



Education

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Client
Oaklands College

Project
30,000m² new build plus refurbishments on existing campus

Value
£137m

Procurement
Two Stage Design & Build

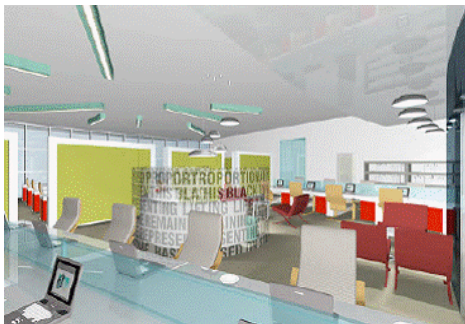
Our Role
Quantity Surveying/Cost Management and Funding Advice



Redevelopment of Oaklands FE College Smallford campus, St Albans



Above: Main Entrance
Below: ICT Suite



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Oaklands College is committed to achieving excellence in teaching and learning and the new college will have an inspiring and stimulating environment to provide this. This flagship development brings together innovative design and construction to create a flexible campus which can meet current and future curriculum delivery. The new college will be an iconic statement about the quality, vibrancy and relevance of further education to south Hertfordshire.

The redevelopment will provide 30,000m² of new centralised teaching accommodation in order to develop a hub and spoke concept serving a number of sites around Hertfordshire. Also provided will be 3,000m² of sports facilities, including world class hockey and equestrian centres (both to the new ODA standards), four all-weather pitches to university/LSC competition standards and a golf school. The College is seeking a BREEAM rating of Excellent, and in achieving this goal a number of sustainability options have been included.

The College is looking to achieve a BREEAM rating of Excellent by including the use of Biomass boilers, ground source heat pumps, solar panels. A sustainable approach to transportation is also being considered with more buses and better cycle routes.

We were proactive in value engineering the Oaklands College scheme to a cost level which would be acceptable to the Learning and Skills Council and achieved AiD approval for the project at the first attempt.