



SDC Company Profile Special Projects Sectors



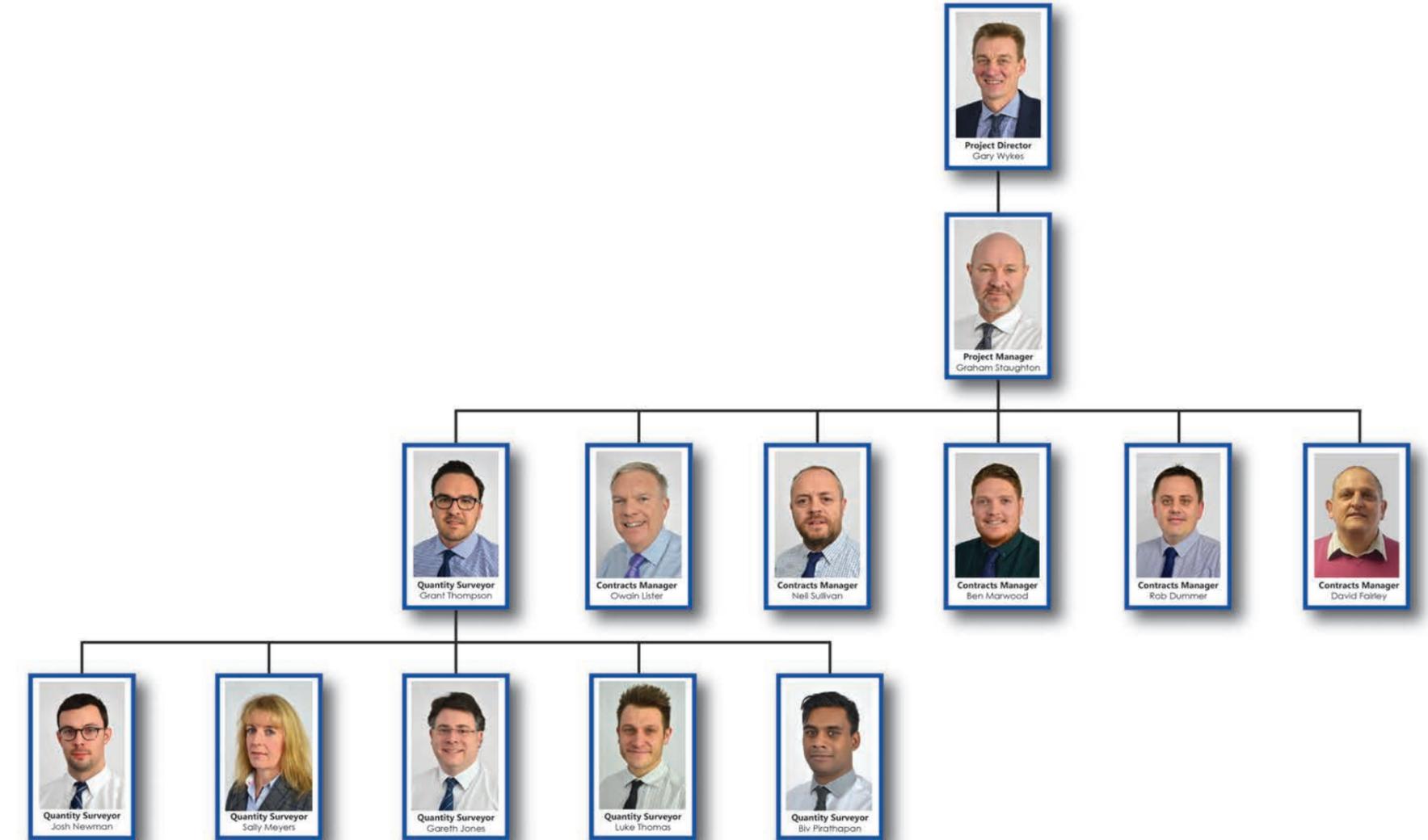
About Special Projects

- Established in 1992, Special Projects was the first division autonomous of Main Projects.
- Special Projects undertakes projects in the value range of £50,000 to £3,000,000.
- The division is led by Gary Wykes (Board Director) and Graham Staughton (Special Projects Manager).
- Special Projects acts as an autonomous division with its own dedicated team of Construction Managers, Estimators and Quantity Surveyors.
- Special Projects has access to all the benefits of a large contractor (in-house H&S, Quality, M&E, Design and BIM), without the same overheads.
- The turnover for the Special Projects division was £26,660,000 in 2018.
- Special Projects has a diverse portfolio spanning across a variety of sectors, including Automotive, Commercial, Conservation, Education, Industrial, Leisure and Research.
- Special Projects undertakes schemes of a complex nature with requirements such as fast-paced delivery and challenging site logistics, and is very familiar with the requirements of working in an operational facility.

This brochure is designed to show the breadth of experience Special Projects has across all sectors.



Special Projects Structure





Automotive



Millbrook Proving Ground, Various Projects

SDC have completed a variety of projects at Millbrook Proving Ground, starting in the 1990's and continuing to the present day. Since then, SDC have completed schemes for Millbrook with values ranging from £200,000 to £5,000,000. Notable examples include Powertrain facilities, Battery test facilities, Dynamometer Building, Phase 5 / 8 enabling works, Block LJ, Engine test car park and a 22,000 sq.ft. building to provide the environment for engineering design of products and processes as part of General Motors' global engineering enterprise. SDC's work at Millbrook is often confidential, preventing SDC from taking photos or discussing the work.

Red Bull Racing, Various Projects

SDC's relationship with Red Bull Racing dates to the Formula 1 team's inception in 2004. Since 2004, SDC has completed a total of 26 schemes for Red Bull Racing with values ranging from £2,000 to £4,000,000. Notable examples include: Building 3 Refurbishment, Building 1 Refurbishment, F1 Driving Simulator, Car Park Extension, Building 3 Machine Works and, Drawing Office Extension. SDC's work for Red Bull Racing is often confidential, preventing SDC from taking photos or discussing the work.





VW Training Facility, Milton Keynes

Client: Volkswagen Group Ltd **Value:** £1,400,000 **Duration:** 7 Months

SDC was appointed to carry out alteration works to the existing buildings at the VW Training Facility in Milton Keynes. There was a need to expand the facilities to meet the demanding training needs. The expansion included the design and construction of 3 ground floor workshops, plus steelwork to form a balcony walkway at first floor level to Classrooms 19, 20, 21 and fit-out of existing fallow area to create 1st floor Male WCs. Particular care was taken to minimise disruption to the existing training areas and ensure a clear working space for regular vehicle access throughout the 6 month project. The result was an improved working environment and a bright, modernised, aluminium clad space for showcasing their products.

