

Transforming Woolworths Headquarters: A Landmark Project in Urban Regeneration

242 MARYLEBONE ROAD

Alltask's Role in the Redevelopment and Refurbishment Project

Iltask provided scaffolding services for our valued client ISG Construction Limited, who secured a £50 million project to redevelop and refurbish the old Woolworths headquarters on Marylebone Road in London. The project commenced in March 2022 and has been ongoing for almost two years, with the expected completion date of August 2024. The building, originally constructed as the Woolworths HQ but left vacant since 2015, is being transformed into residential properties, featuring extensions and terracing in the internal courtyard.

Alltask's scope of work involved various projects to support the redevelopment and refurbishment project:

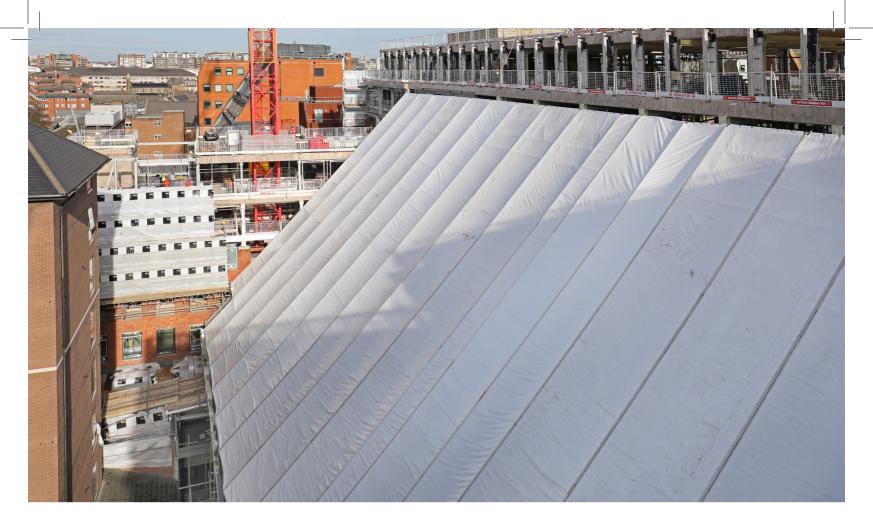
- · Access Scaffolding: including bridged access, independent access scaffolding, and hanging scaffold.
- Scaffolding Design: providing external Haki System scaffolding on multiple elevations, Haki System roofs, inner courtyard scaffolding, and more.

- · Boarded Lifts and Hoarding: ensuring safety and accessibility within the construction site.
- · Scaffold Towers: facilitating efficient access and work at height.
- Compliance: adhering to SG4:22 regulations and implementing protection measures like fans and Monarflex sheeting.
- · Haki Staircases: offering safe vertical access during construction.

Our design work is a testament to the ingenuity and expertise of our in-house Senior Scaffold Design Engineer, Liam Shearer, whose meticulous design efforts are evident. Every element of the scaffold structure, from the load calculations to the intricate design, has been carefully planned to ensure maximum safety, efficiency, and aesthetic appeal. This project exemplifies our commitment to design excellence and the high standards we maintain in every project.

The Metropolis project in Marylebone, London, is situated adjacent to the





Marylebone train station. Once completed, it will become a commercial-led mixed-use scheme featuring world-class workspace, retail outlets, and amenities. The building, originally erected in 1955 as Woolworths headquarters, stands as an example of how a low-carbon approach can revitalize existing building stock.

The refurbished building aims for a BREEAM Outstanding rating and Net Zero Carbon operation. Sustainability is prioritised through material retention, leading to significant carbon savings. Innovative methods like crosslaminated timber further reduce carbon emissions and landfill waste.

The renovated building will expand by nearly 100,000 sq ft, providing 174,680 sq ft. of lettable space. It will feature amenities including external gardens, terraces, a coffee shop, a rooftop bar, a tenant lounge, a private gym, and hospitality-inspired spaces, aiming to become one of London's most amenity-rich workplaces tailored to modern needs.

The redevelopment of the old Woolworths headquarters into Metropolis represents a landmark project in urban regeneration

and sustainable construction practices. With careful planning, innovative design, and meticulous execution, ISG Construction Limited and its partners have revitalised a historic landmark, setting a new standard for environmentally conscious and amenity-rich urban developments.



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