

Project Report



St Mary Magdelene Academy

St Mary Magdalene Academy opened in 2007 and over the past decade has established itself as a high achieving North London school. Examination results are consistently strong at GCSE and A Level and the Academy's focus on 'happy successful children' is at the heart of both the taught curriculum and the wide variety of enrichment activities. The Good School's Guide say "a shining example of an excellent school."

Background

Since the schools left the local authority, the CFO recognised there was no complete asset register and limited information regarding the requirement of capital to maintain the standards of the buildings.

Brief

The senior leadership team approached LitmusFM to carry out a full asset survey and prepare a lifecycle plan, to include furniture, fittings and equipment.

Approach

Our LitmusFM Asset Management and Lifecycle team visited the school to carry out an in-depth collection of asset data.

Firstly, we held a workshop with St Mary Magdalene Academy Senior Management Team to verify what they believed should be on the register. The workshop enabled a re-evaluation of what needed to be recorded and the development of a high-level futureproof strategy. The key benefit of this approach is that it confirmed a clear strategy for asset management, which included the implementation and mobilisation of an asset management and lifecycle planning process, whilst maintaining a focus on value for money, efficiency and ensuring that the key deliverables were achieved.

Following the workshop, our team collated over 2,600 assets and provided the client with a 15 year lifecycle plan on the data collected.



Outcomes

The asset register has become an essential tool for pre-planning maintenance operations at the school. The maintenance team know the function of each plant item in relation to its usage within the school and are certain that all the plant is maintained to the highest standards.

Furthermore, knowing the age of plant assets now allows for future planning for lifecycle replacement. This is important when it comes to budgeting and providing annual reports to the Education & Skills Funding Agency.

► We have been working with LitmusFM following a recommendation and they have proved to be invaluable in their role as a leading supplier of assets surveys. Asset reports have been tailored to meet our requirements and they have reported at pace any high risk items that could cause issues to the school. I would recommend their service to anyone looking to enhance their asset management.

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