

Hub South East NHS Lothian

Trio of partnership centres connect communities

£26.6m

/ Project value

April 2016

/ The build commenced

October 2017

/ The build was completed

Connecting health, social care and council services in the heart of local communities, we were responsible for the design and construction of three “one-stop-shop” partnership centres in Edinburgh and West Lothian. Delivered by Hub South East on behalf of NHS Lothian, and its Council partners, the £26.6 million project includes an All-Care Centre in Pennywell, a Health Centre in Allemuir and a Partnership Centre in Blackburn. The modern, flexible community based facilities provide an integrated delivery model for the NHS, Council, Community and Voluntary Sectors.

The brief

This ambitious capital development project, involved the construction of three purpose-built facilities that would bring a range of health, well-being and council services together in one place and thereby improve access, and enhance the quality of life, for communities throughout Edinburgh and West Lothian.



“The development of this new facility, along with the two other centres across Lothian, will help to bring local services together and make it easier for communities to access them.”

Maureen Watt
Minister for Health

“We work with NHS Lothian, the Scottish Government and care providers to make sure the right services are in place to support people and this fantastic facility will be of real benefit to local residents.”

George Walker
Chairman of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board

The solution

The trio of modern, high-quality facilities have increased accessibility, improved health, and delivered a number of community benefits through co-location for each local area.

Blackburn Partnership Centre: The £7.6m project, completed on time and on budget, supported the relocation of the existing Ashgrove Medical Practice and the creation of a health hub, which includes a community health centre, and provides podiatry, physiotherapy and dental services. The stylish building, which features roof mounted photovoltaic panels, also houses council services consisting of a library, employability offices and credit union.

Allemuir Health Centre: The £7m development provides accommodation for two local GP practices and a range of primary care services including children's services and mental health support. The various departments are centred around a three-storey foyer, which overlooks a landscaped courtyard. Innovatively designed, all waiting areas overlook the central atrium space, facilitating orientation and wayfinding while maximising natural light.

Pennywell All Care Centre: The three-storey Community Health Partnership Centre provides integrated care and enables the co-location of NHS Lothian and City of Edinburgh Council children's services. The £12m flexible facility also accommodates a GP surgery and provides space for community and voluntary organisations.

Outputs & Benefits

- / **Focused project management:** Three significant projects were constructed simultaneously on time and on budget
- / **Integrated services:** They provide an integrated delivery model for NHS, Council, Community Services and the Voluntary Sector
- / **Sustainable development:** The BREEAM rated buildings were built to provide efficient, green and sustainable facilities
- / **Local engagement:** Information and progress events were held throughout the programme



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