



Harplands Hospital - Acute Psychiatric Unit

THE TASK:

TPS was part of the team appointed by North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust to build an Acute Psychiatric Unit in Stoke on Trent. The project procured under the Government PFI scheme was classed as a Pathfinder project, meaning that it was been selected as one of the first projects of its type from which other similar projects around the country can follow.

TPS's innovative design for the £17m scheme involved the creation of single storey living spaces and beds for 150 patients. The Trust requested that a "relaxed, informal and homely atmosphere" was created with "no feeling of being institutionalised".

Secure gardens are also provided for which the landscaping needed to take particular account of the method of applying the necessary security. The building also had to be suitable for people of limited ability and those in wheelchairs.

CLIENT:

North Staffordshire
Combined Healthcare NHS
Trust

SERVICES:

- Full multi-disciplinary design

TYPE;

Healthcare