

PARAGON, BRENTFORD HIGH RISE DUPLEX OTIS GEN2 MODERNISATION

The Paragon forms part of the University of West London' Brentford campus and became operational in 2007. It comprises of five accommodation blocks, incorporating 1060 residential units with blocks ranging from 4 to 17 storeys. At the time of construction, it was considered to be the tallest modular building in the world and won the '2007 Major Housing Project of the Year' award.

Several of the Paragon's buildings have been undergoing refurbishment and two tower blocks, one 14-storeys high and the other 16, were configured with Otis Gen2® duplex passenger lifts. The lifts in both blocks had experienced heavy usage over the past 12 years and had developed reliability problems.

The lift contractor maintaining the Paragon's lifts, along with the building's management and consultants considered that the best option to address the reliability issues was to undertake a lift controller upgrade.

Lester Controls worked closely with the lift maintenance company, to allow for the retention of the stainless steel, very shallow landing cabinets. This required a stainless steel Patrice to fit the new landing control panel back plate. With this agreed and the site specifications confirmed, we manufactured the required ALMEGA II control solutions for installation in the two blocks. We additionally supplied full serial Flexibus systems, indicators, landing fixtures and fittings.



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