



**PROJECT:** Office Design and Fit-out

**Location:** Sunley House, Croydon

**Value:** £\*\*\*

**Timescale:** 23 weeks



## The client

Zurich Insurance is one of the world's largest insurance groups, operating on a global basis. Operating from 16 towns / cities in the UK alone, PJE have been a preferred supplier for more than 10 years.

## The brief

Redesign the current 5th floor space to accommodate staff using a similar design ethos to the schemes we created in Birmingham, Leeds and Glasgow.

## Project delivery

Zurich have occupied two floors of the 11 storey building for a number of years and the site was looking rather tired. With the introduction of flexible working, hot desking and collaborative style environments, we were able to design all of the needs required for Croydon staff to fit on a single 900sqm floor - enabling Zurich to save on real estate costs.

The original plan was to move all staff to a mix of home working and temporary condensed layout onto the 4th floor, whilst we stripped out the 5th floor, ready for occupation. With the onset of COVID-19 we ended up using the 4th floor as storage and site office space, allowing the complete 5th floor area for the fitout works.

Strip-out of the internals just left the existing raised access floor, meaning new partitions, electrical, data and mechanical alongside interior finishes, furniture and new secondary glazing. Planning permission was required for additional external louvres to the glazing.



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*"A big Thank You to the PJE team once again for delivering another excellent project, it looks amazing. Your team were spot-on with cleanliness and quality, thanks again for working through lockdown and for doing Zurich a great service."*

Martin Draper, UK Head of CRE&WS

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## The design

Features included a hexagon pattern theme repeated throughout the floor - inspired by some of the concrete blockwork in the local vicinity. This was implemented into the partition glazing manifestation, lighting, tea point tiles and signage. Small living wall elements were also brought into the scheme alongside LED backlit sky ceiling panels and a quirky "On Air" indicator light for a hidden quiet space room.

Collaborative work areas were created either in specific rooms, adaptable open spaces or integrated amongst the open plan electric height adjustable desking.

During the project we removed 58 tonnes of waste - of which 99% was recycled, thus avoiding landfill.

