



Hambleside Danelaw Ltd
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Hambleside Danelaw's GRP valley troughs part of a winning combination

GRP valley troughs designed and manufactured by Hambleside Danelaw are a feature of award-winning slating work on a Peterborough hospital.

The British roofing products manufacturer has extended its warmest congratulations to Hereward Roofing who have won the slating category in the National Federation of Roofing Contractors Roofing Excellence Awards.

The winning work was carried out on the Mental Health Unit at the Edith Cavell Hospital in Peterborough. A distinguished panel of judges unanimously chose Hereward Roofing as its entry demonstrated quality workmanship, their ability and professionalism to overcome considerable technical difficulties as well as the environmental qualities and aesthetics of the project.

As part of the product range which met the technical challenges, Hereward Roofing used Hambleside Danelaw's GRP Valley Troughs which tick all the right boxes on sustainability. The high capacity range with mortar bonding strips and mortar retention bars in standard lead grey colour are available in 2.4 and 3m lengths.

The valley troughs are among the many roofing and ventilation products currently produced by Hambleside which feature recycled materials in their construction, a process which has been recognised by the Green Organisation and the Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP). Specifiers, especially those for public sector new build projects, will be interested to learn that the Group's tile roof ventilator range has now been added to the WRAP Procurement Guide for construction materials that incorporate recycled content and help to reduce waste.

There are alternative GRP valleys available within the UK market, but Hambleside's range has been developed to meet fully the requirements of the NFRC Technical Bulletin TB28 which is now referenced in BS 5534:2003. In order to meet this Standard, the production process does require greater raw material usage during manufacture, but this results in a high quality long life product.

Chris Dalgarno, Hambleside Danelaw's Director of Sales - Roofing and Ventilation, said: "It is really pleasing to see our colleagues at Hereward Roofing gain national recognition for the quality of their workmanship. Hambleside Danelaw is delighted that quality contractors

regard our roofing and ventilation products as a first port of call when looking for sustainable solutions.”

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Notes to editors

1. About Hambleside Danelaw Ltd

Hambleside Danelaw Ltd (www.hambleside-danelaw.co.uk) manufactures Glass Reinforced Polyester (GRP) rooflights and other roofing and ventilation products in Daventry and Inverness. As part of the Hambleside Danelaw Group with headquarters in Waterlooville in Hampshire, its turnover is currently around £9 million a year and it employs approximately 70 people. The Group was established in 1975 with its first factory at Inverness for manufacturing GRP products becoming operational in 1978. In addition to winning numerous environmental awards, the factory has attained BS 14001:2004 in recognition of its environmental management systems and has now been independently assessed as carbon neutral. In 1992, the Group began producing in Daventry non-GRP products primarily for roof and cavity wall ventilation and in September 2007 it opened a new state-of-the-art facility in the East Midlands town. Hambleside Danelaw has achieved the BS EN ISO 18001:2007 standard.

In 2006, the Group won a Business Commitment to the Environment award, presented by David Cameron MP, as well as the Queen’s Award for Enterprise: Innovation for its Insulator GRP thermally efficient rooflight. The Group has regularly won UK national Green Apple awards for Environmental Best Practice and it was recognised again in 2008 by The Green Organisation as ‘Green Heroes’. Hambleside Danelaw has been awarded three Vision in Business for the Environment of Scotland (VIBES) awards in five years in the medium sized companies’ category. In 2007, the Group was accredited with the Planet Positive mark by leading carbon solutions company dcarbon8 and it collected the Scottish Natural Heritage Award for Excellence in Environmental Sustainability. An independent audit by dcarbon8 found that Hambleside Danelaw reduced its carbon footprint at its two factories in 2007 by over 20%. Details of Hambleside Danelaw’s products, including CAD drawings, are available on the company’s website (www.hambleside-danelaw.co.uk).