

Agriculture

Hall Hunter Partnership Fruit Cold store

Project Type Fruit cold store

Location West Sussex

Steel Tonnage 40 tonnes

Works Carried Out Foundations, Structural Steelwork, Pre-cast concrete walling, Composite roof cladding, Steel wall cladding, Roller shutter doors, Secondary steelwork – cat ladder.



An insulated fruit store with plant room lean-to and cold storage areas - ensuring fresh soft fruit straight to the consumer's table.

Hall Hunter Partnership is a family owned grower and supplier of soft fruit to major UK food retailers; Waitrose, Marks & Spencer and Tesco.

Established in 1966, Hall Hunter Partnership, located in Berkshire - one of the sunniest places in the UK, required a new insulated fruit store to keep produce fresh and meet increased consumer demand. With very limited space, the new 18m x 48m facility required constructing within a tight footprint, 3 meters to be exact, and within close proximity of existing operational glasshouses.

With extensive experience in the build of agricultural structures, Robinson progressed the build whilst the fruit business remained fully operational, and with lay-down areas being limited, Robinson implemented a 'Just In Time' delivery schedule, ensuring both efficiency and safety.

Integrating within a wider design team, Robinson guided Hall Hunter Partnership's design expectations to ensure the store's ventilation, insulation, and structural properties were fully optimised in advance of secondary steelwork, doors, ladders and louvre panels being fitted. On completion, Hall Hunter Partnership installed cold storage areas which maintain the soft fruit are stored at a cool 20C - ensuring fresh soft fruit straight to the consumer's table.

“From the foundations up, we have received a quality building from Robinsons. Their communications with other contractors and ourselves was excellent.”

Colin Frampton – Hall Hunter Partnership