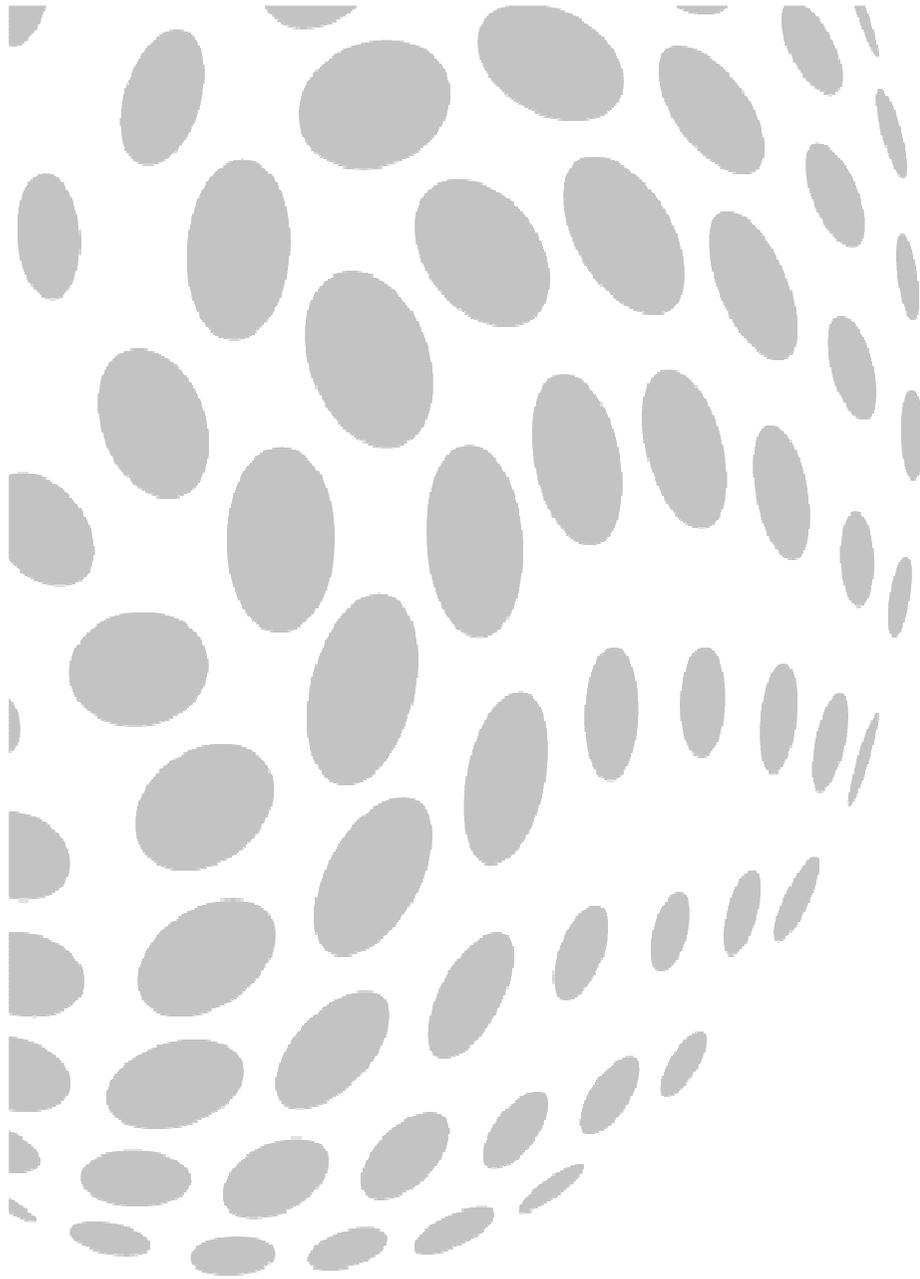


LIGHT IN ARCHITECTURE

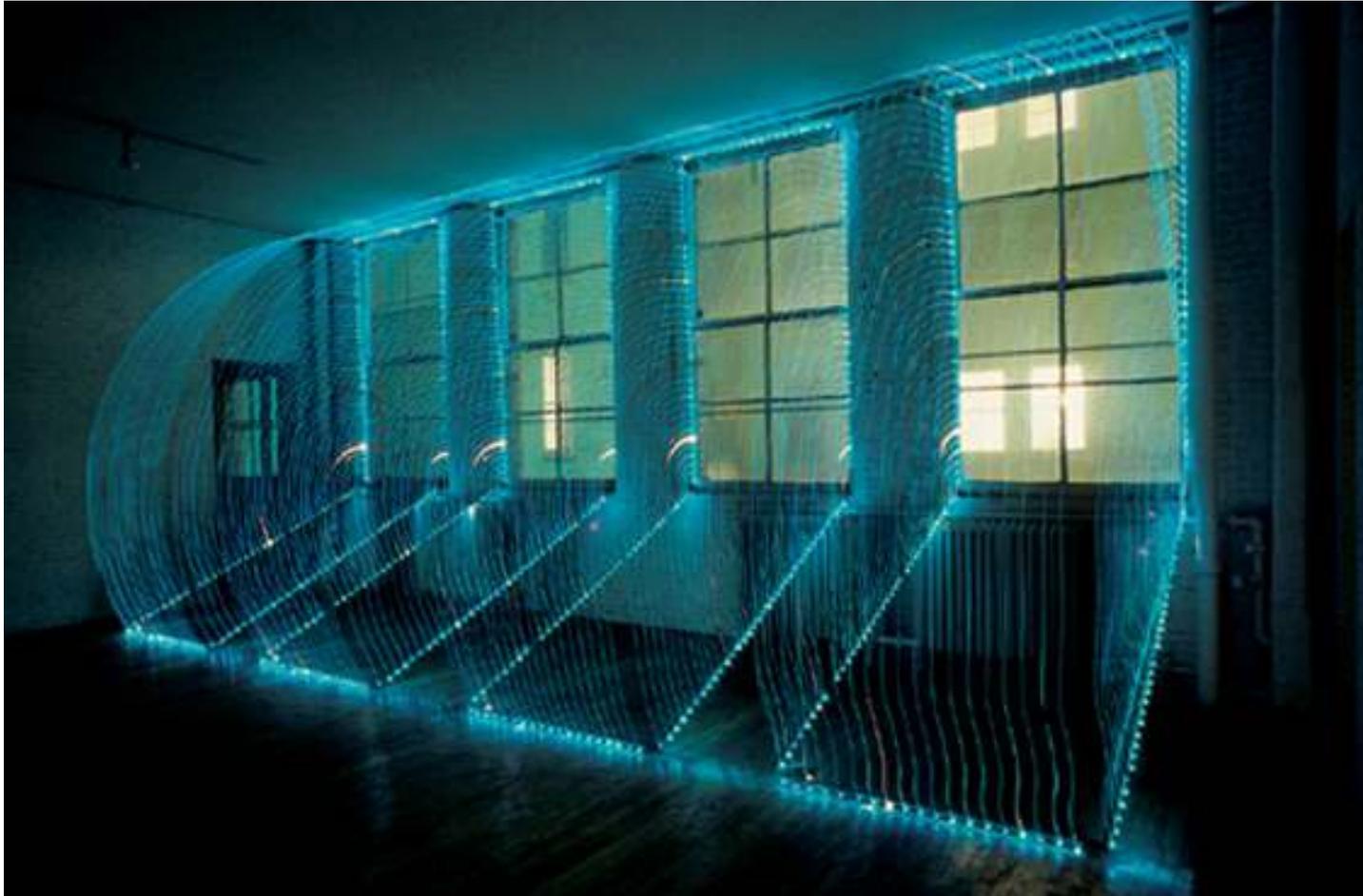
# FORM AND FUNCTION IN HARMONY

## LIGHTING THE INTERIOR



- Light has the ability to transform a space, revealing all of the structure to its best advantage, and is perfectly demonstrated when the expertise of the architect, the interior designer, the lighting designer and the building services engineer work together to create something special.
- We have evolved under daylight and we feel very comfortable under these conditions. So this should always be our starting point.

