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## Reducing the Impact of Grout Shafts

BFK have recently finished drilling over 45kms of TaMs at Bond Street and Tottenham Court Road to protect the surrounding valuable and historic buildings. In the heart of London the area available for the grout shafts is extremely restricted, usually narrow streets or alleyways.

Recently BFK came up with an innovative design to reduce the impact of a grout shaft on neighbours at the Tottenham Court Road WTH site. By reducing the site footprint to an absolute minimum they were able to re-open Sheraton Street to pedestrians. A team, led onsite by BFK supervisor Pat Hayes, re-erected the hoarding but also incorporated a pitched crash deck over the site, reducing the noise and protecting the operatives. This was then felted over to resemble a roof, complete with gutters, to reduce the visual impact.

This design has been very well received by local businesses, in fact, guests at the neighbouring hotel have been asking the manager “What are they doing inside that little house below my room?”



The photo shows Mark Harrison (BFK Sub-Agent) and Pat Hayes (BFK Supervisor) admiring their finished 'house'.