



Making a real difference
to communities in

MIDLOTHIAN



A partnership that's
delivering local
community benefits



Making an Impact in Midlothian...

£36m
PROJECTS
COMPLETE

Rosewell Primary
School Extension
Newbattle
Community Campus

On projects undertaken with Midlothian Council, we have delivered the following community benefits:

1604



**School,
Site and
FE visits**

Visits are arranged locally to best suit the needs of pupils or students - whether it's a Safety Sam presentation to a local primary school or a tour of a building under construction for students studying architecture - the visits are tailored to local needs to ensure that maximum potential is realised from having a construction site in the community. In Midlothian this has benefited **1604** young people.



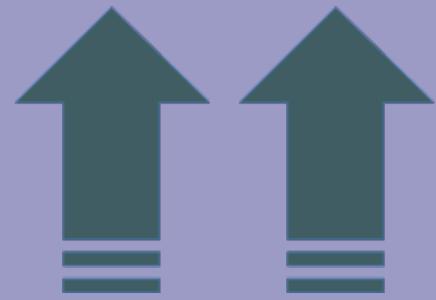
**NEW JOBS
CREATED**

**Professional
Employment, including
GRADUATES**

398 School,
Site & FE
WORK PLACEMENT DAYS

Work placements are arranged locally so pupils and students can gain valuable experience in a live site environment. We are also increasingly offering a number of placements within our supply chain, e.g. with designers, so pupils and students can see the range of careers offered in relation to community infrastructure projects.





We set ourselves ambitious targets in relation to community benefits and in Midlothian we've exceeded these:

188

More WORK PLACEMENTS than targeted

1352

More VISITS than targeted

31

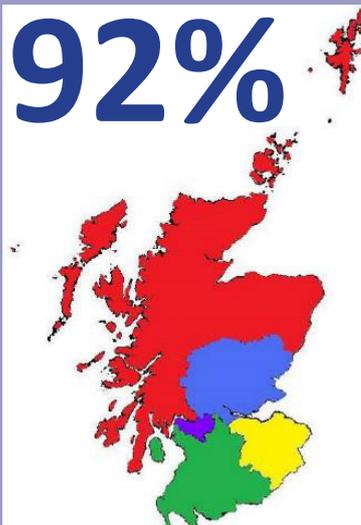
More new and existing APPRENTICESHIPS than targeted



● Project locations in Midlothian. All figures in this document correct at January 2020.

Proportion of CONSTRUCTION WORK packages awarded to SCOTTISH SMEs

We're keen that a local supply chain is used during construction, with Meet the Buyer events held to give small businesses and individuals the opportunity to get involved. 92% of construction work packages completed in Midlothian were by Scottish SMEs.



Local Employment & Supply Chain Opportunities During Construction:



"Being so close to site is great and means I can walk to work. I was in 4th year at Lasswade when my new school was built and I saw a big difference from the old school to the new one - so it'll be the same for Newbattle."

Cameron from Bonnyrigg - an 18 year old welding and steel fabrication apprentice on site in Newbattle employed by G Fitzimmons and Son - a local company based in Rosewell.



"It's great to be working on a facility i'll actually use. I will definitely be using the gym which will have fantastic views and my daughter will enjoy the new gymnastic facilities."

Mike from Newtongrange - a senior site engineer with Morrison Construction who worked on the Newbattle Community Campus.



"We're delighted to be on site and knowing that we will be here until the end of the build means that for the first time in years we'll be able to work five days a week instead of seven! The guys on site have been superb and I'm looking forward to introducing new home made food to the menu to keep their strengths up whilst they build this new school for the community."

Angie from Newtongrange - her business Snax-Xpress was awarded the catering contact on site at Newbattle.



"I'm proud to be working on this local project. Being from the area and knowing this new facility is something your friends and family could be using makes you want to give that extra effort."

Clarke from Dalkeith - applied for the Newbattle position of Site Manager with Morrison Construction when he was based in Aberdeen to allow him to be based at home and spend more time with his family.



"When I applied for this job at Newbattle, the funding was one of the main factors due to the fact it could help me through university and thus it gives me a better opportunity to succeed."

Knowing I had a job at the end of my course if I applied myself and worked hard, was a great incentive.

I'm grateful for the opportunity and i'm certainly making the most of it and looking forward to a long and successful career as a result."

James from Mayfield - applied for a graduate placement with Morrison Construction and was taken on through the Newbattle Project. James was supported through University and is now a Graduate Quantity Surveyor on a permanent, full time contract with Morrison Construction.



"I went to Newbattle High when it was new in 1969 so it's great to be working on its replacement and seeing how things change through the years."

Tam from Loanhead - works for groundworks subcontractor on the Newbattle Campus - RJT (a local company with offices in Loanhead).

Supporting Local Community Activities:

On all projects we aim to ensure local communities benefit from work being delivered in their area. This includes supporting local events and groups and can take many forms including donations of cash, equipment, expertise and time. Here are just a few examples of how communities in Midlothian have benefited as our contractors were involved in:

- Local subcontractors RJT donated money to Newbattle High School Maths Department to buy new calculators
- Helping pupils with interviews and filming opportunities on site at Newbattle - allowing the live site to be used for learning
- Donating a time capsule to be buried on site and working with pupils in the High School to collect memories
- Assisting Hawthorn Nursery in its garden by providing top soil for planting
- Providing site staff with fresh fruit grown locally from Midlothian's Toot for Fruit

