



Summertown, Oxford

White Horse Contractors (WHC) have recently been appointed by Summer Fields Preparatory School in Oxford to provide significantly improved sporting facilities that can be used throughout the year.

WHC won this prestigious job by working closely with both the School and the lead Consultant throughout the tendering process which enabled the company to provide the most cost effective submission. WHC were also the only contractor to provide the School with a number of construction options.

WHC have been contracted to redevelop a number of existing tennis courts into a 53m x 43m artificial sports pitch using Tiger Turf Evolution sand dressed carpet alongside 2no. LTA approved all weather tennis courts. The new artificial sports pitch is a first of a kind at Summer Fields School and will provide a purpose built hockey facility which can also be used for tennis coaching and competition throughout the summer.

After starting work on site it quickly became apparent that the proposed drainage outfall was not going to be appropriate. To combat this potential problem, White Horse Contractors in-house design and survey team created an innovative outfall solution which will feed a newly constructed pond adjacent to the new sports facilities. This drainage solution will ensure that the facilities will not flood and can be used even in times of heavy rainfall when play was previously impossible.

In addition to the main works, WHC have also been asked to develop:

- A water feature and wildlife area
- All weather long jump and triple jump facilities
- Discus and hammer throws area and cage
- 5no. bay cricket nets complete with artificial batting and bowling ends
- Irrigation point to main cricket square

We are delighted to say that the project is currently ahead of schedule with pipe drainage being installed and stone sub base currently being constructed.