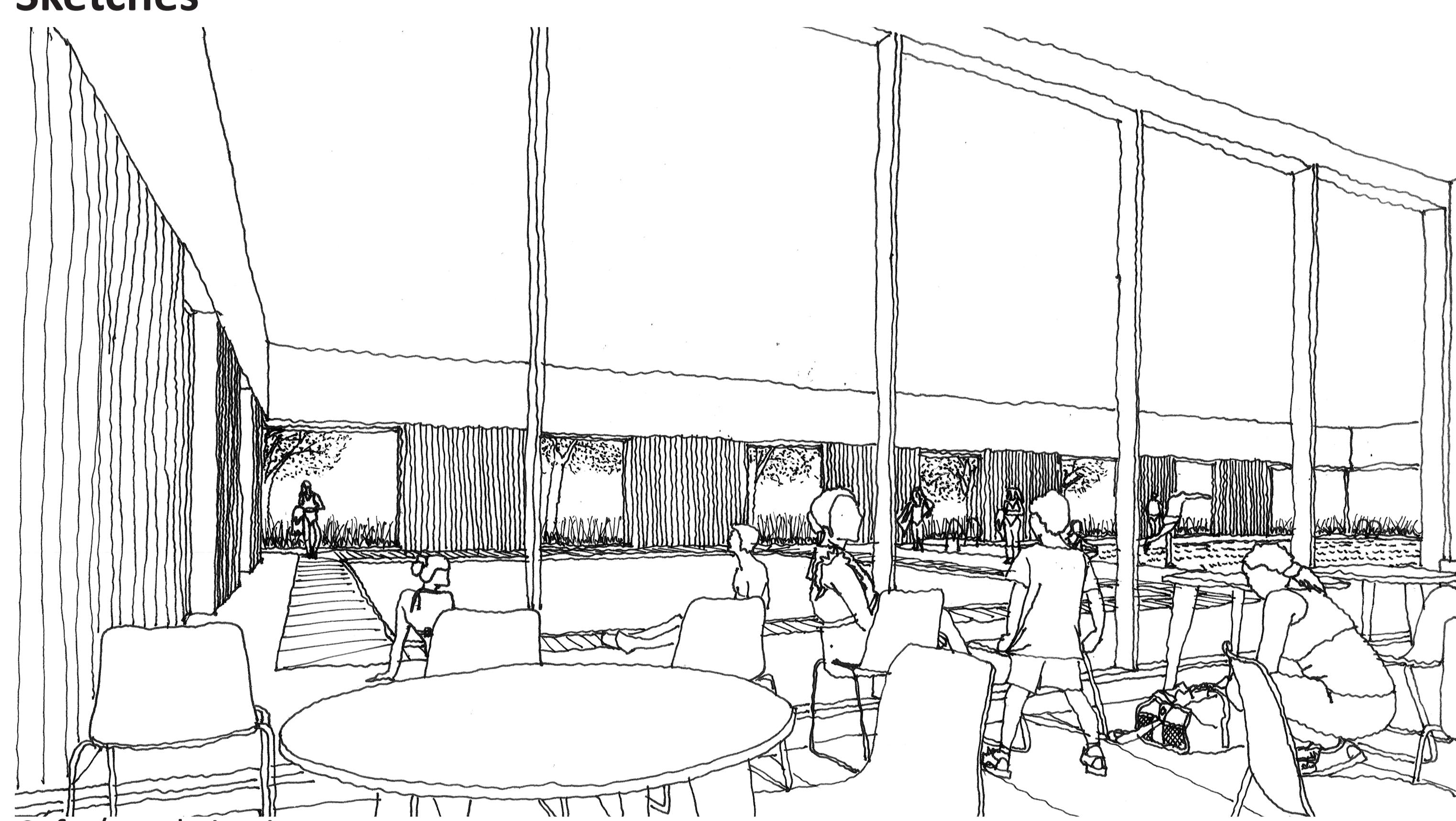
First floor plan



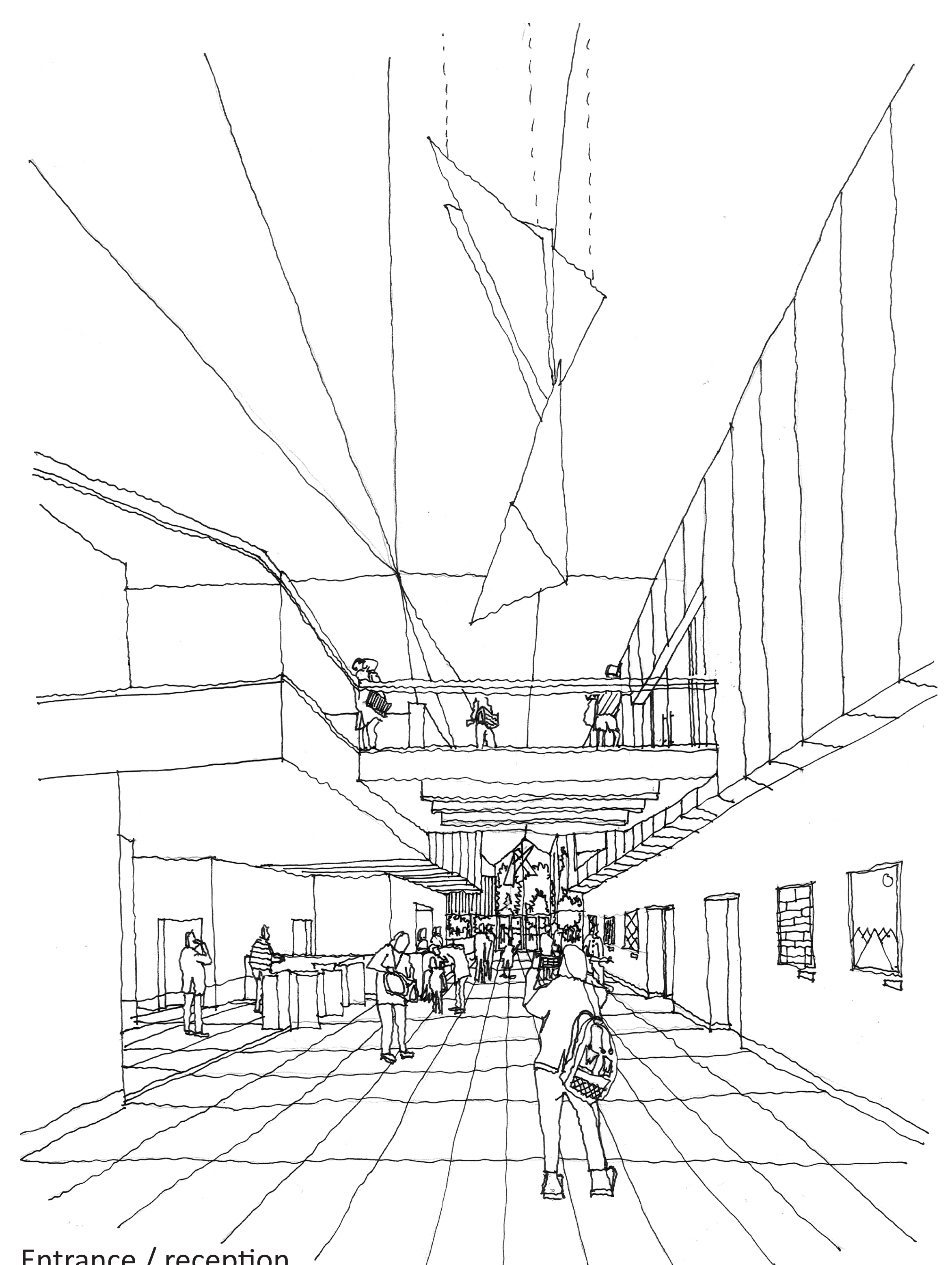
## Energy statement

- The building has been designed with passive house principles in mind. For example, the pool halls face south and west to maximise solar gain and the gym and studios, which require cooling, are located behind glazing with solar control to minimise solar gain.
- The building will be insulated in excess of modern standards and will be designed to be more airtight than required under building regulations.
- The building will target an EPC A rating.
- The building will use air source heat pumps to heat the building and hot water.
- The building will have photovoltaic panels on its roof to generate electricity from the sun.
- The systems will recycle the heat generated in areas such as the gym, to provide 'free' heat to the rest of the building.
- The swimming pools will use modern filtration and treatment technology to minimise their carbon footprint and to provide a clean and safe environment for swimming.

