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## Scottish sensation for Gradus floor coverings at Argyle House

Over 800m<sup>2</sup> of Gradus Latour2 carpet tiles have been installed in the prestigious offices at Argyle House, Scotland, this unique design scheme was a bespoke solution created for the client. Gradus Carpets is a brand of the Gerflor Group, manufacturing premium quality carpet tiles and planks, broadloom, and impervious backed carpets. Utilising a range of high-performance yarns, Gradus' extensive range of carpets are suitable for a wide variety of contract applications including commercial office, healthcare, and education environments.

Argyle House is an exceptional office space in the heart of Scotland's capital city.

Dating back to the 1960s and after remaining largely vacant for several years Argyle House has recently undergone a substantial refurbishment and transformation programme. Nestling in the shadows of Edinburgh Castle in the heart of Edinburgh city centre and just a short walk from the world-famous Princes Street, Argyle House now delivers 9,147sq ft of stripped back contemporary and modern office design.

The overall management for the transformation of Argyle House would be the responsibility of Edinburgh-based real estate consultants Hollis who provided a range of consultancy services on the project as Project Manager, Principal Designer, M&E Consultant and Cost Consultant. Since 1991 Hollis have shaped their own path to be at the forefront of international real estate consulting.

When specifying new flooring for the refurbishment programme, Hollis chose 825m<sup>2</sup> of Latour2 carpet tiles. Designed from a floor plan service supplied by Gradus based on the client's inspiration, the project would include Gradus Latour2 in Howden and Alston colours. Alston was installed to create a walkway through the centre of the office and aid wayfinding between the columns alongside Howden, which was used throughout the main office space to complement Alston and create an interesting dynamic floor scheme. Additionally, Latour2, Glenavon was also used around the perimeter of the office space to create a vibrant design feature.

Ben Mack, Partner at Hollis commented, "Our client wanted to re-purpose an unused area of Argyle House that was in a 'shell' condition. Historically we have always had extremely positive experiences with Gradus, and the chosen solution met the budget requirements for the refurbishment. With the addition of the Gradus Design Service that would help us to envision the project, Gradus was the natural choice for this iconic project." He went to add, "The quality of the Gradus carpets was complemented with the choice of colours, which was also a great boon to the overall look of the flooring element of the refurbishment."

Latour2 is a solution-dyed nylon carpet tile range that comprises of Plains and Stripes, which can be used alone or can work together, to create interesting and unique floor schemes. This striking collection is suitable for a wide range of hard-working environments including commercial office and education.

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Maggie Smith, Business Development Manager at Gerflor also commented, “Ben Mack from Hollis met with us back in 2019 and had asked for a specification proposal for Argyle House. We discussed various options for the carpet tile requirements in the open plan office and put together a couple of schemes using our Floor Plan Design Service.” Maggie Smith added, “The design scheme needed to be of a neutral palette which would appeal to potentially any new tenant in the building, so we proposed a modern and contemporary grey theme and alongside this added a vibrant splash of colour around the perimeter. The final finish is impressive, and the client is delighted.”

On reliance and performance Ben Mack also said, “Our client is incredibly pleased with the Gradus carpets we have specified. It’s been a perfect fit for the Argyle House project and is performing extremely well and more than matching our expectations.”

Ben Mack ended by saying, “We have specified Gerflor and Gradus products before and would certainly choose them again for other projects.”

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