

## **Building for Leisure \* editorial in JAN/FEB 2001 magazine edition – focus: swimming pools and water leisure**



Devon Cliffs Holiday Park, a caravan park near Exmouth, is a UK holiday destination spot that is situated in a marvelous hillside setting overlooking Sandy Bay.

The operators of Devon Cliffs Holiday Park had previously erected a crinkly tin structure over the swimming pool in response to the unpredictable weather climate in the UK. The structure's interior was dark and unattractive and as such did not provide an inviting environment for guests to swim and relax in. In fact, the enclosure appeared to negatively influence facility usage. The operators concluded that while a pool enclosure was a necessity, the structure itself did not work to the Park's advantage, especially during good weather when guests wished to remain outdoors.

This observation prompted Devon Cliffs Holiday Park to the decision that the only way to address the issue was to provide a more pleasing aquatic environment. The objective then became to find a new enclosure that would replace the existing unsightly building – one that would be cost efficient as well as allow for an abundance of natural light and fresh air. Additionally, the new structure should serve as a compliment to the newly planned waterpark. Devon Cliffs Holiday Park operators set off in search of an enclosure solution that would ultimately increase pool area traffic.

After extensive research OpenAire UK Ltd. was selected to design a new and attractive pool enclosure. The company specializes in retractable roof pool enclosures and skylights and provides extensive service from design and initial costing through to manufacture, delivery and installation by specially trained crews. Once on board, OpenAire UK Ltd. thoroughly researched the scope of Devon Cliffs Holiday Park's needs.

OpenAire UK Ltd. excels in the manufacture of maintenance-free, thermally broken aluminum frames designed to withstand the harsh environment of indoor pools. The 25mm polycarbonate glazed enclosure can easily span the approximately 28m that was required to cover the newly developed pool area and waterpark features. The gable structure accommodates the retractable roof panels that open to almost 50% of the area, which allows for maximum possible access to the great outdoors during warmer weather. One flip of the switch and the indoor pool transforms into an outdoor pool within minutes. Devon Cliff Holiday Park operators participated in the choice of custom paint from an extensive colour selection. The thermally broken frame and 25mm insulating glazing ensures that the interior space is always comfortable and airy - inviting to guests during cooler weather.

The OpenAire enclosure transformed the Devon Cliffs Holiday Park pool and waterpark into a truly enjoyable year-round experience. The OpenAire system now allows guests the opportunity to enjoy the aquatic amusements as well as the beauty that surrounds Holiday Park at any time of year.

Devon Cliffs Holiday Park operators were pleased that OpenAire UK Ltd. worked so hard to understand their needs from beginning to end. As promised, OpenAire delivered the highest quality product on time and on budget - there were no hidden costs or additions to the contracted amount.