

Morrison Construction lend a hand – with a very big crane

The Scottish Association for Mental Health manage the Walled Garden at Redhall just outside the city. They had a problem, as they needed to lift and reposition two portacabins at the garden.

Morrison Construction were called on to help. ESD Head of Safety, Health and Environment Michelle Cranston brought the renovations at the garden to the attention of Morrison Construction colleagues. They donated a day of labour and resources, including a great big crane to do the work. Team members from Efficient Service Delivery (ESD); a joint venture between Morrison Construction's parent company Galliford Try, Black & Veatch and Stantec were also in attendance at the crane lift.

The cabins will now be refurbished and will become a kitchen and dining space for the trainees and staff who work at the garden.



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Construction Water Operation's Director Steve Slessor said: "As a values-driven business Morrison Construction is committed to giving back to the communities we work in wherever possible.

"Our staff undertake mental health training with SAMH but we learnt about the important services Redhall Walled Garden provide from ESD colleagues who undertook their annual volunteer days here. It is a pleasure to help the staff at the

garden progress with these renovations, which we look forward to seeing once completed.’’

Redhall Walled Garden Team Leader Nicola Cole said: ‘‘We would like to thank Morrison Construction for organising this crane lift, as it has allowed us to better support those who attend the service for their mental health. Redhall offers training in horticulture, conservation, maintenance and life skills and this space will help us deliver this in a welcoming and open space.

‘‘Now we can move forward with our renovations, upgrading our facilities to provide the best environment for trainees and staff whilst delivering the best possible mental health services at the garden.’’

More than 50 trainees from Edinburgh attend the service to learn horticulture and computer skills while gaining therapeutic and social benefits from working in the garden.

