



## PROJECT PROFILE



# Manchester Magistrates' Court

## PROCUREMENT:

With the existing 1970s courthouse unsuitable for the needs of the Manchester Magistrates Courts Committee, PFI was chosen as the procurement route for a new facility. Carillion commissioned the American signature Architects Gensler to produce the Stage D design, which achieved Preferred Bidder status. TPS was appointed as the multi-disciplinary team to develop the design into the Detail Stage, through production information and onto site. TPS then worked with Carillion on buildability and technical aspects through to completion and handover.

The site is part of the Spinningfields redevelopment area, master planned by BDP, and located close to Deans Gate, the principal street in the City Centre. It is closely constrained by streets on three sides and existing buildings on the fourth side.

## BRIEF AND CONCEPT:

The brief called for new Magistrates Court Facilities for Manchester City Council comprising 18 Courts, a Coroners Court, support facilities for 180 staff, and ancillary and amenity areas including some retail spaces. The concept consists of defining the two principal functions of the building separately, divided by an internal glazed street, with circulation bridges connecting the Courts and Administrative zones. This clear delineation is visually emphasised externally by the use of red sandstone for the Courts and zinc to the Administration block. Energy conservation and recovery, and re-use and recycling were also prime considerations of the design, to help minimise global environmental effects.

## DELIVERY:

From Stage E through to completion TPS led the multi-disciplinary design team in interpreting and developing the design intent of the signature Architect into production and construction information suitable for Carillion to produce a project which fulfilled the Clients aspirations.

## CLIENT:

Lord Chancellor's Department and Manchester City Council

## PROJECT VALUE:

£30M

## SERVICES:

- Architecture
- Mechanical and Electrical Engineering
- Structural Engineering
- Civil and Geotechnical Engineering
- Sustainability Consultations

## TYPE:

Law and Order

- Preferred Bidder Status: 2000
- Financial Close: 2001
- Completion: 2004