

## COLLEGE WINDOW REPLACEMENT WORKS DURHAM UNIVERSITY

Client – Durham University – xxxxxxxxxxxxx

Architect – Howarth Litchfield Partnership – xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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## **COLLINGWOOD COLLEGE**

Completion – March 2013 (5 Months)

Value - £465,000

Site Man. - Greg Ovington & Neale Torr

We won a competitive tender to replace the existing timber windows in 480 bedrooms and other areas throughout the Collingwood College, including the student bar, dining room, kitchens, etc. with double glazed uPVC windows.



A methodically planned rolling programme was carried out over several months during term time and involved the replacement of in excess of 650 windows.



We devised procedures to ensure that the works were done in a sequence to minimise the disruption to the students & staff. We also

adopted systems to not only ensure that student's property was not damaged



whilst working in their rooms, but also to protect our operatives from accusations of damage, theft, etc.

Because the bedrooms were occupied throughout the works additional measured had to be adopted from lessons learnt from our other works, these included:

- A joint pre works inspection & record photos of the bedrooms to ensure that student's belongings etc. were clear of our working areas.
- We also ensured that all site operatives had a clean criminal record through CRB (DBS) checks.
- Site operatives were instructed to work in at least pairs to protect themselves from false accusation.
- All rooms were jointly inspected upon completion and handed back daily.

The work were methodically planned and completed without any major problems and our site team received excellent feedback from the college and design team.

## **BAILEY HOUSES - HATFIELD COLLEGE**

Completion – August 2013 (2 Months)

Value - £100,000

Site Man. - Greg Ovington & Neil Laverick

We won a competitive tender to replace 80 existing single glazed aluminium windows on a 4 storey inner city student accommodation with new powder coated double glazed aluminium windows.



The works were carried out whilst the rooms were emptied and involved the removal of asbestos, decoration, window boards, etc. The work had to be carefully planned using the lessons we had learnt on neighbouring site to ensure that it was completed within the tight timescale and to ensure that the scaffolding & works did not affect pedestrian and vehicular access in what is a very busy public area near to the Cathedral.

The works were completed within the designated timescale and the feedback from the client was excellent.