

Client: Lavington School

Value: £240,000

Completion: September 2024



Lavington School – Modular Artroom

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Contract Type: Design & Build

Procurement Route: Open Procurement

Contract Value: £200,000

Completion: September 2024

Project Summary - Explore Modular was appointed to deliver a 2-bay modular building for Lavington School to provide additional space for creative arts and media activities. The building was designed to include an open-plan art room, dedicated storage, and a media room equipped for projection and screen-based teaching. The project was carried out in a live school environment and delivered in time for the new academic year.

Constraints – Restricted Access & Operational Site

The site presented a number of operational challenges:

Works were carried out during term time, requiring strict coordination with school operations.

Access to the proposed site was via a shared car park and narrow internal roads, necessitating delivery timing to avoid peak hours.

Explore Modular produced a detailed Installation & Logistics Plan, which included:

Designated exclusion zones for pupil safety.

Trackway protection for surrounding surfaces.

Coordinated crane lifts and module delivery during off-peak hours.

Stakeholder engagement with the Estates Manager and Headteacher.

Challenges, Successes, and Risk Mitigation

Challenges:

- Integrating bespoke art facilities in a compact 2-bay footprint.
- Delivering the scheme without impacting summer activities or exam preparations.
- Maintaining programme certainty despite constrained access.

Mitigation Measures:

- Explored pre-installation layouts with the client to ensure the modular format maximised usable space.
- Held weekly coordination meetings to keep key stakeholders aligned and informed.
- Pre-fabricated the units off-site, reducing time and disruption on site.

Successes:

- Delivered a fully functional, modern art and media facility on time and on budget.
- Achieved high satisfaction from school leadership and teaching staff.
- Demonstrated flexibility by adapting the standard module format to meet specialist education needs.



Project Outcomes:

- Provided Lavington School with a high-spec teaching space that enhances creative and digital learning provision.
- Improved spatial utilisation by offering integrated storage and AV capability in a small modular footprint.
- Enabled future expansion or relocation due to the flexible modular design.