

Heady project for Edinburgh design firm

Two prominent glass towers will be included in a £4.5m project for a leading distillery company based in West Lothian.

The building will be the new administrative HQ for Ian Macleod Distillers which is moving from a nearby location which it has outgrown.

Ian Macleod are the world's 10th largest whisky company and currently produce and sell more than 15 million bottles of spirits a year.

A major supplier to the own brand market, the company has also supplied own label spirits to some of Europe's largest supermarket groups for more than 40 years.

Tim Heatherington (pictured), design director for Applied Engineering, revealed this was the biggest project they had undertaken apart from a £7m instruction from Tesco last year.

The project is expected to start in July and finish 12 months later and it is being built on vacant ground in the shadow of the nearby shale bing which reflects another part of Scotland's industrial heritage."