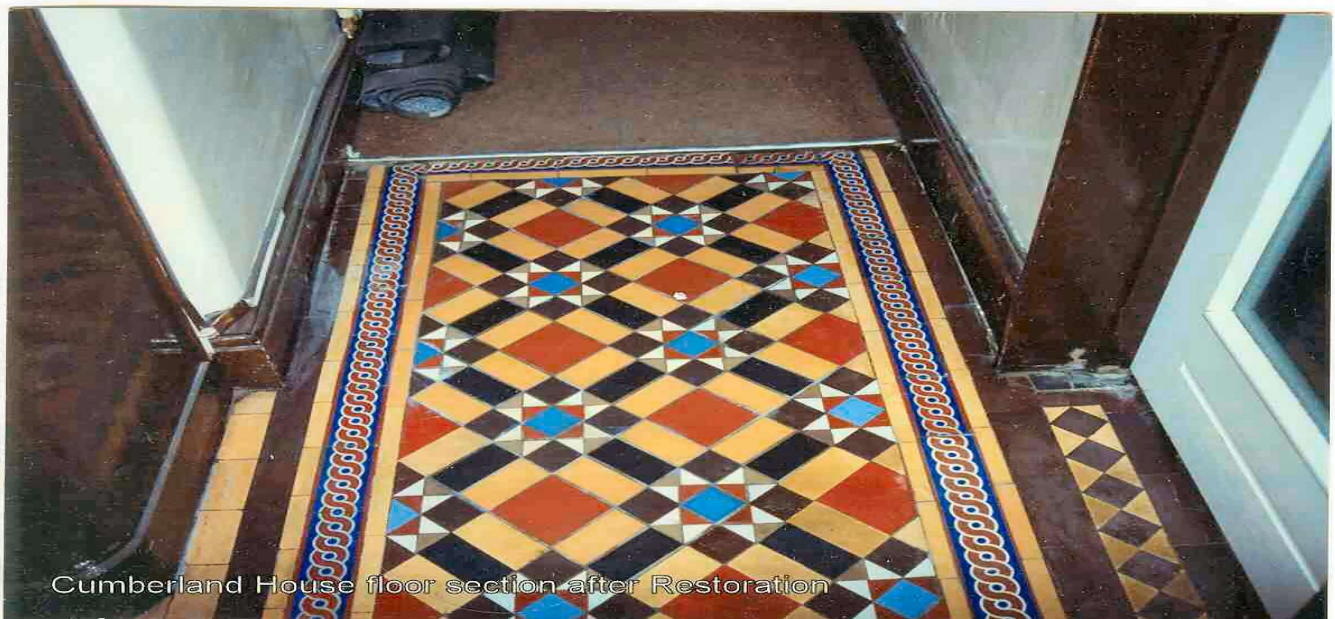


Restoration Project Cumberland House Grade 2+ listed building, contract to lift & restore Victorian encaustic & geometric tiled areas.

Our Co carried out this work over the weekend of the 5th & 6th of March 1994 my Co was still called SJS Tiling back then I changed it as it sounded too much like a domestic tiling co.

The work consisted of removing inappropriate repairs see pictures = top left hand corner of the tiling in a corridor had been damaged the original tiles had been removed and replaced with red 6 inch x 3 inch tiles .



Red 6x3 inch tile patch removed restored with new encaustic & geometric tiles.

We used a combination of new & re-claimed tiles to restore this colourful Victorian encaustic & geometric tiled floor, some sections of the floor had sunk as the underlying lime -based screed had dried out and then crumbled and sifted through the retaining boards.

Those loose areas of damaged lime-screed were all lifted in the first day and a new screed comprised of a fast setting Ardex product was laid this sets in less than 4 hours so we were able to pour a latex self-levelling screed over this to set overnight.

We worked approx 12 hours on both days and sealed the floor on the Monday evening.

All the new tiles used were bought from H&R Johnsons under the Minton Hollins range name the geometric tiles we cut to size from 6x6 inch tiles the encaustic used were the Telford Rope border tiles, they do show up against the original but look a damn sight better than grubby red tiles.



Cumberland House Victorian encaustic & geometric tiled floor restored.

The floor was cleaned by our Co 6 times using a variety of cleaning products that we have found to remove more than a century's worth of dirt.

After our Co had restored this floor apparently other tiling was installed in an inferior fashion.

The Architect in charge of this project was kind enough to furnish our Co with an excellent reference in March 1994 as did the then owners a Group Practice of Doctors headed by Dr Lomas; the practice issued our Co with a very good reference as well.

Mr Ian Wheatcroft the Architect in charge of the project issued another reference in October 2000 some 6 years later, there are very few Co's that have any references from Architects and even less who receive two references for the same contract.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to confirm that Mr S J Sinnott undertook the repair of the Geometric field tiles and Encaustic border tiles in the entrance hall of our premises. The tiles were supplied by H & R Johnson Tiles Limited, Stoke-on-Trent.

The remedial work was undertaken over the weekend of 5th/6th March and was completed to our satisfaction within the timetable established with Mr Sinnott.

The appearance of the entrance hall is much improved by these repairs although, to Mr Sinnott's credit, the areas of tiles which have been replaced are difficult to detect because of the manner in which they meld in with the original tiling.



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Re: Cumberland House, Jordangate, Macclesfield, Cheshire.

This letter is to confirm that S.J.S. Tiling have just completed a complicated refurbishment project to the original Victorian encaustic tiled floor in the entrance hall at the above. After many years of intensive use the original tiled surfaces had become damaged with some areas missing completely.

The refurbishment work has been completed to a high standard, with a tight time scale and, to my complete satisfaction; I would have no hesitation in recommending S.J.S. Tiling again for similar work.


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Cumberland House, Jordangate, Macclesfield, Cheshire.

In 1993, as part of a refurbishment contract on the existing building, S.J.S. Tiling were appointed to repair and renovate the existing encaustic tiled flooring in the entrance hall of the above Listed Building.

The work involved the following :-

- Approximately 1.5 sq. metres of replacement field tiling and approximately 30 border tiles, all to match the original
- Renovation of parts of the floor, which involved removing the existing tiles and relaying them.
- Cleaning and sealing the whole tiled floor.

The work was completed on time, and to the complete satisfaction of both myself, as project architect, and the partners of the medical practice, owners of the building.

On my last visit, early this year, I noted that the floor tiling is still in very good condition, and confirm that I am completely satisfied with S.J.S. Tiling's execution of the restoration work.


IAN WHEATCROFT.