



WAGSTAFF WORKPLACES

YEOVIL COLLEGE

Location:	Yeovil
Architect:	Kendall Kingscott
Design:	Wagstaff Design Team
Space Status:	Occupied
Sector:	Education
Scope:	Workplace Consultancy, Interior Design, Furniture Supply & Installation
Project Value:	£250-300k
Completion:	January 2022

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Project Overview

We assisted Yeovil College in the refurbishment of an existing building on the college campus, transforming their space into a new state of the art 'Health Education Science Centre' (HESC).

We worked closely with the college, to get a really good understanding of their requirements for the new spaces, carrying out numerous meetings with individual staff members and the senior teams to fully understand their aims.

We put together designs for all of the spaces within the building, including: science labs, flexible and agile learning environments, early years & primary settings, hospital wards and community care settings.

We forged a strong relationship with the college's architect and surveyors to bring their vision to life, and ensure each area represents a truly reflective, industry-standard workspace.

The real-life, working environments have enabled students to gain practical and real life-like experiences in spaces which reflect the settings in which they will begin their careers. They will receive a real sense of understanding about what skills and behaviours they need to be successful in for their future careers





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We played an integral part in selecting all of the finishes to the building, including flooring, walls, fabrics, blinds, door frame finishes, and carefully selected a variety of workspace and breakout furniture that suited the client's brief. Each space boasts geometric designs on the walls in carefully considered bright colours to provide a dynamic feel, whilst also having soft greys and blacks to desks, blinds & chairs bringing in a calmer palette to balance the overall look/feel. The science labs each have a colour focus of green or blue to their teaching walls and chairs, allowing the learners to easily identify the space they're in, whilst having fixed furniture with Trespa work tops in different shades of grey.

A mixture of tables on castors and folding tables, were selected to allow flexibility within their spaces, so they could move from desk-based learning to more practical based learning – including incorporating VR Experiences in to their lessons.

The college are also moving to technology-based learning where students will 'bring your own device', and so we ensured some of the classrooms had fixed tables with power on the desks for students to easily plug in where needed.



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One of our personal favourite areas was the collaborative workspace which is a hybrid space used for both collaboration meetings and lessons. We brought a mix of breakout soft seating, including high back chairs and two-person work booths, to encourage more of a relaxed less formal environment for 1 to 1's. The space also holds a mix of high and low desks (on castors of course) for group learning that can easily be reconfigured around the central space.

Wagstaff designed and supplied all of the science lab furniture including the fixed perimeter benching, central island desks and the large storage walls. We worked closely with the college to ensure storage was efficient and maximised within these areas.

The installation of the labs consisted of 3-4 weeks on site, and 1-2 weeks for the loose furniture installation. We had the challenge of installing a large amount of loose & lab furniture whilst the contractor was on site, due to tight timeframes and the program being delayed slightly. This was a challenge at times, but we were able to work closely with the college, the contractor and the architect to ensure a harmonious install and delivery on time for the client. The client is extremely pleased with the building, and they have had some fantastic feedback from their staff and students.







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