

Strathclyde University Andersonian Library

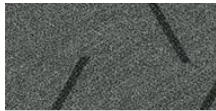


The robust qualities and unique geometrical design of Forbo Flooring Systems' Flotex Triad planks have been used as library flooring in many different settings, but more recently it has been used to refresh the entrance level of this busy university library in Glasgow. The Andersonian Library, located in the Curran building at the University of Strathclyde, is a public facility for thousands of students and staff across Glasgow's universities. After years of heavy footfall, the original carpet that was fitted in the reception area and corridors of the library was fast deteriorating and imminently becoming a trip hazard. Dawn McNeil, Building Surveyor at the University of Strathclyde said: "When we saw the carpet starting to fail within the entrance level, we knew that we needed a new flooring solution which would stand up to the high levels of traffic, yet also able to retain its aesthetics in years to come. What's more, as it's a busy library, it was important for us that the flooring was also easy to clean, as the floors are very prone to food and drink spillages. "We chose a dark grey and green colour scheme to complement the current colour strategy of the Curran. The interior of the main entrance of the building possesses a lot of greens so we wanted there to be an evident link between the public areas." Approximately 600sqm of Flotex Triad planks was installed in on the entrance level of the Andersonian Library. A mix of the Steel and Green Line colourways were fitted across the floor surface, with bursts of Green, to create a customised and striking pattern. The versatile Flotex planks collection offers endless possibilities to mix and match colours within one design, with a wide range of exciting colourways and highlight options available to meet every design brief. The unique dense construction of Flotex also combines the warmth, acoustics and underfoot comfort of a textile with the durability and cleaning properties of a resilient flooring – making it ideal for areas such as the Andersonian Library. Holding the prestigious Allergy UK Seal of Approval, allergens are trapped within its densely packed flocked pile, thereby reducing the number of allergens in the atmosphere. It is also phthalate free, contributing to a better indoor environment to live, work, learn and play. Dawn concluded: "The students, staff and visitors are really happy with the new floor; it is already proving that it is

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Flotex Planks Triad
green line



Flotex Planks Triad
steel



Flotex Planks Triad
green

