

# Design

enhancing the quality of life in Gateshead

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**Sectors:** Housing renewal, education, commercial, sport & leisure, conservation, retail, health, public realm, land reclamation and interiors.

**Services offered within the following disciplines:**

Architecture, client design advisor, building surveying, civil engineering, clerks of works, electrical & mechanical engineering, facilities management, landscape architecture, project management, structural engineering, planning supervisor, BREEAM Assessor, QS/cost management, and graphics service.

**No. of staff:** 80

**Geographical areas:** Northumberland and Tyne & Wear.

**Gateshead Council's in-house consultancy for Architectural services**

- Established following successful bid under Compulsory Competitive Tendering
- Confirmed under the Policy adopted by the Council to meet Government Best Value requirements
- Complete service provider from strategic visioning, through inception, design, contract procedures and whole life maintenance
- Award winning service, operating a trading account and consistently shown to be value for money
- Successful design and build tenderer
- Consultant to Northumbria Police Authority

## Sustainability and Regeneration

### Gateshead International Business Centre

An important new building on a landmark site in the centre of Gateshead, incorporating renewable energy features including automatic controls, heat pumps and photovoltaics. A good example of a successful project, delivered in close collaboration with the private sector.

Funded through the Single Programme and ERDF.

Winner of the National Grid  
TNEI Energy Efficiency Award.

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## Building Conservation

### Saltwell Park and Saltwell Towers

The masterplan for the major restoration of Saltwell Park, the finest example of a Victorian Park in the North East included the £3m restoration of Saltwell Towers. This was a painstaking reconstruction, using conservation techniques, of a derelict mansion house to create restored accommodation for a visitor centre and central resource for the park.

Funded with assistance from the Heritage Lottery.

Winner of RICS Gold Award  
for Building Conservation.  
Nominated for the International Award

Winner of SCALA  
Civic Building of the Year Award

Winner of the Civic Trust Award 2006

