

Essex County Council & Colne Community School

What

The Public Consultation is taking place to share, with the local community, proposed plans for an expansion project at Colne Community School. It is your chance to review and comment on the proposals before a planning application is submitted.

Why

The project scope requires years 7-11 to increase from 1200 permanent places to 1500, with a sixth form capacity remaining at 200 permanent places. The project aims to deliver essential, additional teaching space in order to meet the forecasted need for pupil places in this area.

Where

The proposals are for a new teaching block at the rear of the site where the caretaker's house and some ancillary buildings currently exist. In addition, five areas of the existing school will undergo extensive remodelling.

The new accommodation will provide:

1. A New Build Block providing additional accommodation, including:
 - 2 No Food Technology Rooms
 - 2 No Resistant Material Technology Rooms
 - 8 no. General Classrooms
 - 1 No Office / PPA Room
 - Ancillary Stores, WC's, circulation and plant space.
2. Remodelling of the existing school including a completely new kitchen and other significant alterations and improvements.

The Project will be designed to deliver a low carbon footprint in construction and use. This will include the use of energy saving measures such as 'LED lighting', 'Air Source Heat pumps' and 'Photo Voltaic panels'.

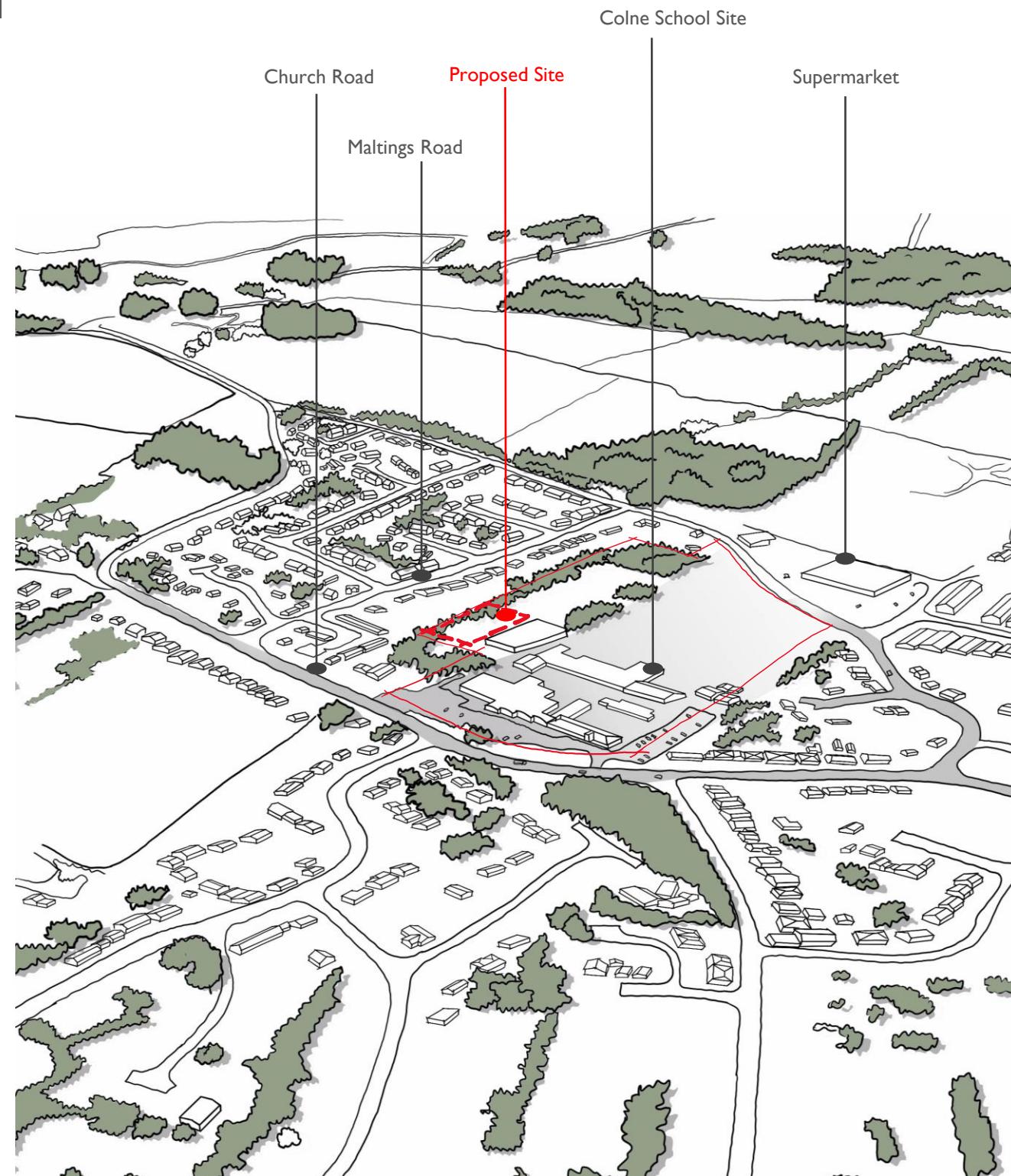
When

The building will be finished and ready for occupation for the start of the new school year, September 2021.

Who

The Project Partners are:

- Essex County Council
- Colne Community College School – part of the Sigma Trust
- Pick Everard



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PROPOSED SITE PLAN

