



PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET



**PROJECT TITLE**

**Pools on the Park New Bus Stop and Car Park, Richmond, Surrey**

**CLIENT**

**TfL London Bus Services Ltd**  
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**VALUE OF WORKS**

**£550,000**

**DATE OF COMPLETION**

November 2008

**DESCRIPTION OF WORKS**



Pools on the Park Leisure Centre has up to 4000 visitors a day at peak times and yet the nearest bus stop was 10-15 minutes walk away in Richmond town centre.

With two different clients involved, a significant amount of negotiation was required. Whilst the London Borough of Richmond were concerned about effect on the leisure centre car park (which they are responsible for) and the fact that the scheme was within the conservation area and that the leisure centre is a listed building, TfL-Buses had their own requirements for the scheme.

They had to ensure that they could safely operate buses through the car park to access the new stand, and that their own design standards for the construction and geometry of bus facilities were met.

Despite these challenges, FM Conway's team produced a scheme to allow one of the existing bus services to be rerouted so that it can serve the leisure centre, with buses every 10 minutes, which has also alleviated bus congestion in the town centre.

This scheme involved the construction of a new bus stop and associated carriageway upgrade together with the remodelling of the existing car park at Pools on the Park leisure centre.

Principal works include carriageway reconstruction comprising new drainage, ducting & kerbing and also resurfacing of the existing car park areas.

Other works include a new lighting and CCTV scheme, signage, carriageway markings and hard & soft landscaping.

For our works on this contract, FM Conway were the winners of the **Engineering of Excellence Award 2009**, These awards recognise excellence in civil engineering projects completed in 2009 and recognise local projects that reflect aspects of the ICE's Global Vision of: *'Civil Engineers at the heart of society, delivering sustainable development through knowledge, skills and professional expertise'*

Pools on the Park, Judges Comments: *Attention to detail and extensive liaison with all stakeholders ensured that any solution met the requirements of all involved. Judges highlighted the environmental challenges which had to be overcome as part of the scheme and praised the level of communication with all customers.*

Howard Larkin, chair of the ICE's judging panel, said:

***"The recipients of the ICE Engineering Excellence Awards 2009 have excelled in delivering projects which combine a commitment to innovation, creativity and social value with a culture of safety and sustainability. I congratulate them all for demonstrating the important contribution that civil engineers make to the Thames Valley."***

