



City Hall – Willmott Dixon

Jobs created
9

Total project cost
£12m

Supply chain
25.02%
Total spend on
companies within 10 miles

About the project

Substantial refurbishment of two city centre buildings to provide new offices for Leicester City Council staff. The project involved converting a 75-year-old building into a new civic centre for the city plus the internal refurbishment of a nearby 1960s office block to create local authority offices.

What Constructing Leicester delivered

As the contract exceeded £3.5m, Constructing Leicester used procurement to promote investment in skills.

One of the conditions when awarding the contract was an agreement to an employment and skills plan for the development. Detailed benchmarked outputs against fourteen employment and skills areas meant there was a focus on using sub-contractors located close to the project to bring a benefit to the local economy.

Local firms were engaged to provide windows, scaffolding and building services. There were also several opportunities for work placements and skills development. It delivered:

- **20.2%** of total spend on local employment within 10 miles
- **3** Work placements
- **2** Construction curriculum support activities
- **4** Apprentice starts
- **4** S/NVQ starts for subcontractors
- **4** Existing apprentices

“Willmott Dixon has not only delivered on our project across Leicester on time and on budget, but they have delivered other benefits to the local community – such as apprenticeships and skills development, and have used our local supply chains.”

Frank Jordan,
strategic director,
City Development and
Neighbourhoods,
Leicester City Council