



VISIONARCH

2 Gresham Street

In the heart of the City of London, this 8-storey headquarters building underwent demolition and extensive refurbishment works, with stunning results

Client brief

Opposite Goldsmith's Hall in the heart of the City of London, the site is at 2 Gresham Street and is bounded by Foster Lane and St Martin's Le Grand. This 8-storey headquarters building underwent demolition and refurbishment works, completed to Category A standard.

The works consisted of retaining the existing envelope with general refurbishment to reception space and CAT A office accommodation, alterations to core configuration and atria infills, and replacement of capital plant plus new rooftop terrace.

Our scope

On the Gresham Street elevation, Vision Arch designed and installed new FWS-60+ structural glazing / curtain walling to the reception with new concealed frame double height glazing design on the upper ground to first floor.

The St Martin's Le Grand facade incorporated a new existing glazing / curtain walling to the second entrance with new concealed frame glazing design on the upper ground to first floor. The final elevation on Foster Lane provided with a new existing glazing / curtain walling with new concealed frame glazing design on the upper ground to first floor. Main entrances to the building were supplied and installed with glazed, semi-automatic, DDA-compliant pass doors.

Elsewhere, Vision Arch provided curtain walling to the internal atrium rising from the bottom of the upper ground floor to the top of the seventh floor. The full height atrium lift columns and sides were cladded with metal cladding / spandrel panels complete with a bronze finish and integrated LED strip lighting. Roof level incorporated a new Schuco capped curtain walling system with clear glazing, double glazed bi-folding doors leading out to the roof terrace and double leaf semi-automatic pass door including access control.

Client

St Martins Property
Investments Limited

Location

London EC2V

Architect

Buckley Gray Yeoman

Contractor

Willmott Dixon Interiors

Products

1. Schuco FWS 50
Capped Curtain Wall
2. Schuco VISS EI60 Fire
Rated Curtain Wall
3. Schuco ASS 70
Aluminium Sliding
Folding Doors
4. Architectural
Metalwork /
Aluminium Cladding
5. DDA Underfloor
Operated Pass Door
6. Boon Edam Crystal
Tourniket Revolving
Doors
7. Refurbishment Works

Sector

Commercial / Office

Completed

2021

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Key challenges

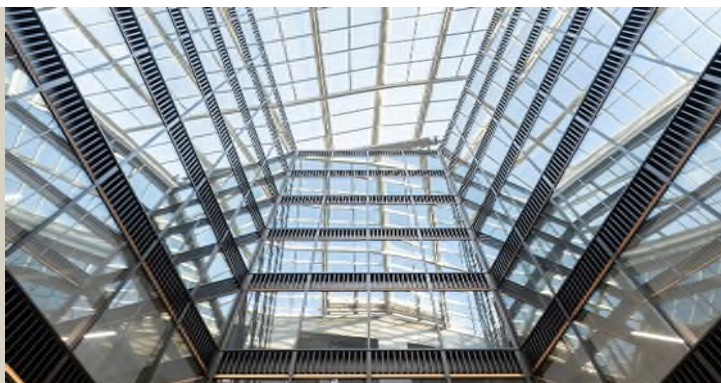
1. Successfully managing and maintaining the programme for the curtain walling manufacture and installation during the 2019/20 pandemic.
2. Managing onsite 'close working' arrangements whilst adhering to the Government Construction Leadership Council (CLC) guidelines on social distancing.

The result

The refurbishment of 2 Gresham Street was completed to an excellent standard.

The new atrium allows light to flood down into the core of the building during the day and at night.

The integrated LED lighting provides a real architectural feature to the finished space.



"Vision Arch are one of our premier structural glazing supply chain partners. They have a reputation within our business of committing to projects in pre-construction and working with us and our customers to enhance design, mitigate risk and lower costs through clever solutions; ultimately this relationship significantly improves the proposal in our tender."

John Meek, Head of Supply Chain – Willmott Dixon Interiors

What we did

100%

Continually appraised in top 10 Construction Works Partner Performance Review

100%

Excellent performance review for Making Health, Safety & the Environment a priority when carrying out our duties

100%

Excellent performance review for programme in particular "having sped up programme to give team clear dates"