



Church Lane Building, University of York

A state-of-the-art new teaching and learning centre was created at the University of York, following a bespoke transformation by EQUANS.

Known as the Church Lane Building, the specialist facility was created to house the growing University of York Management School, as well as the Social Work and Social Policy department, who have come together to create the School of Business and Society.

The building was previously home to Smith and Nephew, before the company moved out in late 2016.

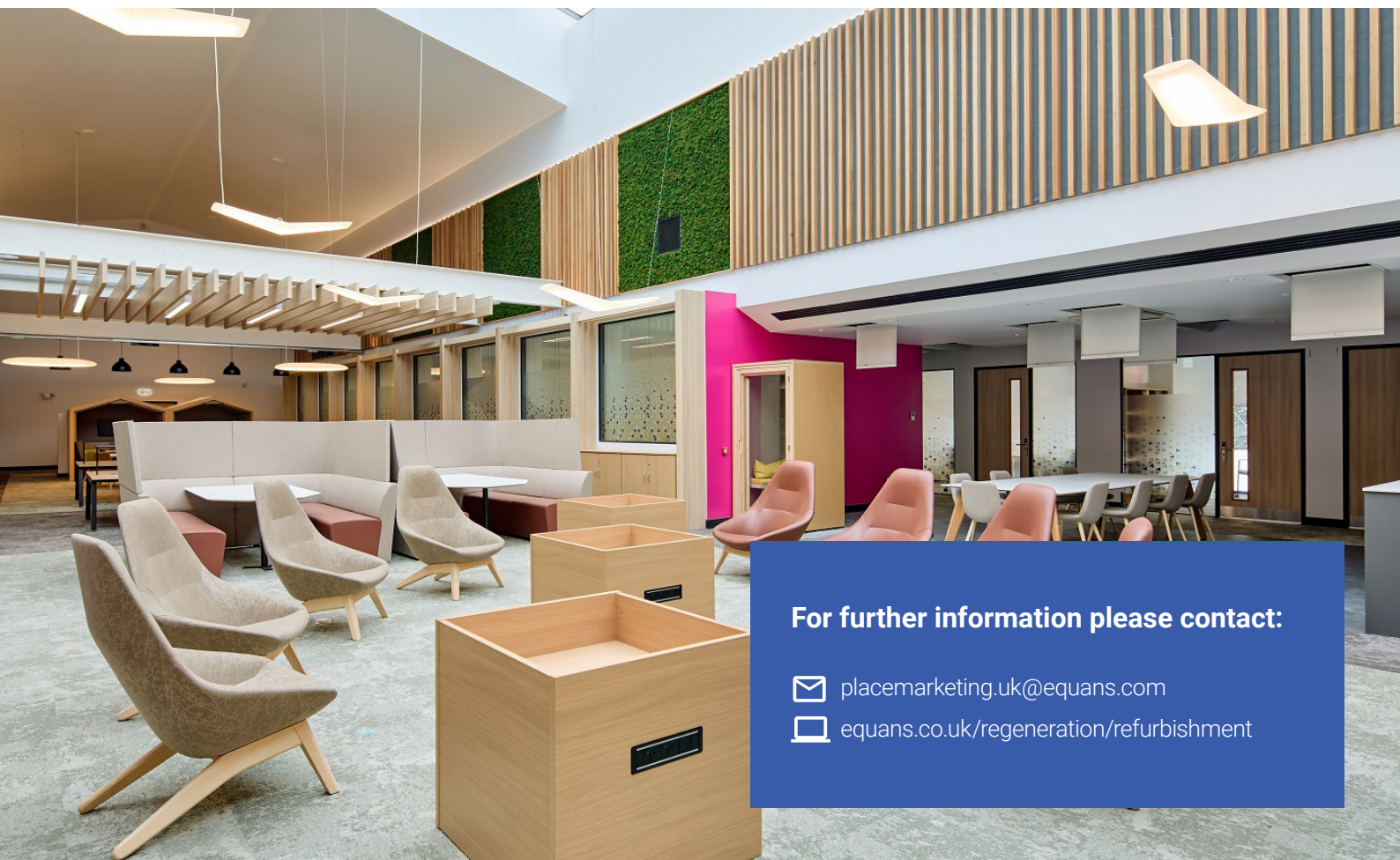
As part of the extensive refurbishment, EQUANS created six new state-of-the-art teaching rooms, 80 office spaces and multiple breakout areas, as well as a brand new café.

Sustainability was central to the project, with the use of 'green walls' covered in reindeer moss to improve environmental wellbeing and air quality, while at the same time absorbing

acoustic energy to suppress noise. Other energy-efficient features include LED lighting to showcase the modern interior and keep lighting costs to a minimum.

Sustainable transport options are encouraged with the provision of electric vehicle charging points, while those cycling to campus can leave their bikes in one of many green-roofed cycle shelters aimed at boosting biodiversity by doubling-up as a habitat for insects and bees.

Kevin Whelan, Director of Estates Operations at the University of York, said: *"The University is continually renewing its estate for the benefit of students, staff and partners. The new Church Lane Building is a fantastic addition in an ideal location between our east and west campuses offering students and staff the perfect place to learn, teach, work and socialise."*



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