

Piece Hall, Halifax

The Piece Hall in Halifax is a unique Grade I listed building dating back to 1779, originally built to support the trading of 'pieces' of cloth. Now transformed into a 21st Century town square, the open-air square is enclosed by a mix of independent bars, restaurants, shops and cafes. There is also an art gallery hosting visual art exhibitions.

The stunning Georgian Hall is home to one of Europe's great public squares, and the monumental Grade I listed structure is the only surviving intact cloth hall in the UK and an iconic symbol of the important role played by Georgian Halifax at the booming centre of the world's woollen trade.

Project Highlights

- Working with the design and construction team to understand the building constraints when working in and around a Grade I listed building.
- The mechanical installation entailed a new boiler installation and associated heating distribution system to all areas within the complex. Additionally, a new water tank was installed to serve a new boosted cold-water return system to all tenant and retail spaces. Natural gas was installed for the boiler plant ensuring compatibility for future retail fitout areas. Air handling plant with heating and cooling was installed on the roof to provide conditioned air to spaces. Full fit out of all public WC areas including sanitary ware and water saving devices.
- The electrical works included but were not limited to full installation & co-ordination of fire alarm, CCTV, IT infrastructure, security, PA, disabled refuge, access control, PC based Dali lighting controls system inclusive of fully reporting self-test emergency lighting system.
- The main courtyard external lighting scheme won Community & Public Realm Project of the Year at the Lighting Design Awards 2018.
- The roof of the Library is fitted with 115 SunPower 327W solar panels, providing a CO2 reduction of 20%

Key Facts

Client
Calderdale Council

Main Contractor
Graham Construction

Architect
LDN

Consultant
Buro Happold

Services
Mechanical & Electrical

Duration
24 months

Value
£6,500,000

Location
Halifax, England

