

Tilbury Douglas completes new £10.5m extension to Crownbridge School

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Tilbury Douglas, a leading UK building, infrastructure, engineering, and fit-out business, has successfully completed the construction of a new £10.5m extension to Crownbridge School for Torfaen County Borough Council in Croesyceiliog, South Wales.

Delivered through the South East & Mid Wales Collaborative Construction Framework (SEWSCAP), the new building, which will be Net Zero Carbon in Operation, has created much needed facilities and increased the capacity of the school.

The original school was built in 2012 for up to 80 pupils with severe learning difficulties aged between four and 19 years old. The single storey building provides spaces for an additional 50 pupils and 25 staff.

It includes learning spaces, a science/art classroom, independent living spaces, hall/dining space, a rebound (trampoline) room, and a six-metre-high central corridor.

Chris Edmonds, Regional Director – South Wales at Tilbury Douglas, said: “The team worked closely with the existing school, involving pupils from Crownbridge and the neighbouring comprehensive, to bring them on the journey and include them in various social value activities. Now completed, the students, teachers and local community can enjoy the top-quality facilities.”

It is one of the first projects in the region that required the sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) design to be submitted to the SuDS Approving Body (SAB) for approval. The design includes rain gardens and permeable hard landscaping with high retention capacity and was audited throughout construction.