

Premier Oil

Aberdeen



Year Completed: 2014

Client: Premier Oil

Main Contractor: Bancon Construction

Architect: Davidson Smith Partnership

Total Building Cost: £583,280

Duration: 16 weeks

Products: Optima Partitioning and Suspended Ceilings



Premier Oil is a rapidly growing FTSE 250 independent exploration and production company with significant interests in the North Sea (UK and Norway), Indonesia, Vietnam, Pakistan, Iraq and the Falkland Islands. The state-of-the-art 70,000 sq ft office will be the UK North Sea base for Premier. This building, the first in Phase 2 at Prime Four, will be surround the social hub and amenities plaza of Prime Four, called the Fourcourt.

"We are building a substantial business in the North Sea, and as a result of this significant increase in activity, Premier has outgrown its offices in the West End of Aberdeen. Prime Four represents the ideal environment and location from which we can manage this ongoing growth in our operations."

Mike Skitmore, UK Business Unit Manager of Premier Oil

The design for the interior fit out of the office block was to provide collaborative and open plan working, with connected individual office space together with private meeting and breakout space. Feature ceilings in the reception were to be linked to and reflected in the main conference areas and the dining and breakout space was to be colourful and bright with contrasting feature ceilings in a unique wave form.

Working as a specialist sub-contractor for Bancon Construction, we used Optima 117 single glazed partitioning with Optima single glazed door sets to create the office frontages, and for increased acoustics for the meeting rooms and private spaces we used Optima Revolution 54 and Revolution 97 double glazed partitioning. By using 12.8mm Acoustic Laminate glass in the single glazed we achieved 38db (RW) and by using 12.8mm Acoustic Laminate and 12mm toughened glass we increased the acoustic performance of the double glazing to 48db (RW) This specification



provided Premier Oil with the level of acoustic privacy they required, and to create visual privacy we used Optima 217 with integral venetian blinds for meeting rooms in conjunction with Oak veneered timber door sets. The seamless appearance of the glass to glass joints was created with Optima's patented Nebula™ in-line joint and the black framework in RAL9005 finished the look. The feature ceilings were created with Hunter Douglas Linear Oak with integrated feature lighting, and the wave ceilings in the breakout area were formed in British Gypsum MF. The main office area ceilings were SAS perforated metal tiles in exposed grid.