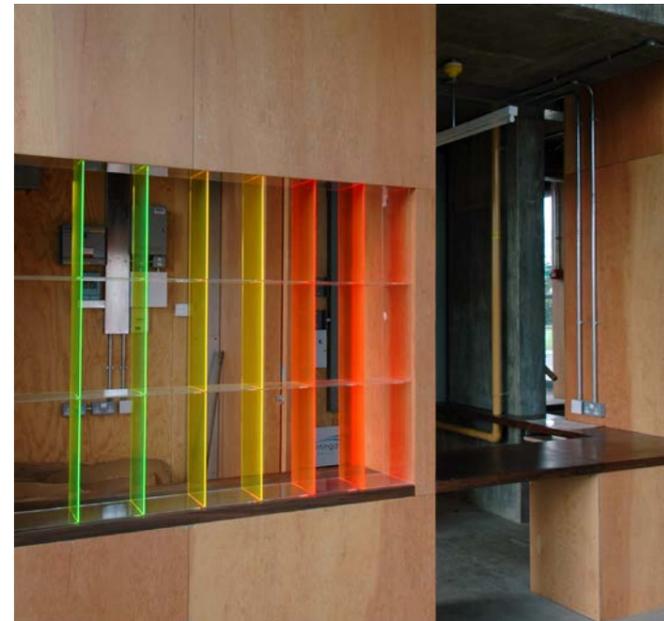


Commercial

The Creative Exchange, St Neots

Client: Huntingdon Council **Value:** £1,300,000 **Duration:** 8 Months

The Creative Exchange was constructed to provide workspace for around 20 fledgling firms specialising in technology, media and the arts, allowing them the opportunity to exchange ideas with each other, as well as students of the adjacent Longsands Academy. The architecture of the 4 storey centre aims to reflect its use, whilst the exposed building fabric and services lend a contemporary and functional feel. The project won a 'Best Sustainable Development' award and was commended in the 'Best Large Commercial Development' category at the East Anglia LABC Awards in 2009. The building also won a RIBA Design Award in 2010.





Yaxley Fire Station, Peterborough

Client: Cambridge Fire Rescue **Value:** £900,000 **Duration:** 9 Months

SDC was appointed by Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service to partially replace the existing Yaxley Fire Station, including the building appliance bay and drill tower, while retaining the existing 1878 building. Fire service staff, plus their support staff, temporarily relocated to another fire station during the period of works. This new station is a significant improvement for the crew while also keeping the character and heritage of the old station. Fire-fighters can also maintain their skills on-site in a modern, purpose built training facility to harness their techniques. The station has a lecture room, office, welfare facilities and bay with space for 1 fire engine, along with a new smoke house training facility that replaced the old drill tower at the back of the site.

DS Smith Impact Centre, Fordham

Client: David S Smith **Value:** £2,000,000 **Duration:** 8 Months

This iconic building provided DS Smith with a bespoke Marketing and Training Centre that contains offices, meeting rooms, a supermarket training environment, ancillary facilities and a car park for 45 vehicles. Having constructed the original manufacturing facility on the site 20 years previously, SDC was appointed to manage the project from RIBA Stage 1, taking the initial brief and carrying out site surveys, before developing the design within the client's budget and subsequently constructing the facility to achieve a BREEAM rating of 'Very Good.' The building itself is constructed from a steel portal frame, clad in a combination of rendered blockwork and microrib composite panel, and topped with a standing seam roof that curves in several directions.





Conservation

Officer's Mess Refurbishment, Duxford

Client: Officers' Mess Business Centre

Value: £1,700,000

Duration: 8 Months

Once home to fighter pilots during the Second World War, the Officers' Mess building has been transformed into a fully serviced business centre. SDC Special Projects was appointed to renovate the historic building in a style that retains its character and preserves the antique features in each room. The project comprises offices, meeting rooms and a café forming the central hub of the structure. In April 2017, the project was awarded with a British Council for Offices (BCO) for 'Best Refurbished Workplace' in the Midlands/Central England region.





Museum of Archaeology & Anthropology, Cambridge

Client: University of Cambridge **Value:** £1,000,000 **Duration:** 6 Months

This scheme involved the complex refurbishment of the 3 storey, Grade II listed Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, including the replacement of the entire roof. These works necessitated the erection of a large specialised scaffold and a temporary roof covering while re-tiling the roof and replacing roof lanterns. Internally, M&E services were stripped out and replaced, with specialist venting and high level exhibition lighting added. The project was phased to enable museum staff to remain in occupation and the museum to continue to operate for research purposes.

Fitzwilliam Art Museum, Cambridge

Client: University of Cambridge **Value:** £800,000 **Duration:** 6 Months

SDC was contracted by the University of Cambridge to carry out refurbishment and improvement works to the environmental conditions and building fabric. All woodwork, including skirting and floor boards, have been returned to their original high gloss shine, and a new lighting design has illuminated the works in much greater detail with LED lights that are also energy efficient. The renovation also involved replacing glazing units, new roof lights to the print room and offices and adding a new air handling system with a hybrid heating and humidification system. The main body of work, which was to improve the environmental conditions of the gallery was to both protect the paintings and reduce the museums carbon footprint.





Open University Cintra House, Cambridge

Client: Open University **Value:** £2,000,000 **Duration:** 7 Months

The works at Cintra House involved the refurbishment of a listed 5 storey office building for the Open University. The extensive renovation included the strip-out and replacement of mechanical and electrical services, remodelling the layout to provide an open plan environment, a new reception area, meeting rooms and a café. Other works included improvements to comply with DDA regulations, including the provision of accessible toilets, upgrading the front entrance and rear car park. The most notable feature of this scheme was the restoration of the romantic style façade and front entrance, originally constructed in the mid-19th Century.

