

<u>Claremont office interior design and build</u> <u>project is largest ever</u>

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Claremont, the interior design and fit-out business based in Warrington, has completed its largest design and build project to date. It has delivered a new seven-figure headquarters for global sports betting, gaming and entertainment business, Flutter Entertainment plc.

Handover of the Dublin-based headquarters took place after almost three years in the making, which included a complex 32-week build. Claremont's workplace consultancy, interior design, fit-out, furniture and AV expertise was put to full use on the project, which created a unique destination office totalling 136,000 sq. ft, spread across six floors.

Flutter's new headquarters, which house teams from across a number of its brands including Paddy Power, Betfair and FanDuel amongst others, features a rich blend of activity-based work settings and large collaborative spaces, as well as an indoor football pitch, studio spaces, mock-up retail betting shop, relaxation and gaming areas and an on-site café.

Tim Frankland, Managing Director of Claremont said: "We've enjoyed a very productive relationship with Flutter for some time – but this project is by far the most complex and significant we've delivered – not just for them but the Claremont team too.

"The result really is the crown in Flutter's European real estate. They decided against an office move or predictable refurbishment in favour of doing something brave and progressive. We've remodelled their building, added an atrium, improved connectivity and made it a highly collaborative space to suit post-pandemic ways of working."

Despite Covid halting construction work in Ireland for four months, Claremont completed the project six



weeks ahead of the Covid-affected schedule.

Tim added: "We are tremendously proud of the team, several of whom relocated to Dublin temporarily to drive the project, and also of the supply chain whose commitment was unfaltering. Our team's creativity and commitment at every stage of the project has been something quite special."

Claremont became an Employee Ownership Trust at the end of 2020 and since then has recruited 15 new professionals to its design and delivery teams.

Tim added: "The transition to EOT made a real step change in our team and it's demonstrable with projects like this. We've recruited some exceptional new talent, which helps us to build stronger and more creative relationships with clients. The result is a growing client roster and a business that is surpassing its own targets."

Speaking about the Dublin project, Mark Mercer, Group Corporate Real Estate Director for Flutter said: "We now have an incredible office for our people and certainly the most unique space in Dublin. The new office reflects our culture and how we want to work. It's inclusive and engaging and provides the perfect environment for colleagues to get together in the workplace.

"The success of this project can most certainly be attributed, in part, to the very close and productive working relationship we have with Claremont and the boundless creativity and innovation they brought to the brief. This project demonstrates that through complexity, truly great things can be delivered."

Over the last 18 months Claremont has completed high profile projects for Shoosmiths (London), myenergi (Grimsby), USS (Liverpool & London), Marsh Mclennan (multi-site locations).