

Completed Project

Calderwood Primary School *West Lothian Council*



The new £14.3m Calderwood Primary School was completed for West Lothian Council **on budget and 5 weeks early**, in September 2021.

Calderwood Primary School is located in East Calder, in the new Calderwood development - one of West Lothian Council's Core Development areas. The school has been designed to be built in two phases, the first phase provides a two-stream primary, accommodating 462 pupils with an early years facility accommodating 128 children. As the masterplan build out develops, there will be a requirement for a future second phase to be added to the school. This has already been factored into the design, future proofing the project.

The site for the new school is at the heart of the Calderwood masterplan development, located adjacent to a new village square (yet to commence) which will consist of retail / housing and mixed-use development. The school forms one edge to the village square and the design was influenced by a necessity for the school building to fulfil the role of a (central) community orientated public building. The school will be a significant public face at the heart of the new civic square and Calderwood settlement and will symbolise a high level of investment in the education for the new population of school pupils, providing a twenty first century contemporary building for the emerging and growing Calderwood population.

The design of the new school follows on from West Lothian Council's award winning West Calder High School which had a 'learning without walls' approach, which was developed to assist specific teaching methodologies, pedagogy and embraces open collaborative learning environments.



Architect

jmachitects

Project Value

£14.3m

Project Type

Design & Build

Development Partner

Hub South East

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Main Contractor

Morrison Construction



We are absolutely delighted to accept the stunning new Calderwood Primary school as a flagship addition to our school estate, which is already one of the best in the country.

The new school has been designed and built with the learning experience at its heart, and will help create a focus for the new Calderwood community. We know all the parents and carers in the local community will be delighted to have such an excellent facility on their doorstep.

There have been many challenges to deliver such a fine school against the backdrop of a global pandemic, so huge thanks to Hub South East, Morrison Construction, architects and all the other contractors for their efforts to complete it on budget and ahead of the revised schedule.

**Cllr. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, Council Leader,
West Lothian Council**



Community Benefits and Social Value

Throughout the project we delivered a range of community benefits to ensure maximum local gain in West Lothian.

As a result we have a number of KPI targets to meet in relation to jobs, work placements etc. The Calderwood and Winchburgh Schools project were combined in terms of targets and outcomes. You can see to the right some examples of what was delivered.

In terms of **Social Value**, although tendered to the original Community Benefit KPIs, we have calculated the social value of the Winchburgh and Calderwood projects to give an indication of the social value achieved:

£22.3m

social & local economic value

£9k local community donations

36 new jobs created

57 new and existing apprenticeships

90% work packages to Scottish SMEs

324 work placement days

1456 pupils benefited from curriculum support



Tour of the new Calderwood Primary – <https://t.co/P8VFBCGt7l?amp=1>

Tour of the new Calderwood Nursery - https://twitter.com/Calderwood_Pri/status/1451131671093338120?s=20

Calderwood Primary – Pupils' First Day - <https://vimeo.com/624799785>



AWARD WINNING

GIA Design Awards 2022 – Education Award

GIA Design Awards 2022 – Supreme Award

Scottish Design Awards 2022 - Commendation

