

Project Brief

Union Fish Co

Un-Reinforced Masonry Seismic Strengthening



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Constructed in 1906, fire damaged and re-opened in 1908, this building in the historic waterfront precinct was occupied by United Repairing Co, and in later years the Northern Steamship Co. In 1981 Union Fish Co. took over.

Cooper and Company under the direction of Architects; Salmond Reid, and Warren & Mahoney, have restored the existing heritage character of the Union Fish building as part of the Bluewater 2009 – Britomart venture. Works included: Brickwork on the Quay and Tyler St elevations restored and replaced. Original openings on each façade were reinstated with appropriate timber joinery. A new roof and 3 new parapets reflecting the original were reinstated. Originally the building was 2 bays longer than exists today and therefore only 3 of the 4 parapets were reinstated. A new roof light was constructed within the new roof providing more light into the top floor.

Tyfo® SEH 51 was installed in vertical bands to the cavity brick lower level and double brick upper level with Tyfo® SEH Composite Anchors.

The building retains an ongoing profile in the industry with the ground floor venue hosting Architecture week Auckland 09 and Holcim Global Awards for Sustainable Construction 2009.