BUILDING PRIDE



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Message from the Management Team

Working within the Construction industry of late has many challenges from supply chain continuity and labour shortages through to Brexit and the Covid pandemic not to mention the UK's uncertain political landscape with the recent cost of living crisis and the conflict in Ukraine. It is safe to say we are all working in unprecedented times.

The past few challenging years have focused us to think more strategically about our proposition and how to future proof the business. We have adopted new efficiencies in forward planning, best practice procurement, sector diversification and expanded from a Glasgow centric model to options further afield.

Our current and potential clients' demands are now ranging from living or solo workspace privacy to acoustic and visual privacy options for video conferencing. Dynamic, Agile, Collaborative, Digitised, Social and Breakout best describe the environments they desire with a strong focus on repurposed or sustainably refurbished concepts to achieve a carbon neutral footprint. It is therefore more important than ever that our procurement and supply chain be an auditable, transparent, and collaborative entity to meet these demands.

akp's focus is not only the financial reward of delivering a project, but also the processes of how all aspects of this can be achieved. Communication with all stakeholders within our processes has become of paramount importance to future proof the business.

We appreciate that every member of the akp team and supply chain is working incredibly hard and, given these difficult circumstances, we recognise their dedication to the success of the business, and we thank them for this.

The Senior Management Team and the wider akp family would like to take this opportunity to wish all our clients, contacts, and supply chain partners a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and a relaxing festive break.



akp is a people orientated contractor

We are made up of a very creative and practical team of individuals. We put relationships and a sense of pride at the heart of every project we deliver.

Building Pride is our ethos and it reflects our passion to deliver all forms of construction related projects to the highest standards.

Our values are what create our culture, the way we do our job, the way we talk to each other, to our clients, contacts and supply chain.

They underpin our business and are the foundations on which to build positive relationships and remain successful.

We respect each other and are committed to our values below.







Approachable

Collaborative

Innovative







Integrity

People Orientated

Responsible

Our 2022 Trade Apprentices



Three new Joinery & Carpentry Apprentices have joined akp and commenced their first year at South Lanarkshire College.

Completing their apprenticeships over the next four years, the apprentices will alternate between site based training and studies at college, whilst being supported by a dedicated mentor on site and a CITB representative.

Recent Projects

Ahead In The Cloud

Beeks Financial Cloud Group is a cloud computing and connectivity provider for financial markets.

Company growth necessitated a move into workspace at Riverside Business Park in Braehead with an office providing a flexible, contemporary workplace for Beeks staff, supporting their wellbeing and sustainable values.



Furniture items, including meeting pods, breakfast bars, banquette seating and cosy nooks offer a variety of workplace settings and provide future flexibility. A fully fitted gym, games table and bar was also installed.







A Greek Success

The Grosvenor Building in Gordon Street has a chequered life. Designed by Alexander 'Greek' Thomson as commercial premises with shops below, it burned down shortly after completion and was rebuilt in 1864.

In 1901, a second fire ravaged the building, and once again it was rebuilt. A third fire in 1967 again destroyed the interior and following a major overhaul to transform the building into offices, only the original façade remains.





The client asked us to complete three floors of office and toilet refurbishment works, refurbishment of the building reception area and the formation of a new shower block in the basement.

Howdens St Andrews PS Nursery

akp were delighted to complete yet another education project for West Lothian Council for the alterations and refurbishment of the existing Nursery Department which is located within the Primary School. The playground was extensively upgraded to reflect the 1st class facility.

