



Permanent site for St Andrew the Apostle School

Representatives of the Department for Education (DfE), Barnet Council and the Russell Education Trust [RET] have been in detailed discussions with the Comer Group, the owners of the North London Business Park (NLBP) about St Andrew the Apostle having its permanent home there.

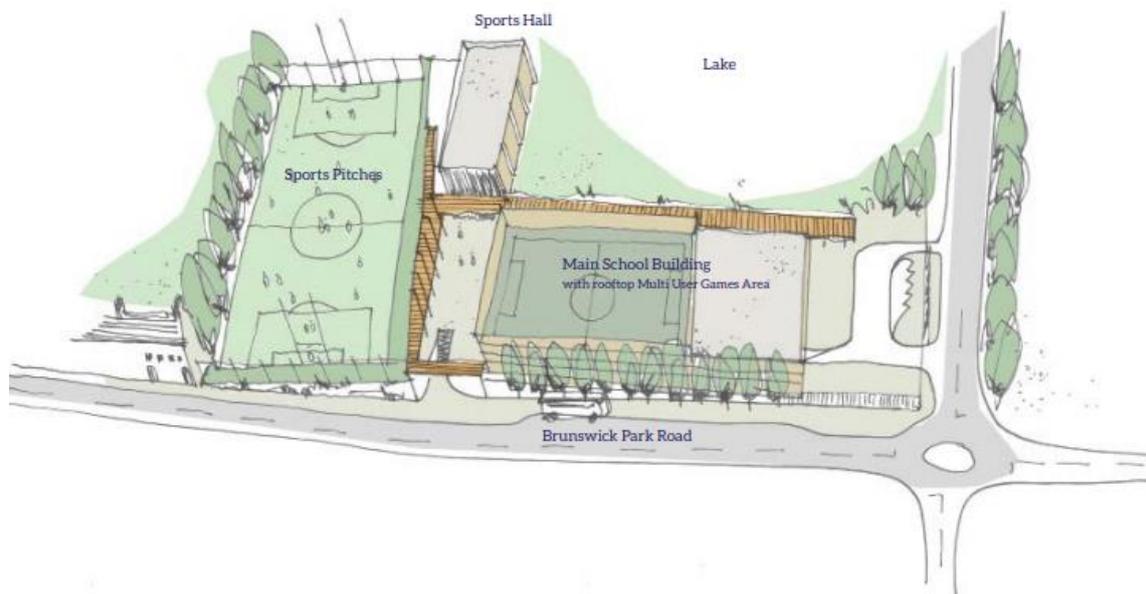
The school will be located close to the Brunswick Park Road boundary of its current NLBP site. The Comer Group's architects' drawings of the new school are provided here. I think you will agree that the new school looks absolutely stunning and will provide an outstanding environment in which our students can learn and excel.

When it is completed, the school will be able to accommodate our planned 1,050 students (the same as other RET schools) which will include a sixth form. The Comer Group's architects have been very generous with their time, and they have visited another RET school site, Bristol Free School, with our Chair of Governors, Yiannis Pareas, himself an architect and RET officials. The purpose of the visit was to better understand our curriculum needs and in particular the kind of sport, changing, music and drama block we have in mind. We have included some photographs from Bristol Free School to show what the finished Sports Hall might look like.

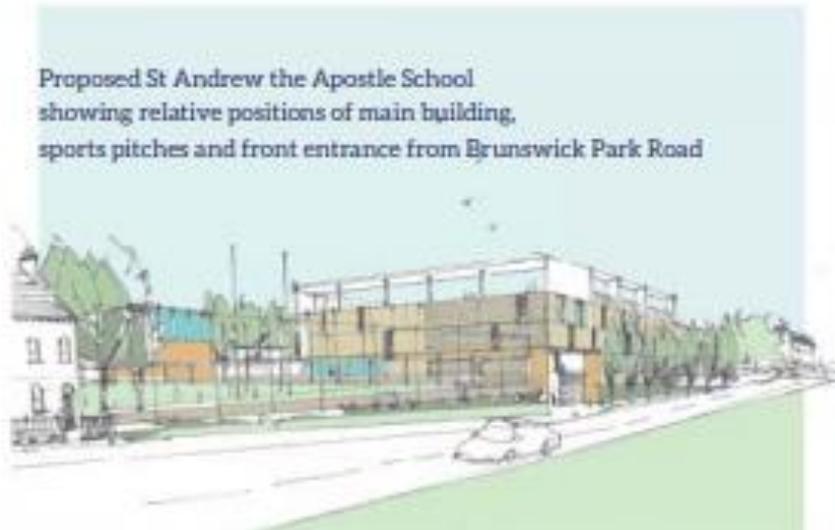
It is planned that the main school block, with its roof top Multi User Games Area (MUGA) and underground parking, will contain the majority of the 60 teaching spaces the school will need, including eight science laboratories, six technology rooms and specialist rooms for computer science, art, drama and music. All rooms will be equipped to fully exploit the latest technologies available to support teaching and learning. Alongside the main block, we plan to create a conventional sports pitch and a large Sports Hall that will incorporate a smaller 'performance' area and extensive changing facilities.

We will ensure that all existing and prospective parents of St Andrew's students are given regular updates on the progress of these developments, as well as posting information on our website.

Bird's eye view of the proposed St Andrew the Apostle School Buildings and pitch



Proposed St Andrew the Apostle School
showing relative positions of main building,
sports pitches and front entrance from Brunswick Park Road



Below are photographs from Bristol Free School to show what the finished Sports Hall might look like.

