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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	University of Kent
Project Number:	2013-0539
Country:	United Kingdom
Project Description:	The project concerns the refurbishment of existing teaching and research buildings and construction of new general teaching and residence buildings at the current University of Kent campuses. The objective is to expand, update and improve the quality of the teaching and research facilities of the university. Refurbishment and restructuring of academic and administrative space aim to improve spaces and facilities within Schools, to cater for growth in student and staff numbers and to enhance the overall student experience. The project will also improve the energy efficiency of the premises.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following key Environmental and Social outcomes at Project Completion.

During the project's implementation, the Promoter confirmed that no significant environment or social issues were noted. The Promoter has confirmed that no EIA was required for any of the project's components. The Promoter confirmed that two of the project components, the new Sibson Building and the School of Economics building both received BREEAM Excellent certification. Further, four other project components, the new Turing College Hub, the new nursery building, the refurbishment and extension of the Templeman Library and the refurbishment of the Law Clinic and Moot Room all received BREEAM Very Good certification. In addition the Sibson building received accolades from the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) for its design at regional and national level.

The Promoter also reported that during the period of the project's implementation the university has managed to achieve a 13% energy efficiency improvement across the entire campus despite the university adding an additional 27,000m² of floor space to their campus estate. Many of the project's investments will have assisted in achieving this energy efficiency improvement due to the refurbishment of existing facilities.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter during Construction that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.