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Delivering Passivhaus Expertise at Trinity Academy

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Strengthening its growing education portfolio, Dalkia UK's team in Scotland have recently secured an impressive £8.9 million Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (MEP) package for its third Passivhaus standard school, this time at Trinity Academy, Edinburgh.

In a collaboration with main contractor, McLaughlin & Harvey, the team will commence pre-construction works in October 2026 with the full project scheduled to reach completion in August 2028. The new building is designed to reduce energy demand for space heating or cooling, which will result in decreased running costs and carbon emissions.

It will also deliver on Edinburgh City Council's aspirations for the curriculum to be inclusive and meet all digital and outdoor learning requirements. The project incorporates cycle storage and electric vehicle charging areas, encouraging active travel within the Council's sustainable 'Living Well Locally' strategy.

John Irvine, Regional Director at Dalkia, said: "Our appointment at Trinity Academy reinforces the trust placed in our engineering teams to deliver sophisticated, energy efficient MEP installs for modern learning environments. Passivhaus schools demand precision and a deep understanding of integrated building performance. This award is a testament to our expertise and our continued growth within the education sector."

The contract reflects the momentum Dalkia UK has built across the education sector in recent years. Our Scottish division has secured and successfully delivered a series of high-profile school projects including Faifley Campus, Wester Hailes Campus and Jackton Primary School, establishing a robust portfolio that spans new-build, low-energy learning environments and specialist education facilities.

Dalkia’s growth is driven by our ability to deliver technically advanced MEP solutions that meet the evolving needs of modern campuses such as enhanced energy performance and carbon reduction to improve comfort, safety and long-term operational efficiency.