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Quest Apartment Hotel, Liverpool

# A class 'Apart'

**£10m** / Project value June 2018 / The project commenced

September 2019 / The project was completed

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A "home away from home", the £10m Quest Apartment Hotel design and build project created 100 modern apartments "perfectly positioned in the heart of Liverpool" city centre. The first UK property in the Australasian hotelier, Quest's, portfolio, the luxury seven-storey Aparthotel offers guests substantial living space and comfort in serviced apartment style hotel rooms for short and long stays. Completed on time and to budget, we converted the second, third and fourth floors of an existing 1980s commercial office building, as well as refurbished additional levels five and six. In addition to the development of 100 serviced apartments, our team also constructed modern facilities, which comprised of reception, conference room, gym, and back-of-house areas.

### The brief

Part of Quest Apartment Hotels' "ambitious, longterm plans", the Liverpool city centre site was the first investment of ten proposed properties across the UK over the "next five years". We were appointed by developer, Vabeld, to complete the design and build of the Church Street property, and deliver high-quality spacious and convenient accommodation.



"Quest is a brilliant addition to the Liverpool hotel stock – it offers design-led, comfortable accommodation in arguably the best location in the city for both corporate and leisure visitors."

Simon Bland Managing Director, Mason Owen "It was a privilege for the GRAHAM Interior Fit-Out division to have been selected by developer, Vabeld, to deliver the first site in the UK for Quest Apartment Hotels. We understood Quest's commitment to providing high-quality spacious and convenient accommodation for guests, and were proud to have worked in partnership to complete this exciting project in Liverpool."

Mark Gibson GRAHAM Managing Director – Interior Fit-Out

## The challenges

Located on Church Street, the success of this multi-million-pound scheme relied on the effective coordination and planning of deliveries to overcome the challenges of a constrained Liverpool city centre site.

## The solution

A "brilliant addition" to the Liverpool hotel stock, the Quest Apartment Hotel is an exemplar design-led hospitality project. Significantly, the project commenced in June 2018, one week after then Prime Minister, Theresa May, paid tribute to the economic contribution of the city, and the critical role it plays in the Northern Powerhouse. Demonstrating the social value associated with the development, 200 local jobs were generated during construction, and a further 25 part-time and full-time positions were created when the hotel opened its doors to the public in summer 2019. Following our intensive works programme, 100 modern selfcontained apartments, ranging from studio, one bedroom, and two bedroom options, were developed and expertly fitted out with intelligent features, inclusive of high-speed WIFI.

### Outputs & Benefits

**Delivery as planned:** The project was completed on time and to budget

Lasting impact: 200 local jobs were created during construction, and 25 full and part-time positions have ensured sustainable employment for the Liverpool region

**Mitigating disruption:** Our well thought out works programme was delivered within a constrained city centre site





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