

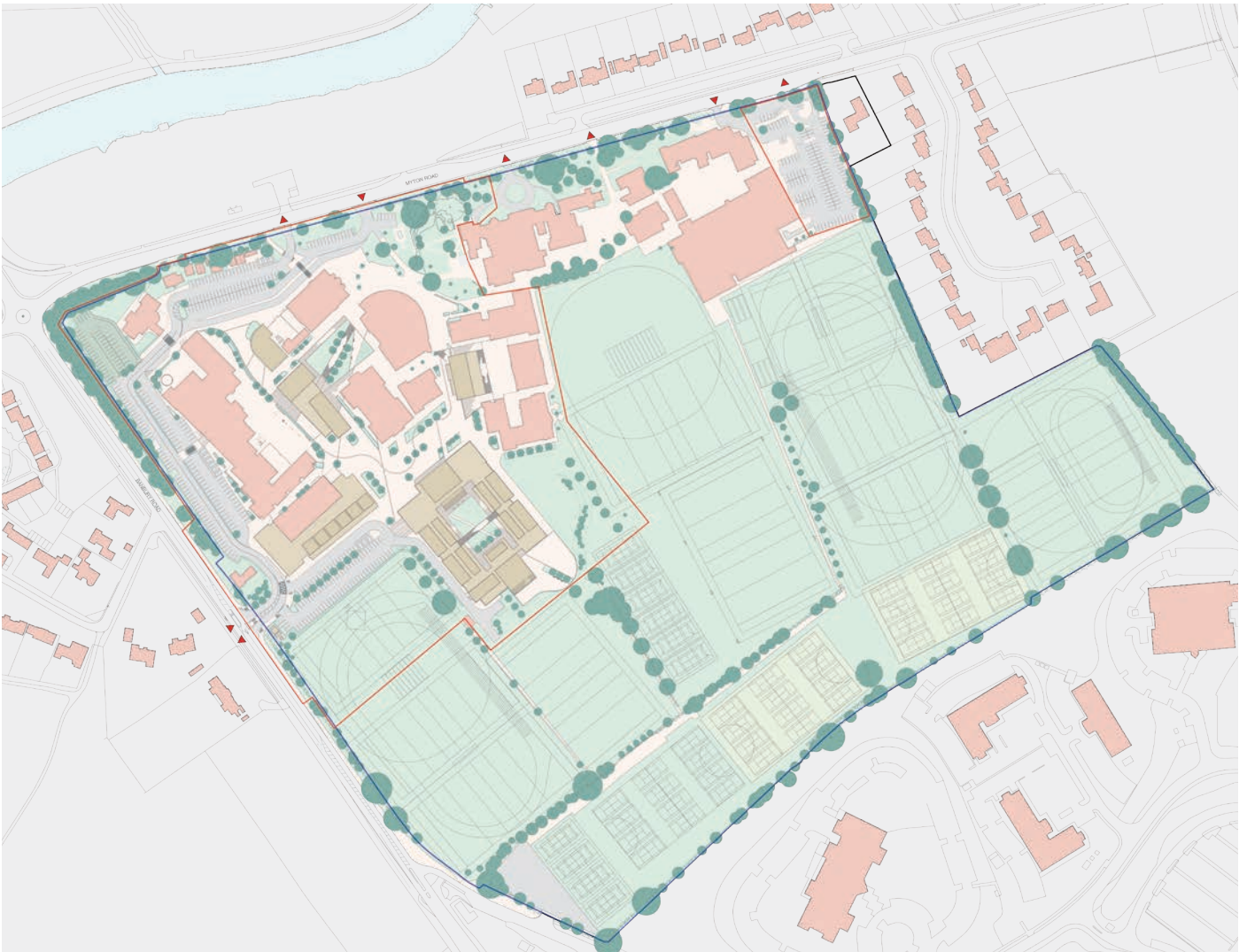




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Project One Campus

The Warwick Independent Schools Foundation's (WISF) Governors jointly administer three schools; Warwick School, The King's High School for Girls and Warwick Preparatory School.

In 2013 WISF appointed Nicholas Hare Architects to masterplan their Myton Road site and to set out a coherent, shared education campus for their schools. The Foundation's land at Myton Road is a picturesque and predominantly flat, 58-acre site that lies to the south of Warwick Town Centre and the River Avon. Warwick Castle is situated nearby, across the river. The 700-acre Castle Park Conservation Area and Grade 1 registered park is directly to the west. The King's High School is situated a short walk away and occupies several buildings in the town centre, next to Warwick's Eastgate.

Objectives

The masterplan has several key objectives:

- relocate King's High School to join Warwick School and Warwick Preparatory School on the Myton Road site to allow resources to be shared more effectively and enable the departments to develop their programme of collaborative learning.
- move the current road layout and traffic to the perimeter of the site to allow staff and students to walk safely between buildings.
- replace the current arrangement of roads and parking spaces with a series of landscaped courtyards that weave the new buildings with the old.
- to identify future expansion that will allow the Foundation to successfully plan its next one hundred years.
- create a new shared sixth form building that will provide an attractive new facility for the Foundation to retain students.
- create a new, joint music facility for the Foundation with dedicated performance spaces, rehearsal rooms and practice rooms.
- to provide a firm architectural anchor for the site with a consistent palette of material that complement the existing buildings.



