



PROJECT PROFILE



HILLVIEW SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

2003 - 2005 £3.5 MILLION

the project

In 2001 Hillview School achieved Performing Arts College status which prompted a major redevelopment of the site to ensure a high quality of teaching across all curriculum areas. The project involved the design of a state of the art theatre, new science, art and languages facilities, an IT suite, and a library, plus a new school entrance, staff base, administration hub, and canteen.

cdm issues

In terms of health and safety, many issues required addressing prior to construction commencing to ensure works were carried out safely for both the construction works, and the staff and pupils occupying the school.

Occupied secondary school campus

Unavoidably, works were required to take place during school term time, with the added consideration of the campus being shared by the neighbouring Primary School.

Steeply sloping site, & 'live' service road

The slope on which the school buildings sit is extremely steep, and is bisected by a live service road which provides access to both the secondary school and primary school.

Deep excavations

Due to the nature of the site, and the accommodation requirement, the new 6.5 storey structure, including basements, was 'cut into' the slope, requiring deep excavations, and an extremely large amount of spoil removal – approximately 900 lorry loads!



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Asbestos identified

With the new building linking into the existing school accommodation, any asbestos containing materials which could potentially be disturbed needed to be removed.

By working closely with the designers, principal contractor and School during the planning of the works, effective risk management strategies were implemented, ensuring the safety of all on the site, and the occupied surrounding area, was maintained.

