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Product: Self-supporting canopies & rooflights by Xtralite



Retail and Leisure Centre benefits from rooflight specification

An iconic retail development in the heart of Northamptonshire has enhanced the visitor experience with a cleverly designed mall and external terraces which maximise the use of natural light.

Pivotal within the development was a series of roof lights which were specified from leading rooflight manufacturer Xtralite, which is renowned for their design capabilities and flexibilities in supporting bespoke, non-standard architectural designs.

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James Miller Managing Surveyor from Winvic, the main contractor chosen to deliver the project commented: "Xtralite was chosen for their reputation within the market and their products were entirely suited to this cutting-edge retail development which has been designed to enhance both the visitor and employee experience.

"Specified as canopies to two external terraces and also in the atrium near House of Fraser, the rooflights have allowed both the flooding of natural light and ventilation, where appropriate."

External terraces surrounding the fabric of the building utilised single glazing from the X-Span range in a self-supporting monopitch canopy system. Meanwhile the atrium outside the House of Fraser store saw a thermally enhanced self-supporting 14 unit vertically ended rooflight system installed. Furthermore, it was fitted with 28 24vDC electronically operated top hung, outward opening vents to facilitate cleaning and natural ventilation. The latter ensures easier maintenance and also visitor and employee comfort in warmer weather.

Jim Lowther, Sales Director Xtralite commented; "This is a stunning development which merges the very best of retail and leisure in a stylish building entirely suited to modern day consumer and construction requirements ensuring our buildings are future proofed. We were delighted to support the construction by specifying our bespoke range X-Span. This type of project highlights our flexibility, not only in the retail sector, but also how our products are transferrable across a range of buildings and the myriad requirements that they demand."

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