

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS AS THE CAYMAN ISLANDS' LEADING CONTRACTOR



Owen Roberts International Airport expansion

Celebrating its 50th anniversary of being established in the Cayman Islands, the local history of McAlpine Limited is intertwined with the modern history of Cayman.

The company's record of accomplishments is, in essence, a recitation of the most important buildings, projects, and landmarks in the country.

The global group of companies, which itself is marking its 150th anniversary, was founded by Sir Robert McAlpine in the United Kingdom in 1869, with the first contract being for the repair of a mine chimney for a modest £2.45. Today the Sir Robert McAlpine group boasts a turnover of more than \$1 billion per year.

Incorporated in Cayman on April 20, 1970, the first contract undertaken by McAlpine locally was the Legislative Assembly Building for the Cayman Islands Government. The project began in July 1971, and the Legislative Assembly Building continues to serve as Cayman's parliamentary headquarters to this day.

LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES

In the past five decades, McAlpine has constructed many of Cayman's most well-known buildings, for the public and private sectors, and in the process has built a reputation for quality construction.

Locally, McAlpine employs nearly 100 people, including engineers, project managers, quantity surveyors, tradesmen, semi- and unskilled labourers. McAlpine under-

takes vast portions of building projects with its own resources contrary to the global trend where contractors will subcontract the entire scope of works.

The company's ability to combine the strengths of its local and expatriate workforces gives it considerable advantages over international contractors. While McAlpine operates primarily in Cayman as a General Contractor, the company offers a variety of other services, including Design Build Contractor, Construction Management Contractor, and Concrete Subcontractor.

LANDMARK PROJECTS

Some of the most prominent projects on which McAlpine served as General Contractor include the AALL/Diamonds International Building, government's Glass House, Harquail Theatre, Cayman Islands Hospital, multiple office buildings in Cricket Square, 62 Forum Lane at Camana Bay, Walkers Building, and, most recently, the Owen Roberts International Airport expansion.

As Design Builder, McAlpine completed the new Government Administration Building on Elgin Avenue in 2011. This remains the single-largest construction contract ever awarded by the Cayman Islands Government.

As Construction Management Contractor, McAlpine led a team of local firms to rescue the government's troubled Clifton Hunter High School Project. After the foreign-based General Contractor was dismissed from the project, the Cayman Construction Management Ltd. group — comprising McAlpine, DECCO Ltd. and

Arch & Godfrey (Cayman) Ltd. — stepped in and collaborated successfully to complete the high school project for the beginning of the 2012-2013 academic year.

In addition to the numerous building projects, McAlpine has played a significant role in developing the infrastructure of Grand Cayman over the last 50 years. The most notable project, perhaps, was the Cargo Port, completed in 1977 in Hog Sty Bay.

On many of McAlpine's commercial office projects, the company also undertakes office fit-outs for the tenants, including major international financial services firms. Over the years, McAlpine has delivered some of the most complex and advanced fit-outs in Cayman, with innovations such as the introduction of Cat 6 cabling to the island, full raised access floors, underfloor air access floors, and full LED office lighting.

In the tradition of founder Sir Robert McAlpine, affectionately known as "Concrete Bob," the company maintains an expertise in constructing storm- and earthquake-resistant concrete frame buildings. In addition to its own buildings, McAlpine has acted as concrete frame subcontractor on a number of other major projects, most significantly the Kimpton Seafire Resort, completed in 2016.

PROMOTING CAYMANIANS

Aside from excellence in construction, McAlpine has developed a reputation as the local leader in hiring, training, and promoting Caymanians in the construction industry — a priority established by the local firm's first Managing Director Henry Propper.



Uglan Buildings



Cricket Square



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McAlpine was the first local contractor to send Caymanians overseas to learn carpentry, quantity surveying, engineering, and other skills. The company can demonstrate a record of training and promoting Caymanians to the highest levels of its organization: Former Managing Director Ian Pairaudeau was hired by McAlpine in 1988, then worked for McAlpine's parent company in the U.K., and finally, in 2006, was named Managing Director of McAlpine in Cayman and Regional Manager for the Caribbean.

The current General Manager Richard Noel is committed to grooming a Caymanian to fill his position within the next few years.

Boasting a distinguished record of quality work completed on time and on budget, McAlpine remains the premier contractor for developers in Cayman. With a highly trained staff, access to resources, and, above all, local experience, McAlpine can offer its clients sensible, no-nonsense advice about specific projects and lead clients in the right direction to achieve their goals. ♥

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

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| LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUILDING (1971) | COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARY (1997) |
| COURT HOUSE (1973) | CAYMAN ISLANDS HOSPITAL (1998) |
| AALL / DIAMONDS INTERNATIONAL BUILDING (1974) | UBS/MUFG BUILDING (1999) |
| CIBC BUILDING ON EDWARD STREET (1975) | CENTURY YARD AT CRICKET SQUARE (2001) |
| GLASS HOUSE (1976) | ON THE BAY CONDOS (2001) |
| LIME TREE BAY CONDOMINIUMS (1977) | BRITCAY HOUSE (2001) |
| GRAND PAVILION (1981) | ROYAL BANK OF CANADA BUILDING (2001) |
| PLANTANA CONDOMINIUMS (1982) | HARBOUR PLACE (2002) |
| THE RETREAT AT RUM POINT (1984) | INDUSTRIAL PARK ESSO (2002) |
| BRITISH AMERICAN CENTRE (1984) | CITRUS GROVE (2003) |
| HARQUAIL THEATRE (1986) | 62 FORUM LANE AT CAMANA BAY (2007) |
| GEORGE TOWN FIRE STATION (1988) | BOUNDARY HALL AT CRICKET SQUARE (2007) |
| JOSE'S RUBIS (1989) | CAYMAN MOTOR MUSEUM (2009) |
| GREAT HOUSE CONDOS (1991) | WALKERS BUILDING (2011) |
| BRITANNIA CONDOS (1991) | WILLOW HOUSE AT CRICKET SQUARE (2012) |
| QUEENSGATE HOUSE (1993) | GTPS EXPANSION (2012) |
| GHHS TECHNICAL BLOCK (1994) | RITZ-CARLTON RENOVATIONS (2014) |
| NORTH SIDE CIVIC CENTRE (1995) | JGHS GYMNASIUM (2017) |
| FIRST CARIBBEAN BANK BUILDING (1996) | PHASE II OF THE OWEN ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (2019) |
| ELIZABETHAN SQUARE (1996) | |
| SAVANNAH PRIMARY (1996) | |

DESIGN BUILDER

- UGLAND HOUSE (1999)
- BANK OF BUTTERFIELD BUILDING (2007)
- GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (2011)
- SIX BUILDING AT CRICKET SQUARE (2019)

CONCRETE FRAME SUBCONTRACTOR

- APPLEBY OFFICE BUILDING (2013)
- OCEANA CONDO (2013)
- 18 FORUM LANE (2015)
- KIMPTON SEAFIRE RESORT (2016)
- CUC PHASE 5 (2016)
- 1 NEXUS WAY (2017)

INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

- CARGO PORT (1977)
- FUEL PIPELINE FROM JACKSON POINT TO CUC AND THE AIRPORT (1989)
- WEST BAY ROAD SIDEWALKS (1990)
- SOUTH TENDER TERMINAL (1993)
- CAYMAN SHORES/DART SEAWALL (2002)
- SEAWATER DESALINATION PLANT (2002)
- CAMANA BAY TOWN CENTER UTILITIES (2007)
- CUC COOLING PIPELINE (2015)

