

NEW CLIENTS

- Alexander Faulkner Partnership
- Alexandra Rose Care Home, Farlington
- Artemis Pet Healthcare
- Associated British Foods
- Bitterne Care Home
- Gention Development Group
- Hattingley Vineyard
- Housing & Care 21
- Leylands Business Park, Colden Common
- LRM Holdings
- Park House Rest Home, Hayling Island
- Petra Development
- Tenant Direct
- Thistleledge
- The Real Flower Company
- Thorne's Charity
- Weekes Drive Surgery, Slough



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CORNERSTONE CHURCH, BOURNEMOUTH

In August our extension to Cornerstone Church in Bournemouth was completed. The project provided a large entrance foyer, two meeting rooms, new toilet facilities and a larger car park. The new entrance is future-proofed to become a café space that can spill out into one of the meeting rooms via a folding screen, benefiting from lots of natural light through the extensive area of glazing to the entrance. Works also included improvements for those who are disabled, including the provision of a new accessible toilet.



PARK PREWITT GP SURGERY -

The Rooksdown GP Surgery at Park Prewett, Basingstoke is now complete. The new centre has become home to four doctors and a community health facility, supported by a new commercial pharmacy. The part single/part two-storey building, with contemporary form and matching colour finishes reflect the more civic/contemporary status that the site and surrounding housing development required.



NHS PROPERTY SERVICES

Two completed schemes for NHSPS saw the construction of Cotswold House at St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth to a Doctors Surgery for the East Shore Partnership. This included a full interior fit out and rebuild of three bay windows. At Tanbridge Hub, Caterham Dene Hospital, we completed the conversion of the existing vacant Conifers building to form the new Community Mental Health Recovery Service.



RNLI PENLEE LIFEBOAT STATION

Our proposal to replace Penlee lifeboat station, which featured in the BBC's Saving Lives At Sea series during the summer, received Planning Permission in September. The contemporary two-storey building will be highly energy-efficient and includes a larger Crew/Operational Room, Training Room, Changing Room and Workshop. It will also house a Visitor Engagement area allowing the RNLI to convey the sea safety message to locals and visitors alike. Timber-clad with a mono pitch roof and large timber windows which enable the RNLI to survey Newlyn Harbour and south and east into Mounts Bay and beyond. Technical drawings are well underway, using Revit software, with construction planned for 2018.

DORSET HEALTHCARE UNIVERSITY NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

Two projects for the Trust in Bournemouth this year included the design of improvements to Shelley Road out-patients. An enhanced waiting area, reception and new consult/exam rooms, including a specialist leg ulcer clinic will be provided. The work should start early 2018. Also, at the Pebbles Unit, Alumhurst campus, a new extension is in planning to house additional bedrooms and offices for the CAMHS Unit. Although a small scheme, it's location will prove tricky for construction due to tree root zones, Badger setts and steep banks.



RNLI LLANDUDNO AND SELSEY LIFEBOAT STATIONS

Studio Four completed two new Shannon-class lifeboat stations in partnership with the RNLI this year. The new buildings replace stations that had reached the end of their lives. Llandudno is clad with local limestone, Siberian larch and copper, the bold design sits proudly on the storm beach to the east of Llandudno's Victorian promenade and between the limestone headlands of the Great and Little Orme which shelter the bay. Selsey replaces the offshore slipway station and reverts to launch and recovery from the shingle beach. They contain a number of renewable energy features including PV panels and ground source heat pumps. Photo: Selsey. Cover Photo: Llandudno



KENWOOD PHASE 2 & 3

With Phase 1 delivered last year Studio Four moved their design emphasis to the Unit One HQ this year; partial handover has already occurred on the new Test Kitchen & First Floor Office refurbishment, with the new-build works of the Cafeteria, Kitchen, meeting rooms and showrooms approaching hand-over. We look forward to maintaining our working relationship with Kenwood DeLonghi Braun group with an ongoing works phase, to be started early next year. This will include the design for the HQ's new main reception area and landscaping.



