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Morgan Sindall to revitalise historic Norfolk police station

Morgan Sindall is on site delivering major improvements at the Grade II listed King's Lynn Police Station.

The £3.1 million project for The Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk is already underway and will be completed in three phases.

During the first phase of works, the project team will demolish the rear part of the building to facilitate the installation of a two-storey temporary accommodation unit for 150 staff based at the station.

This temporary accommodation block will be used while the existing building is being refurbished. This will be removed towards the end of the project to make way for a new police vehicle car park.

After the first phase of work, the firm will complete demolition works and then construct an atrium at the rear of the police station which will form a new staff entrance. The team will also deliver a new staircase, storage facilities, a new lift shaft and internal refurbishment works.

During the 45-week project, the site team will also construct several workshops, where police vehicles will be maintained and stored, as well as several new bicycle shelters.

Due to the listed status of the existing police station, Morgan Sindall will install new windows in keeping with the original design and main façade of the building. The company will also restore the original clock tower which is currently not in use.

Deputy Chief Constable, Nick Dean, said: "King's Lynn Police Station was built in 1954 and has been in need of modernisation for some time. The ongoing costs to maintain and upgrade this type of building are extensive so this investment, in bringing the police station into the 21st century, is long overdue. This ensures one of our major police stations in the country is brought right up to date enabling us to provide an enhanced service to our community whilst at the same time, delivering greater cost efficiencies."

Lorne Green, Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk, said: "I am pleased that we can preserve a listed building which is a cornerstone of King's Lynn's rich architectural heritage, while making it fit for 21st century policing."

Gavin Napper, area director at Morgan Sindall, said: "We're delighted to have been appointed to this exciting project. Buildings like this one are deep-rooted in history and should be treasured and preserved. They can often fall into disrepair if they're neglected but with the proper care and attention they can continue to be a rich and valuable part of our community's heritage."

"Morgan Sindall is well versed in the refurbishment of listed buildings and we're really looking forward to giving King's Lynn police station a new lease of life on the inside whilst maintaining its historic exterior."

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