

# INFORM

ISSUE 3

NEWSLETTER FROM WHITFIELD & BROWN

## Wade Deacon High School



**CLIENT:** THE WADE DEACON TRUST  
**ARCHITECT:** FALCONER CHESTER HALL  
**VALUE:** £1.35 MILLION

Following on from the successful completion of the dining room extension in 2016, Whitfield & Brown has now completed an iconic arts block within a courtyard area to the rear of the school in Widnes. The school is part of a multi-academy Trust and has a sharp vision for high-expectations, school improvement and continued professional development to ensure its pupils can fulfil their potential.

The provision of the new arts block is another example of the school's focus to offer

exceptional education within an excellent learning environment. The new 650m<sup>2</sup> single storey arts block has been constructed utilising a structural steel frame, clad with Metsec, brickwork and aluminium curtain walling, all to match the existing surrounding school building. The roof creates a modern feature whilst increasing infiltration of light.

"We have an excellent business relationship with this long-standing local company. I have found the Whitfield & Brown site management team and subcontractors supply team

competent at complying with our procedures, at taking the necessary precautions for mitigating health and safety risks, adept at executing their works within a live environment and co-ordinating their activities in line with our requirements and to the quality expected. Attention to detail and client satisfaction both pre and post project completion are a strong feature of their team."

Ian Kirkham, CEO for The Wade Deacon Trust



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**CLIENT:** CHESHIRE WEST & CHESTER COUNCIL  
**ARCHITECT:** LANCASTER MALONEY  
**VALUE:** £1.2M

## Kingsmead Primary School

Kingsmead Primary School was shortlisted in the category of "Design & Innovation" at the 2018 RICS Awards Dinner.

With sustainability underpinning the ethos and values of the head teacher, it was a prerequisite to enhance the existing building whilst maximising use of local labour, suppliers and manufacturers. This was endorsed by the Local Authority as per Cheshire West & Chester Council's Social

Values Agenda and further interpreted through the design by the project architect Lancaster Maloney and supported by the Whitfield & Brown procurement teams at site level. The award-winning Eco School has now maximised its potential by increasing its capacity to allow an extra 105 primary age pupils and features a new reception facility that will allow up to 30 children to receive early years' education. To achieve this, new classrooms and teaching spaces were created,

their school hall was extended, along with internal adaptations to the staffroom, WC and cloaks undertaken in four locations.

Head Teacher Ms Catriona Stewart quoted, "It was lovely to welcome the children into their new classrooms. We have been very fortunate and owe thanks to CWAC for the excellent standard of building and facilities achieved at a time of austerity in education funding. I would like to thank Josh and Steve at Lancaster-Maloney, Wayne from Whitfield & Brown Limited and his team for getting us ready. Thanks again to everyone who has and continues to help - team effort!"



**CLIENT:** THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR  
**ARCHITECT:** DANIEL HURD ASSOCIATES  
**VALUE:** £1.3 MILLION



## St Joseph's Care Home

Whitfield & Brown is blessed to have been working with the Little Sisters of the Poor at their convent in Manchester.

Within the home, the Sisters provide attentive palliative care for its elderly residents in the name of their foundress and first Little Sister

of the Poor, Jeanne Jugan. The 53-bed care home is being refurbished to give modern and spacious accommodation, which aligns with their mission statement to give continuing care in the spirit of humble service for each resident during the last stages of their lives.

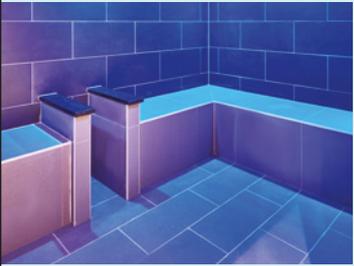
The alteration works comprise updating the 12 bedrooms, ward rooms, lounge and dining areas within the Our Lady of Lourdes wing and the Caroline Sheppard wing of the home.

