



New investment in partnership facilities at TRFC

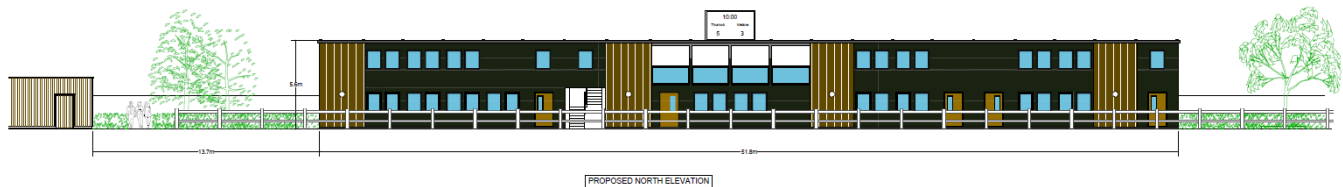
As you know, the partnership between TRFC and SWECET has seen significant investment at the Rugby Club site in order to create a unique interim home for Orsett Heath Academy. Investment in the new building, premierships specification changing rooms, kitchen, car park, lighting, landscaping, hardstanding areas, new garage and upgraded CCTV and security has all been to the mutual benefit of both parties and strengthened our relationship.

In order that Orsett Heath Academy can continue to thrive at the club site into the 2022/23 academic year, SWECET have secured further investment in the site with the agreement of the Trustees at TRFC.

A joint planning application has been submitted this week for a new building, shown below, that would provide a further seven classrooms, additional toilets and a covered terrace overlooking the 1st team pitch. Alongside this new building, a new cricket strip will be installed between the 2nd and 3rd pitch for first use in summer 2022. Additional support for the brilliant grounds maintenance team has also been agreed.

The total investment at the site will exceed £4million and provides a strong foundation for exciting future developments that include the establishment of the Institute of Sport for September 2023. This will include a Rugby Academy combining post-16 sports specific courses alongside full time training provision and will attract talent from across the Thames corridor and beyond.

A high quality CGI image and virtual walkthrough of the new building and facilities will soon be available to share.



The building will be located to the north of the first team pitch, between the perimeter pitch fence and boundary.

