

HARROW SCHOOL - Sports East Project



THE PROJECT

G Thornton (Contracts) Ltd recently completed a prestigious installation at Harrow School. The new facilities include a *Stadium 25* sand filled hockey/multisports synthetic grass pitch; a *DD Rugby Pro* long pile 3rd generation sand/rubber filled pitch specifically designed for rugby and football, six porous and six non porous acrylic tennis courts and a *Polyflex 950-4* porous polymeric 8 lane athletics track with associated field events including a high specification natural grass infield.



Football / Rugby

Surfaced in our *DD RugbyPro* sand/rubber filled carpet, has a pile height of 70 mm and unique backing system designed to take the intense movements associated with the games of football and rugby. Successfully combining the playing characteristics of the best natural turf with the known benefits from synthetics, such as perfect levels, fast drainage, playing consistency, durability and low maintenance.

Hockey / Multi-sports

Surfaced in our *Stadium 25* sand-filled carpet, the surface is constructed from polypropylene yarn and is infilled almost totally with selected round silica sand, which provides support for the pile. Our *Stadium* range is popular in school environments due to its multi sports options, and will be used by the school for hockey and general multi sports.

"The finished presentation of the pitches is excellent. Your staff are a credit to you. The DD RugbyPro surface has been used mainly for football and the feedback so far has been very good. I have already held a heavy rugby training session on the surface, which went very well. Roger Uttley (Ex England Rugby International, Director of PE at Harrow School).



ASSOCIATED WORKS

Included the installation of welded mesh fencing systems and floodlighting bases. Over 110,000 block pavers were laid around the pitches and down the central spectator standing giving the finishing touch to what is a 'top class' installation.



ATHLETICS TRACK & FIELD EVENTS

The Athletics Track was constructed using our Porous *Polyflex 950-4* surfacing system to meet the performance requirements of the I.A.A.F. Due to the high quality conventional turf Rugby pitch installed in the central field all throwing events have been placed on an adjacent field.



TENNIS

The 6 No. *Nova* impervious acrylic tennis courts surfaced to meet I.T.F. performance requirements providing an even bounce and medium pace surface.

The tennis courts surface is ideal for high level play and coaching.

ATHLETICS & SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Athletics and Sports Equipment for the Harrow project were provided by our sister company GTC Sports Ltd. As specialist, experienced suppliers they met the specifications and cost requirements for all the fixed Athletics Track and Field equipment. Additionally they supplied and installed a complete range of outdoor sports posts for use on the synthetic playing surfaces.