



# University Challenges for Thinking Space

Over the last twelve months, Thinking Space have been proud to have transformed the working environment of security staff at Universities around the UK.

## University of Loughborough

With the university campus due to accommodate Team GB in summer 2012, the management team decided to upgrade their security systems, including the refurbishment of their control room. Alongside principle contractor Reliance High Tech, Thinking Space was chosen to design the new control room layout. This new arrangement now provides more space for operators by creating a more ergonomic arrangement. It also gives the security management team a better overview of operations during key events such as VIP visits.

Thinking Space provided a full control room fit out complete with project management services undertaken by their experienced team. As well as providing control room furniture, works included a new ceiling, lighting, electrics, air conditioning and flooring. The entire project was delivered to a tight timescale which could not slip, leaving the client with a fully operational control room in time to host Team GB.



*AFTER: The new ergonomically designed spacious security control room, giving plenty of desk space for operators*



*BEFORE: The lack of desk space prior to the refurbishment*

*AFTER: The new light and spacious security control room*



## London South Bank University

As part of a larger project to upgrade the security control room and office environment at London South Bank University, Thinking Space was tasked with designing and delivering the furniture and workstation solutions. Working alongside the principle contractor, Thinking Space delivered a main control room desk for 2 operators, increasing their useable desk area and improving workflow. A separate supervisor desk was also provided, as well as a bank of low level lockable storage units. Glass doors on the units add to the light and spacious feel of the whole room, which prior to the refurbishment, was a dark and oppressive workspace.

To complete the project, Thinking Space was then tasked with the design and provision of technical furniture for the security office front desk. Thinking Space provided an ergonomic solution to the split level nature of the environment and the need to create a low level desk area for wheelchair visitors.

The result is a modern and easily accessible reception area.

As UK distributor for Novus MoreSpace products, Thinking Space supplied both areas with Novus monitor arms to hold flat screen computer monitors, which creates more desk space for operators.



*BEFORE: The cramped and oppressive control room prior to the refurbishment*

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## University of Warwick

Thinking Space was chosen to provide design ideas for the University of Warwick's new Control Room, along with a number of other suppliers. This presented several challenges as the room was compact and the equipment that needed to go in it was plentiful. Thinking Space managed to create the feeling of space within the proposed design, whilst meeting the client's needs. Working alongside their chosen security contractor, Thinking Space was able to install the new Control Room furniture with the minimum operational disruption. A two operator console, two stand-alone storage units and an Evolution media wall now provides a high quality, modern and contemporary look, whilst making the best use of available space, together with an improved working environment for security staff.



*The modern and contemporary feel created by Thinking Space's Control Room Furniture*

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## University of West England

Thinking Space have just been awarded the contract to provide a new Media Wall in the control room at the University of West England. Look out for the full story on our website [www.thinking-space.com](http://www.thinking-space.com).