



Celltherm Coldrooms play Trump card

Celltherm Coldrooms is the chosen provider of coldroom facilities for the Golf House Restaurant at the Trump International Golf Links at Balmedie, near Aberdeen designed by world renowned Dr. Martin Hawtree.

Celltherm was specified by Aberdeen Catering Equipment Specialist (or Kitchen House) 'Instant Catering Maintenance' to provide coldroom facilities for the Temporary Clubhouse and the conversion of MacLeod House to a new Hotel – based on the quality of its products and the flexibility of its design which are all manufactured in Germany by family-owned parent company Celltherm Isolierung GmbH.

"We decided to work with Celltherm because they are the European pioneers in the use of completely CFC-free polyurethane panels and have the impressive capability to specify and install their modular multi-compartment coldroom partition walls in any position with fully cam-locked floors, walls & ceilings.

"Not only do they practice environmental sustainability in the way their coldroom panels are manufactured, but they also worked with us to make sure that the installation and operation of the coldrooms will have a positive environmental impact.

“I have worked closely with Celltherm for over ten years and they have never failed to provide exactly what’s required regardless of the project challenges or difficult site conditions that sometimes prevail,” says Alastair Stuart, Sales Director of ICM.

The MacLeod House Kitchen

Celltherm carried out a full site survey at Balmedie prior to providing a quotation and completed a full design brief to deliver exactly what ICM needed for this prestigious project.

Two specific challenges did arise with the MacLeod House kitchen. One was that the coldrooms had to fit in a very confined space in the cellar with limited height and difficult access. Celltherm tailor-made smaller panels to overcome the site access and space issues. Secondly, the refrigeration equipment needed to have a very low noise level to avoid disturbing guests and visitors at the new hotel development. The solution from Celltherm was to specify units that rate below 30dba at 10m keeping things as quiet as possible without compromising on performance and energy efficiency. The installation was coordinated and controlled by the client’s in-house team and all works were completed ahead of schedule and on budget.

Best kept secret – Celltherm coldrooms

In the UK, Celltherm has been something of a ‘best kept secret’ in the foodservice and retail sectors with steady growth mostly from word of mouth and recommendation. Celltherm’s James Connolly explains,

“The flexibility offered by the UK’s smallest modular increment size of 175mm (width and depth) in three different heights from stock means we can supply over 600 different standard sizes from our Narborough facility near Leicester. Celltherm provide a full bespoke design and build service which is offered on a swift lead time from the German Parents manufacturing facility in Gronau, Germany. This has allowed Celltherm to offer coldroom solutions where design and operational challenges may have excluded others.

“Our order book has grown despite the challenging business climate because we can offer high grade stainless steel and special finishes such as anti-bacterial coatings. Vision panels and different door type options can be provided from our factory with just three to four week lead times with a quality that’s second to none and never compromised in a typically German fashion.”

Recent successful projects for Celltherm include: New Ibis and Novotel Hotels in Blackfriars, London, Lothian Buses project in Edinburgh, Aggreko (Generators) in Dunbartonshire, The Clink @ H.M.P Cardiff, Shell Oils in Wythenshawe, Marco Pierre White’s Signature Steakhouse in Newcastle, Able UK Offshore

Accommodation Block in Teesside, new Ocado distribution Centre in Tamworth and Tapas Revolution in the New Bluewater Centre, Stratford.

The six senior staff at Narborough have nearly 75 years experience with Celltherm alone and over 100 years coldroom and refrigeration industry experience combined. Celltherm work closely with clients and partner organisations like the FCSI and CEDA and are keen to improve their representation in bigger consultant-led projects at home and abroad.

Celltherm Isolierung has recently invested over €2m improving its manufacturing facilities and adding a new advanced foaming plant with plans for a second advanced foaming plant already underway. The German based group's investment has allowed it to deliver major contracts including a UK project this year for multiple retailer Lidl providing over 300 coldroom installations with even larger projects undertaken for the German Health Service and projects further afield.

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