

# News

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## **We've delivered four 21st Century schools through SEWSCAP**

Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure, has handed over four schools in Wales that it has delivered through the South and Mid Wales Collaborative Construction Framework (SEWSCAP).

Howardian School and Glan Morfa School were both delivered for Cardiff Council. Cwmaman Primary School and Tonyrefail's 'super school' were both delivered for Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council.

Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure was selected by both councils to build the schools, which have been delivered under the auspices of the Welsh Government's 21st Century Schools programme.

Jointly funded by Cardiff Council and the Welsh Government, the £5.7 million Howardian Primary School is a 2,500 sq ft two-story primary built to a tight footprint on a highly populated residential estate - replacing the existing primary school.

Constructed using a mix of brick, metal and rainscreen cladding, the school - which can accommodate up to 420 pupils - includes external multi-use games area (MUGA) pitches, has state of the art mechanical and electrical systems (M&E) and its own building management system (BMS). Built to be extremely energy efficient, the school is aiming for a BREEAM rating of excellent.

The other school for Cardiff Council, Ysgol Glan Morfa, in the Splott area of the city, is a £6.2 million scheme; again jointly funded by the local authority and Welsh Government and developed within a tight city centre environment.

Clad in brickwork, render and composite cladding and designed to be sympathetic to its semi-residential, semi-industrial location, the school was developed on the brownfield site of the former East Morris Steelworks, next to the existing primary school.

Because of the location, works included extensive capping of soft landscaped areas in order to make the external playing fields suitable for school use. The new school also includes a dedicated 5-a-side pitch and a tarmac/3G MUGA with fencing and integrated goal areas.

The new development has enabled the school to double in size and benefit from new and up to date facilities and technology.

In addition, because the community room and school hall can be easily segregated from the teaching areas inside the building, there is also the potential for the school to be used by the community outside of school hours.