



Kilmarnock College

Editorial

Once again we will tempt fate to say that our workload is holding up well in the face of a deepening recession. Our biggest potential project, that for Banff & Buchan College is currently at the nail-biting stage where we have had to tender for the implementation stage of what we have come to regard as 'our' project. Working as a consortium along with our colleagues FBN and Axis Mason we have passed from first stage prequalification to second stage tender and interview.

ARUP EDINBURGH

We can now positively report that **haa design's** plans for Arup's new offices in South Queensferry are on site and fully underway. Scotstoun House, the 1967 grade B listed building by Peter Fogo is reverting to a large open-plan office with meeting rooms, toilets and other support spaces being rehoused in a new wing to the east, hugging the wall of the old (original Scotstoun House) kitchen garden. The new extension now becomes a second "inhabited wall" facing onto the courtyard, enlivening it and forming a counterpoint to the Peter Fogo 1967 listed pavilion - a challenging exercise, especially with such an eminent bedfellow, and being closely watched by Historic Scotland and, we suspect, by one or two fellow architects.

ARUP GLASGOW

**haa design** are also engaged in the fitting out of Arup Scotland's new Glasgow office which is due to occupy the top floor of STV Group's Pacific Quay offices. With wonderful views over the Clyde and a huge skylight in the middle of the roof, the new offices will be bright, light and colourful, following the new aesthetic recently set up by Arup in their London and Watford offices.

KILMARNOCK COLLEGE 1

**haa design** have completed a rapid but punchy exercise revamping the College's teaching restaurant. Located in a portacabin and due for demolition in just a few years when the College will hopefully be engaged in a major new build project, the restaurant nevertheless had to make an impact and establish that air of professionalism which the College hopes to instill in its catering and other students.

KILMARNOCK COLLEGE 2

Following a limited competition **haa design** have been selected to create a new Student Development Centre and Reception facility for the College. Once again working to a limited budget and creating what will be a short term facility until the College relocates to its new site, the design is nevertheless required to establish a vision and new mode of operation. The SDC will occupy the old assembly hall, double height and with lots of 'wow', it poses challenging environmental as well as space planning problems.



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GLASGOW UNIVERSITY TEACHING SPACES

Following their previous exercise for the University plotting the functionality of their lecture hall spaces and helping to set a programme for targeted improvement in line with new teaching trends, **haa design** have been appointed to undertake a similar exercise looking at teaching spaces. The same issues of flexibility and functionality to meet a changing agenda arise, trying to establish the appropriate metrics and then capture them in a way that is simple and usable.



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### TURNER GROUP

haa design's proposals for the Turner Group's Glasgow offices are now complete, realising the company's aspiration to progress and refresh not only their workplaces, but their corporate brand. haa design appear to have hit the mark in giving the organisation a simple, but smart and professional new image.



Lethington Road

### LETHINGTON ROAD

Following our picture of a 'bomb site' in our last newsletter we are happy to report that this same space has become a bright and comfortable family home, without too much trauma along route.....

### 123 ST VINCENT STREET

haa design are working with King Sturge on behalf of AVIVA to modernise the atrium of Glasgow's 123 St Vincent Street, at the same time as dealing with issues of security and access for maintenance. The hope is also to improve the usability of this space by softening it at low level, giving it more of a human scale and making it suitable for casual meetings. Still a building site and, until recently, a forest of scaffold poles, we hope that we have not tested the patience of users to breaking point.



123 St Vincent Street

### ADAM SMITH COLLEGE

haa design have been retained to work with the College to find ways in which their existing buildings can be modified to respond to new ideas in learning and teaching. Our brief is also to work with a cross section of learners, teachers and support staff to develop with them an understanding of the issues involved. We have organised a series of workshops ranging from a "Speakeasy" to a Design Session to flush out opportunities and concerns and .....sympathy for the designer who has ultimately to pull it all together.



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### ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN SCOTLAND

haa design are working with the A+DS Schools Programme and The Lighthouse to look at the way learning environments within schools might be designed differently, specifically with new ways of learning in mind. In particular haa design's role is to look at existing buildings and how generic opportunities might be found to modify what is inevitably the bulk of our school building stock.



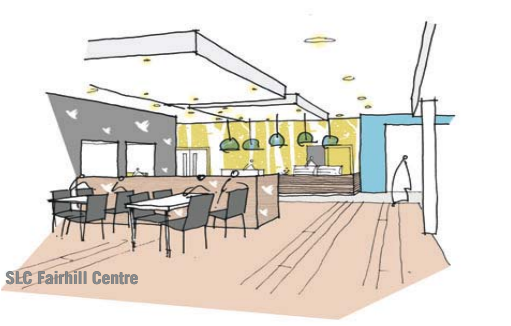
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### SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

haa design are pleased to report that they have been retained for another year working to South Lanarkshire Council's Social Work Department. Current projects include the extension to the Lifestyle Cambuslang and refurbishment of Dewar House Care Home in Hamilton, where we have been creating interiors to support the organisation's mission to improve the quality of their care provision at all levels and within all care sectors. Two earlier projects, the David Walker Care Home and the Carluke Integrated Community Facility, are now on site and we hope to be able to report on their progress in our next newsletter.



SLC Fairhill Centre

### haa design's NEW OFFICE

We have a fantastic design for our new office due to take shape at no 30 Bell Street in Glasgow's Merchant City. Trouble is that will have to take shape in stages - but then we said that part of the purpose was to suffer some of our own medicine. We look forward to a great opening party in the autumn.

### ANNICKBANK

Following haa design's competition success, along with Speyroc in being selected to develop the new sustainable business park for Irvine Bay Regeneration Company at Annickbank, we are pleased to report that the project has the go ahead to develop the infrastructure of the park together with its first four units. There have already been strong notes of interest from potential tenants confirming that the location and amenities provided are much in demand.



Annickbank Development

### BAM

haa design are working with BAM (formerly HBG) to fit out their new Edinburgh offices. Designed to compliment their new Glasgow Offices in Steps, the major task has been to go from appointment to completion in a mere 4 months.

### BANFF & BUCHAN COLLEGE

This major project progresses. A submission of the College's Full Business Case was made to the Scottish Funding Council in March and its Gateway 2 approval is anticipated in May. The design has been taken to RIBA stage D with the submission of a detailed Planning Application.



Banff & Buchan College



haa design - we're on the move!

### QUICKFIRE NEWS

When is the right time to move office? One might argue not when it is a recession and business is particularly uncertain. But then recessions also offer bargains and recessions should be times when you look particularly carefully to see whether you are operating efficiently and in the manner that you really want to. In haa design's case the decision to move has had a long gestation period and involves expansion but similarly represents a time to regroup in the way that we believe suits our business i.e. with close interaction as a team. If it wasn't for the recession we might be investing more confidently, but as it is we are forcing ourselves to do so with one foot on the brake, hence our two bites at the fit-out process with slightly less of an opening fanfare than we might have liked.

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