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Ground Floor

By Department Legend

- General Teaching Spaces
- Non-net areas
- Specialist Teaching
- Staff
- Storage

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First Floor

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CONCEPT IMAGES & IDEAS

Materials and Elevational Development

A simple yet contemporary, 2 storey, flat roof block is proposed for the new teaching block. The elevations are composed of a muted palette of materials, with flush, vertical slat cladding proposed at high level and a grey, brick cladding at low level. Both materials refer to the existing school, responding to the existing palette. To highlight the brand colour of the school, a colour accent is added to the composition with a contrasting blue cladding within the window reveals. This colour is also used to enhance wayfinding, with the same accent used within entrance canopies and above access doors.



Existing North block building



DESIGN PROPOSALS



Proposed Perspective view from the South East



Proposed Perspective view from the North East

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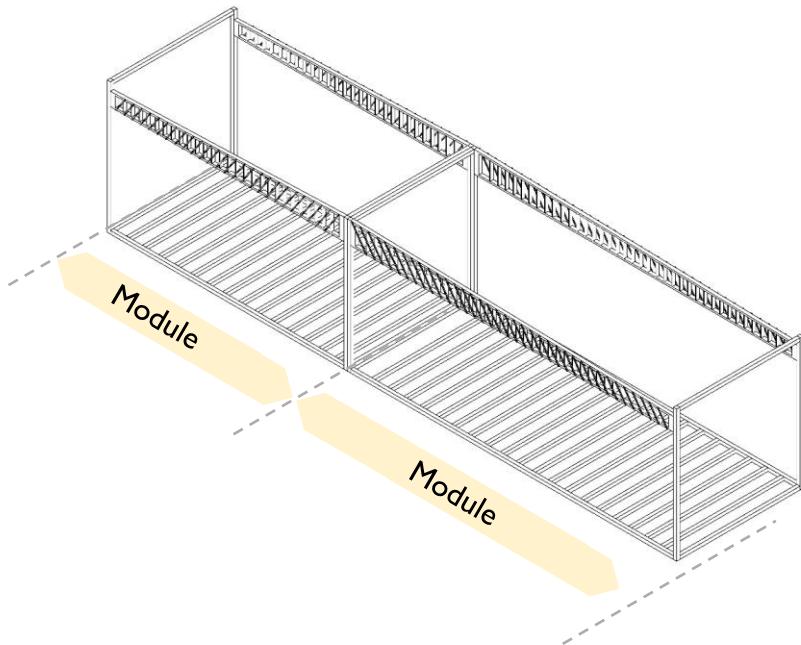
Modular Construction

Modular construction is a process in which a building is constructed off-site, under controlled factory conditions, using the same materials and designing to the same codes and standards as conventional buildings— but in about half the time. Buildings are produced in “modules” that, when put together on site, reflect the identical design intent and specifications of highly sophisticated site-built facilities – without compromise. They can be built and arranged in any shape or style similar to a traditionally built building.

