

**Press Release**  
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## **Furnitubes designs bollards in keeping with memorial**

***High-security bollards installed near the Bomber Command Memorial in central London as part of a pavement upgrade have been cleverly covered by Furnitubes to blend in with the surroundings.***

The memorial at Green Park commemorates the sacrifice of the 55,573 aircrew of RAF Bomber Command (from Britain, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Poland and other countries of the Commonwealth) who lost their lives in World War II, as well as civilians of all nations killed during raids.

Designed by architect Liam O'Connor in a modern classical style and featuring a central sculpture of seven Bomber Command aircrew, the memorial was unveiled by Queen Elizabeth II in June 2012, the year of her Diamond Jubilee.



Located on the northern boundary of Green Park, the memorial has dual aspects, facing into the park and also onto the heavily trafficked Piccadilly red route near to the Hyde Park Corner underpass. Several TfL and tourist bus stops are also located alongside the memorial, necessitating kerbside bollards for effective vehicular and pedestrian segregation.

As part of recent paving improvement works the bollards have been upgraded to high security versions, but these plain steel sections alone would be out of keeping with the memorial. The ideal solution here was to cover the steel cores with decorative outer sleeves, designed to complement the Doric-style fluted columns on the memorial.

Furnitubes developed a 3d digital model of the bollard sleeve, from which a new pattern was created to cast the 30 or so sleeves in aluminium, which is a light enough material to make lifting and fitment over the steel posts not too difficult, and with the benefit of having an appearance (after painting) very similar to other traditional cast iron products in the locality.

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