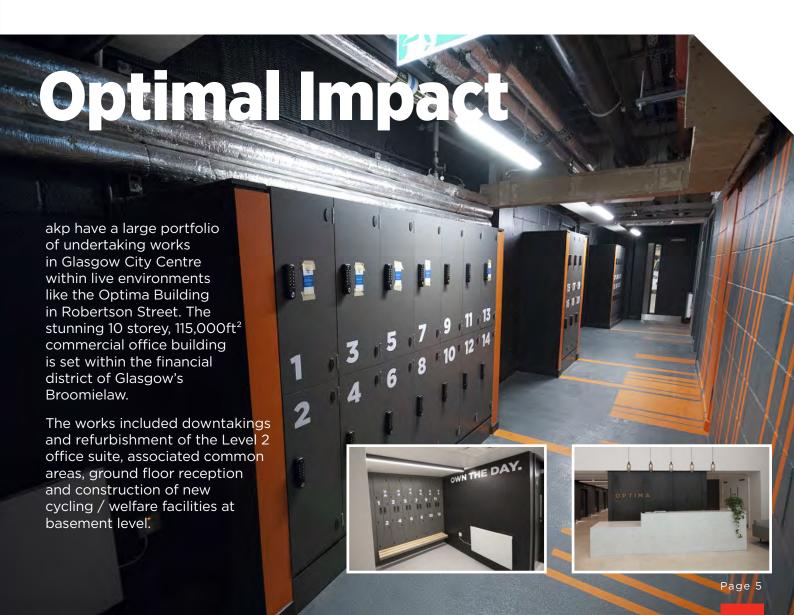
CSR & Comm Benefits

We conducted a VIP site tour for the School Council members and pupils to give them a tour of the project and a safety talk with the opportunity for the pupils to ask questions both about the project and site safety.









Rathbones

Rathbones Group has been providing wealth management services for private clients, charities, trustees and professional partners since 1912, and has 14 offices throughout the UK and Jersey.

An end of lease event allowed Rathbones the opportunity to rethink their location and to snap up a prime spot on the thoroughfare of George Street in Edinburgh.

akp carried out the CAT B Fit Out providing a flexible, contemporary workplace for Rathbones, with many bespoke finishes which reflected the inviting yet sophisticated interior décor. The walls are finished in a combination of contemporary Kvadrat fabric and dark walnut laminate. The partitioning solution offers the ability to provide one large conferencing suite, a boardroom plus breakout area, or alternatively, two meeting rooms with breakout facility.









Helping Hands

The former 50 bed care home, Seabank House, was purchase by Phoenix Futures in 2021 to be developed into Harper House, a specialist rehabilitation facility, the first of its kind in Scotland and is based on a similar model in Sheffield.

The new facility provides specialist support for the whole family. Parents can access mental health and substance use treatment without needing to be separated from their children. The treatment programme combines therapeutic interventions, parenting interventions and childcare.

The facility was officially opened by the First Minister on 21 November 2022 and can support up to 20 families at any one time.



Blue Skies @ Skypark

akp have carried out projects yearly at Skypark since 2012 for both the Landlord and individual Tenants. This project was to refurbish five individual suites at Skypark 1, 3 & 5 for the landlord.

The works included replacing M & E items, fabric refurbishment including new WCs, new tea prep areas, flooring and decoration.

Live and Secured Projects

- Edinburgh Airport Facility Repair & alterations of existing warehouse buildings.
- 177 Bothwell Street, Glasgow CAT B fit out.
- Hotel Glasgow Road, Edinburgh -Soft refurbishment.
- University of the West of Scotland Dumfries Campus - Refurbishment & alteration works within D & G College.
- Edinburgh Quay 2 1st floor, CAT A office refurbishment.
- 2 Lochrin Square Strip out & refurbishment to levels 1-4.
- 1 Haymarket Square, Edinburgh CAT B fit out.
- Rowan House, Glasgow Refurbishment & alteration.

Corporate Social Responsibility

...in NUMBERS





Trees Planted from Eco Friendly Procurement

130,615

Steps taken to raise money for Charity





£7,372

raised for MacMillan to date



£1,330

akp donated to the Waverley which matched its yard number when built.



190%

100% recyclable site signage

2 flexible working staff members

Long service awards in 2022



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2 foodbank donations



Q16

40 wheelchairs donated to Ukraine

Charity Challenges

This year some of our employees took part in events to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Tough Mudder, Sunday 3rd July 2022

Roz Malcolm, Robert Andreucci, Colin McCready, Connor McBride and Elaine Smith headed to the grounds of Drumlanrig Castle to undertake an energy sapping 10k run through an extremely muddy forest trail containing 20 obstacles to overcome.

Obstacles had names like the Block Ness Monster, Shawshanked, Mud Mile, Mudderhorn and Electroshock Therapy - it was not for the faint hearted.

The Rob Roy Mighty Hike, 3rd Sept 2022

Gerry Martin walked 26 miles in one day along part of the Rob Roy Way following in the footsteps of Rob Roy MacGregor, the famous figure in Scottish Folklore.

The route through the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park started in Callander and finished in Killin.



I did the Rob Roy Mighty Hike

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ww.macmillan.org.uk/mightyhike

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Between both events we hoped to raise £1,300 but we have raised in excess of £3,500 - thank you to all who sponsored our plucky lassies and lads.



The Senior Management and everyone at akp wish you all a Merry Christmas and all the best for 2023.





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