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FULL STEAM AHEAD FOR LEWMAR

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First impressions count ... and now visitors to Lewmar Marine at Havant instantly appreciate the global leadership of the company in the world of yachting.

Lewmar, whose products can be found on every racing yacht, wanted to create a reception area and conference room that better reflected the company's 'brand' values of quality and leadership.

Romsey-based Spaceway had already completed a number of projects for the Havant company and, like Lewmar, had built a reputation founded quality over a number of years.

This time, Spaceway created an entirely new reception space, utilising glass partitioning, speciality vinyl flooring with an imprinted compass, reception furniture, desking and soft furnishings.

The theme continued into the adjoining conference room, through impressive glass doors, where new flooring, lighting, air conditioning and furniture were fused to create an identity founded on professionalism. Small features, such as porthole windows, provided the finishing touches.

Lewmar director Robert Hill also reconfigured the layout of the building, with Spaceway's help, to better meet the needs of the business, creating a distribution team area in the warehouse and moving central services to the first floor.

In addition, a new open plan 'crew room' was designed by Spaceway from Robert's brief to 'break down barriers' - a concept encouraged by the introduction of modern tables and chairs and leather sofas.

Robert Hill said:

" From the outset I wanted to create a much stronger identity for the company - one that made a statement about our leadership position, our professionalism and our approach to customer service," says Robert Hill.

" With Spaceway's help, I think we've achieved all those objectives, not just in the environment we've created but in the way that the building encourages a much better all round working relationship within the company."

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