QMUL John Vane Science Centre

LOGAN CONSTRUCTION

Higher Education / Refurbishment

Key Features:

- Refurbishment to create a new imaging suite
- 'Live' campus building
- Works progressing next to critical research experiments

This scheme saw the refurbishment of two under used areas, redeveloped into one, to create a new imaging suite for the John Vane Science Centre.

Ultimately, this new facility will enable the University to continue their critical research into cancer.

The project started with the creation of a secure space, introducing new security doors and access system. We also had to install two partitions in the existing doorways, sealed to make them dust proof, as the adjacent room was an occupied laboratory with a scanner that required clean facilities at all times.

Once these elements were completed, we undertook the strip out of the larger room. We then completed the refurbishment by replacing the ceiling, decorating, installing new M&E and laying new flooring.

Refurbishing in an occupied education environment

This project was logistically challenging as it required working in a live building that was often undertaking experiments during the day.

We worked closely with the University to understand their working patterns and were able to minimise noisy works when key experiments and scanning were taking place.

Key to our approach was the close coordination we instigated between all parties. We ensured an open interface between ourselves, the QMUL Estates team and the Department heads.

Thanks to this, we safeguarded the occupants throughout construction, mitigated disturbances to their experiment timetable and ensured works progressed in compliance with the programme's critical path.

Client:	Queen Mary University London
Project Value:	£210,000
Programme Duration:	14 weeks
Architect:	DESM Architects
Quantity Surveyor:	WT Partnership