



Fylde Court

A six storey timber frame student accommodation project to house UCLAN students, situated in the heart of the city centre in close proximity to the university.

Location: **Preston**



Fylde Court - Preston

Situated in the heart of the city centre close to the main university campus this six-storey timber frame building will provide accommodation for UCLAN students. The development consists of 226 en-suite rooms and 20 studios.

Project Summary

Built on the former site of the Jubilee Trading Estate, the fully boarded timber frame scaffold was built inside a very challenging footprint. The project consisted of two blocks and a communal building incorporating intricate part hexagonal-shaped entrance areas. This required constructing a series of individual towers, in line with the entrance profile. Also, the communal building was bullet-shaped into a point bullnose which required part of the external access scaffold to be built free-standing. The scaffold was initially erected to service the timber frame sub-contractor then subsequently the building envelope trade(s) including external brickwork, curtain walling and timber boarding.

Value Engineering

The customer requirements were for a solution enabling omission of ledger bracings within the lifts while providing a solution to allow additional inside boards quickly after removal of the initial hop-up brackets for the timber frame.

This was achieved using Enigma's transom units which are a higher specification than those used by most of our competitors, and also allow the omission of ledger bracing; as well as the use of telescopic transoms that can be extended in seconds, allowing the fitting of inside boards.

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