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Location: 103-113 Marshgate Ln, Stratford, London, United Kingdom

Architect: Populous (a.k.a. HOK Sport)

Structural engineer: Buro Happold

Services engineer: Buro Happold

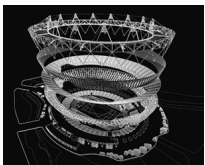
Main contractors: Sir Robert McAlpine

Construction cost: 486 Million Pounds

Capacity: 80,000

### Design and construction status

The stadium design was launched on 7 November 2007. The architect, Populous, is an architectural firm specializing in the design of sports facilities and convention centres, as well as planning of major special events. As a "unique 80,000 seat stadium, it will be the centrepiece for the 2012 Games, hosting the opening and closing ceremonies and the athletics events, converting down to a 60,000 seat permanent stadium after the Games, when it will become the new home for West Ham United, combined with other sporting, community and educational uses", according to LOCOG.



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