



'ICONIC': The sports facility at Budehaven

Rubb Hub takes centre court at Budehaven Community School

Netball and tennis will be on the curriculum at new Rubb UK sports hub in Cornwall.

Gateshead based Rubb Buildings Ltd beat off competition to become the main subcontractor responsible for the design, manufacture and installation of the facility at Budehaven Community School, a specialist sports college. Rubb came onboard after main contractor Leadbitter won the contract following a competitive tender process.

The project started out as a one court tennis hall which grew into a two court hall after more funding was secured. Then the design was changed to also accommodate two netball courts. This involved increasing the height of the building while maintaining the overall footprint. The custom designed sports hall measures 39.5m x 35m with 7.2m high sidewalls of which three metres are steel clad.

Rubb was responsible for providing the steel framed superstructure which is clad with a PVDF coated polyester fabric membrane. General Manager Ian Hindmoor said: "The steel clad sidewalls add protection and the white fabric allows natural light to penetrate into the hall to provide a light and airy atmosphere ideal for both sports.

"This is the third project of its kind in the area. Rubb has already completed sports complexes for Paignton Community and Sports College and Taunton Vale Sports Club. We are looking forward to seeing the latest facility being used by the pupils of Budehaven School and the local community."

Mrs Denise May MBE, Director of Sport and Assistant Headteacher at Budehaven said: "The new facility is an iconic building for both the school and wider communities. It has enabled us to enhance the sporting provision for our 1300 students and feeder primary schools; support the development of two growing sports of netball and tennis in the town, creating centres of excellence and generating new sporting opportunities for all. The centre is now at the heart of our school and community leisure provision and in the lead up to 2012 will provide a lasting legacy."

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Highlights include ground-breaking military buildings (aircraft hangars, shelters, storage facilities), specialist sports buildings and structures for a variety of sectors including aviation, ports, construction, bulk storage and environmental (waste and recycling).

All products are designed and manufactured at Rubb's UK plant at the Team Valley Trading Estate in Gateshead, Tyne and Wear. The company was founded in 1977 and has a proud history of delivering innovative and quality structures to a wide range of clients.

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