## Sketches



Cafe / pool viewing



Entrance / reception



Example of look and feel of the pool hall

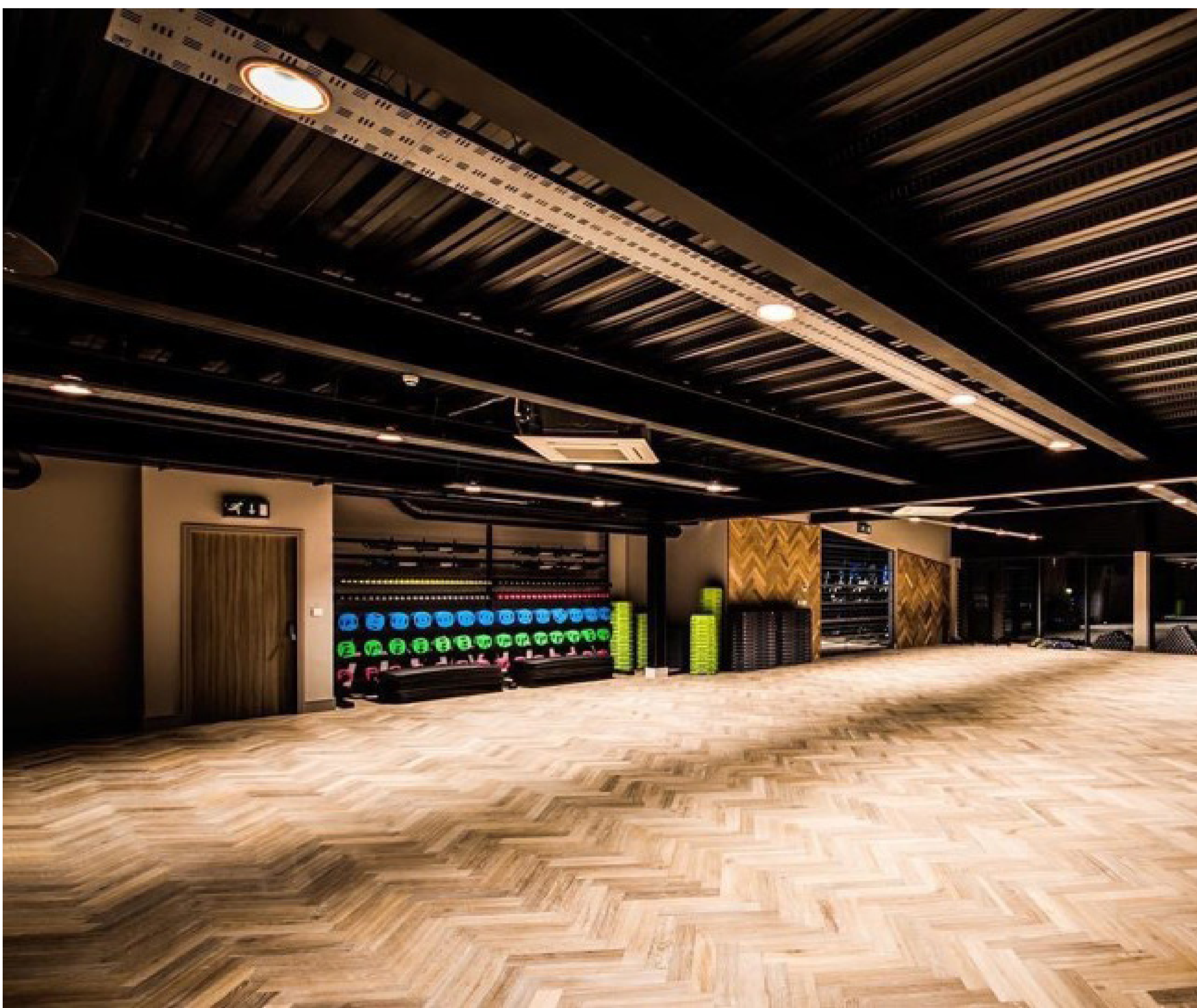
## Examples of look and feel of the main spaces



