



Oakmead College beach volleyball hall - 32m Span x 40m Long



## Bournemouth college creates indoor venue for beach volleyball

**O**AKMEAD College of Technology in Bournemouth has created a new beach volleyball hall at its LeAF Campus. The hall complements the school's sports hall, fitness centre, gym, dance studio and extensive playing fields, allowing students to enjoy a diverse sports programme.

Rubb Buildings designed and manufactured the 32m x 40m sports building which includes two internal beach volleyball courts, complete with sand pits to represent a beach environment. The

facility has sidewalls of 10.8m and a clear playing height of 10m inside.

The indoor beach courts have been in full operation as an Olympic training venue, with Oakmead hosting men's and women's international teams from Brazil, Greece, and Great Britain in their preparation for the London Olympics. The courts provide three full size match courts or four training courts.

The volleyball hall features Rubb's traditional galvanized internal steel frame, but with a new design. A tapered lattice gey

facilitates the curved roof design specified by the school's architect Trinity Architecture. The building is clad with PVDF coated fabric, providing blue walls and a white translucent roof. Rubb added the LeAF Campus logo to both gable ends of the structure. Four doors, one in each gable and sidewall, provide access to the sports facility.

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New facilities at Honor Oak Park sports ground



## New changing facilities and function rooms for King's College sports ground

**F**OUNDED in 1829, King's College London has a rich sporting tradition with facilities for rugby, hockey, football, lacrosse and cricket used by 23,500 students and some 6,000 staff.

At the College's Honor Oak Park sports ground in south east London, ISG is to construct a two-storey building with changing facilities and function rooms to the ground floor and a first floor viewing gallery.

The £3.5m project involves the

construction of a traditional brick and block work building adjacent to one of the two artificial pitches which were installed in the first phase of the redevelopment. It will offer ten changing rooms for use by the College's hockey, football and rugby teams, along with visiting teams from other universities.

The ground floor accommodation also includes function rooms with curtain walling to maximise the amount of natural light entering the building and affording

views across the surrounding sports fields. A first floor viewing gallery will be of steel frame construction with an open plan configuration to provide spectators with a full 360-degree vista.

The new facility will incorporate efficient m&e services and high performance building materials to achieve a targeted BREEAM Excellent rating.

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