



## Begbroke Science Park

Situated in Yarnton, 6 miles outside the centre of Oxford, Begbroke Science Park is a pioneering new development at Oxford University. An internationally recognised centre of scientific and technological excellence, the site currently houses 5 multidisciplinary, industry focused institutes with a number of new buildings planned.

A number of façade options were considered for this prestigious project, with the original design based on small module panels with multi-layer banding. However, this option did not prove cost effective and led to the projected final building costs running over budget. As a result, the façade design was cost engineered by Elevations Ltd, whose principals have over 30 years experience in the design, project management and installation of all types of cladding, rain screen and curtain walling.

Europanel, specified with Corus Colorcoat Prisma® in Aquarius, was combined with cedar cladding and 1500mm module glazing.

David Hebblethwaite, MD of Elevations Ltd said “It was immediately apparent that in order to reduce costs the cladding layout would have to be rationalized. We evaluated different systems to accommodate more effective module sizes and consequently redesigned the façade using a mix of Europanel which could easily be integrated with the 1500mm glazing.....

Client: Oxford University

Architect: Stubbs Rich

Contractor: Kingierlee Ltd

Panel Contractor: Elevations Ltd

.....By changing the specifications to utilise the multiple sizes of panel that Eurobond are able to produce, a significant cost saving was achieved with no adverse effect on the overall building aesthetic, nor did it make any alteration to the integrity or performance of the building”



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