Barking & Dagenham PROJECT PROFILE



Client

LB of Barking & Dagenham

Location Size / Cost

Team

437 sqm / £10 Million Structures - Campbell Reith

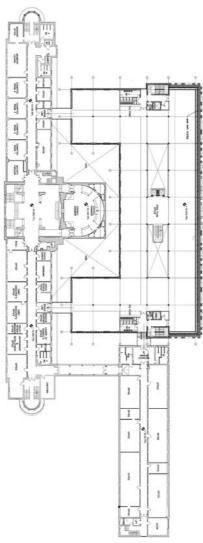
M&E - CBG Consulting

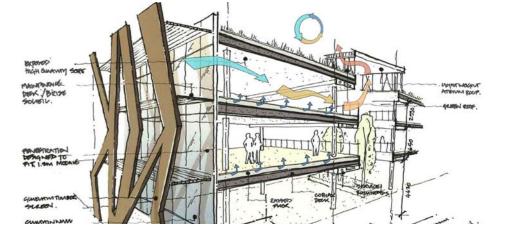
Cost - PRP PM - Stace

London, UK









ur working relationship with the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham began in 2005, with a feasibility study for the rationalisation of the Council's premises in order to accommodate over 2000 staff.

The project established the retention of a number of buildings including the Dagenham Civic Centre and the Barking Town Hall and identified opportunities to increase the capacity of staff accommodation. Following a successful OJEU bid, we were appointed Architects and Lead Consultants to design a new extension to the existing Grade II Listed Dagenham Civic Centre. We were further commissioned to develop and fully refurbish the middle floor of the 1930's annex building, while the other two floors needed to remain in full use. Collaborating with the client and the M&E consultants, we successfully completed the installation of a new air conditioning and heating system, which linked to the existing.

The open plan working space encourages information exchange and improves staff communication, all the while maintaining the level of privacy required by the client. Special bespoke joinery items were used to provide privacy and split the open plan space whilst providing a central enclosure.

The innovative design was Consarc's response to an in-depth analysis of the client's specific needs and working culture.

"I can highly recommend Consarc as a dedicated and personable architect's practice, which produces practical, pragmatic and deliverable solutions"

Andy Bere, Asset Strategy, LB of Barking & Dagenham

New Ways of Working

The project returned in 2014 and Consarc have taken the New Ways of Working initiative to a new level. Staff members will be relocated and new offices delivered in order to improve staff efficiency and reduce costs for the council.

The main objective of our latest role was to analyse the council's ways of working and propose solutions to maximise their working space efficiency and improve their working environments whilst relocating staff in order to maximise staff accommodation savings. Our proposals involved the Dagenham Civic Centre, Barking Town Hall and Roycraft House.

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