

Department of Defense HQ

Newbridge, Kildare

Having participated in a design and construct tender competition, Elliott Group were appointed for the design and construction of a 7,700 square metre office facility as part of the Government Decentralisation Programme. The building accommodates 260 government officials and is located on a greenfield site at Newbridge, County Kildare.

In line with Department of Defense requirements, this is a secure facility with high spec offices for department staff. The construction includes a complete fit-out to a detailed client brief. Key features include; Highly energy-efficient design with 50% of energy requirements compared to other modern office environments. Natural ventilation with night cooling of exposed concrete slabs, wood pellet boiler providing heating and hot water, aluminum brise soleil, with additional sun shading provided by silver birch trees.

High-security facility with moat to front boundary, beam protection to perimeter wall, "Pilomat" bollards, double entrance, smoke & fire protection, and concealed escape routes. Compatibility with the local environment, extensive landscaping providing views of green spaces to all offices.

The project delivers a high-quality office facility to a competitive budget and forms a key component of the Government Decentralisation Programme.

This project was awarded a BREAAAM Excellent rating.



Client:	OPW, 51 St, Stephen Green, D2
Value:	€24,000,000
Size:	9,000 m ² office, 3,000 m ² refurbishment
Duration:	12 Months
Architect:	Murray O'Laoire Architects
Services Engineer	PH McCarthy www.wyg.ie
C&S Engineer	PH McCarthy www.wyg.ie