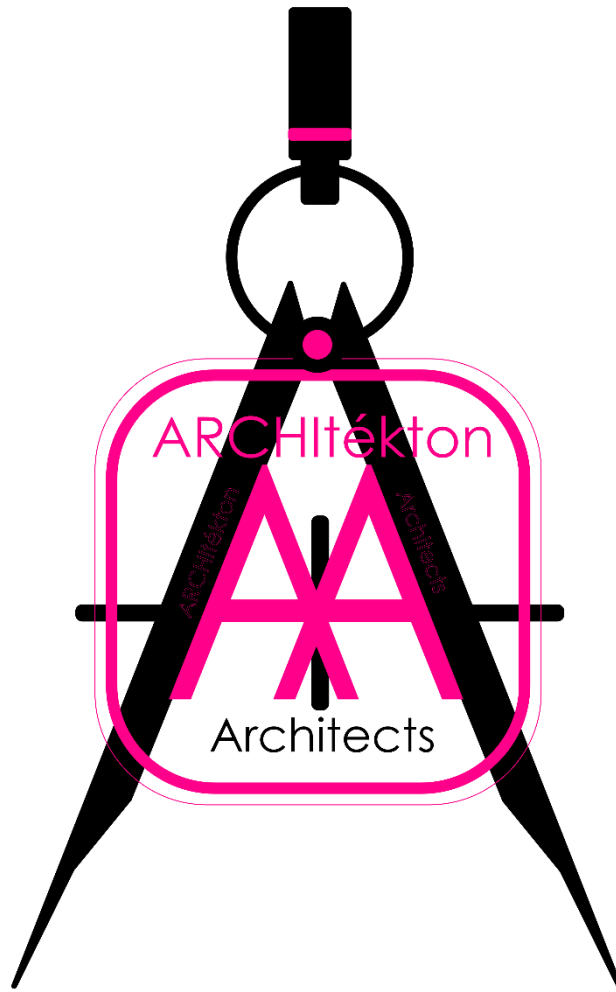
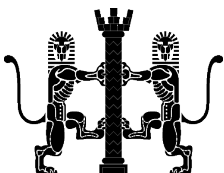




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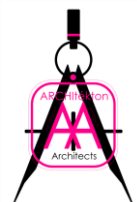
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1.0. Introduction

This Planning Statement supports an application for internal and minor external alterations at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre. The proposal comprises the installation of a new mezzanine floor above the existing sports studio to create an additional first-floor studio space, together with a small extension to the existing ground-floor storage area.

The site and building are owned by Storrington & Sullington Parish Council, and the facility is managed and operated by a not-for-profit charity for the benefit of the local community.

2.0. Project Location:

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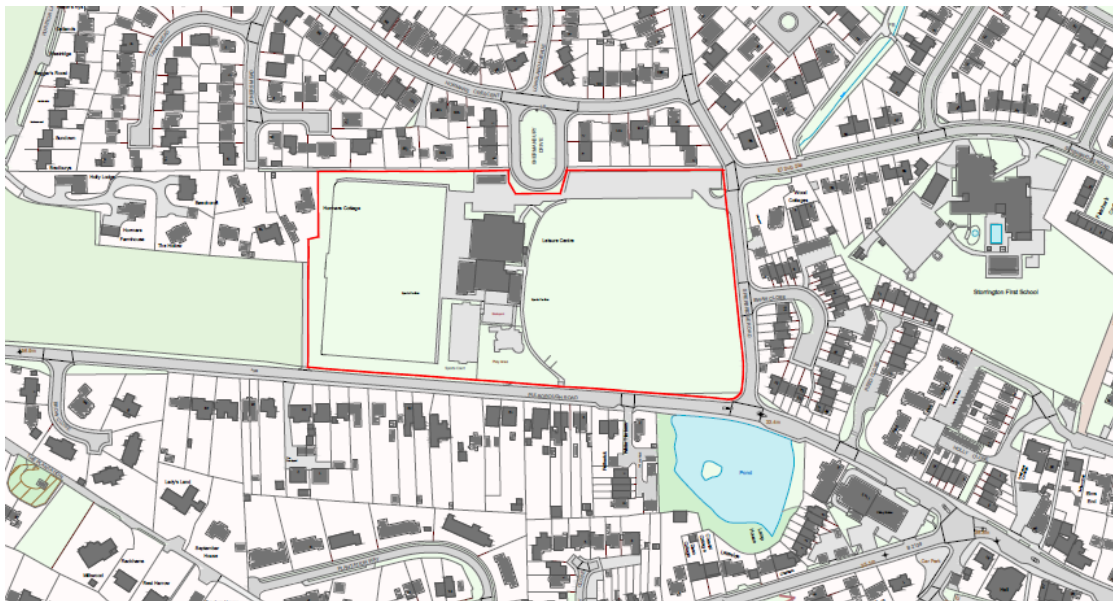
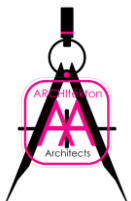


Figure 1 Site Plan (nts)



