Leitch Block

Public Sector / Refurbishment

Key Features:

- Phased refurbishment of accommodation block
- Delivered within a high-security environment
- Works adjacent to occupied areas

Works concerned the phased refurbishment of the Leitch Block, in order to provide updated accommodation facilities for the Royal School of Military Engineering.

Our scope included the upgrade of existing SLA bedrooms with en-suite facilities. Moreover, we were tasked to convert existing sitting rooms into en-suite bedrooms. This involved targeted alterations to walls, doors, windows, decoration and existing services.

Multi-phased refurbishment

Works took place across two areas within the Leitch Block complex. In compliance with the client' requirements, we programmed refurbishment within the South and East blocks as separate phases. These ran concurrently, to ensure that we could coordinate all activities successfully and achieve the programme's critical handover date.

Delivering within an occupied, operational and high-security estate

Owing to this site's status as a high-security government estate, we collaborated with the client to ensure their bespoke requirements were complied with during our delivery.

Firstly, we scheduled into our preconstruction programme the client's specific security vetting process. As part of this, we coordinated key onsite management, both directly employed and subcontracted, to achieve the client's expectations on security.

Additionally, we implemented tailored security safeguards into our logistics proposals to verify that the operation of the estate could continue without effecting our construction works. This included a secure hoarding strategy, traffic management plan and segregated contractor compound area. These bespoke plans were reviewed regularly throughout the construction phases.

Client:	Babcock International Group (on behalf of the Ministry of Defence)
Project Value:	£700,000
Programme Duration:	13 weeks
Architect:	Ridge & Partners LLP
Quantity Surveyor:	Ridge & Partners LLP