## THE PATTERN OF DAYLIGHT



How does the interior change?

## VISUAL INTEREST



There are not many shadows from a diffuse source

## ADD CONTRAST



Light and shade make it more interesting

Does this need to be modified if we are to work in the space or spend a lot of time there?



- All of these questions are fundamental elements of lighting design and have always been considered, but sometimes we get side tracked by the latest legislation or new technology.
- The new LG7 tries to reconnect with the basic design principles and steer us away from a prescriptive solution, however we do have to have guidelines and some common standards to ensure all buildings are lit to the required level. But it should not end there – this is the minimum we want from a design.

## Lighting for the built environment

LG7: Offices



## LET'S START WITH SURFACES

- LG7 encourages us to use fairly reflective surfaces
  - Colour
  - Texture
  - not forgetting carpets

## REVEALING TEXTURE - GRAZING LIGHT



## GRAZING LIGHT



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## WE CAN BORROW FROM THE RETAIL SECTOR

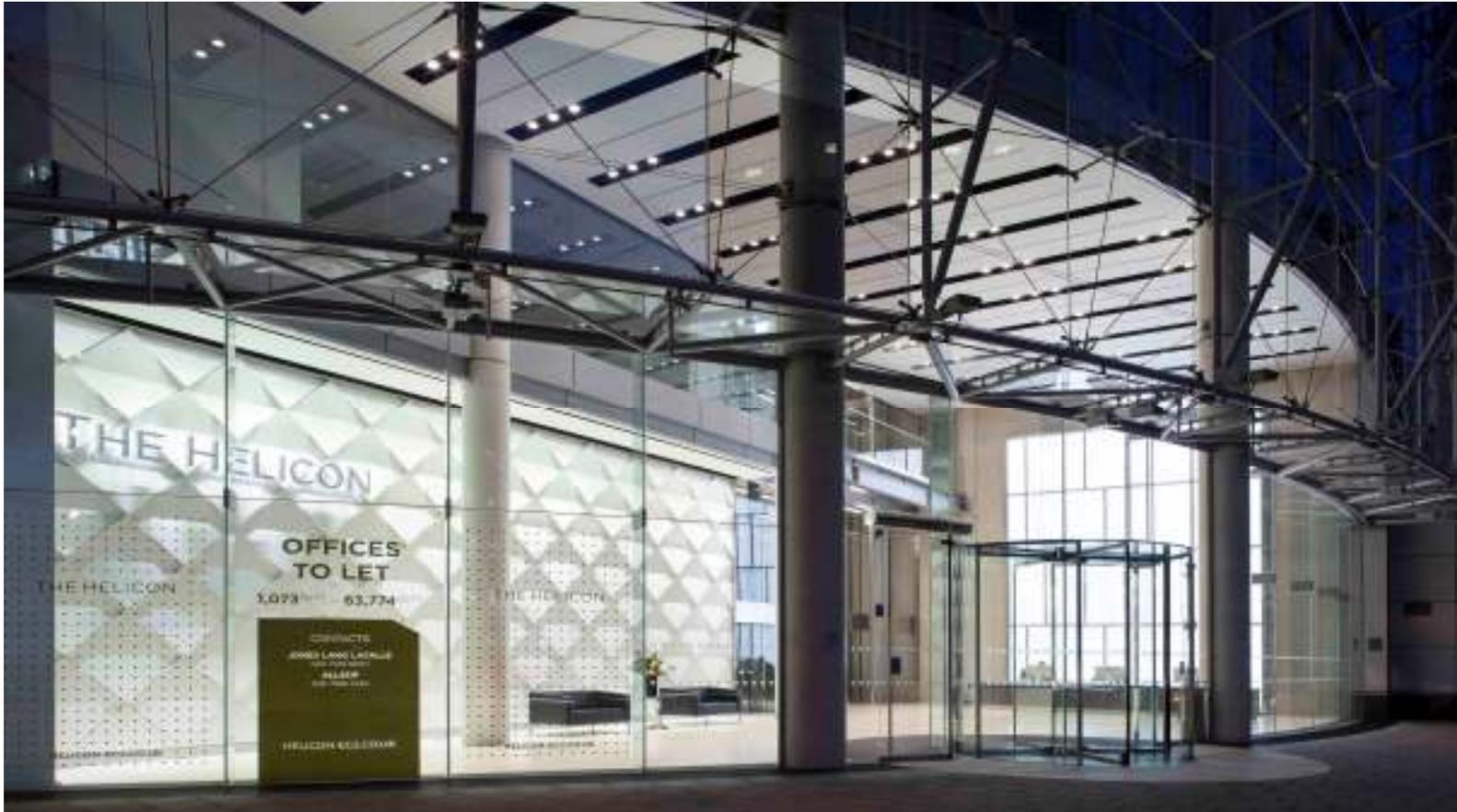


Spar – Middelburg, South Africa

## THIS CAN BE USEFUL TO CREATE A CORPORATE IMAGE IN RECEPTIONS



Hoare Lea Lighting – Helicon Building



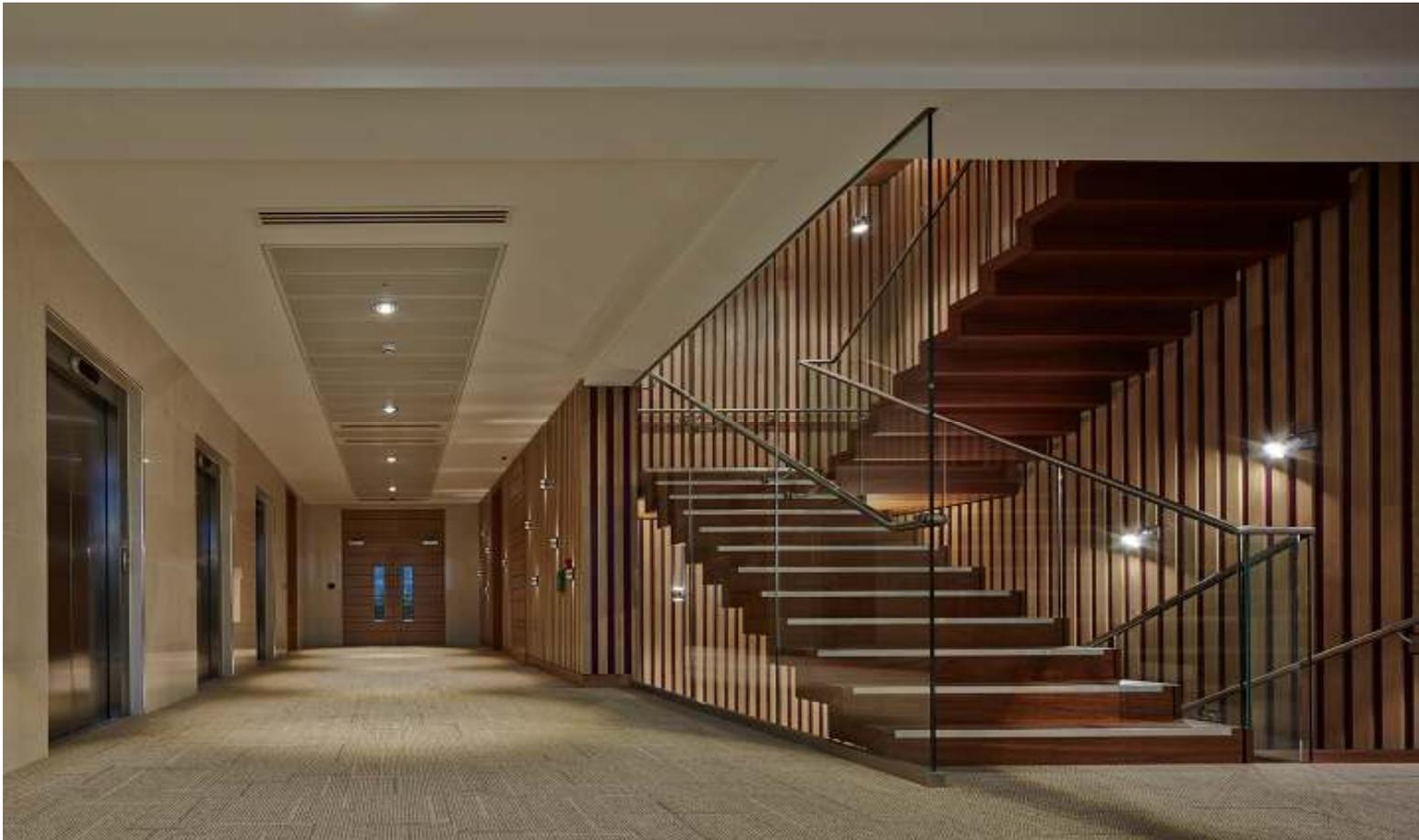
Hoare Lea Lighting – Helicon Building



Hoare Lea Lighting – Fenchurch Place



One Eighty Light – Imperial Tobacco



One Eighty Light – Imperial Tobacco



Tobias-Link-Lichtplanung



Hoare Lea Lighting – Western Transit Shed





GIA Equation – Skype HQ

- The new LG7 focuses on the principles of using light only when and where it is needed.
- But then we have to think about the resultant dark spaces.



Traverso-Vighy-Architetti



Arup\_ - Silo 2 Rothuizen



Isometrix Lighting Design – Trinity Golf Club, Korea



