

## One Forbury Square Office Building Reading, UK (2001 - 2003)

- Client: Argent Group plc
- Project Size: 50,000 sq ft
- New Construction
- Construction Cost: \$ 48 million USD

Our masterplan for Forbury Square creates quality public space in the tradition of the historic centre of Reading. The new Forbury Square becomes an extension to the adjacent Forbury Gardens while the new buildings that form the square offer both commercial and retail space.

The office building we have designed, One Forbury Square, is a high quality office building with a distinct contemporary classical character. The dialogue between the robust brick-masonry wall and the fragile glass-and-metal screen at its front, is a commentary both on tectonics and the inherent adaptability of the classical language.



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Pleasing proportions and the juxtaposition of brick, metal and glass give the building both classical calmness and a contemporary reading.