



Design & Display GRP Structures

case study: Marlowe Arcade



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Bespoke stone effect GRP cladding, crafted by UK experts Design & Display Structures, is drawing the customers in at Canterbury's Marlowe Arcade.

Home to the world famous Canterbury Cathedral, the city centre has a wealth of historical architecture. The realistic features of the GRP cladding blend seamlessly with these stunning surroundings and, with quicker erection times than heavyweight alternatives, installation time and costs were kept to a minimum.

Brief

Design & Display Structures was commissioned to produce decorative cladding to create the perfect look for the Arcade's main entrance, certain to entice residents and tourists alike. The curtain walling, spanning the building's elevations, was also capped off with decorative fascia and soffit surrounds.

Solution

Under the six month contract, Design & Display Structures provided a comprehensive design, manufacture and install package for Kier South East – using state of the art, eco friendly GRP manufacturing techniques.

Located within the city's bustling shopping area, the product's proven durability guarantees that, like its surroundings, it will stand the test of time.

Benefits

By delivering on a just in time basis and installing at night, Design & Display Structures also minimised disruption to local traders and significantly reduced the client's scaffold and labour costs.

Such efficiency and cost rewards are simply not available with heavyweight materials. Their extra weight and cumbersome nature can often make installation a costly and time consuming process, especially where existing buildings require structural alterations to hold the weight.



Client:

Kier South East

Architects:

Chapman Taylor

Project:

Marlowe Arcade, Canterbury

Products:

Bespoke prefabricated GRP fascia and soffit surrounds

Project Duration:

6 months

"Short lead times, flexibility of design and quick installation make our products a true alternative to heavyweight materials."

Managing Director Allan Curtis