

LOCATION:

CATCH Community & Youth Centre
Harehills, Leeds

Community Hub

CLIENT:

Leeds City Council

PROJECT SUMMARY:

- Decommissioning and relocation of two story modular building
 - Floor area 180m²
 - All groundworks, foundation and drainage works undertaken
 - Electrical and mechanical works
 - Completed May 2016
 - Project value £130,000
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CHALLENGE:**Recycling and redeveloping a modular building**

CATCH ('Community Action To Create Hope') is a registered charity based in Leeds. For over a decade, the charity has been engaging with adults and young people from diverse backgrounds, offering new opportunities and exploring positive alternatives to improve young lives.

When the charity needed a new home to provide and develop safe spaces for recreation, education and leisure time activities, West Yorkshire Police came to the rescue by donating an existing two storey modular building. Enviro Building Solutions was tasked with decommissioning the building, refurbishing interiors and exteriors and moving the new facility to a site secured for this purpose in Harehills, Leeds.

The project also called for the addition of new modules to create extra space to enable CATCH to establish the ARK, a state-of-the-art community and youth centre offering activity spaces, meeting rooms and a community café.



PROJECT CASE STUDY



Enviro Building Solutions kept us closely informed of work crew schedules, delivery dates and projected completion dates for different phases of the project. The communication was always clear, informative and helpful. We never had a single miscommunication throughout the project. The communication with work crews was just as effective."

Asad Razzaq

Community Engagement Officer
West Yorkshire Police

Creating a new community centre

When Community Engagement Officer Asad Razzaq identified a modular building on a West Yorkshire Police training site which was due for demolition, he worked closely with CATCH to put together a business case to acquire the modular building and raise funds to move the building from Wakefield to Leeds.

Enviro Building Solutions used their expertise and facilities to decommission the two storey modular building and transport the modules to the new site in Leeds. This was a complex task involving preparing foundations, provision of foul and surface water drainage, electrical, mechanical, FFE as well as fire and intruder alarms. Additional work included tarmac around the building to improve access, exterior landscaping and perimeter fencing for security.

Additional modules increase the footprint

Once on site, Enviro Building Solutions provided a further three modules from their own stock to increase the footprint of the building in line with the proposed activities of the charity. Extensive internal and external refurbishment work has successfully created a warm and welcoming environment including a new café and children's centre, providing a valuable asset for the charity, the young people who use the facility and the local community.

The entire project was completed and recommissioned in just eight weeks. In 2017, CATCH in Harehills won an accolade as 'Best place for children in Leeds' at the Child Friendly Leeds Awards.



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