

Press Release

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Britspace BREEAM Award for Modular Prison Gatehouse

A new prison gatehouse at HMP Wealstun in Yorkshire has won the BREEAM award for prisons at the 2011 BREEAM Awards, held at the Ecobuild exhibition in London.

Manufactured off site by Britspace, the new gatehouse utilises some of the latest off site technologies and eco-friendly solutions. Some key features include:



- Low Zero Carbon technologies: Hot water produced via a solar thermal system (supplemented by a gas boiler)
- Rainwater harvesting system
- Highly sustainable materials specification (awarded all three credits plus exemplary level credit)
- A CCS score of 36 (awarded both credits plus exemplary level credits) - Contributed by ISG
- Very low water use fittings
- Sub metered substantial energy uses
- Zoned heating and lighting systems

Working in partnership with ISG, the Britspace building achieved a BREEAM rating of Excellent with a score of 74.1%. BREEAM sets the standard for best practice in sustainable design and has become one of the most comprehensive and widely recognised measures of a building's environmental performance.

Notes for Editors:

- Publication imagery is available upon request
- Founded in 1972, Britspace now has the capacity to output over 80 modules per week, equating to 1,200m² which is enough to cover a football pitch in just 1 month

- Offsite construction vastly reduces a construction programme and with fewer trades on site, improvements in health and safety standards, increases in the level of quality and with less waste removal, reduces the carbon footprint of a project.
 - Through the construction recession of the last two years, Britspace has expanded the business by 30%
 - During the last 5 years, Britspace has maintained 0 RIDDOR accidents on site
 - For over 15 years, Britspace has held a BBA structural guarantee for permanent buildings
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