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Bar One, Sheffield University

We were appointed as the main contractor on a full restaurant design and build for Bar One - the University of Sheffield's Student Union bar. Bar One is one of the busiest union bars in the country, but the University felt it wasn't fulfilling its potential as a day-to-night venue. Day trade was inconsistent, and this space had to maximise profitability.

The 8 week project incorporated substantial structural works to both front and back of house areas. We demolished the existing, outdated conservatory, replacing it with a new 15-metre extension with full glazing and complete interior fit-out.

Name: Bar One, Sheffield University
Location: Sheffield
Scope: Bar + Restaurant Fit Out



TURNKEY FIT OUT

We transformed everything in Bar One, from new flooring and wall finishes to bespoke joinery and glazing on all external elevations. We created a new central commercial kitchen, extended the bar with a bespoke bar system, and added fixed seating and booths.

STAINLESS STEEL BAR SYSTEM

We renovated and extended the existing commercial bar, manufacturing custom stainless steel cocktail stations for ease and speed of service, and adding in bespoke hanging glass racks for convenient extra storage.

BRANDED INTERIOR

The extended venue now has room for an additional lounge, featuring an array of custom furniture and fixed seating throughout, all finished with RAL colours and bespoke fabrics to match University's branding.

BESPOKE SEATING

We designed Bar One's seating to withstand the high levels of wear and tear you'd expect in a union bar, using stain-proof Aquaclean fabric wherever possible.



M+E SERVICES

We installed a full M+E package around the refurbished room and new glazed extension, safely removing the redundant fixtures and fittings, and installing new commercial kitchen extraction and ventilation systems, with kitchen odour and smoke control systems.

DUAL FUNCTION

Bar One transitions daily from a day-time eatery and lounge into a night-time bar. We accommodated this dual function by creating furniture that was light, loose and easy to stack away.

OUTDOOR SPACE

Bringing the outdoors in is a good way to maximise a venue's appeal. We opened up Bar One's courtyard wall and fitted bi-folding doors so students could circulate freely.

FOOD PRODUCTION AREA

We created a new central food production kitchen that can service different areas of the bar. This helps the venue cater for its various visitors, whether students, conference attendees or staff on a break.