Hypocaust Verulamium Museum, St Albans

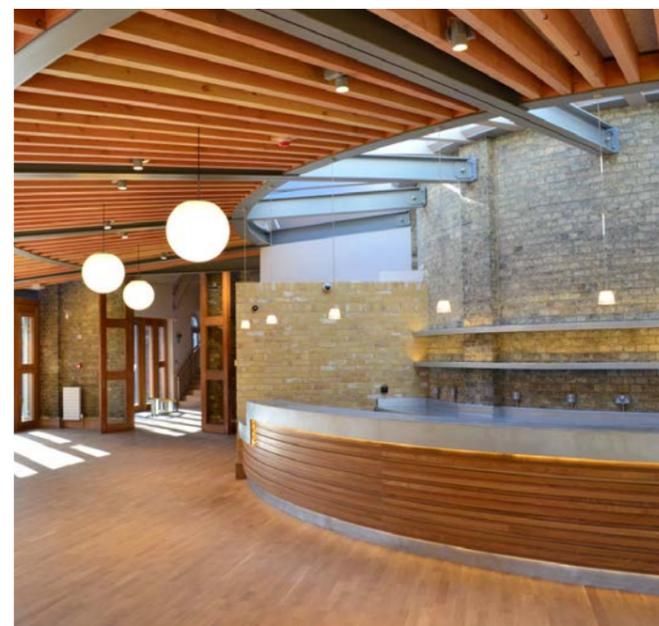
Client: St Albans Council **Value:** £500,000 **Duration:** 5 Months

This was a unique development for St Albans City and District Council, requiring the design and construction of a new visitors centre to enclose the mosaic floor from an ancient Roman house in Verulamium Park. The building required careful planning in order to minimise disruption to the archaeologically sensitive ground. The galvanised steel floor and roof structure sits on mini piles and is clad with GRC concrete panels embedded with oyster shells. Inside, the floor comprises pre-cast concrete floor panels with plywood clad timber framed walls. Externally, hard and soft landscaping was undertaken to include a new footpath to the building, as well as cobbled filled gabion retaining walls.





Education



St Luke's Theatre, Bedford

Client: Bedford School **Value:** £4,000,000 **Duration:** 14 Months

This project comprised the renovation and conversion of the Grade II listed chapel into a 300 seat galleried theatre and restoration of a listed Minister's House to provide front of house facilities, offices and a congregation hall. In addition, a new single-storey rear extension containing a foyer, bar and back stage facilities were added, radiating around the apsidal end of the chancel and opening onto a landscaped garden. The theatre itself is a flat-floored flexible studio space that was created by inserting a new steel structure within the volume of the existing church. A balcony was retained but extended forward and re-tiered to provide good sight-lines to the stage area and 2 levels of new galleries were inserted at the sides, together with high level suspensions for scenery and stage lighting.

Courtyard Infill, Wycombe Abbey School

Client: Wycombe Abbey School Value: £1,110,000 Duration: 9 Months

SDC was appointed to undertake various refurbishment works at Wycombe Abbey School during term time. The project involved the refurbishment of existing locker rooms, the Heads of Year office and the school shop with the most striking feature of the project being the courtyard infill. This comprised a large roof light which floods the area with natural light but still keeps the traditional feel and the original brickwork. The project had its own unique challenges as the construction was in the middle of an active school with the Modern Language classrooms in close proximity. As a result, all noisy work had to be limited to when the children were on a break so as not to disrupt their learning.





Hunter Hall Refurbishment, Northampton

Client: Spratton School **Value:** £700,000 **Duration:** 6 Months

This project involved the complete rebuild of Spratton Hall School's performing arts centre. Following an extensive strip-out, that included the partial breakout of the existing slab and stairs, a number of structural alterations were made before the building was re-clad and re-roofed. Internal works included new openings within existing blockwork walls, insertion of structural steelwork, and construction of a number of internal walls. New M&E services were installed, along with retractable bleacher seating. In addition, a modern glass foyer that can accommodate a drinks reception for up to 200 people was installed. This area gives further dimensions to the school's facilities by providing additional space for house meetings, charity talks and visiting lecturers.

Day Care and Nursery Building, Cambridge

Client: BioMed Realty **Value:** £520,000 **Duration:** 15 Months

The project involved the design and construction of a nursery facility at the Granta Biotech Park in Great Abington.

Constructed using a structural insulated timber panel system, the single-storey nursery provides space for 78 children across 4 classrooms, as well as a conference room, kitchen, staffroom, office and toilet areas. The building benefits from an Air Source Heat Pump, natural ventilation provided by openable roof-lights and trickle ventilation, LED lighting, and underfloor heating, giving the building an overall EPC rating of A. Each classroom was fitted out with equipment that promotes self-directed activities, hands-on learning and collaborative play. Externally, the nursery is surrounded by artificial turf – again promoting the idea of flexibility – while a 72-space car park is situated adjacent to the single-storey building.

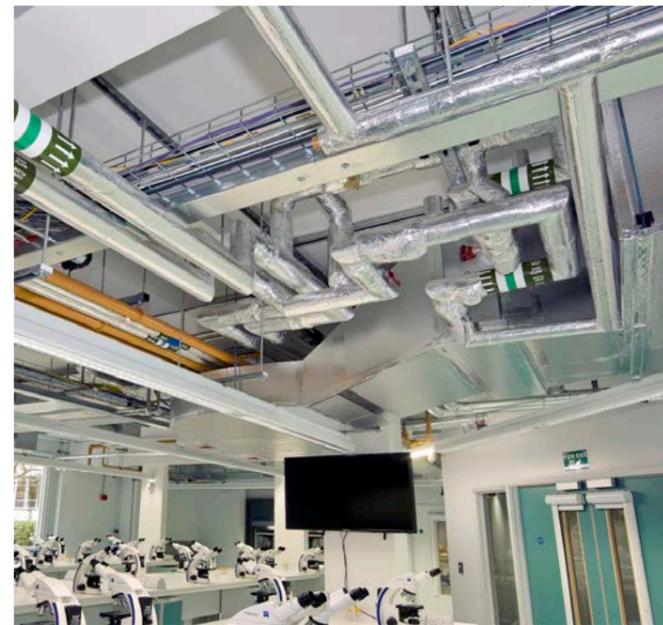




Library Refurbishment, Bedford Girls School

Client: Bedford Girls School **Value:** £150,000 **Duration:** 1 Month

Following the completion of major refurbishment works to the main school, SDC Special Projects was contracted to undertake renovation works to the school's Library during the summer holiday break. This included works to the reception area, the installation of new flooring and ceilings, upgrading of lighting and the demolition of an office block. The library was fitted-out with new bookshelves and furniture, giving a contemporary appearance.



David Building, Cambridge

Client: Anglia Ruskin University **Value:** £1,200,000 **Duration:** 3 Months

This 80 seat multi-function laboratory situated on the ground floor of Anglia Ruskin University's David Building provides state-of-the-art facilities to enhance the learning and teaching experience of all Life Sciences undergraduates and postgraduate students. This scheme involved the remodelling of the existing ground floor teaching and office space, reconfiguration of the entrance area and extensive M&E service installations and upgrades, including a roof mounted chiller on a new steel support framework. The project incorporated commercial technology including carousel storage systems to maximise the use of floor space, providing the largest, most flexible science teaching lab on the Cambridge campus. The laboratory also features a number of innovative space saving and technological solutions, interactive teaching technology and a large equipment preparation area.

