The New School of Law

The University is seeking to relocate the Law School from their existing premises to a new purpose built facility on the North East corner of the Western Campus, formerly Leeds Grammar School.

The project objective is to provide a modern state of the art facility for the Faculty of Law on a site located on the Western Campus of the University. The building is to provide a range of teaching spaces, administration offices, support facilities and an underground car park. This building will allow the school to relocate from a number of large Listed Victorian buildings into a single building designed to meet the specific needs of the school in delivering an excellent learning and teaching environment.

The building will include:

- Reception area
- Student common room
- Staff offices
- Lecture, seminar, and Post Graduate research space
- A ’mock’ Moot Court
- Basement biomass boiler and plant area to roof
- Basement car parking for approx 60 cars.
- Central atrium space

The building will be 6299m² gross (including the car park) provided over 4 floors (including the base basement basement).

This building has been design to achieve a “Very Good” BREEAM rating with a target score of 59% (55% being a minimum to achieve Very Good)”

The building will benefit from natural ventilation to a significant part of the building, reducing the carbon footprint of the facility.

The predicted electricity consumption is 35.11 kWh/m² annum based on current Part L compliance report.
The predicted fossil fuel consumption is 53 kWh/m² annum based on 30% of current Part L compliance report total.

The predicted renewable energy generation is 17.57 kWh/m² annum based on 70% of current Part L compliance report total.

The predicted water usage will be 4.6 m³/person/year (based on 5 day occupation for 46 weeks per year – assuming consumption of 20l as BS6700).

The building cost is broken down into the following components:

- Basic Building Cost - £/m² - 1,456
- Services Costs - £/m² - 353
- External Works - £/m² - 50
- Gross floor area - m² - 5388
- Total area of site - hectares 0.3 (based on site compound)

The building functions are broken down as follows (m²):

Offices 685 m²
Legal research 175 m²
Law and community 145 m²
Law graduate centre 247 m²
Teaching / meeting 338 m²
Clerical / admin 193 m²
Staff common room and kitchen 38 m²
Law student commons 232 m²
Centrally timetabled 692 m²
Area of storage excluding cleaners’ 72 m²