BITTERNE PARISH CHURCH

After exploring a wide range of options for the refurbishment of church facilities, Studio Four have designed a sensitive extension to the existing church. This provides a new large hall at first floor and improved kitchen and wc facilities below. Within the listed church building itself, new mezzanine 'pods' provide offices and meeting rooms as part of a re-ordering of the worship space. The design is part of a wider site redevelopment, which is due to be submitted for planning shortly.

Following Planning successes in the Test Valley, Studio Four are now working on numerous 'Previously Developed Land' sites across Somerset with **Tony Langridge Consulting**, on behalf of **Aster Group**.



GAMBLEDOWN FARM

Phase 1 of our holiday cottage conversion was handed over to the clients at the end of August and provides a two bedroom dwelling on an existing farm site. Phase 2 began on site in September and involves the conversion of an existing brick building to form a three bed cottage with a large open plan, double height living space. Located centrally within the building the bedrooms at either end look down into the vaulted space. Phase 2 will complete on site in Spring 2018. The project seeks to retain the character of the historic buildings and subtly enhance the scheme with contemporary detailing.



SOLENT NHS

It's been another busy year with Solent NHS trust working on their estates rationalisation programme of projects at their Southampton and Portsmouth premises. Although mostly in design and tender at present, 2017 saw the completion of smaller schemes at Thornhill Child and Family Hub and Ward Kitchens at Royal South Hants Hospital.



WINCHESTER UNIVERSITY

Major works were carried out to the first floor Administration offices at the University of Winchester's 1860s historic Main Building. Original cellular offices have been opened up. Internal staircases were upgraded to meet the latest fire regulations and the roof void was re-insulated with new safe access provided for maintenance.

As well as new steel windows, the external stonework details were repaired and the whole of the first floor walls washed down.



PORTLAND STREET, SOUTHAMPTON

After obtaining planning and Listed Building consent – and a lengthy enabling works package – work is finally underway to convert a former bank into student flats in the centre of Southampton. The upper floors will provide 15 self-contained studio flats, whilst the ground floor will accommodate a new flagship coffee shop. Construction work was complicated by the need to remove, out-of-hours, a 1-tonne locked safe through a first floor window!



WATERFRONT HOUSE, NETLEY

Currently on site, this new build house sits on an exceptional site overlooking Southampton Water and the New Forest beyond. The house is designed around a central glazed staircase, with four distinctive elements forming the habitable spaces of the house. The garden is enclosed with a single storey linked swimming pool which runs along the boundary.

The ground floor is open plan, containing the living area, dining room and kitchen. Each element of the building has been designed with simple facades and a projecting flat roof, with double height glazing and rendered walls.

LEIGH HOUSE - SOUTHERN HEALTH

Completion of the refurbishment to the Residential Block at Leigh House Hospital in Winchester was achieved in July this year. Works consisted of decorations and upgraded lighting throughout with new artwork, replacement secure windows to patient areas and the refurbishment of communal toilets and washrooms including bedroom en suites. We are currently back at Leigh House working with Southern Health designing a new Seclusion Suite.

Our **Specialist Projects** division are currently working on numerous residential and barn conversions projects throughout Hampshire and across the South Downs National Park.



SOUTHAMPTON GENERAL HOSPITAL

Earlier in the summer we completed the refurbishment of two operating theatres, enhanced for an IORT radiation treatment and the latest integrated endoscopy system. This was the complete strip out of the area within the live theatre department.

As the funding drops in to place, the Southampton Children's Hospital Emergency Department is due to start on site early in 2018. The majority of the work will be carried out within the vacant shell of the adjacent building, but there will unfortunately be a lot of disruption as the new department requires alterations to the existing waiting rooms. We've been developing this scheme for many years and the phasing has been a great challenge.



PRIVATE HOUSE EXTENSION, WELLOW

Our large contemporary extension in Wellow is nearing the final straight. The proposal involves a large split-level structure and a glass link to the rear of the existing house to connect the new structure. This link corridor is heavily glazed and allows the majority of internal rooms within the house to remain unaffected. The new extension at ground floor level provides a swimming pool, spa, sauna and wine cellar and sits under a traditional pitched slate roof. A defining feature is the corridor which is clad in slate; this provides a link corridor to access the cinema room, changing areas, gym and music room, all which sit within a timber box structure. The design utilises current ground levels to ensure that views of the building from the public footpath are minimal.



