

Case Study: Unison Clubhouse, Croyde

Croyde Bay Holiday Village is based in the gorgeous surroundings of the North Devon coast and is owned by Trade Union Unison.

The village comprises of holiday accommodation and facilities for sports and leisure, including a gym and restaurant. Many of these facilities are based inside the Unison Clubhouse, which was roofed in corrugated tin – an old material ill-suited to a focal building and in desperate need of a refresh.

The same was true of surrounding chalet accommodation – having served the visitors to Croyde Bay for many years, a refurbishment was in order so the destination could keep the appeal it had gained during its 70 plus years of service. For project advice Unison hired Chartered Surveyor Andrew Mills, who began to compare various products to find the most suitable replacement for the Clubhouse. He considered the requirements for protection against weather and vandalism and also required a lightweight product that wouldn't damage the structure of the buildings. This led to the specification of Metrotile Lightweight Steel Roofing Systems. Andrew stated:

“We have used Metrotile roofing on a number of commercial and residential projects, existing buildings and new build, the metal slates and tiles offer a number of useful alternatives when compared with traditional roofing materials, and look excellent when complete. The staff at Metrotile have provided a brilliant technical back up service to us as designers and also to the roofing contractors on site.”

Local contractors Graham Clark (of GRC) and Mark Mills were able to take advantage of Metrotile's lightweight design for a swift installation, quickly replacing the aged corrugated tin and rejuvenating the holiday village's central buildings with over 2000 Charcoal Metrotile Slate .900 profiles for extra security.

The Slate was also complimented with Metrotile Shingle at the gable ends, gracing the clubhouse and chalets with an aesthetic that matches that of traditional products, blending in with the stunning Devon scenery while giving the buildings unsurpassed rooftop protection.

