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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	<i>UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE</i>
Project Number:	<i>2015-0138</i>
Country:	<i>United Kingdom</i>
Project Description:	The project concerns the first phase of the Capital Plan of the Newcastle University (NU), located in the City of Newcastle upon Tyne, and will contain the construction of new infrastructure (Urban Science Building, Richardson Road student accommodation, Conference and Learning Centre, National Ageing Science & Innovation Centre, Phase 1 of the new Engineering Building and Phase 2 of the Centre for Dementia) and the refurbishment of the University's central Armstrong Building.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The Promoter completed seven of the nine components (buildings) included in the original appraised project. Of the two components not completed, one was still under construction and the other was not progressed to implementation.

No EIAs were reported by the Promoter as required by the Competent Authority for any of the project's components. The Promoter also provided the energy performance certificates for the reconstructed Park View Student Village, showing the achievement of an "A" rating and also provided a copy of the BREEAM certificate for the Catalyst development showing it had achieved an "Outstanding" rating. Both outcomes are evidence of the Promoter's commitment to developing more sustainable and higher energy performing buildings within its campus estate. The Promoter met all environmental and social conditions and undertakings.

The Promoter also reported on additional mitigation measures employed during the demolition and construction works due to the presence of bat roosts. The Promoter provided new and additional roosts in and around the affected new buildings. The Promoter also reported on additional installations of photovoltaic panels and brown and green roofs as well as the introduction of rainwater capture, storage and attenuation devices including swales as part of a sustainable urban drainage system around many of the buildings forming part of the project.

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.