

# NEW GP SURGERY & LIBRARY SOUTHWICK, BRIGHTON

A unique opportunity arose on the existing Southwick library site to address substandard accommodation for both the library and the adjacent Manor Practice surgery. However, on a tight site, considerable difficulties had to be overcome in planning the layouts to meet both the practical needs of the Practice and County Library Service and the site constraints - which included being on the edge of a conservation area.

Following eventual receipt of Planning Approval in summer 2006, work started on site and was completed in January 2007. An energy-efficient timber frame resulted in quick erection, allowing internal trades to continue whilst the external envelope - which included traditional flint gables - progressed in parallel.

The result is a modern civic building that provides updated accommodation for both services, with light, airy spaces and uncompromised accessibility. The project has demonstrated a very successful partnership between private developer and County Council, contractor and the design team.



**CLIENT:** PMP HEALTH DEVELOPMENTS

**LOCATION:** SOUTHWICK, nr BRIGHTON

**COMPLETION:** JANUARY 2007

**VALUE:** £1,400,000