

Barrhead Health and Social Care Centre

Integrated vision becomes a vibrant reality

£11.3m

/ Project value

July 2009

/ The build commenced

January 2011

/ The duration

Named as the 'Best Out-Of-Hospital Care Facility Design' at the 'Building Better Healthcare Awards', the Barrhead Health and Care Centre is an innovative multi-purpose community facility providing a broad spectrum of integrated primary health and social care services. The £11.3 million mixed-use centre, with a 5700m² gross floor footprint, achieved significant net savings of over £90k courtesy of a robust waste reduction strategy and the promotion of sustainability measures throughout its 18-month construction.

The Brief

Epitomising the NHS Board's aspirational integration of healthcare and social services, the three-storey centre is now a focal point of the local community, housing GP and dental practices, a minor surgery clinic and physiotherapy and podiatry services while acting as a base for health visitor and district nursing teams, social workers and home care administration.



"The centre is an excellent example of the drive to integrate the provision of healthcare with social services. The building is immediately bright and uplifting, with a generous atrium and restrained use of colour"

The Judges from the 'Building Better Healthcare Awards'

“We were very happy with GRAHAM Construction’s performance at Barrhead. The quality of work is very good throughout and the follow-up to any defects issues was excellent. There were a number of client-led, significant changes to brief during construction, which were diligently included in the works”

John Donnelly
General Manager of Project Development, Greater Glasgow & Clyde NHS Trust

The Challenges

Constructed on a brown field site, situated on a main thoroughfare dual carriageway and adjacent to shops and residential properties, necessitated flexibility and the swift resolution of logistical challenges throughout the centre’s journey from inception to completion. Additionally, the project was the subject of WRAP objectives set by the NHS Board and, while this facilitated headlines such as the avoidance of 900 tonnes of waste, it also demanded a stringent commitment and target driven focus towards waste reduction and segregation. The NEAT ‘Excellent’ centre features rain water harvesting, a ground source heat pump, enhanced insulation and passive stack ventilation.

GRAHAM’s added value solution

A desire to exceed expectations throughout the 18-month design and construction process, ensured the development of a one stop healthcare and social services facility that delivers exemplary care to the town’s young and old alike. The centre now accommodates three GP practices, two dental surgeries, a clinical zone designed to protect privacy and confidentiality, and a plethora of physical and emotional well-being services, from adult mental health to podiatry, under one welcoming and vibrant multi-use space. Elderly day care facilities, with easy access for wheelchair users, the provision of 150 parking spaces and a mini bus bay represent further components of this community hub. Indeed, echoing the community ethos at the heart of the centre’s functionality, we employed 15 apprentices on site, commissioned Glasgow based subcontractors and utilised four local labourers who even refurbished a local charity shop in their own time.

Outputs & Benefits

- / **Award Winning:** ‘Best Out-Of-Hospital Care Facility Design’ at the ‘Building Better Healthcare Awards’
- / **Environmental Enhancements:** The project achieved net savings of £90,100 with 900 tonnes of waste avoided and 97% of waste diverted from landfill
- / **Project Management:** The project was successfully delivered within budget
- / **Opportunities for Training and Development:** 15 apprentices were employed on site
- / **Community engagement:** Our workforce refurbished a local charity shop in their own time



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