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Project: Hillside Primary School, Portlethen



Fixing System:

Screw fix to timber - Plastestrip

Architect:

Aberdeenshire Council

Main Contractor:

Morrison Construction Ltd

Brief:

A competitively priced but sustainable façade option that can offer maximum durability and retain its appearance for years to come

How VIVALDA helped:

Due to a long standing and trusted relationship with the project contractors, VIVALDA supported on the cut and supply of Rockpanel cladding, ensuring it was priced competitively to suit the client's budget.

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Hillside Primary is a much awaited school development which opened its doors in August 2016, to help ease the pressure on neighbouring schools. This £13 million development is Potlethen's third school addition to the area, catering for up to 355 pupils and 62 members of staff.

Rockpanel Woods was used to create a beautifully modern and eco-friendly building, which reflects the 'green' ethos of the school. ROCKPANEL Woods boards are produced from compressed natural basalt, a sustainable and readily available volcanic rock, offering the benefits of stone with the warmth of woods.

Using 8mm Rockpanel durable panels, the architects blended four colours from the Woods colour range; ceramic oak, carbon oak, rhinestone oak and slate oak, plus elements of Rockclad in stone grey. Rockpanel Wood panels are unique in design, with an innovative process to ensure there is no repetition of the wood grain pattern – giving you a true likeness to wood in up to 17 different designs. Chosen for durability, the panels are treated with a 4-layer water-based high quality coating to lock in the colour for years to come. Plus the whole range is finished with an additional protective ProtectPlus layer, ideal for environments which experience high footfall.

VIVALDA Scotland were suppliers of choice for the project, down to the trusted relationship with our contractors to fulfil the project requirements in terms of cost, accuracy of cut and efficient delivery to site.

To offer competitive prices, VIVALDA work in partnership with major manufacturers as Rockpanel to deliver not only the best possible pricing in the industry, but to also gain the benefits of training and product knowledge directly from our manufacturers. This ensures VIVALDA are highly knowledgeable about the product ranges, fixing methods and accessories that are available from the manufacturer to support a client's decision.

A key requirement in any educational setting is always safety. This extends to the cladding system also. Fire performance was a key requirement from an external façade and Rockpanel Wood Durable offers the reassurance of B-s2,d0 fire performance as standard, a hugely favourable rating compared to standard high pressure laminate alternatives. Add to this an expected product lifetime in excess of 60 years, it's easy to see how the facade meets the brief of a high performance facade.





We feel confident that VIVALDA will always offer the best advice on our products to ensure the client is happy.



Ann Bone. Area Sales Manager for ROCKWOOL B.V / Rockpanel Group





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