

# Darlington Memorial Hospital

<b>Project</b>	Darlington Memorial Hospital
<b>Type of Build</b>	New Build
<b>Location</b>	Darlington
<b>Lead Joiner</b>	Woodtech Joinery
<b>Contract Value</b>	£30 million

County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust is building new state-of-the-art operating theatres on the Darlington site. The exciting new £30m scheme to create operating theatres and improved healthcare facilities scheme at Darlington Memorial Hospital demonstrates the Trust's commitment to the delivery of high quality care to patients. Work is being done to build six new state of the art operating theatres, with improved technology to support efficient ways of working, where patients will benefit from purpose built, modern facilities which will support increased capacity, an improved patient experience and a reduction in patient waiting times.



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**Keith Shivers, Regional Director for Integrated Health projects said:**

"We were delighted to have been appointed by County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust as its delivery partner through the P21+ Framework, and it is gratifying that, after the design process, where we worked closely with the Trust's Estates and Clinical team, a meaningful start on site can be achieved."



All parties are working towards completing this significant development, which will undoubtedly enhance the hospitals services, by spring 2018.

## Vistamatic

Vistamatic standard vision panels were a supply only to the project at Darlington Memorial Hospital, they were open/close vision screens used in the entrance doors to the wards for the benefit of the hospital staff to observe patients whilst minimising the disruption to the other ward users. Were they also installed in the theatre doors?

P+HS Architects is a major design practice with offices in Leeds, Stokesley, North Yorkshire and Tyneside, and were responsible for specifying Vistamatic for the project.

The Darlington Memorial Hospital project would see Vistamatic working closely with Woodtech Joinery. The two companies have a lot of previous experiences working with together, most recently on the Sunderland Royal Hospital project.

Vistamatic are Woodtech Joinery's top choice due to the "first-class quality of Vistamatic's products over any others on the market and the great reputation Vistamatic hold within their field." Following on from the previous encounters with Vistamatic, Woodtech had always found their customer service second-to-none and the ease of doing business with the Vistamatic team made them the only choice when searching for privacy vision panels.

"We find the superiority and quality of the Vistamatic products in the market untouchable, therefore they were the 'only' choice in our minds for the Darlington Memorial Hospital project.

"Working with Vistamatic is always made as easy as possible and the assistance they provide is invaluable, helping the job run smoothly and always on hand to iron out any kinks.

**Kevin Oldcorn, Project Manager -  
Woodtech Joinery**