Boarding House Refurb, Uppingham School

Client: Uppingham School Value: £350,000 Duration: 4 months

The refurbishment of existing boarding houses was split into 2 phases that ran over the Easter and Summer holiday periods to avoid any disruption to the running of the school. Work included the stripping out of the existing spaces, decoration, insertion of new steelwork and connections for removal of walls, internal partitions and doors, window pane repairs and mechanical and electrical installations.





School Merger, Bedford Girls School

Client: Harpur Trust **Value:** £2,500,000 **Duration:** 4 Months

SDC's Special Projects division completed an intensive programme to successfully merge 2 Harpur Trust schools in Bedford and form The Bedford Girls' School. The extensive construction works on the former Dame Alice Harpur School site in Cardington Road, Bedford were completed during the 7 week summer holiday break. In addition to creating a new car park, a refectory server and 2 additional science laboratories were created, interior spaces were rationalised to create 3 ICT rooms and the remaining school was re-decorated and re-furnished. A music school with specialist tutorial rooms was created in a Grade II listed building and a new language school formed in the former music school.

Cricket Pavilion, Bedford School

Client: Bedford School **Value:** £600,000 **Duration:** 4 Months

This project involved the careful refurbishment and extension of a grade II listed building, constructed in the 1930s. The works were carried out in 2 phases. Phase 1 was carried out during the summer holiday break and delivered new changing facilities and an impressive honour's room. Phase 2 involved the modification of the remaining half of the pavilion (the Long Room), as well as constructing a 2 storey extension. The building was rarely used before the works, but now serves as a hub for all sporting activities and private functions.





Department of Genetics, Cambridge

Client: University of Cambridge **Value:** £540,000 **Duration:** 4 Months

Located in the heart of Cambridge City Centre, the Department of Genetics Building has recently been reconfigured to house a new 'Computational Biology' Department. The project area situated on the first and second floors of the West Wing involved the removal of internal walls and existing staircase to create a modern open-plan office, along with associated meeting rooms, study space and library. The new opening facilitates closer interactions between different research groups whilst providing privacy for the Principal Investigators in the way of glazed single occupancy offices. In addition, SDC upgraded the existing mechanical, electrical and data cabling.

Performing Arts Centre, St Albans School

Client: St Albans School **Value:** £1,100,000 **Duration:** 10 Months

The drama and music departments within St Albans School have grown exponentially over the last few years and the departments lacked adequate performance and rehearsal space. To rectify this, and as part of St Albans School 'Building Futures Scheme', SDC was appointed to refurbish and extend an existing hall into a state-of-the-art Performance Centre. Completed in 2 phases, Phase 1 comprised the infilling of the lower ground underpass and conversion of the lower ground accommodation to facilitate the music department. Phase 2 involved the replacement of the copper roof, extension to the north and entrance foyer, and the refurbishment of the main building – to include replacement windows. The renovated building now provides the school with 9 soundproofed practice suites, modern classrooms and studio space.





The Billericay School Music and Science Block, Essex

Client: Billericay School **Value:** £4,750,000 **Duration:** 18 Months

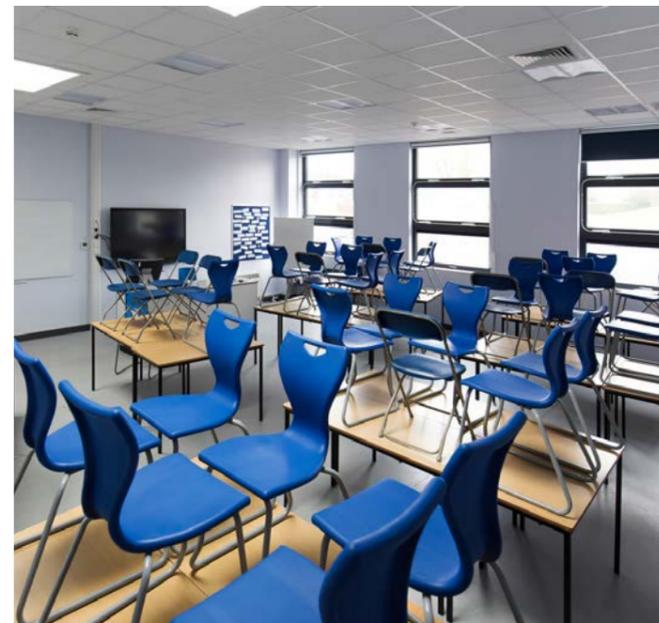
Phase 1 at the Billericay School involved the demolition of an existing extension and the construction of a new 3 storey teaching block. The new facility includes general purpose classrooms, science laboratories and a link bridge to the main school via new stairs. Other works comprised the refurbishment and decoration of existing classrooms to bring their standards up to the contemporary feel of the new block. Phases 2 and 3 of the Billericay School construction works involved the demolition of an existing extension and construction of a new music classroom extending beyond the previous footprint in the centre of the school campus. Also, the relocation of 20 existing modular classrooms, followed by the creation of 1 completely enclosed building incorporating the modular units.

Lincroft Science Facility Phase 1, Bedford

Client: Lincroft School **Value:** £600,000 **Duration:** 2 Months

This recently completed project at Lincroft School saw the first phase of refurbishment works to 3 existing classrooms creating new state-of-the-art laboratories. The project involved the strip out and renovation of flooring, ceilings and M&E to provide the school with improved science facilities allowing students to be taught in fit-for-purpose science labs. During the project, lessons were re-roomed and a works programme was put in place to ensure minimum disruption to pupils and staff. The successful delivery of this scheme has led to SDC being awarded the next phase of Lincroft School's redevelopment works.





Lincroft Science Block Phase 2, Bedford

Client: Lincroft School **Value:** £1,400,000 **Duration:** 5 Months

Phase 2 of the Lincroft Science Block project was completed in September 2017. SDC were required to refurbish 2 existing labs, the existing art room and technology room to provide 4 labs that measured around 85m² each. It was specified that the labs seat up to 30 students each and were to be based upon the labs that SDC built at Sharnbrook Upper School. The project involved alterations to external walls to include new infills, timber framed render panels and windows, new roof-lights and mechanical penetrations through existing felt roof system, cooling, ventilation, power, lighting and data.

