

# Case Study - Project Management

## New Build Fire Station, Evesham



### THE BRIEF

The project was conceived as a joint venture between Wychavon District Council (WHDC) and Hereford & Worcester Fire Authority to bring a new Fire station and a new Waitrose store to Evesham.

In improving Evesham's retail offering, part of this was to secure a new Waitrose supermarket, the first in the area. This required the re-location of the existing Evesham Fire Station to the WHDC Depot on Abbey Road.

The new build fire station includes provision for the Young Fire Fighters Association, a strategic training facility, up-to date welfare facilities, rear training yard and onsite parking. A large part of the funding for the new fire station derives from the capital from the land release of the former fire station to Waitrose.



### OUR APPROACH

We managed the entire town planning process for the new fire station and attended a number of consultations with the public and local Councillors.

We managed the project risks, health & Safety, CDM, timescales and overall costs. We dealt with initial the translation of the brief into procurement documents, the appointment of the Project Designers (Savills) and the Main Contractor (Greswolde Construction).

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### OUR APPROACH *(continued)*

Continuous communications were delivered throughout to the Fire Service including the Fire Authority with regular updates with Operations at the Fire Station.

There were a number of challenges early on in the project that very nearly caused a delay. The site had high levels of contamination, subterranean structures including a 10ft wide double skin settlement tank and a live sewer running through the middle which had to be re-directed. These elements had to be managed particularly carefully ensuring that contaminated materials were removed safely and completely, followed by vibro compaction ensuring no damage to the new drain was caused.



### RESULTS

Work commenced on the 25th January 2016 and was completed on budget in November 2016 with minimal capital investment for the Fire Service.

The new station features accommodation over two floors, three engine bays, a state-of-the-art 'hot fire' training facility and a number of energy efficient measures.

Following completion, the station became operational in December 2016 and was officially opened by the Chairman of the Fire Authority, Derek Prodger MBE, in March 2017.



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