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1. front cover: New King's High Courtyard
2. Aerial view of proposed Masterplan
3. Aerial view of Masterplan model
4. Masterplan
5. Timber model of New King's High School
6. New entrance reception



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The King's High School

The new two storey building is designed around a landscaped courtyard that establishes an intimate 'heart' for the school and inspirational educational facility for its students and staff.

A canopied main entrance with a tall, raking brick wall gathers visitors and guides them to the school's reception set within a double height entrance space. Departments are clearly organised making way finding easy.

Teaching classrooms, science labs, administration and staff accommodation are arranged along the courtyard's east and west sides while the larger volume, assembly type spaces are positioned to the north and south.

The new, timber lined assembly hall to the north of the courtyard, is large enough to contain the whole school population. A suite of drama spaces, including two double height studios, adjacent to the hall can be accessed using interconnecting doors. The King's High library forms the courtyard's southern elevation, making it highly visible from the rest of the building; reinforcing the school's message of educational excellence and academic achievement. A new dining hall completes the building's southern elevation, next to the playing fields providing an excellent venue for post-match receptions.



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7. New Library

8. New Dining Hall

9. Science Laboratory

10. Timber bay study model





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11. New Assembly Hall

12. Approach to New Music Building



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Sixth Form

The new centre for Warwick School and King's High students will provide generous social and study facilities that reflect the vibrant life that sixth form offers. Externally the building has been designed as a two-storey brick volume with a lightweight aluminium and glass 'penthouse'. Internally, the spaces are consciously different to other teaching spaces within the Foundation.

Students will be able to use the ground floor café and social space during break times and free periods. A small branded coffee outlet is provided and students also have their own dedicated kitchenette to make toast – a rite of passage for sixth formers. A wide timber accommodation stair leads to the first floor and is designed to be used for informal seating or extra curriculum events. The first floor will be dedicated to an extensive careers zone, including the careers office, library, one-to-one meeting rooms, informal seminar areas etc. The top floor is dedicated to quiet study and links to a roof-top terrace that can be used for events.



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13. New Sixth Form centre

14. Careers and group study space

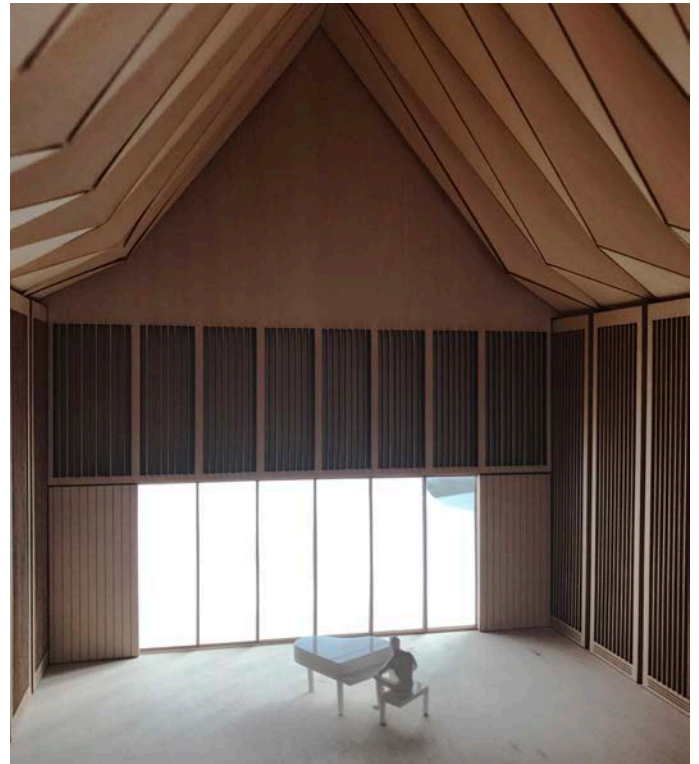
15. Bay study drawing



Music

The music building completes the fourth side of a new landscaped quad in the centre of the Myton Road campus. A tree lined path leads to a double height entrance space with a performance hall on one side and a wing of teaching spaces on the other.

The performance hall seats an audience of 140 and is designed to provide rehearsal space for a full 60-piece symphony orchestra. The space is treated as a musical instrument in its own right; folded, timber-panels provide acoustic reflection and absorption to ensure that a range of different musical performances can take place in an outstanding music venue.



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Sports Technology

The new sports tech centre has been designed as a single-storey, brick-clad building that wraps around the retained Bridge Sports Hall on three sides and provides an elevation facing the school entrance on Banbury Road and the approach into Warwick that is more sympathetic than the building.

A series of zinc-clad, pyramidal roofs topped with glazed lanterns are laid out along the south elevation to provide studio and workshop accommodation for Art, Design Technology and Food Technology and associated staff, storage and ancillary spaces.

The building will provide additional sports facilities that include a full height ply-lined gym, fitness suite, changing areas, staff rooms and lockers that will complement the retained Bridge Hall sports facilities.



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16. New Music Auditorium

17. Timber model of New Music Auditorium

18. New gym

19. Typical art studio

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