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Morgan Sindall wins contract to remodel Weymouth Council offices

Morgan Sindall has been appointed to deliver a £750,000 refurbishment to two council premises in Weymouth.

The renovations are part of Weymouth and Portland Borough Council's wider plan to downsize from their main office at North Quay in order to save £2 million in essential building repair work and annual running costs.

The project will see Morgan Sindall remodel the council's Crookhill offices on Chickerell Road. The completed work will create a bright, modern and open-plan work space which will provide additional office space for around 50 council workers.

The second part of the project consists of interior alterations to a former children's nursery on Commercial Road, to create a mayoral parlour, several meeting rooms and a public reception room.

Cllr Jeff Cant, Finance and Assets Briefholder at Weymouth and Portland Borough Council, said: "After a rigorous tendering process, we are looking forward to Morgan Sindall delivering our new town centre, cheaper-to-run offices, on time and to the high standards for which the firm is known.

"We have consulted widely to try to create an office that meets our residents' needs. The new offices will be mainly appointment based but will still cater for residents needing to come in on an ad-hoc basis.

"Our thanks are due for the patience our employees have shown during this reorganisation and the high standards of service they have maintained during an unsettling period."

The new office space will be used by council staff who are currently based at Weymouth and Portland Borough Council's main North Quay office, which has outline planning permission for a creative scheme based on a view of the original harbourside consisting of a mixed use development of 72 homes and 216 sq m of commercial space. Selling the North Quay premises will also release a substantial sum for reinvestment in the borough.

Jon Daines, special works director for Morgan Sindall, said: "We're delighted to be assisting Weymouth and Portland Borough Council with its plans to deliver these efficiencies. The interior construction work will provide a fit-for-purpose and comfortable modern office space for council workers who will be able to move into their new premises from spring 2016."

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