Christ's College, Cambridge

Client: University of Cambridge **Value:** £990,000 **Duration:** 8 Months

SDC was contracted by Christ's College, Cambridge to manage the refurbishment of 3 student accommodation blocks (Staircases C, D and E) to form new student bedrooms, shower rooms and a gym room. Further alterations within the listed building were required to form a ground floor kitchen refuse area, new staff toilets and locker rooms. A platform lift was also installed within the refuse area.





Industrial

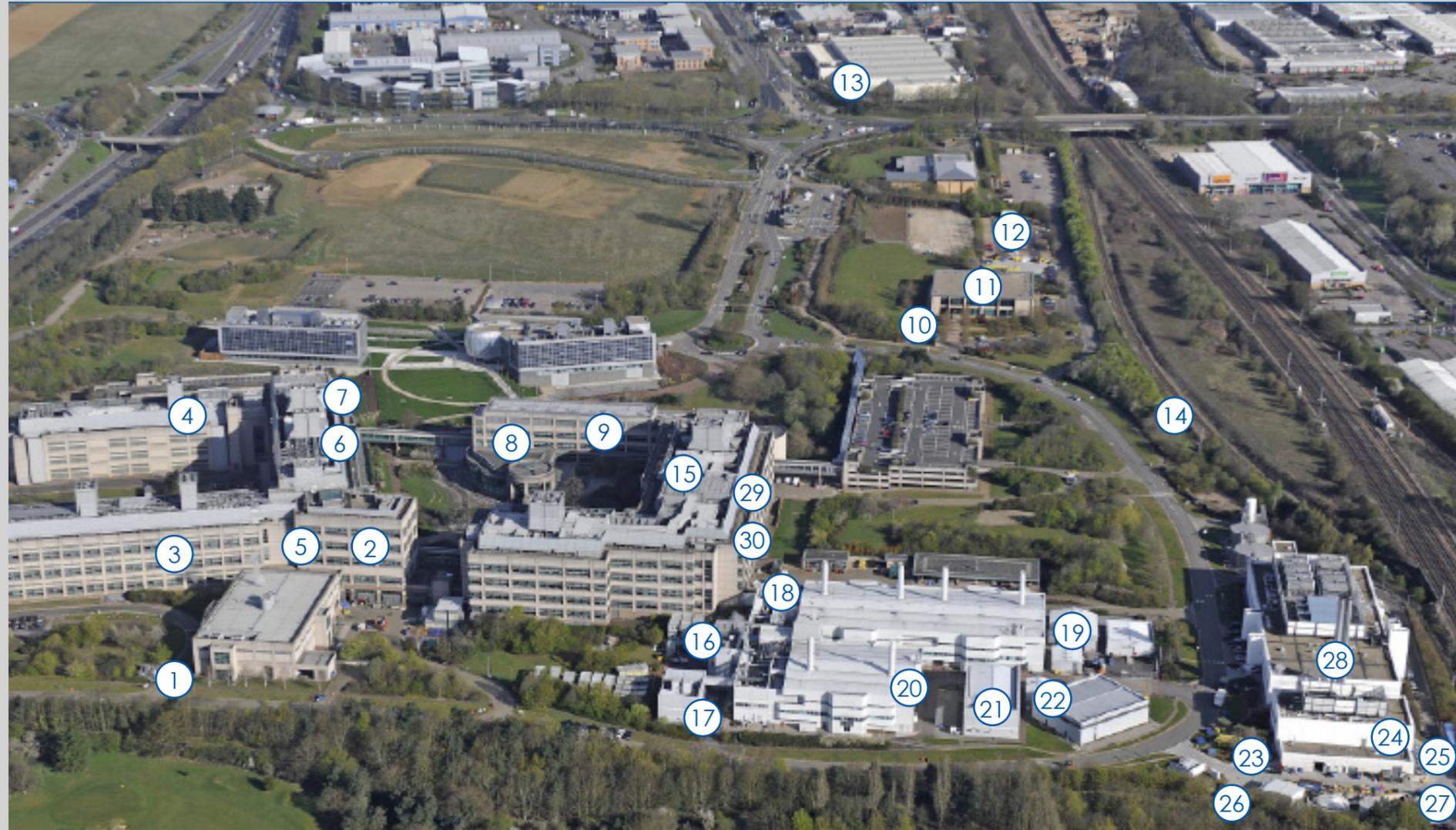
Cummins Projects



SDC has delivered many projects on a number of Cummins Sites ranging from £20,000 to £2,000,000. The work at Cummins is often confidential, preventing SDC from taking photos of the work. Below is a list of SDC's projects at Cummins in Daventry.

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| 1 New Shipping | 9 New Car Park Extension | 17 Hotwell Improvements | 25 New Reception |
| 2 Yard Extension/New Gas Main | 10 New Tank Farm and Lay-by | 18 Machine Shop Alterations | 26 Window Replacement |
| 3 Goods in Canopy | 11 Gas Booster House | 19 Asbestos Removal in Plant Roof Space | 27 W/C Refurbishment |
| 4 New Mezzanine | 12 Genset Base | 20 3 Test Cells including Building | 28 New Genset Test Cells |
| 5 Waste Recycling Centre | 13 Rainwater Recycling | 21 Environmental Improvements | 29 Externals for New Test Cells |
| 6 Goods in 'C' | 14 Goods in Canopy | 22 Engineering Block Entrance | 30 New Shipping |
| 7 New Car Park Alterations | 15 QSV Extension | 23 Engineering Block Toilet Refurb | 31 New Trim Line X3 |
| 8 New Gas/Hotwell Installation | 16 Goods in 'B' Including Toilets Etc. | 24 New Meeting Rooms | 32 Core Area 'C' |

GlaxoSmithKline Projects



Over a number of years, SDC has delivered many projects on a number of GSK Sites including Stevenage, Ware, Harlow, Bury Green and Addenbrooke's. The works range from £60,000 up to £8,000,000. The work at GlaxoSmithKline is often confidential, preventing SDC from taking photos of the work. Below is a list of SDC's projects at GlaxoSmithKline in Stevenage.

