



Ansty Manufacturing Technology Centre

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Contractor

Morgan Sindall Plc

Caunton were involved in the design and build of structural steelwork for a most interesting project in Coventry; the £40.55 million Manufacturing Technology Centre (MTC). The research centre, located on Ansty Park, was to support UK manufacturing businesses in their pursuit of world-class business performance.

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Steelwork Design

Caunton Engineering

Founder industrial members of the MTC were Rolls Royce, Jaguar Land Rover, Aero Engine Controls and Airbus UK. Research partners include the University of Birmingham, The University of Nottingham, Loughborough University and TWI Ltd, the operating division of The Welding Institute.

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Architect

Fairhurst Design Group

The steelwork, comprising of 930 tonnes, was in effect three portal frames, with two storey buildings and a covered 'Street' linking all five distinct areas along one side. These three areas contain the manufacturing facilities and the steelwork included substantial crane beams too. The two storey buildings provided viewing galleries but also contain exhibition areas and some technical areas.

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Engineer

Waterman Burrow Crocker

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Steel Tonnage

930 tonnes

The design of the street by overall project, architect Fairhurst aimed to complement the buildings state of the art image and was a most imposing area comprising of attractive oval shaped columns fabricated from Corus' Celsius Ovals sections.

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