

Life Centre Wigan

Customer:
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Location:
Wigan

Contractor:
Morgan Sindall

Subcontractor:
Parpac

Architect:
CE/AStudio

Product:
Polar Single Glazed,
Komfire 75,
Komfire 100



Background:

For a multi-million pound public service and leisure hub in the centre of Wigan, Stringent requirements for fire and acoustic performance were the principal drivers to the project leading to the specification of Komfort products throughout

The Building:

The South site features a Healthy Living Zone with gym, swimming pool and fitness studio as well as health and wellbeing services, whilst the North contains a neighbourhood zone, library, soft play area and a one-stop shop for public services.

The Brief in Brief:

With the amount of glazing on site, and the fact that it had to be hand maneuvered into position on each floor of both buildings meant that health and safety was a major consideration and advisors were heavily involved on site.

“Each section of partitioning had to be hand-carried up to the required floor which required thorough risk assessment and substantial health and safety planning in order to work this around the other areas of the build. Thanks to a strategic plan we were able to safely install all the partitioning on both sites.”

Due to health and safety requirements, and for certification, Komfort had a significant role to play in the supply, delivery and installation of each piece of glass.

Komfort's Solution:

Following discussions with architects LCE / AStudio, main contractor Morgan Sindall and sub-contractor Parpac, Komfort's partitioning systems, handrail & balustrading and doorsets and ironmongery were specified for The Life Centre in Wigan.

Komfort's Project Sales Manager worked closely with all parties to meet the spec throughout both sites, which sit on either side of Wigan Town Hall. The agreed solution was to use Komfort's Komfire 75, Komfire 100 and Polar with Trojan sliding doors.

On special request from the architect, all the doorsets were supplied fully painted and as much work was done offsite as possible in order to retain as much control over the finished appearance as possible. The mortice locks for the doors were also factory fitted and were delivered on site ready to be installed. Aside from the design, this approach also ensured compliance for fire and acoustic certification.

The End Result:

Clare Church, Project Manager from Parpac added: “The entire installation of Komfort's products took around 14–16 weeks for both sites. Considering the scale of the build with that much glass, the valuable planning and safety precautions taken prior to installation ensured a smooth execution of works.”

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