



Byron House Aylesbury, Berkshire

Byron House had been a residential care home on the site in Wendover Road for over 30 years.

The original layout which was a 'rabbit warren' of room spaces with difficulties of internal access, circulation and associated care. This led to the clients decision to extend and refurbish the premises to provide a modern quality environment for care to meet the Care Quality Commission and DDA requirements.

The completed building has been registered as a 28 bedroom dementia care unit over 3 floors. Each resident has the benefit of an en-suite bathroom with day rooms + dining areas at each level.

At 1st floor an informal library area has been introduced for the residents use along with dayrooms, dining areas, sensory + cinema room and a hairdresser's salon at Ground floor level.

Each floor has been designed to be fully accessible served by dual lifts. The 1st & 2nd floor plans have been developed around a continuous corridor or 'wandering path'. This provision for dementia residents has been designed to provide a secure and safe environment. The materials, finishes and decoration were also chosen to reinforce a calm and complementary interior.

The front elevation to Wendover Road has been refurbished with replacement sash windows, stone porches and a new contextual link between the original Victorian houses. The rear garden has been designed to incorporate a sensory area using native species of plants, which can be enjoyed via the conservatory link to a secure courtyard.

The premises was opened to residents in Summer 2014.

Client: Westgate Healthcare
Quantity Surveyor: Gregory Associates
Ecologist: Landscape Science Consultancy Ltd
Engineers: AA Gibbons
Contractors: Saunders Brothers

NEW MAIN ENTRANCE



CONSERVATORY & COURTYARD



GARDEN CAFÉ



DINING ROOM