**Any donations will be gracefully received.**  
<http://www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk>



**CLIENT:** STOCKPORT MBC  
**ARCHITECT/QS:** AHR BUILDING CONSULTANCY  
**VALUE:** £1.2M

## Grand Central Spa



As part of a £2.8m investment programme from Stockport Council, the Grand Central leisure complex now has a first-class health spa within its town centre facility.

The new spa managed by Life Leisure, has become a "luxury retreat" following the upgrades and features a sauna, steam room, hydrotherapy pool, aromatherapy room and relaxation area. Residents can now immerse themselves in a nurturing wellbeing environment. The exciting addition follows previous upgrades to the site's existing fitness suite and complements Grand Central's 50m swimming pool. Whitfield & Brown teams are now live with Phase 2, refurbishing the children's fun pool and slides.

## Oaklands SEN School

**CLIENT:** CHESHIRE WEST & CHESTER COUNCIL  
**ARCHITECT:** DESIGN GROUP CHESTER  
**QS:** TODD & LEDSON **VALUE:** £1.8 MILLION



Oaklands School's emphasis is working with children aged between 11-17 who have been referred under the statement of special educational needs. The school has gained many awards including Eco Green Flag, Healthy Schools, Go 4 It, Sportsmark, Artsmark and Diana Princess of Wales Gold Status.

The £1.8 million two-storey teaching block has been erected on part of the former playground and comprises of eight new classrooms totalling 1011m<sup>2</sup> floor area, which includes 220m<sup>2</sup> integrated multi-function sports hall. Along with the new build element to the contract, there is a new 720m<sup>2</sup> MUGA pitch and running track on existing grassed playing field with access from the new sports hall.



The school commemorated the construction of the new two-storey extension with a steel signing with pupils and celebrated completion with the burial of a time capsule.





**CLIENT:** LAURUS HOMES/THT DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED  
**ARCHITECT:** IBI GROUP  
**CA:** WILKINSON COWAN PARTNERSHIP LIMITED  
**VALUE:** £5.5M

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# The Maples and Maple Court



ELECTRA HOUSE

The new residential and commercial developments referred to as The Maples and Maple Court have revitalised and regenerated an area within Trafford. The development of five three-bed houses and 34 apartments with commercial units, aesthetically improves the linear street scene providing stylish homes for young professionals and families, being a catalyst for further regeneration in the Trafford region.

The transformation of the site began in 2015, the first of a series of regeneration projects in the area led by THT's Development brand Laurus Homes. THT Developments has development partner status with the Homes and Communities Agency and was the first housing association to access funding from the £300m Greater Manchester Housing Investment Fund. Trafford Council supported the project proposals as they were equally keen to see the area improve.

The design has incorporated the high-quality aspirations of Laurus Homes and designed to meet the Mayor of London Housing Design Standards and Lifetime Homes. The mix of one and two bedrooms and large roof top duplexes makes this scheme attractive to families, students and professionals wishing to live close to transport links, thriving towns and the city.

Feedback from the occupiers, nearby residents and businesses has been unanimously positive. This is reflected in the speed and value at which the properties have sold, exceeding client expectations. The development has also received praise from the Mayor of Greater Manchester, Andy Burnham.

Mr Burnham said: "The region needs more affordable homes in places where people want to live, and the trust's profit-for-purpose approach is allowing them to build developments that are going to help to tackle the housing shortage in Greater Manchester. This is an imaginative scheme regenerating disused shops and flats in a popular residential area and demonstrates what can be achieved when developers and housing providers work closely together."



Electra House is another successful residential development undertaken with the client, located within walking distance of Cheadle village centre. The former offices are now an exclusive collection of 17 high quality one and two-bedroomed apartments over three storeys and 12,000 sq ft.

## Procure North West

We are delighted to announce that Whitfield & Brown has been successful with its application for Lot 1 (£1m - £5m). It is OJEU compliant and can prove demonstrable value for money whilst offering our mutual clients project delivery support.

The Procure North West Framework has been established to support public sector bodies across the North-West region to procure contractors to deliver their capital projects.



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