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A project from Lester Controls

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Glasgow Housing Association (GHA), part of the larger Wheatley Group, is currently Scotland's largest social landlord with over 40,000 homes in the city. The properties GHA own range from single dwelling housing to multiple tenanted high-rise apartment blocks, most of which formed part of a stock transfer from Glasgow City Council in 2003. Many of the transferred apartment blocks were built some time ago and were scheduled either for demolition, as part of a regeneration programme or for major refurbishment work to bring them up to today's standards.

Ten of the residential blocks that range from 19 to 26 storeys that had been identified for modernisation, also required full lift modernisations to improve their safety, aesthetics, reliability and assist with lowering energy consumption. The contract for the lift modernisation was awarded to Welsh based lift company, Global Lifts, by GHA and Wheatley Group.

To assist with the specification, Lester Controls had on-site meetings with Global Lifts, GHA and Wheatley Group before the formalisation of the controller specification. We additionally attended the site before and during the installation, to overcome any problems that may occur when configuring the new system.

Initially, Lester Controls supplied ALMEGA I control solutions, as GHA and Wheatley Group required a standing and successful record in excess of three years of commercial availability of any controller model in the UK market. As the project continued, a switch was made to the ALMEGA II controllers configured with Ziehl-Abegg drives and motors. The lift controllers were configured to run the lifts in a skip-stop formation. Additionally, to ensure a safe lift car travel, a Schmersal USP positioning systems were also supplied to Global Lifts.





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