



DORCHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL RIDGEWAY WARD

Client
Dorset County Hospital
Trust

Architect
Kendall Kingscott

M&E Engineer
TNG Consulting
Engineers

Cost Advisor
MMC Project
Consulting LLP

£2m

- For our first project with Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, LST Projects transformed the former Ridgeway ward into a dedicated orthopaedic surgery unit with 24 beds, a patient lounge, and a therapy suite
- The works involved replacing internal partitions, upgrading flooring and sanitaryware, redecorating, and installing an air handling unit (AHU) craned onto the roof
- Given the unit's location, our team established a site compound within an active car park near two entrances and ambulance drop-off points. Meticulous planning for site logistics and the crane lift ensured ambulance access, with preparation beginning 12 weeks in advance to manage temporary entrance closures
- Close collaboration with hospital staff minimised disruption, with weekly client meetings and adjustments to noisy works to maintain quiet near operating theatres. We also engaged nursing staff throughout, making adjustments to meet their needs
- Funded by NHS England and designed by Kendall Kingscott, this project is part of a broader initiative to reduce waiting times for appointments and surgeries

"I wanted to congratulate all the teams involved in the project to transform Ridgeway Ward into a dedicated elective orthopaedic unit. It looks fantastic and is already making a difference to patients. It will help us to reduce waiting lists, treat patients more quickly and enable them to go home sooner to continue their recovery."



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