

Welcome to Castle Building Services Newsletter

Through a turbulent year in the world economies, Castle Building Services has strived to capitalise on every opportunity despite their scarcity, and whilst many companies in the construction industry have seen dramatic drops in turnover, Castle Building Services has been able to maintain its market share, with a slavish dedication to customer satisfaction.

The business has diversified in the types of projects undertaken and now has an impressive portfolio in all sectors of Mechanical and Electrical services, but more important than the portfolio is the client testimonials that we have received in each sector, supporting our core principals of innovation, efficiency, honesty & pride.

We have moved

Early December saw the start of a new chapter in the history of Castle Building Services when we moved into our brand new premises. Whilst staying loyal to our South Tyneside roots, the bespoke fit out of 6 Merchant Court, Monkton Business Park South will see us occupy almost 6000ft² of office, becoming home to our 25 staff.

The move was necessary in terms of accommodating our expanding work force and improving the working environment for all.

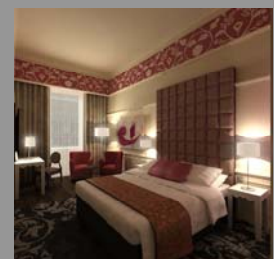
Its fair to say that the internal fit out of partitioning, air conditioning, IT network and staff canteen was performed by CBS personnel for one of it's most demanding clients ever!



Castle Building Services committed to Scotland

Having carried out several prestigious projects in Scotland, Castle Building Services has now established an office at Epic House in the centre of Glasgow. The establishment of our Glasgow office will enable us to service our Clients even more efficiently and demonstrates our commitment to the region. The Glasgow team is currently undertaking the conversion of a Victorian office building into a high quality boutique hotel with completion due in spring 2011

During the year works were undertaken at two live data centres in the Edinburgh area, despite logistical working difficulties and a harsh winter the Client team were delighted with the teamwork approach and the finished product.



Team Delivers at npower

A highlight of the year was the “fit out” of 300,000 sq/ft of high quality office space and amenity areas, consisting of gymnasium, restaurant, training suites and computer rooms for npower at Rainton Bridge – Sunderland.



The project value for the mechanical and electrical services was circa £4.5m, with only a four day lead in period and a fit out programme of 22 weeks inclusive of the Christmas break. The project was a challenge that we relished. Notable achievements were that at the peak of the installation we had 140 men on site, and that we installed over 15 miles of voice and data cabling.

The Client said



“Castle performed extremely well in all aspects of the project and demonstrated professionalism throughout. They had a pro-active approach to problem solving and were an invaluable part of the construction team. In respect of transparency of financial accountability, and keeping the client appraised, Castle were on top of the job. They demonstrated a team approach in all aspects and were a pleasure to work with.”

James McVeigh - Senior Programme Manager - RWE npower Business



Hartlepool Sixth Form College

Hartlepool 6th Form College is a project that we are extremely proud of, the combination of new build and refurbishment of existing presented its challenges and tested our innovation. The images of the final product stand testimony to the hard work and effort that was put in by all

The Client Said

“The new College looks stunning and the build quality is better than university standard. From the beginning you and your team worked very closely with us, listened carefully to our plans and kept us fully informed of progress. You have given us outstanding professional service and have definitely gone the extra mile to ensure that this client gets exactly what we wanted”

Rick Wells, Principle and Chief Executive of Hartlepool 6th Form College

“I would like to pass on my sincere congratulations and thanks to the team at Hartlepool 6th Form College for their excellent work.”

Keith Miller CBE, Group Chief Executive - The Miller Group

William Leech and Grace Darling



With the Coalition Government cuts to the schools programme we were fortunate to secure William Leech and Grace Darling Academies in Northumberland before the “axe fell”. Both schools are design & build and with our in house Low Carbon Consultants we have been able to influence the design to create an efficient and sustainable services package. The design is nearing completion with first fix activities commencing on site, the projects will be handed over in summer 2011.

Safety First

Castle Building Services are proud to boast that we were 1 Year Accident free because we had a proactive campaign looking at causation factors of accidents in the company in the previous year.

As a result of these we carried out various initiatives including glove surveys and increased tool box talks to highlight the areas where accidents were prominent. The conclusion was an accident free year however we continue to monitor near miss occurrences to identify any trends.

All work and no play!

Its not all work, on a rare day this year when the sun shone, Castle Building Services had entered a team into the “It’s a knockout” fun day. The team had a fantastic day out and raised over £1600.00 for the St Clare’s Hospice charity. Castle were the leading fund raiser in a day which raised over £10,000.00 for the Hospice.



New Starters

As part of our plan to expand and grow our business we have invested in a number of new staff to bolster our services. We are extremely pleased to announce the following new starters:-



Jade Bruce – Estimating Assistant/Receptionist



Anna Gilderoy – Project Team Assistant



Christina Mole – Purchasing Assistant



Neal Wakenshaw – Electrical Estimator



Andrew Dawson – Mechanical Estimator



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Thanks to all.....

We would like to thank all of our Clients for their continued support and look forward to meeting their expectations on all current and future projects. We would also express our appreciation to our supply chain, all of whom are valued members in assisting ourselves in the delivery of our projects.

If you would like to know more about Castle Building Services and the opportunities within our company, you can visit our website at www.castlebs.co.uk



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