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Hazlemere Commercial Successfully Awarded Contracts

The commercial branch of Hazlemere Window Company has recently been awarded two multimillion pound projects which will see the replacement of no fewer than 2,117 windows that have been in-situ for more than four decades.

New County Offices in Aylesbury, home to Buckinghamshire County Council, and the Merton Civic Centre in London will soon benefit from new Sapa energy efficient windows, courtesy of High Wycombe-based Hazlemere Commercial.

The Aylesbury New County Offices contract was awarded in late 2012 and work commenced on the 1,437 window contract in February 2013 at a cost of £2.1m. Buckinghamshire County Council finance and resources cabinet member Peter Cartwright explained that this was money well spent, in an article for the Bucks Herald: "This capital project ensures we have windows that meet modern energy efficiency requirements, and which will reduce the cost of heating and cleaning, while also improving working conditions. We have given the job to a local contractor, providing local work for local people." The project is expected to last nine months and result in a 15% reduction in energy costs for the council premises.

Likewise, the Merton Civic Centre in Morden was wrapped in scaffolding at the beginning of May 2013 in preparation for the replacement of its 680 steel framed windows, deemed unfit for purpose by an independent glass and glazing consultant. As part of their contract, Hazlemere Commercial will recycle all the old windows, replacing them with highly thermally efficient aluminium double glazed windows, manufactured from 100% recycled aluminium billet. The new energy-saving products being installed by Hazlemere Commercial are Sapa Dualframe top swing reversible windows that will enable all the windows to be cleaned safely and easily from inside the building, with resultant Health & Safety and cost saving benefits.

This refurbishment work will be carried out over the course of approximately 12 months at a cost of £2.5m by Hazlemere Commercial, accredited to BS EN ISO 14001:2004 for environmentally-friendly wastage disposal.

The successful completion of both projects relies heavily on the experience of Hazlemere Commercial. However, the New County Hall contract in Aylesbury entails one site-specific issue that the company has never encountered in over 25 years; a Peregrine Falcon that uses the building for nesting. Both Buckinghamshire County Council and Hazlemere Commercial unanimously agreed that the project must cause the least possible disruption to the resident bird of prey.

The capture of these commercial contracts, and many others like it, has resulted in Hazlemere Commercial becoming one of the largest users of Sapa Building Systems aluminium. For further details on Hazlemere Commercial's specialist design, manufacturing and installing capabilities contact Simon Keegan, Hazlemere Commercial's Commercial Sales Director on s.keegan@hazlemere.co.uk or 01494 897600 or visit www.hazlemerecommercial.co.uk

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