

# PERTH ACADEMY OF SPORT & WELLBEING PROJECT OVERVIEW



"It is essential that we have the best possible facilities for our students, in order to provide them with a first class education. Ball Hall have delivered a first class solution."

**MARGARET MUNCKTON - PERTH COLLEGE UHI PRINCIPAL** 



## PERTH ACADEMY OF SPORT & WELLBEING

Six badminton court sports hall, with gyms and dance studios including a hair and beauty department and state of the art climbing centre and classrooms.

**COST** £7m excl VAT

LOCATION
Perth

**OPENED**Aug 2016

#### **FACILITIES AT PERTH ACADEMY OF SPORT & WELLBEING**



SPORTS EQUIPMENT



**FITNESS SUITE** 



SPORTS FLOORING



**CLIMBING WALLS** 



CHANGING ROOMS & TOILETS



OFFICES & MEETING ROOMS



**CLASSROOMS** 



DANCE STUDIOS





## **PROJECT CHALLENGES**

We have faced a variety of challenges throughout our time developing sports halls. Each project generally presents its own set of complications, sometimes relating to existing structures, surrounding areas or site conditions and in other cases, it's purely about budget, keeping numerous funding partners happy, or meeting a deadline.

Our biggest challenge was the timescales that had to be achieved for this project.

Within the new facility, the college were proposing to start a new curriculum for sport and were moving across their expanding Hair and Beauty department. These plans were to commence at the start of the new academic year in September 2016.

This meant the completion and delivery dates were absolutely fixed and we had to keep to a strict schedule to achieve them.

The climbing centre that was planned as part of the facility, was groundbreaking. It needed to be suitable for new and experienced climbers, as well as performance climbing athletes. Therefore, we worked in partnership with the Mountaineering Council of Scotland (now known as Mountaineering Scotland) and Sport Scotland. There were many other stakeholders, from the college's Sports department, the Health and Beauty Department to commercial sport and elite sport programs.







### **BALL HALL ADDED VALUE**

With all the difficulties of a project considered upfront and contingency built in for unforeseen events or conditions, Ball Hall deliver outstanding buildings for sport. A Ball Hall Sports Hall often exceeds expectation and consistently becomes a flag waving celebration for the organisation, with many further benefits that materialise over time.

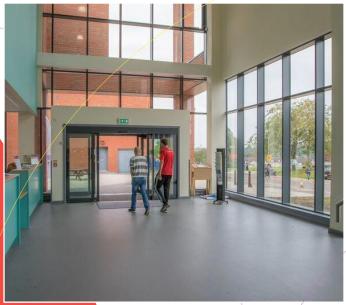
We built a strong team ethos on the project, where every party pulled in the same direction, with the deadline in mind.

We adopted innovative techniques such as replacing traditional wall tiling with Altro Whiterock.

Another example of where we added value was with the brickwork. Constructing brick work is notoriously difficult in cold temperatures and whilst it was not a surprise that there was bad weather throughout the winter months in Scotland, we incorporated Metsec steel stud panel framing on the inner skin to enable early water-tightness.

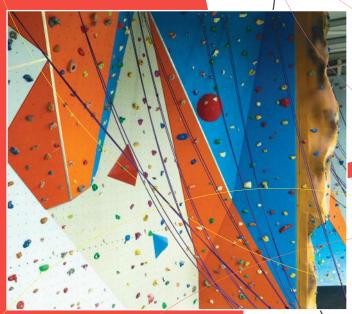
Ball Hall's expertise and foresight in planning for this, meant the project was built on time even through a Highland winter.



















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