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| ① Nitrogen Enclosure Tank | ⑨ 2nd and 3rd Floor Office Refurb | ⑰ Refrigerant Building | ⑳ CPP Store |
| ② 2nd and 3rd Floor Office Refurb | ⑩ Computer Centre Refurbishment | ⑱ CPP Office Refurb | ㉑ New Cold Store for EPU |
| ③ 2nd Floor Flexilab | ⑪ Computer Centre Re-roof | ⑲ Temp Solvent Store | ㉒ Oxygen Tank Compound |
| ④ Lab Refurbishment | ⑫ Car Park | ㉓ CPP Module Lab Fit-out | ㉔ Fan Replacement |
| ⑤ FF Biology Office Refurbishment | ⑬ Sycamore House Entrance Refurb | ㉔ Engineering Workshop | ㉕ Refurb Centre Theatre |
| ⑥ Lab Refurbishment | ⑭ Environmental Works | ㉖ Solvent Store | ㉗ IT Refurb |
| ⑦ Smart Lab Pilot Scheme | ⑮ 1st and 3rd Floor Office Refurb | ㉗ Bin Wash Facility for EPN | |
| ⑧ Lower Ground Office Refurb | ⑯ Pilot Plant Extension | ㉘ Caustic Tank | |



Leisure

Robinson Pool Refurbishment, Bedford

Client: Fusion Lifestyle **Value:** £1,500,000 **Duration:** 6 Months

SDC has recently completed its second renovation project at Bedford's Robinson Pool. The latest scheme for Fusion Lifestyle, involved the construction of a single storey extension to the existing leisure centre, providing a fitness suite large enough to hold over 100 pieces of gym equipment as well as a dedicated indoor cycling studio. There are also 3 new fitness studios which will hold over 100 classes a week and a new training studio that offers specialist high intensity small group classes. In addition, a major refurbishment of the outdated changing rooms, toilets and cafe has transformed the facilities available to members, offering a clean and modern environment to relax after exercise.





Marshalls Transformation Centre, Enfield

Client: Marshalls Street Furniture **Value:** £1,000,000 **Duration:** 3 Months

The works involved the construction of a Transformation Centre for displaying Marshall's range of hard landscaping products, along with a cafeteria and a visitors centre building for the client's representatives. The layout contained a number of individual garden and driveway displays, a large car park, access roads and extensive planting.

JLR Wellbeing Centre, Gaydon

Client: Jaguar Land Rover **Value:** £1,700,000 **Duration:** 9 Months

The construction of a small cluster of new units for Jaguar Land Rover, introduced a fitness suite, swimming pool, day nursery and EBPC unit at their Research and Development Facility at Gaydon. The facility, constructed on traditional foundations, was built using blockwork and finished with a combination of render and timber panels. The external works included a new car park and extensive hard and soft landscaping.





Cricket Pavilion, Cambridge

Client: MCA Development **Value:** £250,000 **Duration:** 5 Months

This scheme saw the construction of a new community cricket pavilion by SDC on behalf of MCA Development in Lower Cambourne, Cambridgeshire. The project provided the club, and the local community, with a modern kitchen area, open plan seating, toilets and changing facilities. Aside from simply functioning as a cricket pavilion, the new building offers a multi-purpose facility which is available for the local community to hire.

George V Pavilion, Cambridge

Client: Cambridge City Council **Value:** £390,000 **Duration:** 6 Months

SDC was contracted by Cambridge City Council to undertake the refurbishment of the pavilion on the George V playing field in the Trumpington area of the City. Originally built in the 1950's, the pavilion had suffered vandalism and neglect, so a scheme was developed to enhance both the pavilion's facilities and its security arrangements. The pavilion has an extended hall, a youth room, a new kitchen, an office, accessible toilets and a foyer. SDC added a new block of FA standard changing rooms alongside the extended building.





Astral Park Community Facility, Leighton Buzzard

Client: Leighton Linslade Council **Value:** £1,000,000 **Duration:** 6 Months

SDC was contracted by Central Bedfordshire Council to design and construct a steel framed state-of-the-art community sports pavilion in accordance with the Sport England and Football Foundation guidelines. The facility includes players' shower and changing facilities, a 120m² multi-functional hall ideal for business meetings, fitness classes and children's parties, a senior football pitch with fenced perimeter, 5 junior sized football pitches, associated car parking and cycle storage.

Entrance and Animal Enclosure, Whipsnade

Client: Whipsnade Zoo **Value:** £2,150,000 **Duration:** 5 months

2 separate projects for Whipsnade Zoo, the first involving the demolition of an existing entrance building to make way for a new, fresh and inviting entry point for visitors. The timber span canopy with fully glazed façade maximises natural daylight and provides panoramic views of the zoo. In addition, the centre includes pop-up retail units and seating areas. The second project comprises a brand new butterfly house and crocodile tank. Featuring over 30 different species of colourful butterfly, the newly completed enclosure boasts one of the largest biomes of any UK Zoo. The curved timber aesthetic consists of 9 16m long glulam arches, designed to echo the shape of a butterfly's wing. The exhibit is also home to several dwarf crocodiles allowing visitors to get up close to the West African species.





Football and Sports Centre, Flitwick

Client: Central Bedford Council **Value:** £1,200,000 **Duration:** 7 Months

SDC was contracted to design and construct a state-of-the-art community sports pavilion in accordance with the Sport England and Football Foundation guidelines. The facility is managed by Flitwick Together, a local charity set up by a group of dedicated people involved in football. The facility includes players' shower and changing facilities, a 120m² multi-functional hall ideal for business meetings, café and bar, fitness classes and children's parties, a senior football pitch with fenced perimeter, 5 junior sized football pitches, associated car parking and cycle storage. The project has been a huge success offering excellent opportunities to grow and develop sport in the local community.



Research

Level 5 Refurbishment, Department of Medicine

Client: University of Cambridge **Value:** £1,300,000 **Duration:** 1 Month

SDC was appointed by the University of Cambridge to refurbish Level 5 of the Department of Medicine building on the Addenbrooke's Biomedical Campus. The department provides high quality research, teaching and patient care and is the largest department in the School of Clinical Medicine. Works consisted of laboratory strip-out, minor structural works, new laboratory furniture installation, plus associated M&E works. Working areas were only accessible via the passenger and goods lifts, which were in use by other building users so it was essential to keep disruption to a minimum throughout the project.





Wolfson Brain Imaging Centre, Cambridge

Client: University of Cambridge **Value:** £1,200,000 **Duration:** 8 Months

The Wolfson Brain Imaging Centre (WBIC) is a major research facility in the University of Cambridge, dedicated to bringing the latest imaging research protocols to both cognitive and clinical research. This project comprises an extension to the existing centre, including the Radio-pharmaceutical Unit and refurbishment of the existing QC lab. The work includes mass concrete foundations and floor slab with masonry walls, a concrete in-situ first floor slab and a timber flat roof. A new clean room accommodating the Hot Cells was created and new ventilation services were installed.

