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SECRET FIXED FOR STUNNING EFFECT ON NEW GRAND DESIGNS PROJECT.

A sleek appearance and contemporary design were key to Volkswagen's impressive new £36m office development in Milton Keynes.

Contractors LSC Façades were tasked with designing and installing the building's façades without a bracket or fixing in sight - and in response chose to use [SikaTack® Panel Adhesive](#) for meeting the aesthetic requirements.

[SikaTack® Panel Adhesive](#) requires no screws, bolts or brackets but relies on powerful elastic adhesives that bond cladding to structures. Incredibly versatile, the adhesive works with composites, ceramics, high pressure laminates and cement based cladding. It is also effective upon most metals and powder coated substrates.

The striking building, designed by architects PHP, presented the challenge of creating sleek shapes intersected by straight lines and curves.

The 100,000 sq ft scheme is the car giant's financial services sector's new headquarters and includes office space, a staff car park, restaurant, coffee shop and a theatre style conference centre.

Work started on the site in Delaware Drive in September 2013 and was completed in December 2014 during which a warehouse was demolished to make way for the development.

LSC Façades, one of Sika's original [SikaTack® Panel Registered Contractors](#) was responsible for the bonding and cladding of the building after being contracted by the development's main contractor VINCI Construction UK.

The company chose to use [SikaTack® Panel Adhesive](#) for 2,300 square metres of ACM cladding because the architect and contractor did not want to see any visible fixings in these areas of the building. The [SikaTack® Panel Adhesive](#) was used in conjunction with Sika's double sided adhesive tape.

Dan Richmond, LSC's Design Manager, explained: "We have worked with Sika in the past and we knew it would meet these requirements, whilst also being extremely fit-for-purpose in its application. It created an impressive, flush appearance which ensured we could meet the specification and the wider design requirements of a contemporary look and feel throughout. It is also applied easily so put a tick in every box for us."

Using [SikaTack® Panel Adhesive](#) enabled LSC Façades to meet the objective of a smooth, contemporary finish without any visible fixings.

The new building is a striking development, reflecting a variety of contemporary design features whilst offering a long-term durable investment.

Having attained [British Board of Agrément Certification](#) for its durability, resistance to both weather and fire, plus accreditation to ISO 9001/EN29001, [SikaTack® Panel Adhesive](#) has proved itself to be the aesthetic and practical solution.

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