Tobias-Link-Lichtplanung

- How can we provide the long distance view?
- Again the guide often mentions the purpose of this to relax the eyes and to avoid strain.

## WE CAN BORROW FROM THE RETAIL SECTOR AGAIN



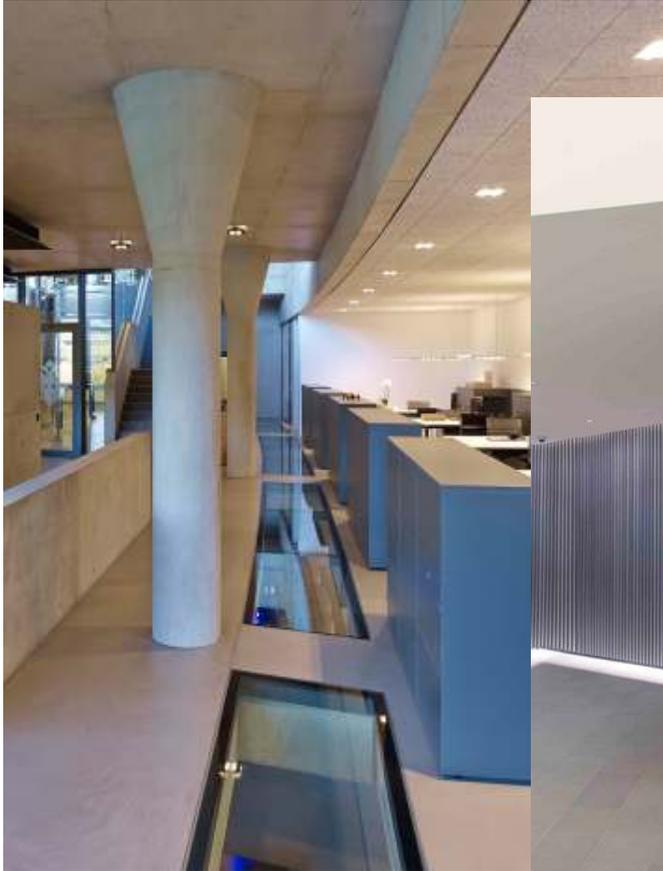
Oktalite – Jelmoli Zürich Interstore



Hoare Lea Lighting – Western Transit Shed



TRILUX Lateralo - Besprechungsraum



- The biggest message in the new guide is encouraging early collaboration between the design team.
  - Architect
  - Interior Designer
  - Lighting Designer
  - Electrical Consultant

## FOLLOWING THE ARCHITECTURE



IBM



One Eighty Light – Imperial Tobacco



Aecom Lighting



Maurice Brill Lighting Design





- Accent light can have one of the biggest impacts on a space and becomes more important if we are using the principles of only lighting where it is needed.
- The question of where it is needed is important.

