

Robin House Children's Hospice, Balloch, Scotland

Completed: 2005

Cladding: European Larch

(All timber structure Fire Retardant treated)

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Brief description:

This project for the Children's Hospice Association Scotland, provides residential care, play and therapy spaces and accommodation for up to 9 children and their families. It is located at Balloch, close to Loch Lomond and is designed to maximise the views over the south-facing terraced landscape and daylight without being visually intrusive.

The wave roof line, defines the entrance and day care areas to maximise daylight illumination of the interior spaces and give the building its unique visual character .

Siberian Larch heartwood is used for the timber cladding as it is naturally durable without preservative enhancement. Both leach resistant and humidity resistant type flame retardants were used to ensure the long term protection of the timber cladding from fire.

