

East Crompton & St Georges, Oldham



EDUCATION

THE BRIEF
H.H. Smith were successful in tendering for the complete mechanical re-pipe work at East Crompton & St Georges School in addition to 2, separate, single story 2 classroom extensions with adjoining toilet facilities. Additionally, internal remodelling of the existing classrooms was required to facilitate an increase in pupil numbers. External works to include new drainage, amendment to existing and creation of new hard surfaces for pupil play area's.

KEY POINTS
Daily liaison was required with all the stakeholders to ensure changes could be accommodated and managed. Close communication and collaboration was vital.

CHALLENGES
Due to a delay in the programme, H.H. Smith only had 3 weeks of the summer holiday to carry out the mechanical re-pipe works, originally scheduled for 6 weeks. The remainder of the work was carried out, out of hours, throughout the month of September to avoid any disruption to the school. This ensured the works were completed for the end of September when heating was required. During September the extensions were built by day, then the mechanical works followed through the night. The initial scheme was put to tender without a full site investigation. This resulted in the doubling of the scope of the ground works package requiring an additional 200m cubed of concrete. In order to undertake the unexpected ground works, staff had to be further trained to work safely close to and within deep excavations. H.H. Smith had to reschedule works to accommodate this training and all aspects of work were undertaken concurrently rather than consecutively as planned.

LOCATION
Oldham

SECTOR
Education

CLIENT
Oldham Council

PROJECT VALUE
£1.03m

CONTRACT
Traditional

PERIOD
July 2014 - June 2015

CONTRACT PERIOD
52 Weeks

