

Fire alarm and lighting in a health centre that never shut

Wythenshawe, Manchester · healthcare · £150k to £250k · 10 weeks of evenings and weekends



CLIENT
A primary care landlord, for a health centre with three GP practices

MAIN CONTRACTOR
Direct for the landlord

CONSULTANT
The landlord's fire engineer

LOCATION
Wythenshawe

SECTOR
Healthcare

CONTRACT VALUE
£150k to £250k

PROGRAMME
10 weeks of evenings and weekends

FLOOR AREA
1,900 m² over two floors

FORM OF CONTRACT
JCT Minor Works Building Contract

OUR ROLE
Principal contractor

COMPLETED
June 2025

OCCUPIED THROUGHOUT
Yes: three GP practices held clinics every weekday

SAFETY
0 lost-time incidents

0

clinic sessions cancelled

212

addressable fire alarm devices

0

hours without fire alarm cover

100%

of escape routes on self-test emergency lighting

THE BRIEF

A primary care landlord needed the fire alarm and lighting replaced in a Wythenshawe health centre that houses three GP practices and opens every weekday.

WHAT WE WORKED AROUND

Work only after the last clinic and at weekends, with every room clean before the morning list. The old fire alarm kept working until the new one was proved, zone by zone. Infection control rules in every clinical room, agreed with the practice managers.

OUR SOLUTION

We worked after the last clinic and at weekends, zone by zone. Each zone of the new addressable system was installed, tested and witnessed before the old one was disconnected, so the building was never without detection, and every room was cleaned to the practices' standard before the morning.

THE RESULT

No clinic session was cancelled, the building was never without fire alarm cover, and the new system had no false alarms in its first six months.

HANDOVER

Fire alarm design, installation and commissioning certificates, the zone chart, emergency lighting certificates and the logbooks, filed in the landlord's portal.