## ACCENT LIGHT IS USED EXTENSIVELY IN RETAIL



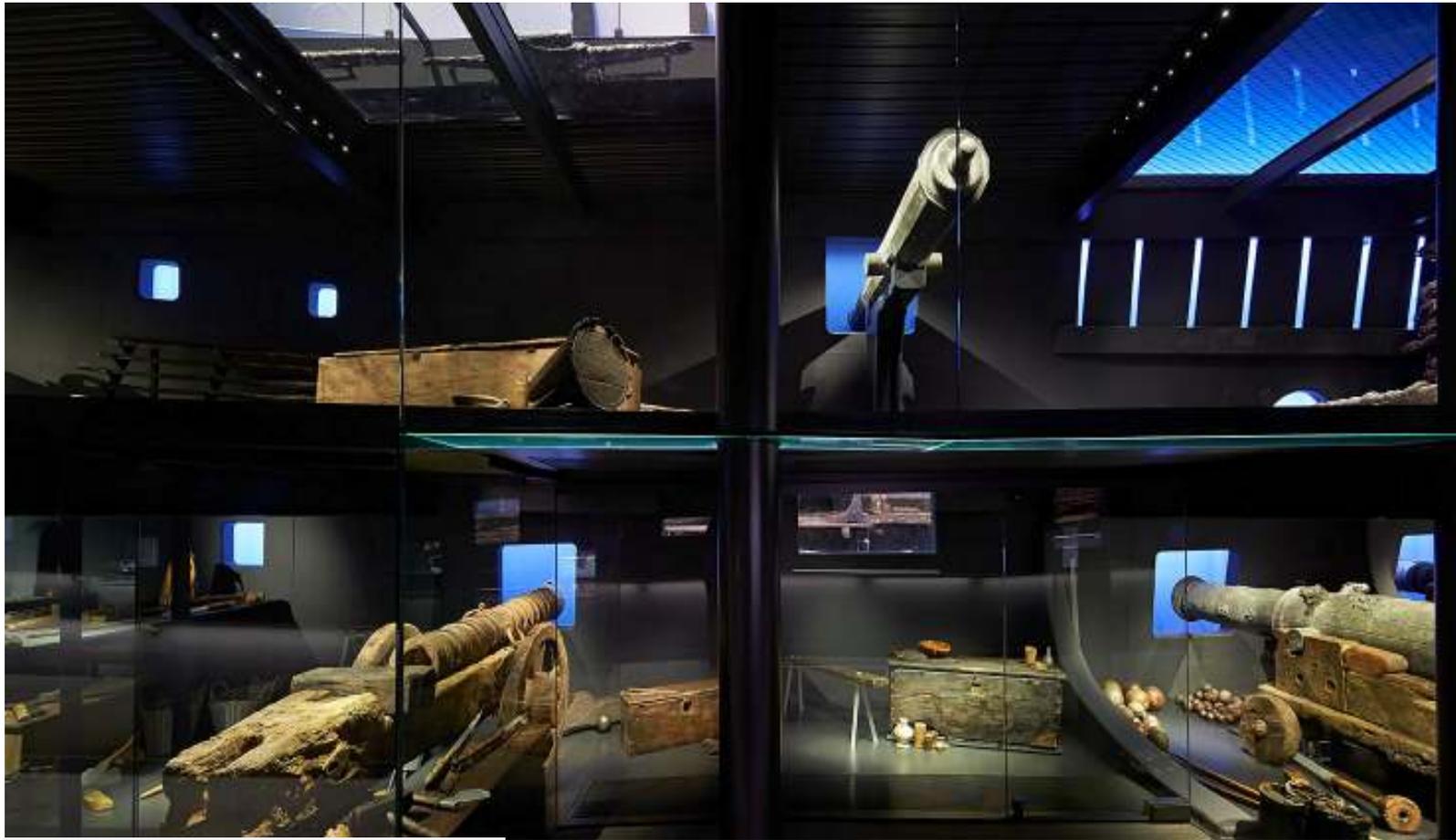
Oktalite – Leffers Intersport

## IN CULTURAL BUILDINGS



Sutton-Vane-Associates - Keble\_Mosaics

## AND MUSEUMS



DHA Designs – Mary Rose

## CREATE SPACES WITHIN SPACES



Speirs + Major – Maggies, Newcastle, James Newton



ChapmanBDSP – 19 Savills Margaret Street

## CREATE MOOD



- Early collaboration is essential if we are to make any changes to the traditional building model.
- The biggest challenge is with spec office buildings.

