



External repairs and redecoration

Herbert Mansions, Sloane Street, London

Highlights

Axis was appointed to undertake an external repairs and redecoration project at Herbert Mansions situated in the heart of London's shopping area between the prestigious addresses of Knightsbridge and Sloane Square.

Herbert Mansions are occupied residential premises accommodating high end retailers trading at street level. The project therefore necessitated clear safety signage, and the site had to be fully secured at all times.

Axis' project management team strictly observed hours of working and noise to minimise inconvenience and disturbance to the occupants of Herbert Mansions and adjacent buildings. Close communication was maintained via our Client Liaison Officer who was constantly on hand throughout the project.

All works, which took place from August to October 2017, were carried out in accordance with good practice guidelines issued by Historic England. External brickwork was brushed carefully followed by a full DOFF cleaning method. Stonemasonry repairs included re-pointing, making good defective bricks and repairing decorative scrollwork, cornices and detailing.

Specifications

- Scaffolding works
- DOFF cleaning
- Pre-decoration repairs
- Leadwork
- Metalwork
- Joinery
- Plumbing
- Roof works
- Brickwork and stonemasonry
- Painting and decorating
- Window works and easement
- French polishing
- Electric works

16 weeks duration



Roof works included cleaning and replacing asphalt and recoating it with two coats of solar reflective paint. On the tiled Mansard roof, cracked, missing and slipped tiles were replaced and realigned. Timber fascia boards to the plant room were replaced and defective lead flashing renewed. To the dormer windows Axis removed existing putty and raked out defective seals, also stripping off and reviewing defective lead work. External joinery defects were repaired using the Window Care Conservation System approach; timber fenestration was painted with two coats of exterior paint and we concluded works with the easement of all painted windows.

We removed all impediments to the rainwater system (in external box gutters, gullies, hoppers and downpipes); stripped out old lead soil vent pipes; disconnected/reconnected plumbing and painted all external metal rainwater systems.

To the main entrance Axis painted the railings and French polished the doors. In the internal communal areas we replaced lining papers and redecorated the walls, finishing with renewed Coir matting and carpets.



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