

## STRATEGIC ESTATE PLANNING

### EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

#### MANCHESTER COLLEGE

Space Needs & Implementation:

New City Campus

(Construction Value £50m, completion 2022)

#### Description

Currently occupying over 100,000m<sup>2</sup> spread across 14 locations, the College has set itself ambitious plans to transform educational provision in the City, consolidating its provision into just 70,000m<sup>2</sup> across 5 campuses.

Drawing on our established public sector expertise, Bond Bryan were initially appointed to assist the College with the development of the space needs analysis and brief for the proposed strategy to support the initial funding proposal to the LEP and City Council.

Over a 3 month period we worked with the College's senior leadership team to review the current assumptions, with a particular focus on tailoring the space needs of each campus to reflect the future curriculum needs.

A visioning workshop to explore the core priorities and drivers behind the project was complemented by individual meetings with each Head of Department to understand the specific needs and changing demands. Space needs analysis used both high level, 'top down', benchmarking and more detailed 'bottom up' analysis

of specific curriculum needs based on planned Guided Learning Hours. This modelled both current patterns of delivery and a range of potential future scenarios to test the space impact of potential changing to the mode of delivery; for example a greater emphasis on workplace learning or a move towards a more blended style of learning. The outcome of this initial work was confirmation of the overarching strategy and an indicative brief of reach campus defining the quality and type of space required.

Following a competitive tender process, we were subsequently employed to undertake full lead designer and architectural services (RIBA Stages 1 - 7) for the proposed new City Centre campus, working in collaboration with Manchester based architects Simpson Haugh.

The proposed new City Campus, is the flagship of the College's new vision. The 18,500m<sup>2</sup> first phase will create a Centre of Excellence for Performing Arts and Digital and Creative Industries on a highly prominent site in Manchester's city centre.

In line with the ambitious programme, we are now working with the College's preferred contractor and their supply chain to refine the detailed proposals to ensure that, when it completes in 2021, the new campus delivers the highest quality at the best possible value.

