

## Stornoway Ferry Terminal



*Client:* **Stornoway Pier & Harbour Commission**

*Contract value:* **£1m**

*Date:* **1997**

The Passenger Ferry Terminal Building in Stornoway is part of a new £8m pier development sited on the harbour front in Newton basin, and was designed by Wylie Shanks in association with Hamilton & McWiggan.

Sited on an exposed and prominent location on the front edge of town, the design concept was based on a modern interpretation of a former fish-market building which had been a landmark on the harbour, and now long demolished. This concept allows the service facilities of the Terminal to be arranged peripherally around a central glazed atrium space for passenger circulation.

Materials with concealed fixings were selected for durability in a severe environment. The tapered shape reduces the impact of the building height, and the octagonal arrangement reduces wind resistance on this exposed site. The location also ensures that the building is seen from many of the streets leading to the harbour, and is a modern introduction to the town from arriving ferries.

