

Project Profile :: Commercial Innovation Centre, Fareham

Client: Fareham Borough Council

Architects : Perkins Ogden Architects

Contractor: Leadbitter

Scott White and Hookins' Role:

 Structural Engineering

 Civil Engineering

Scott White and Hookins were appointed by Fareham Borough Council to provide engineering services for their new Innovation Centre.

The Innovation Centre is a two storey building containing offices, welfare facilities and workshops. The offices and workshops were hired out by business start-ups. Externally there is a car park surrounded by paved surfaced and soft landscaping. The building is situated adjacent to Fareham Colleges CEMAST building. It was intended that the co-location of the two facilities would provide an opportunity to create a synergy between an engineering training facility and closely related business incubator facilities.

The building is designed as a braced steel framed building with the roof supported on purlins, with a lightweight deck and single ply membrane finish. The main two storey block contains office space and large curtain walling. The first floor structure comprises a metal deck, compositely fixed to steel beams, leading to an efficient use of materials and shallow floor buildup.