### 13 Practical examples of design approach

#### 13.1 Introduction

#### 13.2 Example 1 – large open-plan office with known furniture layout

This section of the guide is intended to help the reader in determining the type of lighting design most appropriate to a given situation.

The examples discussed should not be taken as exemplar designs and are not intended for use as reference points for any particular type of office.

The intention is to give an indication of how lighting could be provided in a number of scenarios, bearing in mind the fact that each office will have to be considered against specific client requirements. The advantages and disadvantages of different office plans and decor are discussed.

This example considers an open-plan office with full-height windows on the north and south sides (Figure 13.1). The desk layout is regular and surfaces are known to be:

- east and west walls – a pale matt finish cream colour
- ceiling – white matt finish ceiling tiles
- floor – light grey carpet
- blinds – a pale matt finish to match the walls
- desks – a beech-effect wood finish.

The ceiling height is typical of modern offices at around 2.8m.

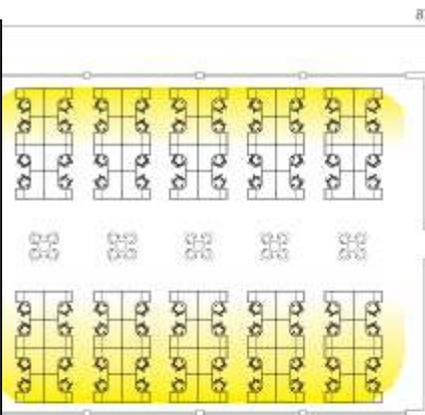
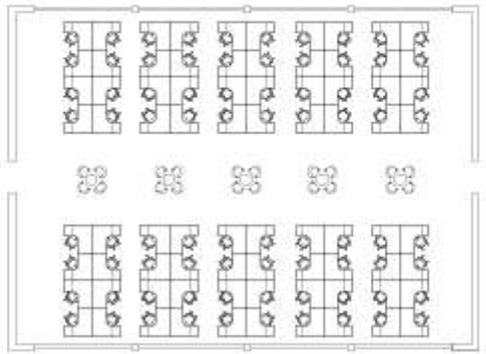
The room dimensions are approximately 16 × 22 m.

The occupants work at their desks for 8 hours a day, taking the usual breaks. They work entirely on desktop computers and telephones.

Some informal seating is provided along the centre of the room.

There are two approaches that could be applied to this office. The first is to consider a lighting design that provides a general illumination across the space, suitable for carrying out the expected tasks. As the office has a deep-plan configuration, the lighting level in the centre will need to be higher than by

Figure 13.1 Open-plan office with windows on both north and south facades



windows. In addition, and because of the fully glazed south-facing wall, the light will need to be carefully controlled so as to provide a reasonably uniform level across the space in response to changing levels of natural light and to make use of that natural light during the daytime.

13.2 shows the typical effect of daylight on the office. The desks adjacent to the south-facing window (bottom of the diagram) will gain the most benefit. Low-glazed areas are likely to benefit from reduced levels of artificial lighting during the day. Appropriate lighting controls will allow the blinds adjacent to the windows to be dimmed, depending on the amount of lighting available.

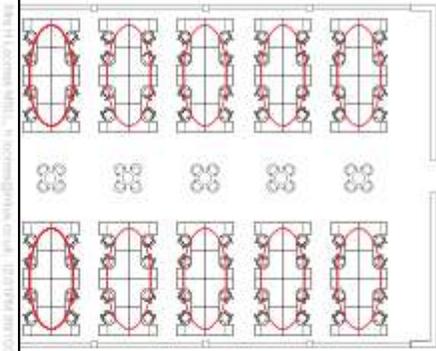
The south facade is likely to benefit more from daylight contribution, it may need some form of permanent shading, given the extent of glazing and the glare and contrast issues this could present.

