

## Shaping public construction

Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure has sealed a pre-construction service agreement for the first phase of Hackney Council's ambitious mixed-use community development

Working in collaboration with SCF, Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure is set to deliver a major leisure centre and 1,100-pupil academy next to Shoreditch Park. Six residential blocks are also planned in the second phase of development.

The proposals for the site next to Shoreditch Park comprise a new leisure centre, a secondary school, and associated external works and infrastructure, including a new public square where community events can be hosted.

Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure has been selected as preferred bidder on the landmark regeneration project via SCF, which is available as a vehicle for public bodies in the South of England to procure major building works.

The new three-storey leisure centre will include several swimming pools, sports halls and two rooftop tennis courts and two five-a-side pitches.

Building work is expected to start next summer on the leisure centre. Once the leisure complex is finished, the new academy will be built on the site of the current Britannia Leisure Centre site and car park. It will cater for 900 students and 200 six formers.

Later phases of the landmark scheme will include six residential blocks rising from four to 24 storeys containing nearly 500 flats mainly for sale. These will help to finance the earlier phase.

"This is a key development for Hackney, which will play an important role in the regeneration of the area and deliver outstanding leisure and education facilities for people living in the borough.

Our team has a deep and varied experience gained working on complex community, leisure and school developments in logistically-challenging urban environments and we're delighted to have been selected as preferred contractor for this landmark scheme.".

> Richard Dobson Morgan Sindall Construction and Infrastructure's Area Director in London









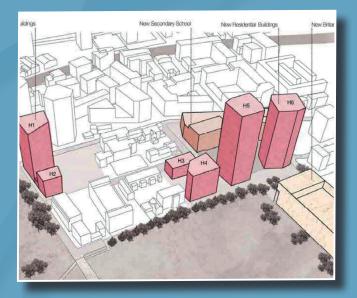
Britannia Project showing later phase of tower block construction (opposite).

"Hackney needs improved leisure provision and more school places. I'm proud that, despite deep cuts in government funding, our Council is finding innovative ways to keep investing in our communities, ensuring current and future generations have access to high-quality facilities.

It's taken us many months of planning, consultations and public meetings to get to this stage, and we've listened to residents and taken on board their feedback throughout. We've tried to include as many elements of what people have told us they want as possible.

While the project is still subject to receiving planning permission, it is right that we start to bring contractors on board to help us with the next stage of the design".

Philip Glanville Mayor of Hackney



## **Professional team**

- Faulkner Browns: architect for leisure centre
- Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios: architect for school and residential
- BuroHappold: civil, structural and MEP consultant
- Arcadis and Core 5: cost consultants
- Blue Sky Building: pre-construction advice
- Wintech: facade engineers

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