

MARYLEBONE STATION, LONDON ALUMASC EXTERIOR BUILDING PRODUCTS LIMITED



A bespoke Heritage aluminium rainwater system from Alumasc has played a key role in the major roof refurbishment at Marylebone Station.

The massive £4 million project saw the renovation of Marylebone's 150 metre long station shed roof covering four of the station's six platforms. Beginning in May 2010, the works were managed by the main contractor, Morgan Sindall, on behalf of Network Rail, and were completed in January 2011.

With their distinctive red, black and silver livery, the hoppers and downpipes at Marylebone were one of the defining details of the Grade II listed train shed. In order to meet English Heritage guidelines, these cast iron fittings had to be replaced with exact copies.

Alumasc's Heritage cast aluminium was specified to replicate the original cast iron system, delivering high performance and low maintenance requirements with all the benefits of modern manufacturing technology.

As one of the UK's largest manufacturers of rainwater systems, Alumasc is renowned for its heritage ranges and ability to replicate historic components. The Heritage made-to-order range in cast aluminium met the needs of the project on every level, and involved high levels of involvement from Alumasc's technical team who rose to the challenge of replicating the exact historic designs and RAL colours of the original system.

The historic status of the building, restricted schedule and central London location presented many challenges to the manufacturers, suppliers and installers working on it. From the outset, Alumasc liaised closely with BSS Drainage, and installers Coverstructure, in order to plan the schedule in detail, with a lot of work taking place overnight while the station was empty.

On the success of the project, Network Rail route director Jo Kaye comments: "The new roof at Marylebone has made a huge difference to the station environment and provides passengers with a lighter, brighter travelling experience. This is the first of several projects to restore and renew our London stations so it is excellent news that the work at Marylebone has been delivered on time and on budget."



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