



DOWN ON THE FARM WITH EXCEL FAÇADES

Serving to adorn the overall look and architectural design style of a new build extension on a farmstead on the Bedfordshire/Buckinghamshire border is a comprehensive suite of high quality and energy efficient window and doors supplied by Bedfordshire-based specialists, Excel Façades.

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KEY FACTS

- > Architectural Design – Traditional, stone built farm extension designed to be sympathetic with that of an existing barn conversion.
- > System Solution Supplied – Rational windows, doors and inline patio sets.
- > Main Contractors – Nene Valley Homes, Bedfordshire.



Constructed to sympathetically mirror the look of the farmstead’s main converted barn, the stone built single and two storey extension features a total of 30, bespoke individual window and door components manufactured by Rationel – a leading exponent in the supply of high performance Scandinavian style and energy efficient system solutions.

The products specified for this particular project by the farm’s proprietors were Rationel AURAPLUS. With an external aluminium finish in Agate Grey – which serves to add an additional 20+ years to its life expectancy - and Cream White natural wood internally, the triple glazed units comprised of side hung casement windows, guided casements, fixed frames, inline patio sets, external doors and one flush door.

With sleek, clean lines, AURAPLUS represents the ultimate in contemporary style. Inviting maximum daylight into the indoor environment, which serves to deliver a warmth and serenity, AURAPLUS is at the forefront of modern energy optimisation and is perfect for use in low-energy projects. And with sustainably sourced timber from FSC®-certified forests, all products are produced to be environmentally conscious.

Installed by contractors for the project, Nene Valley Homes, the extension was designed and built to provide living accommodation for the owners, with their daughter and son-in-law having occupied the adjoining barn conversion.

Set in a 35 acre site that provides space to accommodate the family’s love of horses, the new build extension comprises a lounge/dining room, kitchen, galleried landing leading to double bedroom with en-suite and a hobby room. Serving to complement the interior Cream White finish of the Rationel window and door furniture is oak flooring, skirtings and architraves.

Providing access to a decked 5m x 7.5m patio area that features raised flowerbeds and decorative roping are two Rationel inline sliding patio door sets measuring approximately 3m x 2m.

As the farm’s proprietor commented:

“ We are delighted with how well the windows and doors supplied by Excel Façades serve to elevate the overall appeal of the scheme, whether in terms of visual aesthetics, energy performance or security. We cannot thank Jason and his team at Excel Façades enough. They were extremely helpful every step of the way and provided the advice and guidance we were looking for, as did Nene Valley Homes during the installation process.”

Commenting on behalf of Excel Façades, Jason Pritchard said:

“ Windows and doors are of critical importance to the overall aesthetic appeal and energy performance of any building development. And as this project clearly demonstrates, the Rationel AURAPLUS products really serve to deliver the optimum finishing statement, whilst working in harmony with the development’s natural stone exterior and oak internal woodwork.”

