

Leeds City College







Location: Leeds



Project Duration: 6 Weeks (phase 1)



Project Value:

£0.6 Million



Main Contractor: Sewell Group



M & E Consultant: G & H Group of Companies



Services Used:

Mechanical & Electrical

The M & E Consultant G&H Group of Companies commissioned a specialist and highly experienced team at very short notice to work and lead the project starting with a full dilapidation survey of the existing work.

The reorganisation of Leeds City College meant several departments, including catering and health and beauty, had to be relocated to more practical areas within the campus. The team were given just two weeks' notice before the start on site date. This was non-negotiable due to it coinciding with the start of the summer holiday period when the college would be vacant.

Due to the relative newness of the previous work, some outstanding snagging points were still being rectified and fell under existing warranties. As time was of the essence, G&H Group of Companies carefully and considerately stripped the brand-new building back to its shell.

The first challenge was to identify the services in place to avoid duplication; install complementary systems; and, adapt existing ones wherever possible to make them more efficient and avoid unnecessary additional costs.

The team regularly worked late into the night and during weekends in order to complete the sixweek project so there was enough time to test and monitor it before students returned for the next academic year in September.

The Leeds City College is known for being the third largest further education institutions located in the country. There are over 200,000 students who attend the College and is one of the biggest providers of apprenticeships regionally. There are three campuses that the college operates out of that include; Printworks, Park Lane and Quarry Hill located throughout the city.

It was an intense project, but the M&E Consultant delivered on time and budget. Their commitment and expertise were recognised and subsequently, they were awarded contracts for the next three phases of Leeds City College's reorganisation programme. The business work played a key role in helping Sewell Construction win a 2016 Chartered Institute of Building Award.