

Monthly Newsletter

We can't believe how quickly September has flown by. Yet again, it's been another record breaking month for Keystone with several jobs running simultaneously in Edinburgh, Glasgow and the North East of England.

A Recent Success:

The team were particularly happy with the results of a DOFF® clean to the front façade, steps and wall of a beautiful building on Newbattle Terrace. Years of pollutants had resulted in a dull and dirty appearance to the stone surface which quickly lifted once the DOFF® worked it's magic!



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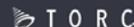


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Auckland Castle

As we mentioned in the July edition of the Keystone Newsletter, we are delighted to be part of the Auckland Castle Restoration Project. Works are fully underway in Bishop Auckland and we are making great progress. Our team have been based in the North-east town throughout the whole of September, completing the first stage of the project by carefully removing the gypsum plaster from the brick walls using a combination of pneumatic tools and our TORC machine. The second stage is fully underway to remove the underlying bitumen from the newly exposed brick work. This requires a combination of paint-rid to soften the bitumen before removing it using our DOFF® Recovery Unit. Throughout the process it is important to ensure the preservation of the stonework.

Meldrum Construction and on-site architects and conservators have been so impressed with the standard of our work that we have been given additional works to complete within the restoration project. Despite being ahead of our projected 6 week time frame these additional works will extend our time in Bishop Auckland.



New Equipment – The DOFF® Recovery Unit

In our quest to continually deliver “*Excellence as Standard*” to our customers, we seek to build on the services we provide. This month, Keystone invested in a DOFF® Recovery Unit; a specialist ancillary to the traditional DOFF® used specifically for indoor projects. The machine contains a hooded lance which extracts all steam, water and debris to a vacuum unit via a heavy duty, high temperature hose. The water is then pumped out of the unit automatically and debris is collected in a catch tank.

This machine is designed specifically for indoor projects, for both large scale commercial sites and small domestic cleans. The benefit of the catch tank means there is no water runoff preventing any damage to the internal building.

A few smaller jobs completed in September...



A War Memorial in Prestonpans



Completed paint removal works on a basement flat on Great King Street



The removal of ferrous staining caused by a leaking downpipe on Orchard Brae

For view additional images of our completed work, please click the following link:
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