



Chancery House

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Client

The Office Group

Location

London, WC2A

Architect

de Metz Forbes Knight & Norm

Contractor

Collins Construction

Surveyor

Opera

Products

1. Schuco FWS50 HI
Curtain Walling
2. Schuco AWS70 BS HI
Windows
3. Schuco Jansen Arte 2.0
Windows & Doors in
Vibration Finish
4. Architectural Metalwork
& Cladding
5. Bespoke Stainless Steel
Juliette Balconies
6. Alsecco Brick Slip
Cladding System
7. Renson Louvres – Heavy
Duty 421 & 424

Sector

Commercial / Office

Project value

£1.5m

Client brief

Chancery House is a premium, all-in-one, amenity-rich, campus-style experience with fantastic facilities. This heritage building has been expertly redesigned and restored by award-winning architects dMFK and Norm for a seamless flexible working experience.

The scheme focused on upgrading the existing building and improving the building's connection with the exterior spaces, through increased permeability, welcoming entrances that draw you into the building, high quality landscaping and improved sustainability and wellness.

The central courtyard extension added in the 2000s was stripped back and its structure retained but the façade was arranged with more suitable proportions and materiality that enhanced visual permeability and access. New lightwells improve natural daylighting to the lower ground floor workspaces, gym, and communal areas.

Our scope

Vision carried out the design, supply and installation of the Central Building & Courtyard Curtain Wall, Windows & Doors, Brick Slip Cladding, Punch Hole Louvres and Steel Windows & Doors at this multi-use, historic building.

The project comprised of the demolition of the 90s glass curtain walling system, which was extended and replaced with a contemporary aluminium façade, a new modern metal entrance portico, creation of new lightwells to bring natural lights to the lower floor and the conversion of the existing car park into a private garden.

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Key challenges

1. Remodeling of the central courtyard area; design changes to suit surveyed building, pushing the limits of the curtain walling and structural design, studying of different types of mullion/transom cleat connections to allow for structural deflections.
2. The brick slip cladding had intricate setting out to consider, steelwork deflection, SFS movement & brick expansion joints, cavity barriers & alignment concerns. The mortar joints were also a purposely made colour to complement the recycled brick.
3. Coordination to the 'Silver Vaults' entrance was particularly involved ensuring that architectural lines and design intent were adhered to for the magnificent gates which provide a seamless entry point to our sliding doors in the lobby area.



The result

The eight-storey heritage building in London's Chancery Lane, sits above London Silver Vaults, the city's historic subterranean silver market.

The central courtyard and atrium glazing looks fantastic as a contrast with the heritage buildings in the surrounding area and allows light to flood into the calming workspaces that have been created.