The desk layout is common in the UK, particularly if the occupiers wish to have some flexibility over how their office is laid out. It can, however, result in over-lighting of areas in which no tasks are being carried out.

A second approach is to consider the task areas and provide a suitable level of illumination for the specific task being carried out. The adjacent areas and circulation spaces can then be considered separately.

13.3 shows the task areas highlighted. It can be seen that the actual task area represents around 25% of the space. Illuminating this area to the agreed level for a given task will allow a level one step lower to be provided to areas in circulation and a further step reduction for circulation areas. The central circulation area is effectively deep plan and therefore it may be worth illuminating this area to a higher level during the day and allowing a control system to reduce them to the minimum level during the hours of darkness.

If the furniture layout of the office was unknown at the point when the lighting design had to be carried out, some reasonable assumptions could be made during discussions with the building owner. The north and south windows should allow a daylight control to be incorporated, even if the intention was to provide individual offices along either facade in the future. The open-plan space is



regardless of the furniture layout and therefore the facility to provide a range of illumination during the daytime should still be considered.

For a speculative office design is required with a design that includes provision for floor boxes, it would be worth raising with the building owner the possibility of installing additional data cables to each floor box to support the use of lighting driven by a 'Power over Ethernet' system. Any future tenant may have the option to install a localised lighting design – something that may have been difficult to include in the design in speculative developments.

Both general and localised approaches to illumination have to address the need to provide illumination of walls and ceilings. This can be done either by lighting the surfaces or by using spill light from the luminaires used to illuminate the task and circulation areas.

In an office with a ceiling height of 2.8 m, the use of suspended luminaires with a high spillage component could be considered as they would contribute to the illumination of the walls and ceilings as well as helping to achieve an acceptable level of uniformity.

In addition to providing adequate vertical illumination not only to the walls but also to the faces of people occupying the office has to be addressed. Cylindrical luminaires for this type of office should be between 30% and 60% of the lighting level in the task area, depending on the specific needs of the office. There is no need to provide this level of cylindrical illumination to the whole office however.

The general lighting approach is easier to design and does not rely on knowledge about desk positions. It does, however, use energy to illuminate areas adjacent to desks and to circulation areas, which is effectively wasted. A task-based approach minimises the use of energy, which will help in meeting increasingly challenging energy targets, although it will require careful thought to provide a suitable level of cylindrical, wall and ceiling illumination.



## COLOUR APPEARANCE AND COLOUR RENDERING

*'It is a popular misconception that the colour temperature of a lamp and its CRI are directly related.'*

*Simply using lamps that mimic the colour of daylight will not necessarily provide an acceptable level of colour correctness (colour rendering).*

*Reflected light from coloured wall, ceilings, floors, furniture and equipment will all affect the colour rendering.'*

## COLOUR APPEARANCE AND COLOUR RENDERING

- Colour appearance (or colour temperature) is the easy bit.
  - There isn't a right or wrong
  - We can use it for different times of day
  - Or to differentiate spaces

## COLOUR TEMPERATURE - AS SEEN IN RETAIL



Oktalite – Center Lustfeld, Nienburg



Oktalite – Edeka Niemerszeil, Hamburg



Oktalite – Edeka Brueggendick-Braunlage



ChapmanBDSP – 19 Savills Margaret Street



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## COLOUR RENDERING

- Good colour rendering is much harder to see.
- The light source should have a full spectrum with equal weight given to each wavelength i.e. colour.
- The ideal is daylight, however we subconsciously adjust to different light sources, and sometimes this is appropriate – think of candle light!
- Colour rendering is also much harder to document.

## REDS

- CRI is now getting a bit out of date and has fundamental flaws by using the average of only 8 colours.  $Ra_8$
- R1 to R8 does not include a true red
- R9 is saturated red
- New methods include all 14 test colours , Colour Quality Scale and TM-30



