

PFI DATA SHEET

FERRYFIELD HOUSE LOTHIAN PRIMARY CARE NHS TRUST



Background

Ferryfield House was the first NHS facility provided in Scotland through the PFI route. It opened in October 1996, and represented a capital investment of £2.5 million at that time by Edinburgh Healthcare (now Lothian Primary Care) NHS Trust.

Ferryfield was the first 60-bed model of this new style of NHS care of the elderly to be developed in Lothian. It provides 30 beds for frail elderly and 30 for those with dementia. It is a single storey building with two distinct wings designed for the care they provide.

It was a replacement for the old Northern General Hospital which, while originally opened 100 years earlier, had diminished in size and scope of care to leave only two remaining wards after 1981. In February 1996, building work on Ferryfield started which led to the closure and demolition of one ward, leaving only one last ward open.

The provision of this facility was very much in line with the Lothian strategy for care of the elderly.

Facts

The facility provides: -

- 60 inpatient beds, 48 provided in single bedrooms and 12 provided in six twin rooms.
- 24-hour nursing care, with medical support provided by the

local GP practice and visiting consultants

- Support from the professions allied to medicine
- A pleasant homely environment, which enables privacy and dignity
- Bright, modern comfortable dining and 'quiet room' facilities and a therapeutic 'reminiscence' room.

Gardner Merchant provide FM services to Ferryfield House, including catering, domestic and portering services. James Walker (Leith) Ltd provide maintenance.

Facts: -

Sponsor – Edinburgh Healthcare NHS Trust (now Lothian Primary Care NHS Trust)

Contact – Andreana Adamson, Planning Director (0131 537 9518)

Consortium – James Walker (Leith) Ltd and Gardner Merchant (now called Sodhexo)

Capital Value - £2.50 million

Contract Length – 25 years

Status – Operational

Advisers to the Trust: -

Financial – Coopers & Lybrand

Legal – Central Legal Office

Senior Lender – No Bank involvement