

Te Ao Mārama

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Te Ao Mārama was a refurbishment project which transformed Te Wānanga o Aotearoa's existing 2,682m² building at 5 Heriot Drive in Porirua, giving it a new lease on life via:

- a new roof structure and re-roof
- new exterior facade
- complete demolition and rebuild ./ refurbishment of the interior layout
- upgrading the electrical, mechanical and fire services
- adding two extensions to the existing building envelope

After a thorough investigation of methodology options, debate over whether to use a tented scaffold or to devise a tentless programme, and presentation of the risks and benefits of either approach to the client, it was decided to opt for constructing a fully scaffolded shrink-wrapped tent over the building to act as temporary protection for the interior fitout and building services works while the re-roof and envelope/facade works were underway. This allowed the entire building to remain largely weathertight for the duration of the programme – a clear benefit when building through a Wellington winter!

We were delighted to deliver this important project, providing some amazing facilities for ngā taura and kaiwhakaako.

