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The Heart of Storage

As the leading charity in its field in the UK, the British Heart Foundation is always looking to maximise efficiency and floor space and the recent move from rather restricted, listed buildings with cellular offices in Central London to recently refurbished location within the famous art deco Greater London House presented the ideal opportunity to assess the filing and storage situation.

Amongst many new initiatives there were two that would impact on their new working environment. A staff survey especially revealed that people

wanted a light and airy interior – and assessing the existing “tired and messy” grey tambour cabinets revealed that they contained no less than 1.5 linear kilometres of contents . . . which stimulated a departmental “binit to winit” competition resulting in a 20% disposal of contents.

The BHF Facilities team then surveyed the market and turned to storage



specialist Railex Projects, who carefully appraised and planned the product choice based on the layout of the open plan office and the needs of the various departments. Two distinctly different but integrated ranges from Railex tastefully met every option. There are over 100 elegant, low-rise white DesignLine cabinets at heights of 1000mm high in the 3 drawer option and 2 metre high drawer / door combination variations. In turn, where wall space permits, there are 6 high density Rollastore mobile systems on relocatable bases – and the lockable mobile bays simply open or close at the light turn of a wheel. This system is especially ideal for example for the Legal Department where confidential files have to be particularly secure at all times. Versatility of the internal configuration and contents of both types of storage are ideal for all concerned – whether Legal as above - or the likes of the Grants, Events, Finance and Prevention and Care Departments.

Head of Facilities Keith Hepple is very pleased with the end result “ Railex were very professional and helpful, not only in terms of storage selection but also meeting tight budgets and deadlines. Everything is very well made and meets its purpose and everyone is very happy with the new style and easy access to their records. It all contributes to the clean, modern look and is easy on the eye. It is all the more notable when you consider the irony that this building started life back in 1928 as a cigarette factory!” .

