

# PFI DATA SHEET

## STRATHCLYDE POLICE FORCE TRAINING CENTRE PFI PROJECT



### Background

The Force's main objectives were to:

- replace the existing inadequate facilities at Oxford Street, Glasgow with a new training and recruitment centre providing modern and effective facilities for the 9,500 plus employees of the Force.
- provide facilities offering value for money as well as being affordable.

After earlier acceptance and approval to proceed with the procurement of the new facilities, a Steering Group was set up in April 1996 to progress the project. The OJEC Contract Notice was advertised in January 1997 and the Invitation to Negotiate was issued to four consortia in April 1997. After evaluation of bids, two bidders were invited to submit Best and Final Offers (BAFO) by January 1998. Subsequently, the preferred bidder selected was Babcock & Brown Properties.

The site for the new Force Training and Recruitment Centre is off Eaglesham Road, Jackton to the South West of East Kilbride Town Centre. The location is situated centrally within the Strathclyde area with good transport links. The area of the site comprises a total of 18.9 hectares (46.7 acres).

### Key Features and Benefits

Financial and contractual close was reached in December 1999. Construction commenced in April 2000 with the new Centre becoming fully operational in October 2001.

The new facility is based on the following key requirements:

- provision of first class working and training facilities meeting the needs of the Force.
- a modern, purpose built centre with sufficient, appropriate accommodation for the recruiting and training functions.
- centralising in-force training facilities on one site.
- introduction of practical training areas – indoors and outdoors.
- a purpose built firearms range.
- enhanced Conference Centre, Lecture Hall and Health & Fitness facilities.
- potential for further development to meet future expansion/needs of the Force.
- built in facilities for the disabled.
- sufficient parking facilities for site users.

### Facts

**Sponsor:** Strathclyde Joint Police Board  
**Contact:** Inspector John Mcdougall  
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**Project Co:** Babcock & Brown Properties  
(including Babcock Brown Ltd., Balfour Beatty Ltd., Rentokil Initial Ltd. and Hypo Und Vereinsbank)

**Capital Value:** £27.5m

**Contract Length:** 25 years

**Financing:** Hypo Und Vereinsbank

### Advisers to Strathclyde Joint Police Board

**Technical:** Project Management International plc

**Financial :** PricewaterhouseCoopers

**Legal:** Burness

**Status:** Operational

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