2 Introduction

Key benefits of the proposed Family Hub

The design aims to contribute to the Westminster City Council's Fairer Westminster, #2035, EDI and climate emergency ambitions, by providing a range of facilities, services and activities that support the wellbeing, learning, participation and empowerment of the local community. Key benefits include:

Health and well-being opportunities:

- Family-focused health care and support in a single location, under one roof;
- Cross-referrals to Council and partner-organisations on matters of family and health and, where appropriate, wider community organisations and groups;
- Stress relief through time spent in green spaces, proven to help support stress management and mental health.

Social interaction and community:

- Improving access to services and support;
- Strengthening communities through community action, shared spaces and stronger relationships;
- Creation and sustaining of local community through shared space, including flexible space useable for community events by prior arrangement;
- Intergenerational engagement, through an emphasis on family and community life including guidance and support where required;
- Early years support and activities for families and children;
- Later years guidance and support services (for families with children up to 19 years of age).

Environment:

- The refurbishment and build of a high-quality scheme, with emphasis on sustainable design and build, with energy efficiency and sustainable travel embedded into its design;
- An emphasis on improving on-site nature, including significant retention of trees and improvement of on-site biodiversity.



Project Team

Client	**Westminster Council**
Project Manager	**Atkins Realis**
Architect	**Lynch Architects**
Landscape	**EDLA**
Structure	**PEREGA**
Services	**FHP**
Planning	**Lee-Evans**

Lynch Architects

We are architects based in Hackney and we design large and small projects mainly across London, often working with existing buildings. We specialise in designing buildings that are carefully integrated into their surroundings and we believe that the spaces around buildings are as important as the buildings themselves.





The recently completed Coroner's Court in Westminster





A Children's and Community Centre in East London

EDLA

We are landscape architects striving to craft spaces that resonate with people and serve the environment. Our collective passion for impactful change propels us to design with sensitivity to the user and tackle climate challenges through engaging and sustainable design.



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