Commercial
The ARC, Community Centre
Scunthorpe

The Westcliff neighbourhood is one of the poorest neighbourhoods in North Lincolnshire with significant deprivation indices. The estate received some notoriety through its exposure on the television programme "Skint".

The ARC creates a central focus for support, direction, guidance and facilitation provision for all ages with a key focus on economic outcomes. It is an integral part of the overall regeneration programme for the Westcliff area and gives those living and working in the Westcliff area the opportunity to grasp the economic growth opportunity within the wider area by providing a physical space for training, an IT suite, business start-up space, meeting rooms and training facilities.

The various proposed uses with the new building and their preferred relationship and adjacencies were established through a series of stakeholder consultation events, meetings and workshops were undertaken as part of the development of the proposed building. In general the scheme is designed to provide natural surveillance over the communal street and landscaped garden areas.

The proposal specifically addresses relationships with neighbouring buildings and topography. Care has been taken to rest on a solution which is sympathetic in scale to the immediate context. The retail units are scaled appropriately to take account of the views from the neighbouring Durham House. The ARC is located towards the east of the site alongside the entrance to the linear park.









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