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County Museum
Client Sligo County Council
Value € 7,400,000
1st prize International Architectural Framework Plan competition 2003
Planning Permission 2006
Tender stage 2008



Sheridan Woods Architects + Urban Planners were commissioned as the architects for the design and construction of the Sligo Museum. The commission was awarded on foot of an International Architectural Framework Plan competition for the design of Sligo Town Cultural Quarter, located to the north east of the town.

The Framework Plan provided for Sligo Museum to the north east of the existing Model Arts + Niland Gallery and fronting onto a New Civic Space. The design concept for the County Museum sought to develop a modern and iconic building that would act as a landmark for Sligo's Cultural Quarter.

The proposed museum comprises permanent and temporary exhibition spaces, a lecture theatre and education room at first floor level. These spaces are accessed via the main entrance foyer and staircase off the Civic Space and a secondary entrance from the Connaughton Road. A café / restaurant is also proposed

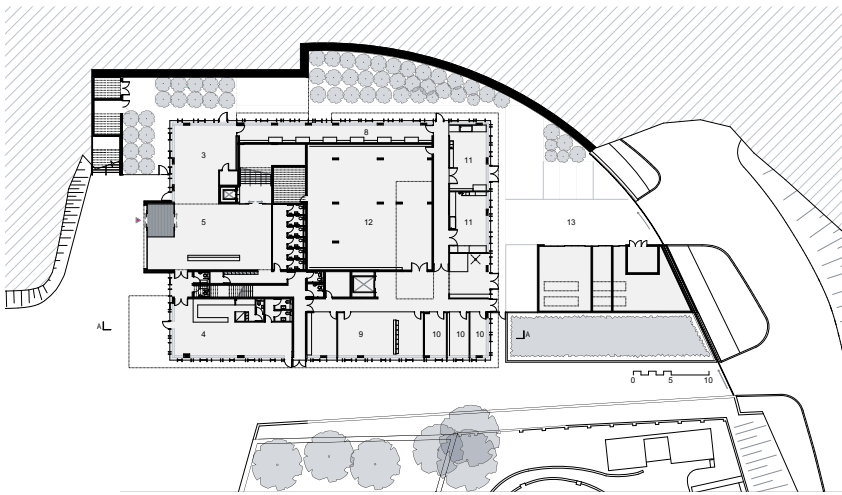
at the Civic Space level and will provide evening activity on the Civic Space outside museum hours. The treatment of the Museum elevations comprise a glazed curtain wall at ground level and a honed black granite cladding on the upper floor providing for contemporary façade. The Museum features natural ventilation throughout the building, a wood pellet heating system, and a green Sedum roof system which serves as rain water attenuation, supports biodiversity, cools down the building during summer time as well as serves as insulation in winter times.

Extensive stakeholder consultation was undertaken in the course of the design process and Sheridan Woods have successfully secured planning permission for the construction of the museum.

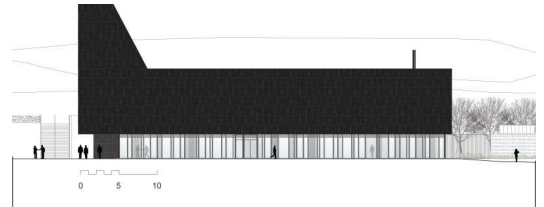
The Sligo Museum is a key element of the overall development of Sligo Town's Cultural Quarter and will provide an iconic landmark for both the Cultural Quarter and Sligo Town.

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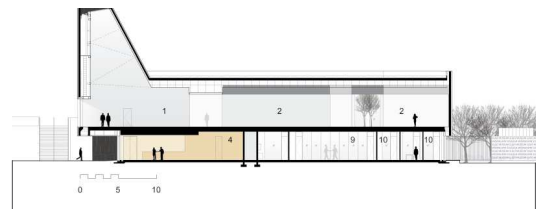
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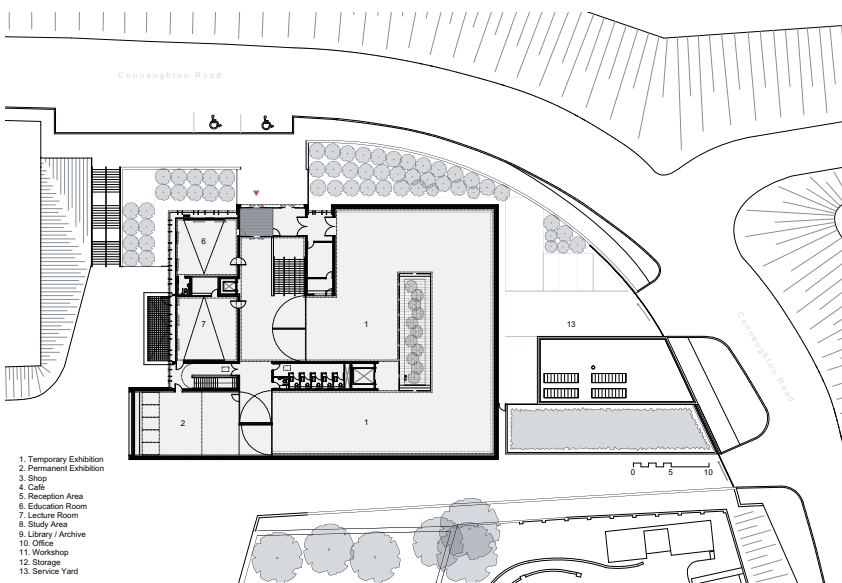
Ground floor



South elevation



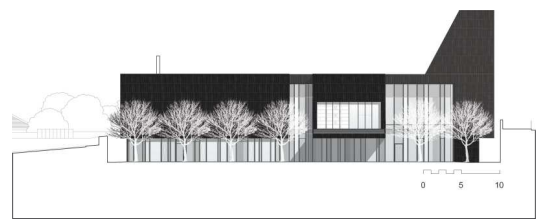
Section A-A



First floor



West elevation



North elevation

- 1. Temporary Exhibition
- 2. Permanent Exhibition
- 3. Shop
- 4. Cafe
- 5. Reception Area
- 6. Education Room
- 7. Lecture Room
- 8. Study Area
- 9. Library / Archive
- 10. Office
- 11. Workshop
- 12. Storage
- 13. Service Yard