



CASE STUDY

Mace & Jones Manchester

Mace & Jones is a regional law firm with a national reputation in employment, property, construction, dispute resolution and corporate law. In 2005 they relocated to a 1960's Grade II listed building, which when built was the first open plan office in Manchester.

Due to the listed building status, there was a requirement that the vision across the floor was to be kept as open as possible, which the firm achieved by using glass partitions to enclose their eight meeting rooms and boardroom. However, the partitions were raised floor to underside of the metal perforated ceiling which caused sound transmission between the rooms, and compromised the confidentiality of client meetings. In addition to this problem, the staff at Mace & Jones were particularly concerned about the move from cellular to open plan offices, as much of their time is spent on the telephone or dictating.

Acoustic Comfort carried out a survey and recommended 1600 high desk screens from Screen Solutions to reduce noise transfer and create more privacy in the open plan area, and the LogiSon sound masking system to aid concentration in all areas of the office and give speech privacy in the meeting and board rooms.

The sound masking was installed out-of-hours and the whole process, including tuning, was completed in less than 24 hours.

“On completion of the installation, we could not hear the content of the clients’ meetings in the adjoining meeting rooms. We are extremely happy with the solution, service and after sales attention provided by Acoustic Comfort.”

Ian Brownhill
FINANCIAL DIRECTOR

