



CASE STUDY: THE LIGHTS THEATRE

The Client:

The old Cricklade Theatre in Hampshire was converted into an arts and entertainment venue called the Lights. The original 1970's building was to be transformed using lights, canopies and natural light to feature a new arena hall, bar and cafe area, function rooms, meeting rooms, dance studio and refitted auditorium.

The Challenge:

J&J Carter were appointed to create and install the canopy to the exterior of the building. The canopy had to interface with the existing building, which could not resist the canopy loads. In-house engineers had to provide reaction forces so the Main Contractor's engineers could add bracing to the building. Steelwork was used to give the canopy an unusual shape to make it distinctive, whilst the overall design needed to ensure the canopy would cover a specific area and work with the height of the existing building.

The Solution:

The design has created a modern entrance to the building and a unique, stylish cover for the outdoor eating area.



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