

Solutions in Action

CooperVision R&D Facility, Hampshire

The challenge

Faced with the mammoth task of upgrading its European Research & Development building in Chandlers Ford, Hampshire into a modern facility that reflected the pioneering philosophy of the world's third largest contact lens maker in the world, CooperVision turned to the Spaceway Group. Now following the winning of the £1.5M contract, Spaceway has turned the structure into an eye-catching, state-of-the-art facility.

Spaceway created this..



Spaceway's approach

Spaceway began the renovation work by recladding the 1970's building, fitting coated aluminium windows and new fire doors. A new front door and disabled ramp was installed to bring the building up to standard. The car park was relined and new outside lighting installed. The flat roof was made water tight with a liquid membrane and the existing gutters relined with membrane paint. Finally, an old brick out was demolished and an external chemical store bunged for spillages to meet IBC regulations. The computer room was moved to the ground floor and a new room created using Komfort partitioning. Then to optimise office space, Spaceway created six modular offices and a general office using suspended ceiling and Komfort partitioning. The offices were fitted with storage walls and the floors covered with Millicom carpet. Spaceway refurbished the existing laboratories with new ceilings, floors, lighting and trunking and reconfigured the laboratories to create an improved working environment. Cleanrooms were installed to Class 8 using Komfort C64 and CX steel cleanroom partitioning. The CX wall system allows flexibility to conceal ductwork within the thickness of the partition. Walk-on-ceilings have been fitted so that plant, located above the ceiling, can be maintained.



Benefits delivered

"Visitors now comment on the building, which speaks volumes", said Neil Goodenough, Director of Research & Development at CooperVision. "The work carried out by Spaceway was completed to a very high standard and has created a pleasant and practical working environment with a feel-good factor".

Solutions / products used

EXECUTIVE SUITES

- A folding sliding operable wall enabling the rooms to be divided or enlarged as necessary
- Media walls
- Boardroom tables and seating supplied
- Showers and disabled toilets, basins with vanity units and concealed hung panel systems in wood veneer
- Komfort partitioning

OFFICES

- Komfort partitioning
- Suspended ceilings
- Lighting
- Air Conditioning
- Storage Walls
- Millicom carpeting
- Light panels
- Desking & Seating

PRODUCTION

- New ceilings, floors, lighting and trunking
- Cleanrooms created using Class 8 using Komfort C64 and CX steel cleanroom partitioning
- Walk on ceilings fitted
- Sinks installed
- Rapid roll doors installed
- Installation of two 400-amp busbars in cleanroom