

## Metal In Action

## IKEA STORE, CARDIFF ASH & LACY



The store in Ferry Road, Grangetown, consists of 26,000 square metres of floor space and was completed in just 38 weeks – one of the fastest built IKEA stores in the UK.

Particular emphasis was placed on the design to accommodate the needs of the Welsh community. The trademark blue and yellow is apparent throughout, while special decorative pieces supplied by Ash & Lacy, add to the stunning visual impact of the building.

Amongst the most spectacular features provided by Ash & Lacy from their architectural fabrication range are the aluminium aerofoil bullnoses – the largest ever made by Ash & Lacy, designed to harmonise with the extensive size of the store. The bullnoses are 2 metres in girth and 3 metres long to minimise any joints, with a powder coated finish in IKEA's corporate colours.



To maintain the consistency of the corporate image, materials were provided to Ash & Lacy so that the flashing details manufactured from plastisol coated galvanised steel could be accurately recreated in the IKEA blue and yellow.

The majority of the flashings and fabrication components for the roof, wall cladding and the stairs of the IKEA store were supplied by Ash & Lacy, who utilised a range of AshFab features to create a total quality environment by adding shape and depth to the building

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