



Client
Kent County Council

Site
Ashford, Kent

Role
Architecture and Town Planning

Value
£2.8m

Project
New Build 1FE Primary School

OVERVIEW

Pellings have been appointed by Kent County Council as Architects and Town Planners on a scheme to create a brand new single storey 1FE Primary School in Kennington, a residential area in the north of Ashford.

Pellings initially led a consultation group comprising seven local headteachers as well as representatives from the Borough and County Councils in order to develop the composition and the aspirations for the new school building. Situated in a residential setting, the design proposal has been compiled with the aim of adding interest to the built landscape by providing both contrast and compliment to the existing residential architectural language. It will also act as a focal point both from an architectural and community use point of view.

The design contains a glazed link connecting the north and south areas of the building, all classroom spaces will be naturally ventilated, and a mixture of curtain walling and clerestory glazing will ensure that natural daylight is maximised. The building will also incorporate an ICT suite, a spacious purpose built school hall, and an all weather external space outside each of the seven classrooms. Cedar cladding will be used extensively of the facades of the building, and green roofs and PV panels will be incorporated to ensure the building's sustainability objectives are met.

The project commenced on site in November 2012, and completed in August 2013. The scheme was Highly Commended at the RICS Awards 2014, and won Best Educational Building at the South East Building Excellence Awards 2014.



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