

Case Study

Project Name: Albert House Phase 1

Project Value: £450,000

Timeline: 6 months

Client: Starstruck Ltd

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Description of work carried out:

Located in the centre of Durham Albert House is a listed four storey building which over the years has had many uses but most recently was used by the post office for offices and training rooms.

The proposed scheme is for the conversion of Albert House into 11No student bedsit rooms over the four floors with 2No bedsits on the ground floor and 3no bedsits on the floors above.

Kapex have built up a good working relationship with Starstruck through repeat business and were requested to have early involvement with this project to enable value to be added to design, cost and time and ensure client expectation can be exceeded which will then be passed onto the end users achieving a very marketable product.

The build will see the introduction of new timber flooring, drylining walls and new services. The building is currently joined to what was the main post office by a link bridge which will be removed during construction creating two separate building with individual electric and water connections.

New timber windows will be installed in keeping with the listed building status but meeting the current U-value requirements.

The finishes will be of a high standard but also functional for easy maintenance throughout the use of the building as student accommodation.

External lighting will complement the surrounding area making the most of this historic building and riverside location and creating a safe environment for the end users.