

AA Projects Celebrating Two Wins for Middlesbrough College

Construction and Property Consultant, AA Projects, is celebrating two wins for Middlesbrough College in less than a week. The College received a 'Highly Commended' award at the RIBA / LSC Further Education Design Excellence Awards and a further 'Highly Commended' award at the Middlesbrough Council Design Awards 2009.

The College's building has attracted a lot of interest since it opened in August 2008, bringing a dramatic impact to the landscape of Middlesbrough as well as attracting over 6,000 students. AA Projects undertook the roles of Employer's Agent, Quantity Surveyor and CDM Co-ordinator on this iconic development. The team contributed to the successful management of Health & Safety throughout the development and continue to provide Building Surveying and on-going CDM-Co-ordinator services for the College.

The RIBA LSC Further Education Design Awards celebrate design excellence in recently completed Further Education buildings. The judging panel short-listed five college buildings from all those completed in the past year. The overall prize went to Joseph Chamberlain College but Middlesbrough College, the sole representative of the North East, was highly commended by the judges as an example of a large scale, cross curriculum project.

The Middlesbrough Council Design award was presented to the College at an event held at another new Middlesbrough landmark, the Mima gallery, as part of Urban Design Week. The evening began with a lecture by local architecture enthusiast and television personality, John Grundy, in which he celebrated the architectural history of Middlesbrough. The awards then celebrated the developments taking place across Middlesbrough that are transforming the landscape. The College was 'Highly Commended' by the judging panel for its new building on the 250 acre Middlehaven regeneration

zone.

'We are delighted to see Middlesbrough College secure these important awards,' said Stuart Denton, Director of AA Projects. "The new building facilitates the delivery of vocational education of the very highest standard and we are pleased to be involved in the provision of such a unique project. The Middlehaven masterplan will ultimately see the creation of 3,000 new jobs and it is exciting to be part of such an internationally acclaimed regeneration programme."

'Everyone at the College can be proud of both of these awards', said John Hogg, Principal. 'They recognise the contribution that we are making to improving both the urban landscape and, more importantly, to providing first-class facilities where people can learn and achieve their aspirations.'

Photos:

1. .External shot of the new £70 million Middlehaven campus for Middlesbrough College.
2. Internal photo of the new Learning Resource Centre at Middlesbrough College.

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Notes to editor:

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The company has a well-established client base across a range of sectors including Commercial, Education, Health, Heritage, Regeneration, Industrial & Manufacturing, Arts & Leisure, Government Agencies, Residential, Retail and Transport & Infrastructure. They have a proven track record of providing specialist consultancy services on a variety of international projects spanning Europe and the Middle East.

The company has received the title 'Building Good Employer' in both 2007 and 2008, having been selected by Building Magazine as one of the Top Employers within the construction industry. AA Projects is an Equal Opportunities Employer and is proud to have been awarded the Investor in People accreditation.

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