

Southend High School for Boys Replacement Roof Coverings Client: PCH Associates Contract Value: £260,000.00 Contract Dates: Jul 2024 - Oct 2024

Description:

Our work at Southend High School for Boys exemplifies our capability in delivering complex roofing projects within occupied and sensitive environments. This project involved the full replacement of pitched roofs, as well as the installation of new fascia soffits, aluminium guttering and downpipes. In addition, masonry repairs were carried out to ensure structural integrity and aesthetic consistency. All works were completed with minimal disruption to the school community and visitors to the school. Close coordination with the school's Business Manager ensured the project progressed smoothly without interfering with the school's exam schedule.

Scope of Works:

- Renewal of existing tiled roof coverings including clay tile roofs from Sandtoft Roofing Specification
- Renewal of all leadwork flashings, back gutters and cover flashings
- Liquid works to chimney stacks, parapet detail and associated works
- Asbestos R&D Survey
- CCTV Survey to chimney stacks
- Removal of asbestos cement items
- Renewal of fascia and soffit boards
- Renewal of aluminium rainwater goods

Key Challenges & Lessons Learned:

Programme Management: Operating within a live school environment necessitated meticulous planning and scheduling, as well as continuous coordination with school staff. To minimise disruption to daily operations and examination periods, the project team adapted working hours to align with the school's requirements. This flexibility was achieved without compromising the overall project timeline or contractual completion dates.

Enhanced Communication: Daily briefings between the school representative and our site team, along with weekly progress meetings, facilitated proactive planning and ensured alignment on upcoming activities. This consistent communication helped maintain transparency, addressed potential issues early, and supported the smooth progression of works within the live school environment.

Programme Success:

The project was successfully delivered within budget and completed ahead of the original programme schedule. Upon completion, the School's Business Manager praised the experience, stating: "The process from beginning to end has been a very pleasant one. The staff employed by CWG are all extremely good at their jobs. The project was delivered ahead of schedule in a very professional manner."