

Former Johnstown Infant School - Alterations and Refurbishment.

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Client name

Wrexham County Council

Gwerth y prosiect
Project value

£1,450,000

Dyddiadau dechrau a cwblhau
Start and completion date

October 2025 – June 2026

Ffurf y contract
Form of contract

**JCT Intermediate Contract
2016**

Math o ddarpariaeth
Delivery type

Traditional

Sector
Sector

School / Education

Contractwr yn darparu'r prosiect
Contractor delivering project

BrynBuild



Y Prosiect / The Project

Project Summary

The former Johnstown Infant School has been transformed into a modern, purpose-built secondary school for pupils with Additional Learning Needs (ALN), creating a safe, inclusive and inspiring environment designed to support learning, development and wellbeing. Rather than constructing a new facility, the project breathed new life into an existing Primary School building through a comprehensive refurbishment, ensuring it meets the needs of both pupils and staff for years to come.

The refurbishment included the installation of a new warm deck roof with skylights, replacement windows and doors, a full electrical rewire and a new heating system, significantly improving the building's performance and efficiency. Internally, new classrooms were created alongside specialist facilities including a science laboratory, media suite, three sensory rooms and three internal dining pods, providing dedicated spaces to support a range of learning styles and individual needs. The project also delivered new kitchens, modern toilet facilities, a fully accessible disabled shower room, new flooring throughout, complete redecoration and the upgrade of all internal doors to fire-rated doors, ensuring the school meets current safety standards.

Externally, the transformation continued with the installation of new fencing, external learning pods, and a vehicle barrier. Pupils also benefit from a range of high-quality outdoor facilities, including a football pitch / Basketball court, Swings play area and a dedicated trampoline area, and a polytunnel encouraging physical activity and outdoor learning.

The completed project has successfully converted an unused building into a vibrant educational setting that provides specialist facilities tailored to the needs of its pupils. It stands as an example of how thoughtful refurbishment can create lasting value for the community while delivering a high-quality learning environment for future generations.



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A globally responsible Wales

Cymru â diwylliant bywiog lle mae'r Gymraeg yn
ffynnu
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh
Language

Cymru o gymunedau cydlynus
A Wales of cohesive communities

Cymru sy'n fwy cyfartal
A more equal Wales

Cymru iachach
A Healthier Wales

Cymru gydnerth
A Resilient Wales

Cymru lewyrchus
A prosperous Wales

Y Pum Ffordd o Weithio The Five Ways of Working



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The project contributed to a globally responsible Wales by supporting local businesses and creating employment opportunities within the region. Of the workforce on the project, 42% were from the Local Authority area and 72% lived in Wales, ensuring the economic benefits were retained locally. To support our decarbonisation commitments, electricity consumption was monitored through sub-metering, allowing us to assess energy performance, identify efficiency improvements and implement measures to reduce carbon emissions on future projects.

The project actively supported the Well-being of Future Generations goal of A Wales of Vibrant Culture and Thriving Welsh Language by creating an environment where the Welsh language was visible and regularly spoken. Approximately 18% of the workforce attending the site were Welsh speakers, with Welsh used routinely in conversations and day-to-day activities throughout the project. *Mae'r prosiect wedi cefnogi nod llesiant Cymru â diwylliant bywiog lle mae'r Gymraeg yn ffynnu drwy greu amgylchedd lle'r oedd y Gymraeg yn cael ei defnyddio'n naturiol drwy gydol y gwaith. Roedd oddeutu 18% o'r gweithlu a fu'n ymweld â'r safle yn siarad Cymraeg, a defnyddiwyd y Gymraeg yn rheolaidd mewn cyfathrebu a gweithgareddau o ddydd i ddydd ar y prosiect.*

Effective communication was maintained throughout the project with the school, local residents and community groups to keep stakeholders informed and engaged. A pre-start newsletter and regular updates helped reduce disruption and support a safe working environment. Site access and deliveries were carefully scheduled to avoid peak periods where possible. We also attended several News and Brews engagement sessions, giving residents the opportunity to ask questions, raise concerns and receive project updates.

The project supported a More Equal Wales by maintaining a diverse and inclusive workforce, representing a wide range of backgrounds, genders and ethnicities. We also attended a careers fair to promote careers in construction to young people and individuals from a variety of backgrounds, encouraging greater diversity within the industry.

This project supported a Healthier Wales by promoting mental health and wellbeing in line with the Considerate Constructors Scheme. The Lighthouse Charity was also actively promoted on site, with clear signage in welfare facilities ensuring support services and contact details were easily accessible to all workers and visitors.

This project supported a More Resilient Wales by sourcing only FSC and PEFC-certified timber and obtaining Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for materials where available. In addition, 100% of site waste was diverted from landfill through our partnership with a specialist waste management and recycling contractor.

This project supported a Prosperous Wales by investing in workforce development through a range of short training courses completed by both directly employed staff and subcontractors. In addition, 71% of subcontractor spend was with Welsh-based SMEs, while 42% of subcontractors were based within the Local Authority area, helping to strengthen the local economy. We attended a Careers Event with Year 11 pupils, providing valuable insight into careers within the construction industry and engaging students through a range of interactive STEM activities. ↓

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