Precedent images for the gym



Precedent images for the spa area



Precedent images for studio space



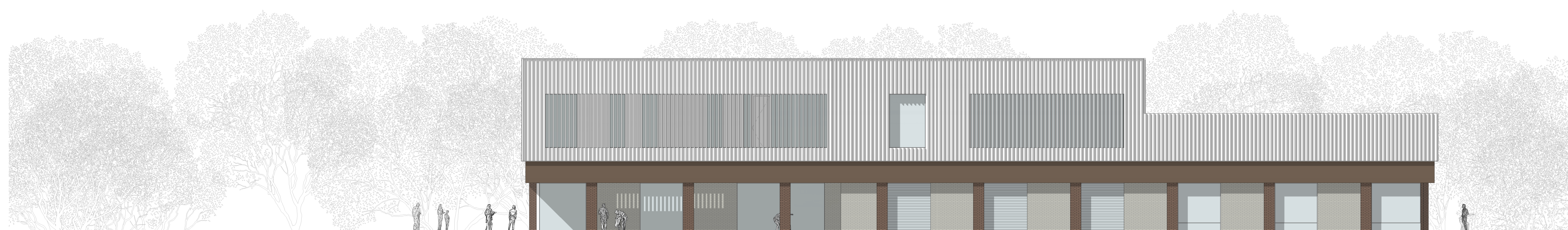
Precedent images for the cafe hub



Precedent images for kids adventure play

# EXTERNAL APPEARANCE

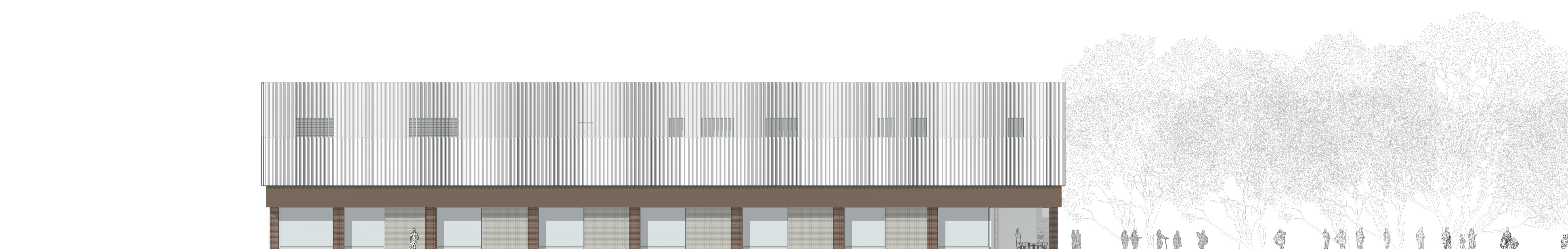
## Elevation strategy



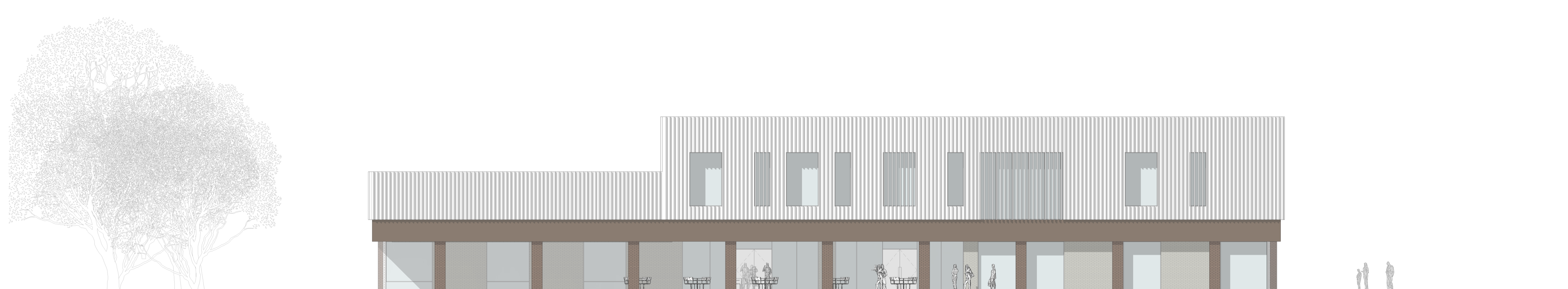
North elevation



East elevation



West elevation



South elevation



Material inspiration

## External appearance

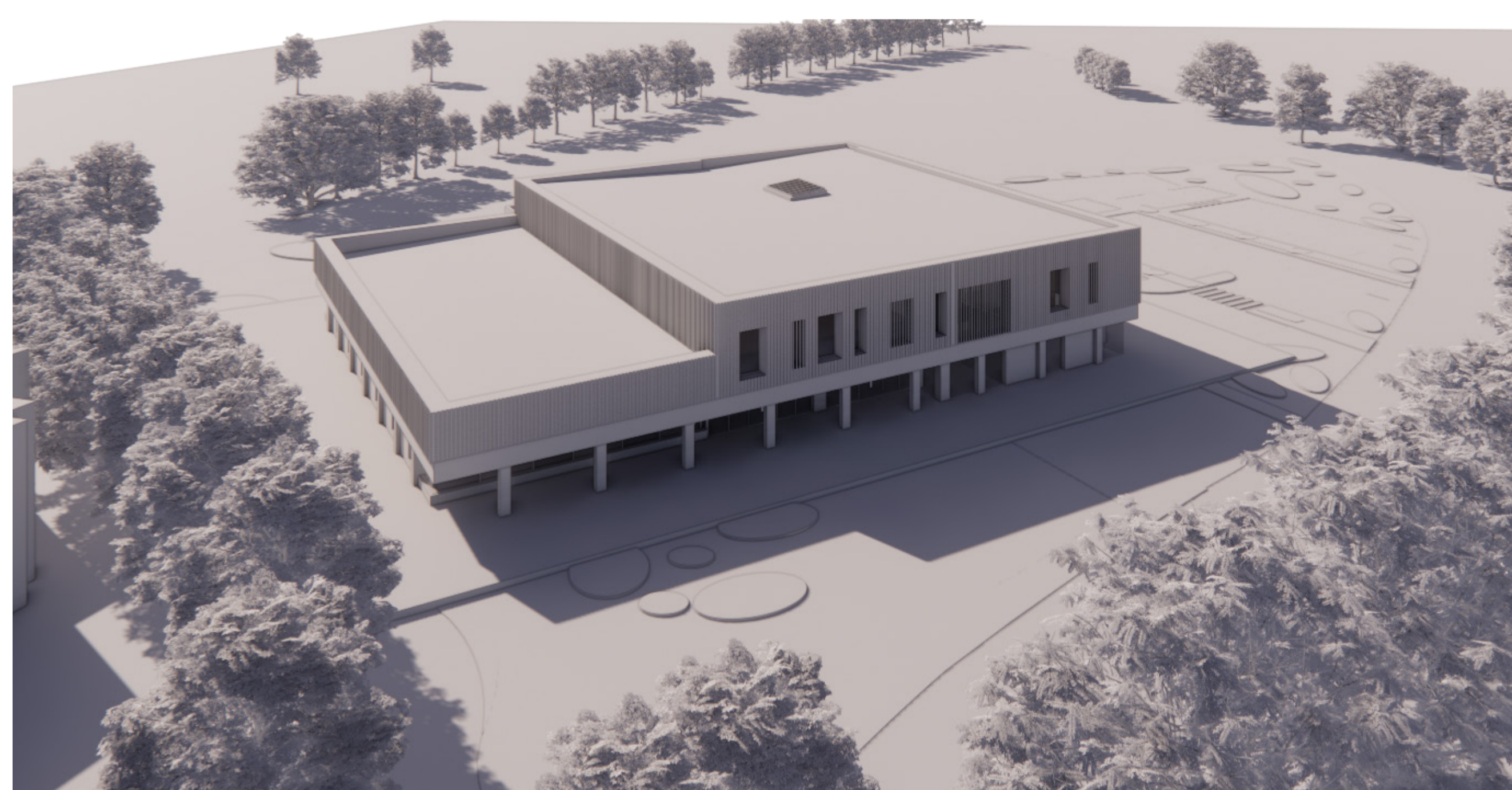
The building form and appearance draws from the trees that surround it. A strong and robust ground floor, with a lighter canopy above. At ground floor covered areas are formed under the building, under the protection of the canopy. At first floor light and views are diffused through the facade, softening into the surroundings.



North entrance arrival



South aspect arrival



Site overview

## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The project team are keen to hear your views on the proposals. Any comments will be logged and carefully considered before the proposals are finalised for the planning application.

Please submit your comments via our consultation website or by filling in a feedback form.  
Thank you for your time.

