

Silverthorne Lane, Bristol

Oasis Academy Temple Quarter



View of the proposed school entrance

A much needed new secondary school for Bristol

With a growing population, there is a rapidly increasing demand for secondary school places in Bristol. In response to this shortage of places, the Department for Education is funding a number of new schools in the city, including one to be delivered within Bristol Temple Quarter.

Following an extensive site selection process, Bristol City Council and the Department for Education have identified Silverthorne Lane as the only suitable and available location to deliver a new secondary school. Sustainably located within its target catchment, and a short walk from the city's main transport hub, offering places for circa 1,600 young people ages 11-18.

The proposed building has a clear layout that is legible and easy to use, and maximises the quality and variety of external spaces given its inner-city context. It builds on the existing historical context; being sympathetic to the character of Feeder Canal and Silverthorne Lane, while creating a strong identity for itself in order to address the approaches from east and west.

The school engages with emerging planning requirements - reflecting the wider masterplan and the setting of Bristol Temple Quarter. The design provides a sensitive, pragmatic refurbishment of the Boiler Shop to become the school's sports hall and changing rooms.



School site layout

1. Main car park
2. Pedestrian walkway
3. Ramped access
4. Teaching block
5. External seating area
6. Soft landscaping zones
7. MUGA
8. Sports block
9. Additional car park
10. Shrub planting to boundary



Aerial view of the school site



Left: View of school from Feeder Road

Right: Pupils and teaching staff at Oasis Academy Brislington

