



# Parks & Leisure

## Arcus Consulting LLP

**Arcus Consulting is a long-established multi-disciplinary consultancy practice with over 50 years' experience, and is equipped to deliver a totally integrated professional service that embraces every aspect of the built environment.**

Our success is due to both the professional expertise of our staff and our commitment to place our clients at the heart of everything we do. We believe that there's nothing more satisfying than providing our clients with innovative solutions that achieve the best possible results.

As a multi-disciplinary practice, we are able to assist with every stage of a project from inception to completion. We provide a full range of services including:

- Project Management
- Building and Quantity Surveying,
- Architecture,
- Building Services Engineering,
- Clerk of Works,
- Employer's Agent,
- Principal Designer & CDM Advisor
- Compliance Services including Fire Risk Assessments and Access Audits.

## Accreditations

- RICS REGISTERED
- APS REGISTERED
- RIBA REGISTERED
- CHAS ACCREDITED
- ISO: 45001 / 9001 / 18001 ACCREDITED
- ROSPA GOLD ACCREDITED

## Our Clients

- RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
- HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL
- TAMESIDE BOROUGH COUNCIL
- SPORTS COUNCIL
- LONDON BOROUGH TOWER HAMLETS
- MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL
- LONDON BOROUGH HOUNSLOW
- UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL
- OXFORD UNIVERSITY
- WIGAN COUNCIL

# Our Experience

## VICTORIA PARK GLASSHOUSE

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Arcus were appointed by Halton Borough Council as Lead Designer, Principal Designer, Contract Administrator on the restoration of a Victorian Glasshouse. Arcus prepared a feasibility study for the Client to consider the feasibility and costs associated with demolishing the existing greenhouse structure and reducing its existing footprint to its original size as it was when it was originally constructed in the Victorian Era. The Client requested the glasshouse was to be a bespoke structure manufactured to incorporate its original Victorian style. The works were sub-divided into two sections: Building Works (rebuilding of the brickwork wall to support the new structure, relaying the existing internal flooring and electrical works) and Glasshouse Works (the bespoke glasshouse being manufactured, delivered and installed). Separate specialist contractors were appointed to each section to ensure the expertise required to deliver a high quality finished project. The suite was delivered two weeks early and within the budget for the works.

### CROW WOOD PARK PAVILION

Halton Borough Council approached Arcus to provide proposals for the replacement of the former football changing rooms at Crow Wood Park and replace it with a new Park Pavilion which would provide facilities for site staff and park users. The new pavilion was to be intended to form a 'hub' area which would connect and relate to the other elements of the park namely the play areas, multi-use games area, bowling green and ornamental gardens. As such, the architectural team worked closely with Halton Borough Councils Landscape Architects to ensure that the parks spaces and planned works connected well with the pavilion. The pavilion contains accommodation for the parks staff with equipment stores, public W.C. facilities and a glazed hub which can be used as an exhibition space and has 270-degree views of the park including the main entrance driveway, the ornamental garden, the plaza, and children's play areas. Additionally, there is a secure compound for storing green waste.

### ORMSKIRK PATHWAY & CYCLE TRACK

Arcus were employed by West Lancashire Borough Council to oversee the widening and improvements to the existing footpath which would provide additional space for both cyclists and pedestrians using the pathway. The 215 metre pathway runs between Ormskirk train station and bus station, and travels under the Derby Street bridge. West Lancashire Borough Council were keen to implement improvement works as part of a wider cycle-link project to promote cycle routes throughout the borough. The new footpath was constructed using a recycled rubber aggregate providing a permeable surface to aid drainage and remove standing water and the risk of ice. In addition to the new footpath works and removal of existing vegetation, a new boundary wall was built from Gabion baskets was incorporated along a section of the footpath to support the embankment, whilst areas of the path where an incline was present had new handrails and landings installed to improve accessibility. New lighting columns featuring LED lanterns were also introduced along the footpath to improve visibility and security.



## Our Experience Cont.

### DROYLSDEN COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE

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The Droylsden Youth Centre is an independent voluntary organisation, founded in 1963 and a registered charity. The Centre provides facilities to local youths and is affiliated to the Manchester Federation of Clubs for Young People, The Football Association and The amateur Boxing Association with over 230 member of the boxing and football club. Following an application by the club to the Business in the Community Pro-Help Scheme to demolish the existing building and replace it with a new modern changing facility and all-weather sports pitch, Arcus were appointed Contract Administrator, Designer, Project Management, Cost Consultant, CDM Consultant, and assisted the club with the securing of additional funding to ensure the scheme could proceed by the development of outline designs and cost budgets, and ultimately helping them to obtain planning approval. The new steel-framed building design includes an indoor boxing gym with changing and shower facilities and also full Football Association designed changing room and shower facilities for four separate teams, with referee's changing rooms, cafeteria and office. The scheme also includes the provision of a new 3G multi use games area.

#### PARK FARM

The University of Liverpool appointed Arcus to the Farm building refurbishment & extension to provide conference centre, classroom, changing rooms and w.c facilities. The University received funding from Tesco to develop an existing working farm building into a teaching and conference centre for their dairy farmers, along with external parties such as schools and community groups. Following this, Arcus were asked to produce a detailed design and specification, tender the works and administer the contract. The Old Dairy Building is a two storey farm building constructed circa 1970, with the ground floor partially refurbished in 2005. It comprised of a classroom, kitchen and toilets to the ground floor and a silo to the first floor. Arcus was asked to provide an option appraisal for the site to comprise the following; (i) Upgrade the first-floor area to provide conference facilities to accommodate approximately 40No. visitors, (ii) Retention of ground floor classroom, (iii) Construction of an extension to the front of the building, housing an accessible wc and changing/hand washing facilities and (iv) Provision of additional accessibility facilities where practicable.

#### PLAS-Y-BRENNIN

Arcus were appointed by the Sports Council to run their capital and maintenance works programme. This three-year commission covered operations at their National Mountain Centre in the heart of the Snowdonia National Park. The facility is centred on a historic Grade II Listed building and former coaching inn, while the complex provided residential and day facilities to teach all aspects of mountain sports. The groundwork involved a full survey of the premises, establishing a programmed strategy of repair and refurbishment, keeping a keen eye on budgetary constraints. Special care and consideration had to be made, as many of these schemes were undertaken with the Centre fully in operation. Repair schemes undertaken included: renewal of water mains; re-roofing schemes, external redecorations, repair of the canoe pontoon bank., window replacement schemes, re-pointing works. Refurbishment schemes undertaken included: three phases of bedroom refurbishment, incorporating en-suite facilities, refurbishment and re-fitting of the commercial kitchens, redesign/remodelling of the main entrance and reception area, refurbishment of the staff cottages