

# CASE STUDY

# CITY OF YORK COUNCIL

## 'YORK EXPLORE' GATEWAY TO HISTORY PROJECT

'York Explore' is a Gateway to the History Library and Archive project in Central York by the City of York Council. The project incorporated the refurbishment and contemporary extension of the Grade II listed building featuring a new build archive repository. The capital works were funded through an HLF grant.

The project delivered a new environmentally close controlled bronze clad archive conservation vault, built on the existing flat roof area with links at first floor to a refurbished suite of flexible public spaces for users of the archive and local history collections. The ground floor areas and existing furniture were refurbished with an improved layout and café facilities.

Works incorporated the upgrading and linking of new electrical services, the provision of new boilers and repairs and cleaning to the roof and the front façade.

The archive vault became the new home for many of Yorks internationally important 800 year old city archive and local history library collections and the capital works are the catalyst for the beginning of a two year programme of public engagement and learning activities.

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## PROJECT OVERVIEW

### Client

City of York Council

### Architect

Bisset Adams

### Project Start/Completion

April 2011/June 2013

### Project Value

£2 million

### Appleyard & Trew's Role

Quantity Surveyor and Project Manager

### Procurement

JCT Intermediate Building Contract with Contractor's Design