MRC South Wing Extension, Cambridge

Client: Medical Research Centre **Value:** £1,600,000 **Duration:** 27 months

Special Projects has recently completed an extension to the Medical Research Council in Cambridge. The need to expand existing facilities in the south wing followed the success of the unit's research and subsequent growth, resulting in an increased number of staff and visiting fellows. The works were undertaken on a live site, with the biggest challenge being the need to minimise disruption to the occupants throughout the construction period.





Bio Development Building, Babraham

Client: Babraham Bioscience Technologies **Value:** £600,000 **Duration:** 5 Months

SDC was contracted by GlaxoSmithKline to deliver a 2 storey workshop building of steel frame construction, covered with insulated cladding panels and a composite roof. The ground floor has a large open plan office space, workshop areas with workbenches, machine stations and a storage area. The second floor contains offices, toilet/shower rooms, a canteen and a large storage area. The Solvent Store is a 'zone one' rated building with integrated bund, and is fitted out with racking and a foam/water fire suppression system.

Cyberknife Suite, Northwood

Client: East North Herts NHS Trust **Value:** £1,000,000 **Duration:** 7 Months

The project consisted of major structural modifications to the existing linear accelerator reinforced concrete bunker to create space for the new Cyberknife Facility. Site access was extremely restricted, requiring significant project planning and site coordination. Works were undertaken within an existing Cancer Care Unit, which is situated at the centre of a fully operational hospital. Daily liaison took place between the Site Manager, Client representatives and other hospital users to keep them informed of planned operations. Particular care was taken to minimise any disruption to patients, staff and visitors by significantly reducing any noise, dust or vibration caused by the works.





MRI Scanner, Bedford Hospital

Client: Bedford Hospital NHS Trust **Value:** £1,000,000 **Duration:** 5 Months

SDC was contracted to carry out modifications to Bedford Hospital's John Bunyan Ward in preparation for the new MRI Scanner to be installed. The 2 storey Victorian ward, located in the South Wing of the Hospital, required major structural alterations, with temporary structural propping for demolition to take place. Subsequently, a new structural steel frame was erected within the existing building. SDC chaired design, development and coordination meetings with the Trust and the MRI supply company to ensure that all work elements were progressing in line with the contract programme, and that the building services would meet the MRI supplier's requirements ready for the Faraday Cage installation.

South Car Park, The Welding Institute

Client: The Welding Institute Value: £3,500,000 Duration: 7 Months

Following successful completion of The Welding Institute Building, SDC were then commissioned to construct a 2 storey car park to accommodate 630 cars which consisted of R.C. Frame with pad foundations, mini attenuation tanks under the ground floor slab, waterproofing system, tree pits with irrigation system, and intelligent parking sensor ramps and lighting.



Sectors of Operation Client List

Automotive

TUI Airways

The Welding Institute

Volkswagen Group Ltd

Commercial

Cambridge Police

Red Bull Racing

Trinity College

Bard Pharmaceuticals

David S Smith Packaging Ltd

Huntingdon District Council

Cambridge Fire Service

Conservation

Officers Mess Business Centre

University of Cambridge

Open University

St Albans Council

Education

Bedford School

Bedford Girls School

Wycombe Abbey School

BioMed Realty

Spratton School

Kimbolton School

Uppingham School

Anglia Ruskin University

Harpur Trust

St Albans School

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Lincroft School

University of Oxford

Northampton Council

Billericay School

University of Buckingham

Industrial

Cummins

GlaxoSmithKline

Leisure

Fusion Lifestyle

Marshalls Street Furniture

Jaguar Land Rover

Cambridge City Council

Whipsnade Zoo

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East North Herts NHS Trust

About SDC

SDC is a main contractor that undertakes projects across a variety of construction sectors, including Research and Development, Commercial, Manufacturing, Automotive, Healthcare, and Education. Operating across such a diverse spectrum of sectors has enabled SDC to move with – and adapt to – changing market trends, which has resulted in controlled growth for the business. The company is currently forecasting a turnover of £185m for the financial year ending September 2019 and £190m for the following 12 months.

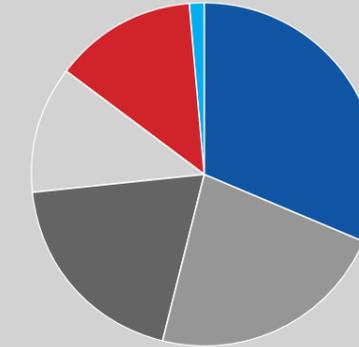
This sustained growth is aided by the fact that a large proportion of SDC's work is awarded on a repeat order basis from an extensive and ever growing base of blue chip clients.

Ever since the company was established in 1972, collaboration and teamwork has been at the heart of the SDC philosophy and represents one of the major factors that has contributed to the overall success of the business. This overriding philosophy, coupled with a reputation for problem solving, risk management, delivering on promises and offering best value, is a hallmark of SDC's culture.



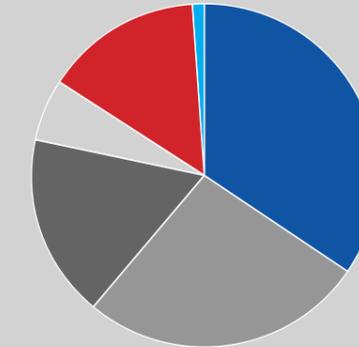
Financial Information

Year Ending September 2016



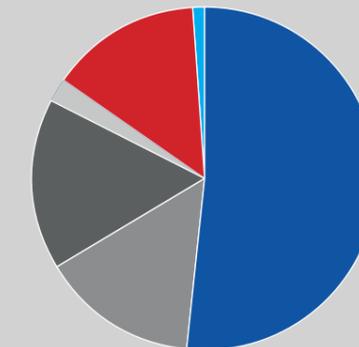
- Education & Technical - £52.33m
- Commercial & Leisure - £37.00m
- General Industrial - £32.26m
- Student Accommodation - £19.71m
- Special Projects (works up to £3m) - £22.08m
- Other - £2.29m
- Total: £165.67m

Year Ending September 2017



- Education & Technical - £57.11m
- Commercial & Leisure - £43.86m
- General Industrial - £28.08m
- Student Accommodation - £9.80m
- Special Projects (works up to £3m) - £24.11m
- Other - £1.67m
- Total: £164.63m

Year Ending September 2018



- Education & Technical - £96.37m
- Commercial & Leisure - £27.52m
- General Industrial - £30.26m
- Student Accommodation - £3.91m
- Special Projects (works up to £3m) - £26.66m
- Other - £1.77m
- Total: £186.49m

