

Ladies College - Wessex Wing Development

Category:
Non Residential
(over £250k)

CLIENT:

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Les Gravees, St Peter Port,
Guernsey

ARCHITECTS:

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CONTRACTOR:

RG Falla Ltd.



As part of a phased redevelopment of the Ladies College premises this project had the following key objectives:-

- To replace numerous portacabin classrooms that had been in existence for over 30 years with 8 new classrooms and smaller teaching spaces.
- Provide a dedicated music department with practice rooms.
- Provide a new Learning Resource Centre.
- Significantly improve the catering and dining facilities.
- Improve accessibility for all to as much of the senior school as possible.
- Improve the external appearance and parking with better management of cars.
- Improve the entrance and reception areas.
- The scheme had to be cost effective and allow the school to function during the construction process.

R G Falla were appointed after a two stage tender process using a traditional JCT Contract. After some enabling works were completed during 2015 the main work commenced in July 2015. The project had to be carefully programmed to ensure the most disruptive activities such as piling were completed during College holidays. The project was completed on time on 6th September 2016 within its budget of about £5.7m.

The new building met the functional objectives set out above and has unified many aspects of the College not only as a building but as community all under one roof. The works have made huge improvements regarding energy efficiency with well-insulated premises using air source heat pumps for heating. The use of levels, ramps and lifts has now made the majority of the senior school fully accessible to wheelchairs.

