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Consulting Engineers & Landscape Architects



PROJECT:
Avenues Youth Club

CLIENT:
The Trustees

ARCHITECTS:
Hans Haenlein Architects

BM SERVICES:
Multidisciplinary Engineering;
including Structure & Services

VALUE:
Classified

DESIGN BRIEF

The new development of the Avenues Youth Project will provide a new and improved community facility for a long-running and successful Youth Club.

The building contains a multipurpose hall, teaching rooms, a dance studio and a recording suite that houses a radio station.

DESIGN INITIATIVES/ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN

The new centre is enhanced through architectural design. The activities of the Youth Club have been expanded by providing specialist rooms for recording and mixing music, and for dance. Multipurpose rooms allow the centre to also cater for the wide range of activities offered. The use of the centre is also complimented by having achieved the following key objectives in the design of the structure and services:

- High quality, robust equipment and fittings with low capital costs.
- Good internal environmental quality, making best use of daylighting and naturally occurring air movement.
- Mechanical ventilation and acoustically double-glazed windows to prevent nuisance from noise outbreak.
- Low running costs.
- Simple and quick construction.

The building was formally opened by HRH the Prince of Wales in 2003.

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Staircase

Dance studio



Lower hall



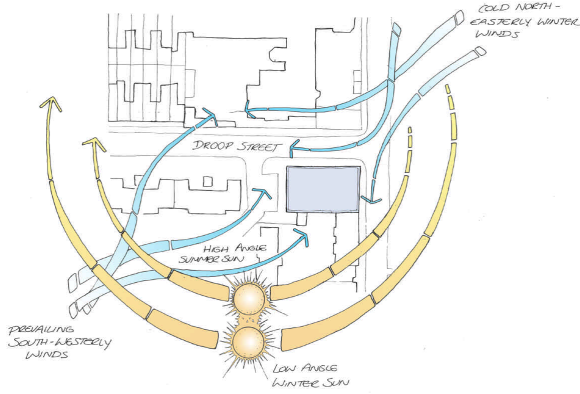
Main staircase



Multi-purpose hall



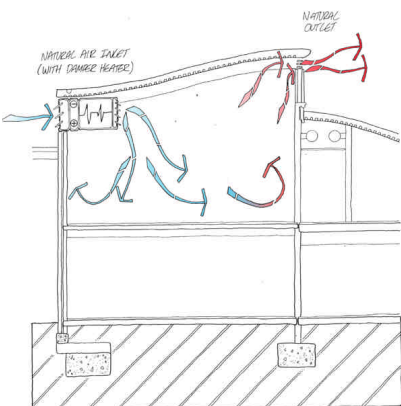
Entrance



Site Analysis



Recording room



Mixed mode summer ventilation strategies



Multi-purpose room