

Building Pride

akp Scotland Newsletter



Issue 10



**Grade A Refurbishment to Historic 80 George St
Offices, Edinburgh**

Features incl:

- Cairn Lodge
- Banded Ind Est
- UWS

CONSTRUCTION REFURBISHMENT FIT OUT

Capital Success

Spring 2019 welcomed a new financial year for akp with an increase in turnover to circa £17m and a continued focus on client relationships and quality of service - all echoing their "Building Pride" company ethos.

This formula has been successfully applied at projects over 2018/19 with over 60% repeat business from clients and strong project feedback received across the board. With akp due to celebrate its 30 year incorporation in January 2020, it is clear that founding partner Ian McEwan struck on a winning formula back in 1990.

2018/19 has seen akp exercise all aspects of their capabilities with comprehensive refurbishments, such as that of 80 George St, Edinburgh, BCO nominated fit outs in Incremental and Ceridian and construction works at sites such as Imperial Commercials and Newlands Nursery.

From their early days as one of Scotland's go-to healthcare contractors akp have built a team of experienced Site, Projects and Contracts Managers, many of whom remain with the business today.

This experience of delivering projects within sensitive healthcare environments has during 2018/19 been brought back to the fore with akp currently on site delivering multi million pound Teaching and Research Laboratories for UWS at their new Hamilton Eco Campus.

It is also worth highlighting that the UWS Lanarkshire Campus has been crowned winner of a prestigious 2019 Guardian University Award which recognises the most sustainable and inspiring higher education buildings in the UK.



Rooftop Terrace 80 George St, Edinburgh

April 2019 saw akp commence its inaugural project as part of Registers of Scotland (RoS) Framework, which will include small to medium works across the RoS Estate.

The first project in Meadowbank House, Edinburgh has been delivered which comprised of the refurbishment of the 6th Floor canteen and workspace areas. This is in line with RoS framework goals of implementing Smart Working principles across all aspects of the business, including working practices, technology, culture and the physical office environments.

On a different note, after the success of akp at last years British Council for Offices (BCO) Awards where RoS SVP picked up the National Award for Best Fit Out of Workplace. akp were this year part of two project teams for shortlisted fit outs, these were; The Incremental Group for the eye catching fit out within the Garment Factory and Ceridian for the innovative fit out within Skypark.

akp didn't win this year, so congratulations to all who picked up an award. Here's looking ahead to 2020!



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Cairn Lodge Services Refresh



akp were pleased to have been engaged as Principal Contractor to complete the second phase of refurbishment and fit out works at Cairn Lodge Services.

Owned by the Westmorland family which runs Tebay on the M6, Rheged and Gloucester on the M5. The family believes passionately in homemade food, supporting artisan producers and inspiring visitors to appreciate the landscape in which their services are rooted. The project led to a second contract to extend the Cairn Lodge Petrol Filling Station.



Before



After

Industrial Unit brought back to life

The brief for this challenging project was to refurbish Unit 95 in Bandeath Industrial Estate which is a high bay storage warehouse located in Throsk, Stirlingshire

The works comprised of clearing the site of all waste, debris and left-over materials, including an existing portacabin. Existing materials were moved and replaced with new which included roof-sheeting, roof-lights, external wall cladding, gutters, downpipes and roller shutter installation, together with the erection of a wall and fencing.

Internally toilet areas were removed and renewed. New flooring, plasterwork and a fresh coat of paint was applied, together with the installation of a new distribution board.

Live & Secured Projects

A selection of our Contracts **Live and Secured**

- University of the West of Scotland Teaching & Research Labs, Hamilton - Fit Out.
- Hanover St Apartments, Edinburgh - Conversion & Fit Out.
- Hillpark Secondary School - Refurbishment.
- Registers of Scotland, Meadowbank House, Edinburgh, 6th Floor West - Refurbishment.
- Unit 3, 2 Fountainbridge Square, Edinburgh - Fire Damage Reinstatement Works.
- Fun Street Soft Play Centre, Unit LE1, Silverburn Shopping Centre, Glasgow - Fit Out.
- Sutherland House, Level 4 & 5 - Refurbishment.



Fountainbridge Unit 3



Hillpark Secondary School



Fun Street Play Centre



Sutherland House



Hanover St, Apartments



UWS Labs

We look forward to showcasing these projects fully in the coming month

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Recent Projects



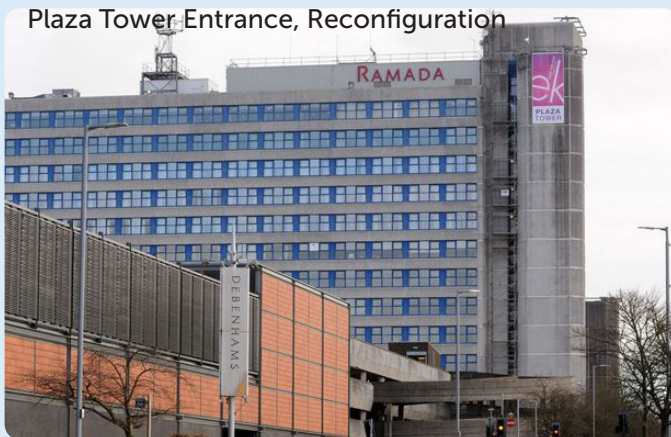
The Incremental Group, Fit Out



Imperial Commercials, Refurbishment



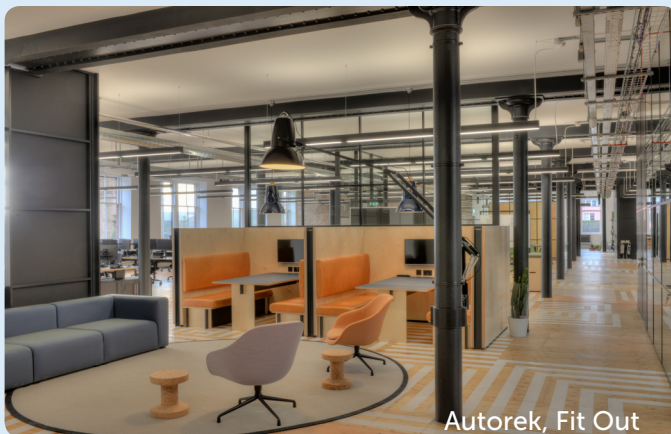
Charles Oakley Building, Refurbishment



Plaza Tower, Entrance, Reconfiguration



Former Stow College Building, Internal Works



Autorek, Fit Out



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akp ..in numbers



Number of offices

2

Years in business

29



£17m

Turnover

17%

of our staff have over 10 Years service with akp



Over

50%

of our staff are in-house tradespersons



640

hours spent each year training and developing our people

£5,650

raised and donated to charitable causes



322

hours investment in social value projects

Over the last 5 years 44%

of contracts due to repeat business from satisfied clients

Over the last 5 years

56%

of contracts due to both the development of new client relationships and one-off collaborations.



£10,698

investment in social value projects



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We welcome
Stevie McCluskey
to the team as
Contracts Manager



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Skills Development Scotland Careers Advisor David James on site with Roz Malcolm & John Black

We welcomed Careers Advisor David James from Skills Development Scotland to our Fountainbridge site in May for an Developing the Young Workforce industry placement. By hosting such placements akp are able to illustrate to those individuals advising our young people on career opportunities the skills needed in the key industry sectors.

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