# Perth & Kinross Council External Environmental Improvement Works





#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

CLIENT Perth & Kinross Council

PROJECT Environment Improvements

**LOCATION** Rural Perth & Kinross

RTM PCS – Open Single Stage Procedure

**CONTRACT** SBCC with Quantities (Scotland) 2016

**VALUE £3,000,000** 

**ROLE** Principal Contractor

**END DATE** August 2024

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

#### **HISTORY**

Perth & Kinross Council takes a highly proactive approach to planned investment and in 2022, brought forward a contract opportunity for an Environmental Works Programme 2022/25 via a Public Contract Scotland Single Stage open Procedure. McConnell was appointed Principal Contractor for a two-year contract term with the option of a one-year extension.

The Environmental Works contract dovetails nicely with the separate External Fabric Works contract and, with McConnell appointed as Principal Contractor on both, we have been able to add value across a wider scope of investment opportunities. Taking care of the environment is a task that we are highly passionate about. Being able to do this in support of wider community investment has been rewarding and fulfilling.

Often operating in rural communities, careful master-planning and sensitive logistic and traffic management plans have all been critical components in the successful delivery of the contract. We have diligently operated across challenging regional locations while consistently demonstrating our resilience and pro-active approach to contract delivery.

#### **PROJECT DELIVERY**

Wherever possible, we have utilised local suppliers, ensuring that more than £1,000,000 was recirculated in the local Perthshire economy via 11 local companies, where we added significant value by supporting economies of scale, employability, reduced transportation impact, and reduced CO2 emissions.

We have developed a highly collaborative and responsive relationship with the Council. Our Monthly KPI and Customer Satisfaction Scores have been consistently high, demonstrating our commitment and collaboration with our clients.

#### AT A GLANCE:

- Environmental Works Programme 2022/25 via a Public Contract Scotland Single Stage open Procedure
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#### SCOPE OF WORKS

- Light civils including retaining walls, pavements, footpaths, external staircases
- Design management
- Boundary treatments
- Groundworks
- Hard and soft landscaping
- Stonework, archways, spanned structures over watercourses
- Drainage surveying, geotechnical analysis, ground load bearing analysis, existing utility & service mapping

- Ground anchored façade retention.
- Ancillary steelwork, temporary support, bracing, wind posts and the like
- Fabrication and installation of customised metalwork and railings
- Earth moving and muck shifting
- Ground surface stabilisation
- Tree removal and other vegetation strip and removal
- Masonry façade repair and renovation

### **CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR**

- Establishing a regional office and depot in Perth placed us at the heart of the community and provided a local platform that made us more visible, accessible, and agile.
- Continuous development of a local rural supply chain has been an essential component of our
- An over-arching master-planning and logistical approach to the works has been vitally important in overcoming local constraints.
- The appointment of a Contract Management Team familiar with constraining issues in rural settings has proven invaluable.
- Working over or beside watercourses including pollution control measures in line with SEPA guidance and streambed analysis prior to start
- Management of all design activities and inputs (including CDM, structural, hydro, environmental, architectural, planning, etc)
- Managing the statutory approvals process including building standards, structures, roads, Network Rail, SEPA, floods team, and the like
- Temporary works management in line with best practice including up to Category 3

- Deploying civil projects in densely populated urban areas (H&S planning, logistical management, traffic management schemes, etc.)
- Proactive engagement with interested parties, neighbours, stakeholders, attending consultations and public meetings etc.
- Our every-day development and delivery of a focussed customer care approach that was highly communicative and sensitive to individual and collective community needs was highly appreciated by the tenants.
- Our online appointment system generated high levels of access in compliance with our programmed
- The appointment of a Community Benefit Coordinator ensured that our community engagement and sponsorship of local events was planned, robust and highly collaborative.
- Compliance with our ISO 9001, 14001 and 45001 management systems and safe operating procedures saw us deliver high quality installations with zero reportable accidents on site and the highest regard for environmental protection and waste management with more than 98% of waste being segregated, recycled and diverted from landfill.