

## Contracts in brief



The result of the full turnkey fit-out

**Sitec Interiors completes fit-out of Maguire Jackson**

Sitec Interiors has completed a full turnkey fit-out from a shell and core construction at estate and property agent Maguire Jackson in Birmingham. The five-week project started in March 2008 and was valued at £62,184.

[www.sitecinteriors.com](http://www.sitecinteriors.com)  
Enquiry number E208

**Troax's art deco storage**

Troax UK has supplied wire mesh storage enclosures at a new art deco development of studio flats in North Harrow. The firm used its Cetus modular wire mesh storage system to provide 50 enclosures in the basement as secure storage for residents. The enclosures are made from modular, wire mesh panels that are well ventilated and fully visible.

[www.troax.com](http://www.troax.com)  
Enquiry number E209

**Duvale wall system for execs**

Having won the project to refurbish six floors of the Wesleyan Assurance Society's Birmingham base, City Office Interiors chose Duvale's GS100 movable wall for the executive 7th floor.

Supplied and installed by Creatif Moving Walls, the system creates a training and meeting area, and allows one large space to be divided into four separate areas.

Walls are top hung, avoiding tracks at floor level that could create a safety hazard. Each double-glazed module is fitted with two roller suspensions and incorporates a concealed internal jacking system so it can be locked securely when the wall is in the 'closed' position to maximise sound resistance.

[www.duvale.plc.uk](http://www.duvale.plc.uk)  
Enquiry number E210

# SAS provides ceiling for Eurostar station

## Grade I listed structure presented design challenges

SAS INTERNATIONAL HAS provided ceiling solutions for the Grade I listed St Pancras International Eurostar station in London.

The Undercroft, originally used to warehouse beer barrels, now houses shops, and departure and arrival areas, so cast-iron columns support a grid of wrought iron girders stretching in all directions. Working metal ceiling solutions and bespoke lighting rafts were supplied to complement the design.

The height restrictions of the Undercroft also represent a challenge, when designing the ceiling solution. Above the travelers,

aluminium SAS System 330 suspended ceilings provide a clean, durable surface.

The same ceiling tiles were specified in other areas of the project, under the first-level bridges and in the international departure area.

A robust aluminium solution, with ready-made apertures for luminaries, adds to the streamlined appearance of refitted areas.

**Project: Ceiling installation**  
**Client: St Pancras Int'l**  
**Total value: £800m**  
**Main contractor: Corber**  
**Ceiling manufacturer: SAS International**  
[www.sasint.co.uk](http://www.sasint.co.uk)  
Enquiry number E211



Bespoke lighting complements the listed ceiling

## British Gypsum high-performance acoustic boards grace Winchester University ceilings

HIGH-PERFORMANCE ACOUSTIC ceiling boards from British Gypsum are helping to maintain a calm environment in various areas adjoining the Student Union facilities at Winchester University's new £9.5m university centre – a regional award winner in the 2008 RIBA Awards.

The flagship building provides a gateway to the campus and hosts a range of staff and student facilities, including a learning café, bookshop and boardroom, as well as a new student union complete with cinema and 1,200-capacity concert hall.

The plasterboard-based, perforated ceiling boards can also be redecorated without impacting on acoustic performance.

British Gypsum worked closely with the university to develop a range of ceiling options. The sloping panel design of the food hall ceiling presented a particular challenge, as perforated acoustic boards had to



Stylish, elongated line patterns meet sound and reverberation requirements

be jointed seamlessly in large triangular panels.

British Gypsum's Rigitone 15/30 boards were chosen as their regular perforations provide good sound

absorption, while allowing invisible jointing to meet design requirements. Interiors specialist PAN Interiors treated the panels using the Rigitone Vario 60 jointing system to achieve an uninterrupted pattern across joints and create the angled look at cut board edges.

Gyptone Line 4 boards were installed in the reception and boardroom ceilings. Their regular elongated line pattern worked in harmony with furniture and tapestry artwork to meet sound attenuation and reverberation requirements.

**Project: Ceiling board installation**  
**Client: Winchester University**  
**Total value of scheme: £9.5m**  
**Main contractor: Osborne Interiors specialist: PAN Interiors**  
**Architect: Design Engine Architects**  
**Manufacturer: British Gypsum**  
[www.british-gypsum.com](http://www.british-gypsum.com)  
Enquiry number E212