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## Industrial units modernised for rent



**Client:** Morgan Furniture  
**Architect:** Danks Bagnell  
**Value:** £750,000  
**Timing:** 20 weeks

Industrial units, Emsworth, Hampshire.

LEADING British designer and manufacturer, Morgan Furniture, has enlisted the help of Faircloth Construction to help increase its rental income.

In recent years the company has re-invested in new manufacturing techniques, freeing up some of its industrial units at its Emsworth-base, in Hampshire, for rental use.

Faircloth worked alongside architects Danks Bagnall on the £750,000 refurbishment, which

involved subdividing the framed structures and bringing it up to modern standards.

The units were stripped back to their shell, extended and new floors and roofs were installed. The exterior was also given a new modern spec and is now fit for the rental market.

The units are expected to provide an extra rental income for the business. However, left as they were, it is unlikely they would

have drawn up any interest and would probably have remained empty for years to come.

The project was completed on budget and within its schedule, with plans to refurbish further units on the site in the future.

Architect Robert Down said: "We have worked with Faircloth on many projects before and hopefully if we get the go-ahead for further units we will be working with them again soon."



Commercial Builders of Sussex

## News Update

### Embassy of Japan gets Faircloth revamp

WELCOME to the latest edition of our newsletter which gives details of some of the major projects Faircloth and Atcost Group have been working on over the past few months.

Since Faircloth was established over 30 years ago, the company has worked across all sectors, adapting its skills and contacts to successfully complete a number of varied projects.

Since its formation the company has built more than 230 factories, including seven industrial estates.

During that time its work has been governed by the importance of offering good service to customers - and this is a philosophy that remains at the heart of Faircloth today.

The company continues to specialise in design and construction of commercial and industrial units, providing concrete and steel solutions through the expertise within Faircloth and Atcost.

Specialist labour covers all the trades with the majority of staff being long-serving employees.

Highlights of the last few months include projects from the Embassy of Japan in London to a major new retail store in Marlesham, Suffolk.

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**Client:** The Embassy of Japan  
**Project managers:** KCE FM  
**Architect:** Lawray  
**Quantity Surveyor:** Gardiner & Theobald  
**Engineer:** URS

The Embassy of Japan, Mayfair, London.

FAIRCLOTH Group activities have now acquired a new "global" dimension after taking on a series of unique projects for and on behalf of The Embassy of Japan in the heart of London's Mayfair.

The Group is working closely with The Embassy staff and UK based design team in carrying out a number of timed improvements and upgrade works to Japan's UK Embassy headquarters situated on Piccadilly overlooking the Royal Parks.

Faircloth has secured, in competition, both Phases One and Two of a series of planned projects for the Embassy building going forwards.

The works completed to date, and on-going throughout 2012, include the maintenance and upgrade of the Embassy building's fire protection infrastructure and the replacement of the period building's entire internal air conditioning system, equipment and associated roof plant.

All works have been the subject of intense planning, this in order to avoid any negative impact upon the Embassy's essential day to day operations and security requirements.

Project manager Melvin Wall, of Gardiner and Theobald, said: "It was important that contractors included on the tender list were known to us given that expectations would have to be managed due to the sensitive nature of the business being carried out in the Embassy on a day to day basis.

"It has been a pleasure working with Faircloth who have responded very keenly and positively to challenging tender requirements."

Work will span over the duration of the Olympics and will be carried out during evenings and weekends to suit Embassy staff and activities.

The £1.6m project is scheduled to be completed by December 2012.





## Former runway transformed into retail store

**Client:** Save & Prosper  
**Tenant:** Pets at Home  
**Architect:** McDonald Architects  
**Engineer:** Clark Smith Partnership  
**Value:** £1.25m

FAIRCLOTH Group is flying high after completing a new flagship retail store on the site of a former airfield runway.

The new Pets at Home store was built on Martlesham Heath, the site of the former RAF airfield, in Suffolk.

The airfield was first used in the First World War as a Royal Flying Corps airfield. It then became home to the Aeroplane Experimental Unit, which saw many of the aircraft and much of the equipment that would later be used during the Second World War.

However the £1,250,000 retail project didn't get off to such a flying start, after taking several years to get through planning.

In the end, the result was one that has pleased both the client and the community.

David Faircloth, director of Faircloth Group, said: "The site is really quite prominent so there were issues with how it should look.

"The council wanted it to be in keeping with the surrounding developments, as did the architect. Everyone involved is extremely happy with the overall result."



Architects decided to use Lignacite concrete face blocks – often used as an alternative for bricks. This was then broken up by a large glass frontage and louvers.

Eamon Rooney, of McDonald Architects, said: "It is the first time we have ever used Lignacite blocks and I think it worked quite well.

"It is not a very attractive material but on a large scale it actually looks really good.

"It adds a lot of character and shadow to the building. The client is really happy with it."



New Pets at Home store on the site of former RAF airfield.

## Costa completed in espresso time

**Client:** Standard Life  
**Tenant:** Costa  
**Project Manager:** Gardiner & Theobald  
**Architect:** RGP Architects Ltd.  
**Engineer:** Peter Dann Ltd

FAIRCLOTH Construction is serving up a cup of coffee in espresso time with the development of a new Costa outlet.

The site is set within a busy retail park in Crawley, West Sussex, and has been completed within its 16-week schedule.

Faircloth sought to structurally develop the design – operating within limited space – to provide a striking feature that enhances the retail park.

The building has been described as a 'little space-pod' by its architect, Phil Harrison.

Phil, of RGP Architects, said: "The building has a curved frontage with a roof that slopes away from it, like a wedge. There is also a large goal-post signage not attached to the building itself. It is a great design."

The work has pleased project manager Chris Abbott, of Gardiner & Theobald, who said he was happy to have worked with Faircloth again.



New Costa outlet, Crawley, West Sussex.

## Next in line for a new store

**Client:** British Land  
**Tenant:** Next  
**Engineer:** Evolve  
**Quantity Surveyor/ Project Manager:** RLB-Rider Levett Bucknall  
**Architect:** RPS

FAIRCLOTH Construction is helping the next generation of shoppers with the redevelopment of a major retail store in Cheltenham.

Retail giant Next has enlisted the help of Faircloth to build a rear extension on its Gallagher Retail Park store.

The site is owned by British Land, which also has a further 27 million square feet of retail space to add to its portfolio – 98 per cent of which is occupied by quality retailers.

The work will increase the size of the sales floor and is being carried out in conjunction with a 'new-look' refurbishment programme, which is set to be

rolled out to stores across the country.

The steel frame construction used sympathetic materials to compliment its surroundings, with views overlooking the picturesque Gloucestershire countryside.

Project manager Simon Blackman, of RLB, said: "We did have to have a few meetings with the planning authority over the design of the building.

"Because of its location it needed to be in keeping with the surrounding developments.

"The building is set to be complete by the end of May, on budget and ahead of schedule."



Next retail store, Cheltenham.