SOUTHAMPTON SOLENT UNIVERSITY, REGINALD MITCHELL BUILDING.

This year saw the continuation of working with Southampton Solent University alongside MACE who employed Studio Four for a high level feasibility report and study into the rationalisation and modernisation of their Reginald Mitchell Building in the centre of Southampton.

The works package included exploring different 3D external visualisations as to how the main RM tower and associated south wing could be overlaid to encase the existing concrete structure within a more thermally efficient envelope, and replace the existing windows as part of the same exercise.



LONGWELL GREEN LEISURE CENTRE

Studio Four's second leisure project for South Gloucestershire Council with Createability is nearing completion. Following the successful refurbishment and extension of Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre and Library in 2016, Longwell Green Leisure Centre has undergone similar improvements and will be fully open from the start of 2018.

The works include a new gym extension, new dry-side changing, a new entrance foyer and reception, new dance studio, new Staff accommodation and associated external works. We are now acting as Principal Designer for Createability on a similar project at the Selwyn Jones Leisure Centre at St Helens in Merseyside.

SOCIAL EVENTS

25th Anniversary Fishing: In July we had a glorious day at the Leckford Estate on the River Test to celebrate Studio Four's 25th anniversary. Staff and 70 guests spent the day trying their hand at fly fishing and touring the wonderful water gardens at Longstock. Longstock Park and Testside lakes created a perfect venue for first-timers to cast flies, under the expert tuition of deputy head keeper Andy Bryan and his team from the Estate. We were fortunate to have exclusive access to the water gardens all day and enjoyed the magnificent display of lilies and aquatic plants, all beautifully tended. To end a perfect day, all fish caught could be taken home, so most attendees had fresh fish for supper!



Karting: We hosted our annual fast and furious karting event at the Thruxton circuit on 20th July. 12 teams of guests and staff enjoyed a 2-hour Le Mans-style endurance race around this testing outdoor track, with some close racing and ever-improving lap times! As well as the excitement on track, we were very pleased to raise £290 for Naomi House, our chosen charity for the event, so we'd like to thank all who attended for a thrilling race and their generous support.



The Mountbatten School

This year we are pleased to have sponsored the school's football teams and wish them all great results.

STAFF NEWS

- We were very pleased to announce that Steve Robinson, who has worked in our Winchester office for 15 years, is now a Director of the practice.
- Also in June, our Practice Manager, Thelma Cumberland was promoted to Associate. Thelma has worked at Studio Four since 1995 and has been a key member of staff during the development of the practice over the years.
- Congratulations to Lauren Honey on receiving confirmation of her Msc in Historic Building Conservation from the University of York.
- Kurt Riggs is achieving first class marks as he works towards a Garden Design Level 4 Postgraduate Diploma from the British Academy of Garden Design.
- We welcomed some new staff to our offices this year to assist us with our growing workload.
- In our Southampton office we were joined by Kinga Berkesi, an Architectural Technologist and welcomed back Architect Joe Sweetnam. They also said goodbye to Jamie Fall who has returned to University to continue his studies.
- Our Winchester office is now assisted by David Lambell, a Part 2 Architectural Assistant and Tuhin Ahmad a Part 1 Architectural Assistant
- Our Romsey office was assisted by Part 1 Assistant, Keaton Reynolds-Cotterill who worked with us over the summer. He has hit the ski slopes for six months but may be back in Spring next year.
- We are currently supporting three of our members of staff who are studying for their Part 2 Masters at the University of Portsmouth on day release. Danielle Tucker is in her 2nd year, whilst Lauren Honey and Luke Heywood have just started their 1st year.
- Jez Davis popped the question to his now fiancée Lizzy at the beginning of the year.
- In March Andrew Browett married his partner Suzanne and are expecting their first baby in April.
- Congratulations to Kurt & Hannah who are expecting their first baby in March.
- Congratulations also to Stuart & Charlotte who are expecting their first baby in May.
- Well done to David Lambell who won our Christmas card competition.



The World's Biggest Coffee Morning: We were pleased to host coffee mornings at our three offices on 29th September as part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. We raised £217.55.