

MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY

RUNWELL HOSPITAL, WICKFORD

Grosvenor House Group led the Private Finance Initiative proposals for The South Essex Partnership Trust. The project brief was reviewed and adjusted many times to achieve a workable scheme that met all the operators requirements. Our responsibility was to design and construct the new facility and this was carried out under an amended JCT design and build contract.

This contract was for the design and build of a 98 bed forensic mental health facility unit with administration and sports facilities for Grosvenor House Group and The South Essex Partnership Trust.

The facilities, provided on the 9052m² site, are split into 5 main functions; medium secure slow stream; medium secure acute admissions; medium secure fast stream; low secure unit; female unit.

Each separate building has a secure external area for patient use with additional secure landscaped areas to enhance the patient environment.

The first floor therapies section includes creative and educational workshops to encourage patient participation where multi faith areas have been accommodated.

The Facilities Management /Therapies building is on 2 levels with a cafeteria and catering facilities on the ground floor. A separate 3 level building is for patient welfare/administration.

Works commenced on this 'green field site' after we had constructed our own temporary haul road to feed the development and thereby minimising the traffic effects on the local inhabitants.



Client Grosvenor House Group plc/
The South Essex Partnership Trust

Value £24.7 million

Consultants Steffian Bradley Architects
White Young Green
Aqua Mechanical Services

Duration 96 weeks