

Apollo fitted to upgrade care home

FIREFLY® Systems Upgrade Roof Space At Northamptonshire Care Facility

A leading FIREFLY® partner successfully utilised the manufacturer's fully tested barrier systems and ancillary products, to carry out a rapid upgrade to a property belonging to the Northamptonshire Healthcare Foundation. Replacing a superseded, mineral wool system which no longer met modern standards of performance, this ensured the safety of staff as well as patients for the foreseeable future.

Coventry based KRASI Fire Protection Limited – a specialist sub-contractor well experienced in all types of commercial construction projects and upgrades – completed the installation of the well proven and fully certified FIREFLY® Apollo Lite 30:30 and Apollo Horizontal barriers, together with a bespoke access hatch and products such as Collaroll. The work was carried out over a three-week period in April 2024. The company's Contract Manager, Daniel Oldacre, commented: "A key aspect of the specification of the products for this job was the fact that FIREFLY® is the only manufacturer which has a fully tested hatch as part of their barrier."

Having removed the old mineral wool fire barriers which no longer conform to the Building Regulations, Approved Document B, our team of five operatives set about erecting the FIREFLY® Apollo Lite barriers to divide the roof space into three separate compartments, with a protected zone, using the Apollo Lite™ to wrap the timber rafters. Then because of the spacing of the rafters, we had to order a bespoke sized access hatch through our contact, Chris Boam at FIREFLY®. This was 900 mm high but only 500 mm wide, for which we built a subframe using Uni-struts and the new door was delivered in just over a week, so it didn't hold the job up at all. Overall, we erected some 300 square metres of barrier and the project went to plan."



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