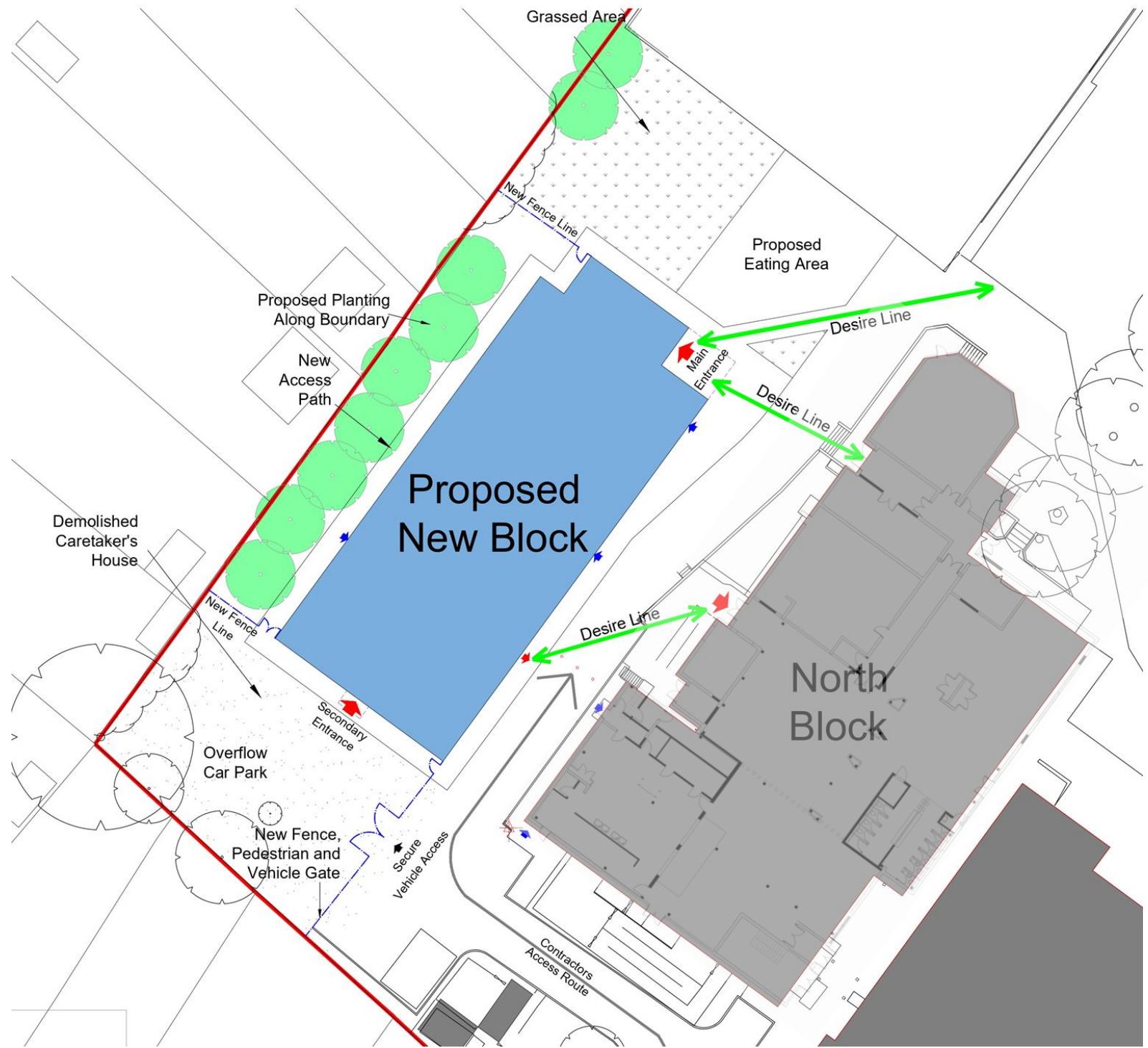
Benefits

Some of the benefits of modular construction are listed below:

- Reduced time on site
- Fewer deliveries and construction vehicles
- Minimised disruption to the school



Typical structure of the modules



Site Plan showing Contractor Access and Building Relationships