

## PEGASUS HOUSE, BRISTOL ALUMASC EXTERIOR BUILDING PRODUCTS LIMITED



Alumasc Aqualine Gutter systems have played a key role in the major restoration of Pegasus House, the former headquarters the Bristol Aeroplane Company.

Pegasus House is an iconic landmark of historical and international importance boasting a lavish Art Deco style that reflected the significance of the city's expanding aircraft industry when it was built in 1936. The Grade II listed building had lain empty for 20 years but has now been completely renovated by current owner, Airbus, who worked closely with the local council and Architect Capita Symonds to ensure a sympathetic restoration.

The aim was to replace as many of the building's original features as possible and attention to detail was vital. The original components of the historic rainwater system were beyond repair and had to be replaced with new products which would respect the authenticity of the project. Alumasc's Aqualine gutters were specified by the architect who gained approval for the system from English Heritage.

Around 215m of Aqualine Box was installed by Massey Cladding Solutions of Bristol to all areas of the five-storey building. Aqualine Box is a robust and fully engineered box section gutter which is designed for dry jointing on site. The system is lightweight and durable, with minimal maintenance requirements. Aqualine proved ideal for this project as it replicated the original very closely and met the requirement for maximum capacity gutters.

The designers chose a special polyester powder coated matt paint finish, which due to its popularity, has now been added as a standard colour option by Alumasc.

Gary Blakeway of Massey Cladding Solutions commented: "The aim was to get as close a match to the original guttering as possible. Alumasc's solution was almost identical and it was approved by English Heritage. The installation went very smoothly, with no problems and it looks superb."

Pegasus House is part of the 12-acre Airbus aerospace park and will bring 2,700 engineers and designers together when work is finished on the site. The main contractors were Miller Construction.



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