

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY HALL



Client: Northumberland County Council
Project Value: £16 million
Project Details: Portland worked alongside External architects and the council's in-house architectural team to create a reinvigorated and extended County Hall featuring new reception and exhibition area, cafe, meeting suite and rationalised parking areas and pedestrian plaza.

Structurally, the project comprised three discrete areas: the extension and remodelling of the reception area, the extension and remodelling of the restaurant and the extension of the meeting suite to provide additional space. A particular challenge was the slender, colonnade effect to the new reception and this required a detailed and considered structural design to be undertaken along with detailed structural surveys of the existing 1970s building, which had previously been extended on several occasions.

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