

**INDUSTRIAL**

**CONTRACT:** Harmsworth Quay,  
Didcot

**CONTRACT PERIOD:** 50 Weeks

**CLIENT:** Bowmer & Kirkland Ltd  
High Edge Court  
Heage, Belper  
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**VALUE:** £4.0 million

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:**

This project comprised the construction of a complete printing press building. Once the driven sheet piles were in place acting as a reverse shutter, construction of the coffin concrete u-frame commenced. This involved 300mm of blinding, for the 90m long structure, with a power floated slab finish. A crawling shutter was used for the 3.5 m high walls that allowed the concrete pours to be of a practical nature. The scope of works was to provide all the necessary labour, plant, materials and supervision to carry out; reduced level excavation; excavation and construction of the inertia block; the construction of concrete foundations and internal slabs to the new block; the installation of an extensive new storm and foul drainage system; installation of utility services (gas, water and electricity). We also carried out external finishing works comprising of block-paving, topsoiling to landscape areas, construction of a new access road, parking facilities, footpath, and general project completion works.

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