3.0. Description of Proposed Development

3.1. Mezzanine Floor

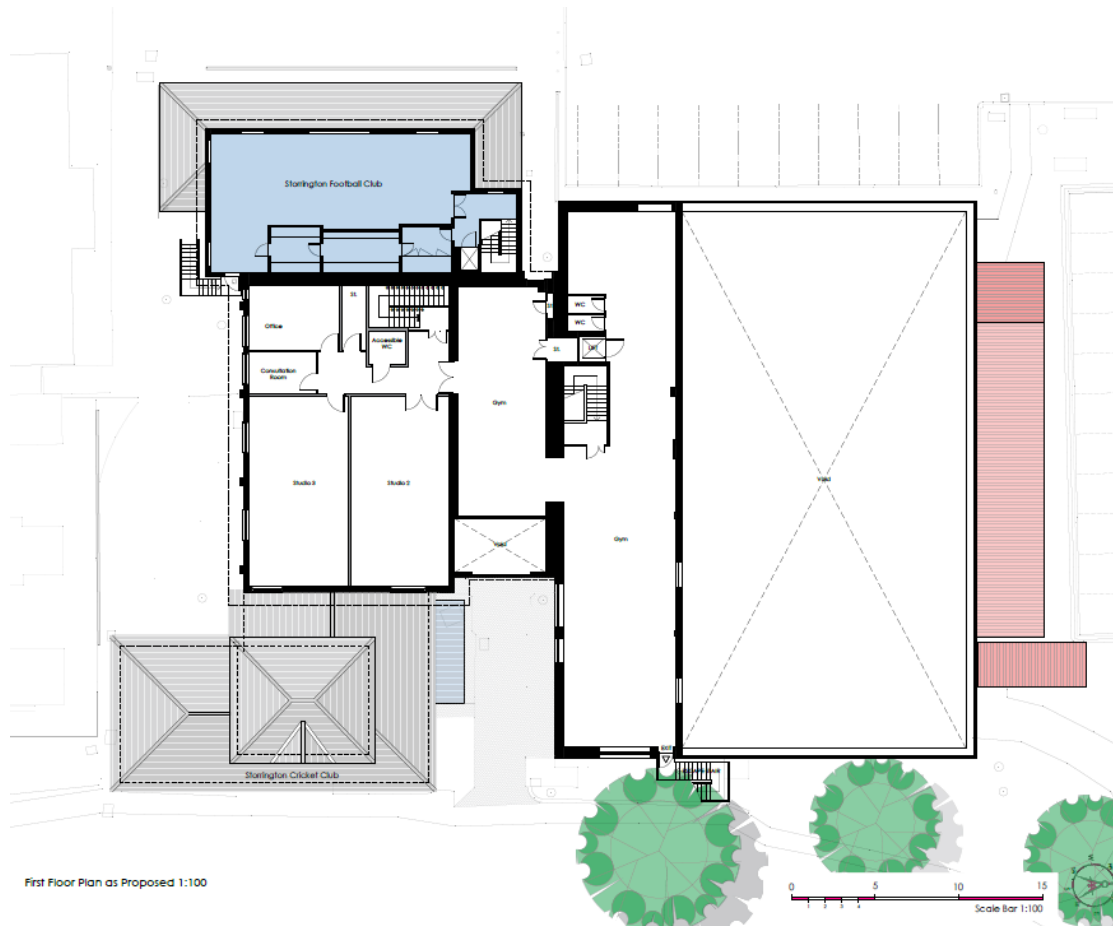


Figure 2 First Floor plan showing the proposed layout of the new space (nts)

The proposal includes the construction of a new mezzanine level of approximately 200sqm within the existing double-height sports studio. This new floor will provide:

- An additional first-floor studio space
- Improved circulation between activity areas
- Direct access from both the main ground-floor reception and the existing first-floor accommodation

The mezzanine will also connect to the existing first-floor gym, enabling full accessibility via the building's lift. This improves inclusive access throughout the facility and supports wider participation.

3.2. Fenestration

To serve the new studio and associated spaces, the proposal includes additional first-floor windows on the relevant elevations. These will provide natural light and ventilation to the new accommodation. The design, scale and positioning of the windows have been carefully considered to respect the existing building form and minimise any external impact.

Proposed South (Side) Elevation @ 1:100



Figure 3 Proposed elevation showing the proposed fenestration for the first floor (nts)

3.3. Storage Extension

Planning consent is also sought for a modest 13sqm single-storey extension to the existing storage room adjoining the main sports hall. This extension will use matching materials and construction to ensure seamless integration with the existing building. The additional storage is required to support the operational needs of the sports hall and wider centre.

4.0. Design and Access Considerations

The design approach focuses on:

- Enhancing internal capacity without increasing the building's overall footprint (other than the small storage extension)
- Improving accessibility through lift-served first-floor accommodation and provision of an accessible WC
- Introducing sensitively designed fenestration to ensure high-quality internal environments
- Maintaining the character and appearance of the existing leisure centre



The works are entirely consistent with the building's established leisure use and do not introduce any new or intensified use that would materially affect the surrounding area.

5.0. Community Benefit

The proposals directly support the Parish Council's and charity's objectives to improve community health, wellbeing and access to sport. The additional studio space will increase capacity for classes, group activities and community programmes, while the improved accessibility ensures the facility is more inclusive for all users.

6.0. Highways and Traffic

The development is internal in nature and does not introduce any new uses or intensify the existing use beyond normal operational expectations. As such, the proposals will not result in any significant impact on traffic generation or parking demand.

7.0. Conclusion

The proposed mezzanine floor and small storage extension represent a well-considered enhancement to an important community facility. The works improve accessibility, increase usable space, and support the long-term sustainability of the leisure centre. The proposals are modest, sympathetic to the existing building, and deliver clear community benefits.

Planning permission is therefore respectfully sought.