Dun & Bradstreet Rating

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Turnover

2016	2017	2018
£165,671,619	£164,632,273	£186,494,520

Net Worth

2016	2017	2018
£7,025,073	£8,153,387	£9,606,266

Operating Profit

2016	2017	2018
£1,083,959	£1,128,314	£1,865,280

Cash in Bank

2016	2017	2018
£14,537,181	£14,873,224	£15,232,730

Tangible Assets

2016	2017	2018
£3,064,096	£2,920,950	£3,507,459

Employee Benefit Trust Contributions

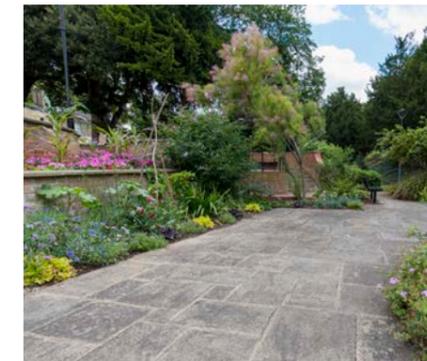
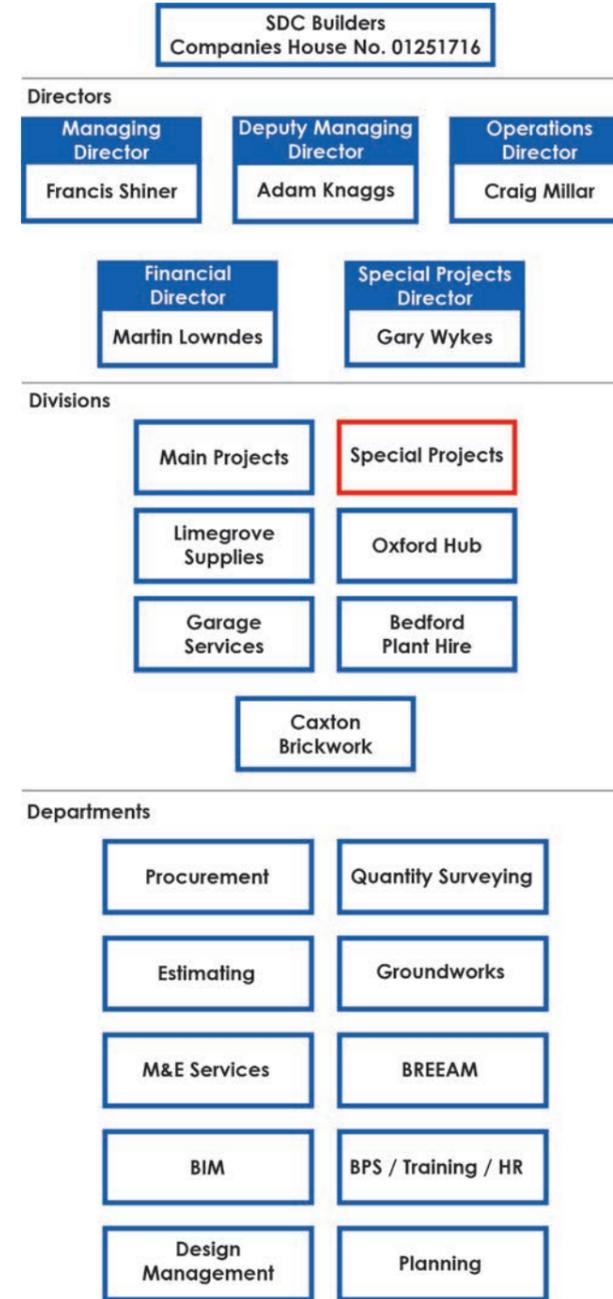
2016	2017	2018
£769,439	£840,949	£615,340

Our Staff

SDC are committed to the training and development of all our employees who, operating together in teams, safeguard the overall future and excellence of the company and ensure the successful delivery of our construction operations.

Our employees are our most important asset, their training and development being crucial to the successful delivery of our projects. We are investing in them to safeguard our future. Awarded the status of Chartered Building Company by the Chartered Institute of Building in 2010 in recognition of our high level of professionalism and integrity. All employees have the relevant CSCS qualification and are annually reviewed for their training needs. Additionally, in excess of 10% are management trainees, with their training leading to an appropriate professional qualification.

Operating safely is the construction industry's biggest challenge. We are responding with 5 fully qualified Safety Managers. In addition to safety advice given to project teams, the unit provides detailed safety training and is qualified to undertake the role of Principal Designer.



Community Fund

Whether it is through engagement with students to inspire future talent, making donations to organisations such as Bedford Rotary Club and the Bedford Blues, or creating employment opportunities for the local populace, SDC is working with local stakeholders in an effort to positively impact society.

The importance of SDC's community engagement programme was aptly summarised by Bedford Blues Director of Rugby, Mike Rayer: 'It is difficult to put into words just how important the support of local businesses is to sports clubs up and down the country and particularly to Bedford Blues. For us to be able to compete with and remain one of the top clubs in the Championship we do need assistance from local companies and we are so proud of the long-standing relationship (25 years) that we have had with SDC. The support over the years has been a tremendous help to us in achieving our goal of consistency, viability and being able to provide the best possible entertainment in Bedford on a Saturday afternoon.'

An Employees Benefit Trust Company

Why an Employee Benefit Trust (EBT)?

In 2004, the founding owners (and only shareholders) of SDC announced to the Board of Directors that they wished to retire. This threw everybody into confusion about the future of the business. Following considerable discussions about how they could realise their investment, the concept of the Employee Benefit Trust (EBT) emerged – the first of its kind in the British construction industry. The idea of the EBT was to create a situation where no private shareholders existed, thus increasing stability and protecting the long-term future of staff.

How the EBT Works

Between 2004 and 2007, the Trust acquired the entire issued share capital of SDC (Holdings) Ltd with a view to retaining control on a long-term basis. This also led to the establishment of a new constitution for the Company, which states:

The Trust has been set up for the benefit of its designated beneficiaries.

A beneficiary is a person who is directly employed by the Company or a subsidiary.

The purpose of the Trust is to promote an environment where all employees feel a sense of responsibility for the performance of the business, as well as a sense of pride in its achievements and results.

Ethos the EBT Creates at SDC

The effect of the EBT has been to integrate the entire SDC staff as one unit working for the express benefit of the business. The sounds of 'it's our business', 'we're spending our money' heard throughout the Company are a very real sign that the EBT is achieving its primary objectives, a business owned by, and for all, its employees.

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