



### Solatube's counsel helps council to improve offices

North Hertfordshire District Council's offices in Letchworth needed improvements to be made for several reasons. Not only did the roof leak, the offices were quite dark so that the lights in the rooms and the adjacent corridors had to be kept on all of the time. Building surveyor Nafees Parkar investigated various solutions to these problems and following a recommendation made to him by a colleague at another council decided to look at Solatube tubular daylighting systems.

Cambridge based building and roofing contractor Benchmark was instructed by the council to repair the roof and to install 11 no Solatube daylighting systems across a range of sizes; 3 Solatube 290DS

(350mmdiameter) systems were installed to bring daylight into the internal corridor and eight Solatube 330DS (530mm diameter) systems were installed- 4 brought daylight into the Committee Rooms and 4, with integrated solar-powered ventilation systems to keep the rooms cooler and the air fresher, delivered daylight into the Council Chambers.

Nafees says: "I hadn't seen these systems before but they met all of our needs and were simple and quick for our roofing contractor to install. Solatube was very helpful in assisting us to purchase the correct products for our needs and in providing support to Benchmark too."

Solatube tubular daylighting systems are the only products of this type with BBA Certification which confirms their compliance with UK Building Regulations. Over 2 million Solatube systems have been installed around the world and they come with a 10 year guarantee. Solatube daylighting systems have been independently tested to prove that they let in up to 10 times more daylight than some other systems. Developed over 25 years, Solatube daylighting systems have many patented technologies for optimum performance, including a double glazed element at ceiling level to remove the risk of condensation and the most reflective tube material available.



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