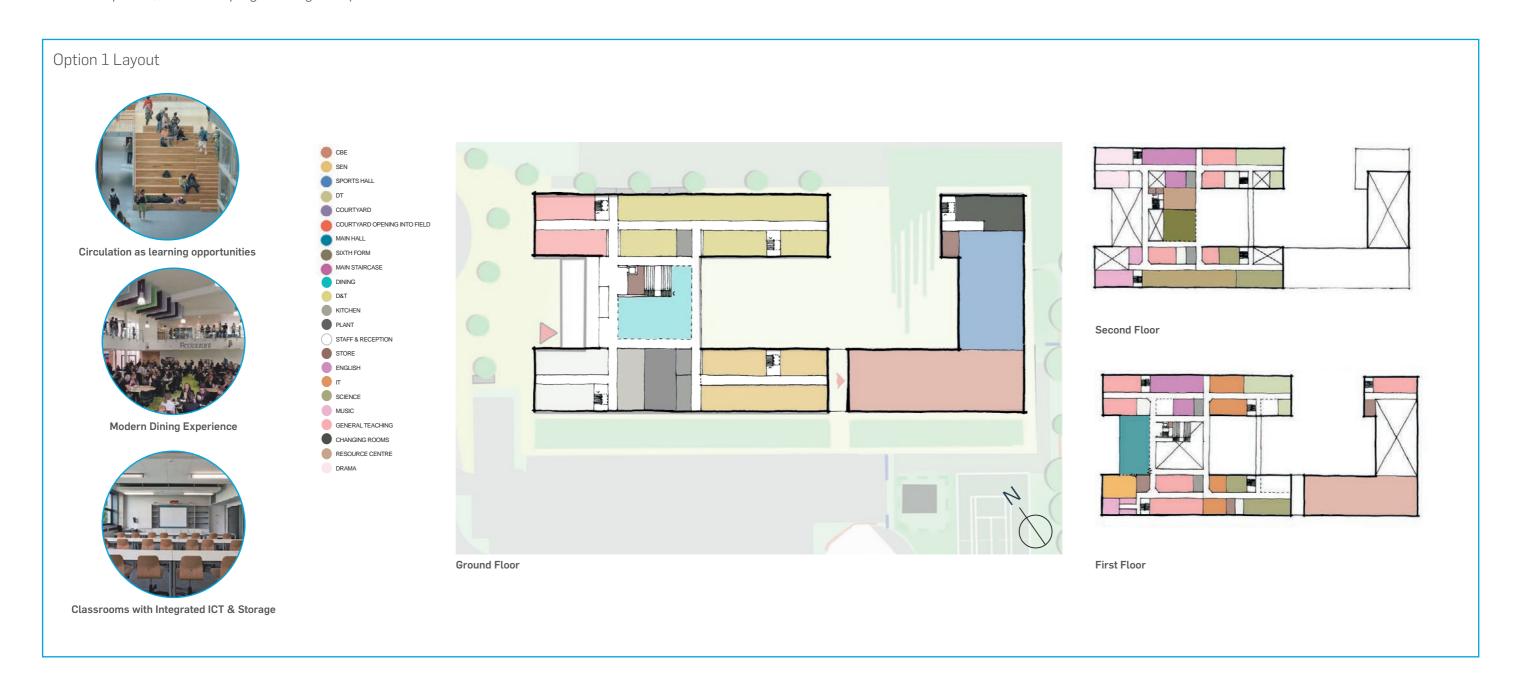
### 3.2.2. Initial Concepts

The plans were then developed into two options which took on board the above points, whilst keeping the original spirit of the scheme.





#### 2.2.4 Engaging with the stakeholders

#### Engagement Structure

A structured consultation process has taken place with the Vale of Glamorgan's 21st Century Schools team and the school's Heads, following the process overleaf. There have also been a number of additional meetings to gather the views of other stakeholders.

To date, consultation has taken place with the following:

- > The school Senior Management Team (SMT)
- > Local Authority and key consultees
- Heads of department
- > SBD Liaison officer

The following are planned to take place over the next six weeks:

- > Student School Council
- > All students through assembly presentations
- > Local residents
- > Parents
- > Councillors

The design team and representatives from the VoG 21st Century Schools team met with the Heads regularly throughout the early development of the design, generally on a weekly basis, in order to capture the key briefing criteria. We began by exploring the vision and the key relationships of the school, progressing through to the site drivers and access strategies and the on to the more detailed space planning and adjacencies.

Following on from each meeting with the SMT, feedback sessions to the wider Local Authority team were held in order to ensure that every element of the progressing design met the wider aspirations of the authority and the 21st Century Schools agenda. The development of the detailed educational brief continued through a series of workshops held with the existing school Heads of Department.

Student sessions, both through Student Council and through assemblies, are planned in the near future.

A drop-in consultation session will be organised at the school to provide the opportunity for teachers, parents, local residents and councillors to attend and learn more about the design.

#### Summary of Scheme Evolution

The vast majority of the design development has been through regular meetings with the school senior management team following the consultation process above, the design was refined and adapted to best suit the needs of the school and wider community. This included the following examples:

- Site access/buses/deliveries; the location of the bus drop-off for both schools has been extensively discussed to ensure minimal disruption to either school, both in the temporary and permanent condition.
- > The school were keen to mitigate the risk to pedestrians by separating the main pedestrian access routes from the access for cars and service vehicles, and as such the new path from the north was formalised.
- > Sports provision; the provision of sports facilities within the new school building has developed considerably during the consultation process with the school and head of department. Dry and wet changing facilities have now been provided with a configuration that suits both school and community use.
- Main entrance arrangement; the design has incorporated a visitors entrance, in addition to the main student access doors. The student entrance was also widened and a longer reception desk added, for the provision of access to student services facilities. This was in response to issues raised during both the SMT meetings the Heads of Department meetings.
- > ALN provision; the configuration of this area has been adjusted to reflect the needs of the school and is subject to further

consultation with the VoG team.

Other areas of significant change involved the following aspects of the design;

- > Car Parking and deliveries
- > Dining and catering
- Music & Drama, including the location and orientation of the main hall and stage
- > SMT offices
- > Science department
- > Design Technology (DT) department

# 3.3. Design Proposals

## Site Plan Key

- 1. New Building
- 2. Courtyard
- 3. All Weather Pitch
- 4. MUGAs
- 5. Grass Pitches
- 6. Car Park
- 7. Social and Informal area
- 8. Bus drop off
- 9. Caretaker's House





