

THE WALBROOK BUILDING



THE SCENARIO: The Walbrook building provides 380,000sq ft. of premium office space across ten floors. The building is one of the largest sites in the central London city area. The architects' objective was to provide a working environment that improves business performance. They utilised natural light in this project to enhance the working spaces. Full height external glazing across all faces of the building flood large open floor areas with light, with the floor to ceiling glazing accounting for 75% of the building perimeter.

THE SCOPE: DVC were initially instructed to manufacture and install 130 Glass Reinforced column encasements spread over four floors for the first phase of this project. The second phase (level 7) consisted of a further 33 columns. Each of the GRG perimeter columns had to line up exactly with the external columns of the building to achieve a monolithic continuation of the outer scheme. The columns were sprayed to a specialist high gloss silver finish to match the exterior facade of the building. To date we have manufactured and installed 163 perimeter columns over five levels of the building.

OUR SOLUTION: We worked with architect Foster and Partners, and contractors ISG and Integra closely throughout the project, with clear communication enabling the project to progress seamlessly without any disruptions or issues, within time and on budget.

Our experienced and highly skilled design team, in-depth knowledge and specialist processes allowed us to undertake this type of work and meant we were not overcome by the expectations and challenges placed upon us. We achieved what the client and architect wanted.

CLIENT: Minerva PLC

CONTRACTOR: ISG

ARCHITECT: Foster and Partners

LOCATION: Cannon St., London

BUDGET: £158k

DURATION: 20 weeks

CATEGORY: GRG manufacture and installation