

# WALTERS

## Complete Turnkey Racecourse Development



### Project:

Ffos Las Racecourse,  
Carmarthenshire

### Client:

Ffos Las Limited

### Value:

£20million

### At-a-glance:

- 600 acre former opencast coal site
- Stabilisation of former mine workings
- 1.2 million m<sup>3</sup> of earthmoving
- Parking for 3000 cars, 30 coaches and 80 horse boxes

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## Challenges

Ffos Las Racecourse is a development by Ffos Las limited – a company within the Walters group.

Formally a 600 acre opencast coal mine, this project has been one of the most challenging ever undertaken by Walters. Beginning with the stabilisation of the former mine workings, a significant volume of work had to be undertaken in order to excavate the site and begin construction of the race tracks and adjacent supporting developments.

## Solution

The scope of the project required more than a million m<sup>3</sup> of earth to be moved and as well as construction of 3km of 60m wide racetrack, 2km of road and parking for over 3000 vehicles. Walters UK were appointed as main contractor and CDM coordinator for the design and construction of the project and in turn, they appointed a number of specialist design consultants as advisors and designers.

A number of extensive drainage facilities were also implemented during the Ffos Las project including storm water attenuation and storage lakes. A river diversion and flow control structures were also put in place in addition to two river bridges.

In addition to civil engineering elements of construction, a number of buildings were also constructed including: 120 stables; accommodation for jockeys and stable staff; and technical buildings. This landmark project showcases the diverse range of skills offered by Walters.