

Completed Project

Castlebrae Community Campus *City of Edinburgh Council*

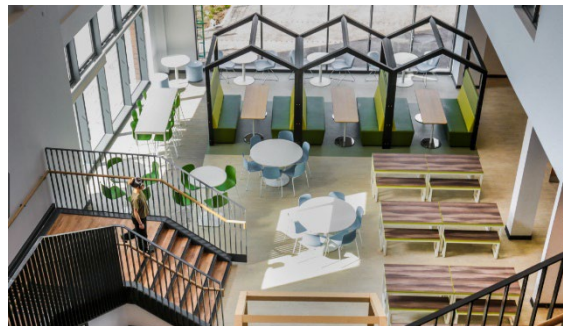


The new £28M Castlebrae Community Campus in Edinburgh is a 700 capacity replacement for Castlebrae Community High School, with the potential to be extended to 1,200. It opened to pupils and staff in April 2022.

It has been built in the heart of Craigmillar, next to the East Neighbourhood Centre and library, forming one of the final pieces of a 20 year long regeneration project to improve housing stock and community facilities in the area. The new Castlebrae was developed after extensive consultation with educationalists, service users and the local community.

The facility is a warm, welcoming home for the close-knit school community, providing bright, comfortable, spacious, and inclusive accommodation. Facilities include innovative teaching spaces in the form of collaborative learning plazas as well as more traditional classrooms to encourage a range of teaching and learning experiences; modern sports facilities including a Games Hall, Fitness Suite, and Dance Studio; and large dining / social space, directly linked to the adjacent Assembly Space at the lower level and forming the heart of the school.

A variety of spaces are available for community use, and large glazed areas at street level showcases pupils' work to the wider community that is intended to help activate the new public square.



Architect

jmarchitects

Project Value

£28m

Development Partner

Hub South East

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Project Type

Design & Build

Main Contractor

Morrison Construction



We want all our schools to provide the very best learning environment for our young people. The new Castlebrae Community Campus is a great example of this with its collaborative learning plazas and breakout spaces and is an asset for the whole community to enjoy.

The new school campuses we're planning are innovatively and sustainably designed so they are inspirational places for learning for the next generation of young people in Scotland's capital.

**Cllr. Cammy Day, Council Leader
City of Edinburgh Council**



Jobs & Apprentices Engagement with Education

- 16 Apprenticeships from Arthur McKay
- 1 Apprenticeship from Lesterose
- 3 Apprenticeships from Main Contracts
- 1 Apprenticeship from EFAB
- 1 Apprenticeship GBSS
- 2 Graduates from Morrison Construction
- 3 Jobs from Alpha Better Cleaning
- 1 Trainee and 2 Jobs from JSL
- 1 Trainee and 2 jobs from GBSS
- 1 Job from MW Groundworks
- 2 Trainees from Stopfire
- 1 Trainee from Chemplas
- 1 Job from Morrison Construction

- 250 pupils engaged with at Currie HS through 'speed dating' career guidance event
- My world of work week we attended Castlebrae Community Campus and engaged with almost 70 pupils
- We ran out the bridge building activity as part of a STEM activity with Gracemount HS
- The community engagement team delivered an Introduction into construction presentation to a class at Trinity Academy

- We gave approximately 90 days of school work experience on this project to the local area
- We supported Action for Children who were effectively next door to the project, we gave them 4 visits and 25 days of work experience for their young people
- Our Steel Work contractor, EFAB, donated £500 to buy tablets for the pupils at Castlebrae HS
- Along with the £500 from EFAB we donated £620 to Castlebrae HS for new CDT equipment and a further £500 on new strips for their senior football team

Community Engagement

On this project we massively supported the Castlevale Youth Development Club. This was done through the use of donations, staff time and the generosity of our supply chain. Everyone involved carried out an enormous piece of work with the intention to help these young people to get more enjoyment out of their club and local area.



Initially we donated almost £1300 to the club so that they could invest in warmer winter gear and new equipment such as smaller goals for practise. Then we decided to go a step further and completely 'renovate' their club facilities by carrying out works such as; electrics, heating, plasterboard, joinery, blockwork, flooring installation, taping, decoration, additional labour, painting squads, metal cladding security doors and also donation of flooring, wall protection, hand dryers and changing benches.



Video shown at the official opening - <https://youtu.be/7fz1T2uRPE>

Video created by work experience pupils at the start of construction - <https://youtu.be/7fz1T2uRPE>



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