

Preston Hall



Project: Weston Homes PLC – Preston Hall

Location: Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7PU

Roof Area: 3,000m²

Specification: Natural Slate, Lead & Eshaflex

The refurbishment of Preston Hall, a magnificent 5,100m² Grade II listed mansion near Aylesford, Kent, was once the country residence of the Culpeper family, ancestors of Queen Catherine Howard, the fifth wife of King Henry VIII. But after becoming an NHS facility in 1945 and suffering years of neglect, it was sold by the government to developers.

This was a unique and challenging refurbishment; some areas required us to strip the existing slates and replace with new Spanish Gower slates, some required us to salvage the existing slates. There were also code 5 lead roofs and turrets. There were flat roof areas that either required us to overlay the existing asphalt with a Radmat 20 year 3 layer felt system, other areas required us to strip the existing roofs and install 18mm plywood followed by a Radmat 20 year 3 layer felt system.

Despite the challenges and a few bumps along the way, this project ended well and everyone at Southern Mastic Roofing Ltd and Weston Homes PLC were ecstatic with the end product.



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