

Ward and service facilities upgrade Glasgow Royal Infirmary



Eastern elevation as viewed from the Necropolis

Client: **NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde**
Contract value: **Approx £5m in several phases and contracts**
Completed: **2008 - 2010**

The Grade A listed main hospital building at Glasgow Royal Infirmary sits beside more modern and suitable hospital buildings, and in order to provide a new lease of life to the wards, patient facilities and service infrastructure within the old building a rolling programme of upgrades and improvements was instigated by the client.

Commencing with a new enclosure for the standby generators, there followed wet-room and accessibility toilet upgrades, as well as multiple Ward improvements to improve the open plan 'Nightingale' wards. The brief required refurbishment of finishes and services infrastructure, with fabric repairs and improved disability access/provision, and included co-ordinating user preferences and future flexibility.

A detailed review of the latest HAI_SCRIBE guidelines was undertaken in conjunction with infection control, estates, facilities and capital project teams to assess fundamental design, specification and operational issues, including assessing impact of construction works on adjoining occupied areas.

Projects were executed progressively to suit healthcare priorities and occupation imperatives. This required several separate contracts, some with multiple phasing, to ensure minimal disruption to ongoing patient care.

Feasibility studies were also carried out into the potential next phase of improvement works to the old building, to provide single bed ward facilities.



Original entrance elevation



Cathedral precinct



Infirmary quadrangle



Refurbished ward area



Nurses station