

Bridgend - HM Prison Parc - Category B - 850 beds

Known as DCMF (Design, Construct, Manage and Finance) project, procured under the UK Governments Private Finance Initiative, HMP & HMYOI Parc is operated by G4S on behalf of Bridgend Custodial Services Ltd.

Parc Prison was one of the first private prisons to be operational in the UK. Opened in 1997 the prison provides 800 Cat B male places for Welsh prisoners. The project was the first signed PFI project for the Home Office, representing a ground breaking change in prison procurement for Her Majesty's Prison Service.

Allowing for the contours of the site the two House blocks are aligned with the slope. This is then further mitigated with a terraced area which accommodates the central green space and provides the step down between the two linear runs of buildings, limiting the extent of earth works required.

All cells have integral sanitation and mains power and are sized to accommodate up to two prisoners, as allowed for within European Union law. All wings have hot water boilers, TV rooms and video rooms. Accommodation is arranged over three house blocks, containing ten units each designed to house from 75 to 90 prisoners each.

Much attention was paid to the screening of the perimeter wall with the careful use of landscaping. Indigenous species were included in the scheme as well as the protection of existing trees outside the footprint of the development. To the southerly most open aspect, a low screen bund with tree and shrub planting was included to limit potential views.



HMP PARC HOUSE BLOCK



ASSOCIATION AREA



HOUSE BLOCK CLADDING DETAIL



INTERNAL VIEW



CLOCK TOWER