

Project Profile



Location: Metropolitan Borough of Bury, Greater Manchester, UK **Building Size:** 9.8m x 18.1m (32' wide x 60' long)

Building Series: Custom **Application:** Multi Use Games Area

FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL

Multi Use Games Area

When the Fairfield Hospital in Greater Manchester, UK was looking for a facility to house their MUGA Project - (Multi Use Games Area), the structural engineering company they were working with recommended a steel-framed fabric building from Norseman Structures.

Norseman Structures and their building partners in Europe, Astron, worked together to design a facility that would provide patients at the Fairfield Hospital with a beautifully bright, spacious and attractive space for therapeutic activities. "The Norseman Structures/Astron building style was recommended by our structural engineers, Marston and Grundy, who had previously collaborated with Norseman Structures," says Project Manager Jack Street. "We also chose a fabric building because of the aesthetics of the structure and the competitive pricing." Jack adds, "The primary use for the facility will be football and basketball for recreational purposes."

The facility is 9.8m wide by 18.1m long and was constructed within 4 days of arriving on site. The fabric cover terminates at approximately 3m with sports fencing below which incorporates integral gates and a recessed football goal. The design has also incorporated eave gutters and downspouts to both sidewalls.

When asked what really stands out about their facility, Jack replied, "We are finding the fabric-covered building to be bright, airy and the contours of the fabric to be aesthetically pleasing. Compared to metal cladding, the fabric lets in a lot more light and has sound dampening characteristics."

This facility will prove to be therapeutic for the patients with mental illness, allowing them to exercise which will aid in their recovery.

Future plans may include using the facility as an outdoor meeting and function venue.

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