

Client: Dublin Docklands Development Agency



CUSTOM HOUSE QUAY, DUBLIN

A Listed tobacco warehouse, built in 1820, has been refurbished to create an exciting new retail and exhibition space. The location of the building, adjacent to George's Dock, is now on an active pedestrian access route recently created by a new footbridge across the River Liffey.

The reactivation of the interior of the building includes the creation of luxury retail units, restaurants and cafes. A contemporary glass and steel canopy structure is juxtaposed against the existing brick exterior wall, signalling the entrances and offering protection to external restaurant seating.

Inside the warehouse structure, a modern intervention has been inserted to define and create spaces while allowing transparency and visibility throughout. There is a distinctive and complementary contrast between the old and the new structures and the design has been executed to ensure minimal impact on the fabric of the existing building.

