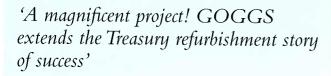
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'Excellent! Well planned, executed and delivered refurbishment'

'Great use of art and lighting'

THE TEAM
Client
Estates Projects
Cost

£148 million
PFI consortium
Stanhope/Bovis Lend Lease
Principal designer
Foster and Partners
Structural engineer
Waterman Partnership





GOVERNMENT OFFICES, GREAT GEORGE STREET EAST (GOGGS), LONDON SW1

The immense scale of this refurbishment project is best appreciated by studying the A-Z map of London. Major public buildings are marked out as blocks on the streetmap. GOGGS stands out as just about the largest among the cluster of departmental offices in Whitehall.

Stage one of GOGGS' refurbishment purged the St James's Park end, the Treasury. The just-completed stage two, by the same Stanhope-led team, applied lessons learned to the rest of the vast building. The statistics are impressive: 500 rooms and 3.3km of corridors refurbished; 1,400 windows fitted with laminated glass while 92 per cent of the original hardwood framing was refurbished; 2,745m² of additional space created on a new fourth floor around the elegant Circular Court; 70 per cent of floor timber reused; 88 per cent of construction waste recycled; 95 per cent of work packages negotiated; exceptional safety record; project delivered within budget and ahead of programme.

The result: delighted client; superb working conditions for new combined Inland Revenue and Customs & Excise staff; markedly reduced sickness and absenteeism; plus a beautifully restored backdrop to London's premier tourist photo opportunity.

For a project designed and executed with respect for fabric, design and form while making a minimum intervention consistent with safety and structural integrity. Sponsored by The Architect's Journal

