

## Oncology Ward, Southampton General Hospital

Client // LST Projects/ Architect: Kendall Kingscott

Name // University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust

Type of Build // New Build

Location // Southampton

### Introduction

A brand new, state of the art Oncology Unit was proposed for Southampton General Hospital, to become a flagship facility for the area.

Designed to house 27 dedicated beds, cutting edge treatment rooms and medical equipment, the new Oncology Unit would provide life- saving treatment for cancer patients and essential support services to the locality.



## The Project

The University Hospital Southampton NHS Trust urgently needed to replace the outdated C3 ward, where pre-Covid, cancer care was delivered to approximately 10,000 people per year.

The brand new and considerably bigger facility offers a range of services for oncology and outpatients, and now serve as a one-stop-shop for consultant appointments, blood tests, PICC line fittings and chemotherapy treatment. The build included treatment bays, consultation rooms, a staff room, offices, an interview room and clinical stores. Works also included associated landscaping, access and parking.

Built in only 6 months as part of a £9m government grant, the opening of the new facility was a milestone day for cancer care staff as they returned "home" to UHS after more than a year spent working off site.

Tim Iveson, Professor of gastrointestinal cancer at UHS, said: "This superb new unit allows us to move treatment back to the UHS site to a much-needed, significantly more spacious location.

"With 27 treatment bays and 17 out-patient consultation rooms it will be a real benefit to the many thousands of cancer patients we care for and treat at UHS every year."



## Vistamatic

Vistamatic provided 20 privacy vision panels to Pooch Construction for the build. The privacy vision panels were needed in each patient room door.

For patient monitoring and safety, 404 x 404 FD60 fire rated panels were used. The vision panels were required to be operable from both side, with a key lock on the corridor side and an anti-ligature thumb turn on the internal side.

Vistamatic Managing Director Mark Nash said, "Vistamatic was pleased to be a part of this project, as this was a much needed mental health facility in the Rossendale area.

The Vistamatic vision panels provide patient privacy and autonomy while at the same time giving the care staff the monitoring ability they require."

