

Renovated Office Building in Glasgow Tightens Security with Boon Edam Optical Turnstiles



A rising trend in the United Kingdom is the renovation of older office spaces. With a continuously growing workforce, cities across the country are transforming corporate offices into multi-level spaces with increased aesthetics. In keeping with this trend, the office space at 191 West George Street recently underwent a renovation. Revamped with space and simplicity in mind, the building's atrium stands out due to its high-quality materials, including the sleek, Lifeline Speedlane Swing optical turnstiles used to control access to all occupants and visitors.

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Challenge

Architects sought to balance an open and simple building design while incorporating lobby security during an office building renovation.

Solution

Speedlane Swing optical turnstiles were selected to control access to all occupants and visitors due to their minimal footprint and high quality construction.

Benefits

- Detects unauthorized entry for effective lobby security
- Accommodates the high traffic requirements of an 87,000 sq. ft. space
- Integrates seamlessly with modern building design without being obtrusive
- Wide lane provides access for wheelchairs, dollies and luggage

Designed with Flexibility in Mind

The lead architect renovating 191 West George Street was Michael Laird Associates – a firm that flourishes in adaptable yet luxurious designs. Working directly with the architects, owners of the office space underwent a simple product selection process regarding security. The requirements were for an optical turnstile solution that could integrate with access control and had the versatility to control a large number of visitors.

Space vs. Security, a Beautiful Combination

191 West George Street is the home of a 6-level building with 87,000 sq. ft. of usable office space. The architects wanted to keep the look and feel of the entire building, open and clean, without any columns or other impeding structures. The designers chose a stainless steel finish for the modern and sleek cabinets of the Speedlane Swing optical turnstiles to provide a perfect accent for the neutral white and mushroom colors of the lobby. Their minimal footprint allows them to integrate seamlessly into any location without being obtrusive to user access or aesthetic design.

191 was designed to be a bustling, flexible workspace for hundreds of daily users, and as space is rented and the building starts to experience higher traffic, the four lanes of optical turnstiles will be able to handle the load.

The Specification Process

Working in collaboration with Boon Edam's sales and specification managers, the architect had a clear idea of what they were looking for in a lobby security solution. By reviewing a number of key elements related to security, throughput, aesthetics, safety, and technology, Boon Edam was able to map out all aspects of the entry requirements prior to selection and installation.

A Versatile Security Solution

The four-lane array of Speedlane Swing optical turnstiles includes a single, wide lane at the end. Wide lanes allow large groups to pass through as well as wheelchairs, dollies and luggage. All lanes can be controlled remotely via a device called BoonTouch that gives reception control to open or close lanes at any time.

