



# reception counters

## First impressions count!

The reception area reveals much about the image and ethos of an organisation to its' visitors. It must be welcoming and instill an ambiance appropriate to the activities which are contained within the building.

To produce a practical, eye catching result is quite a creative challenge. **Network** have acquired a wealth of experience through years of converting design ideas into workable, elegant counters and general reception areas.

The full scope of both traditional and modern materials are available: the application of solid surface materials such as *Corian* or *Velstone* allows free use of curved and shaped elements and detailing. Exotic laminates and book matched veneers can produce stunning fascias, especially when combined with glass and lighting effects

Access for disabled users has also become a major consideration. Dropped height surfaces, sometimes with rise and fall actuating mechanisms are often designed into the structure. Integration of the operational equipment such as phone systems, access controls and PC and data positions are also paramount.

Our in house Furniture Designer is available for free consultation to assess requirements and translate your concepts into reality.



**Image A – Gloucester & Cheltenham College, Gloucester**

- One of two new campuses built recently
- One of two counters occupying the entrance area
- Designed from maple, metallic laminate and solid surface
- Signage supplied as part of the installation
- Developed from original Architect concept sketch



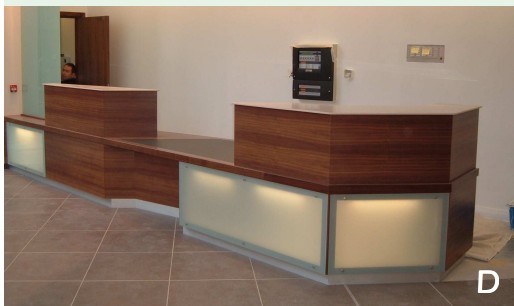
**Image B – Head Office, National Building Contractor**

- Centred as prominent feature to entrance of new HQ
- Dramatic and sculptured shape from Koto veneers
- Curved surface supported by angled structure
- Conceived by Interior Designer—practically translated
- Services easily accessed within internal space



**Image C – Swansea University, West Wales**

- Refurbishment of main library on the campus
- Part of a series of counters fulfilling various functions
- Curved shapes to create traffic flow within floor space
- Panel fitments installed to enhance overall effect
- Security system integrated into counter control panels



**Image D – Hartwell House, Bristol**

- New serviced offices building in centre of city
- Capacious entrance area demanding large scale unit
- Highly crafted solution using “book matched” walnut
- Ambient lighting built into units with opaque glass
- Elevated sections conceal concierge workstations



**Image E – Kings School, Bruton Somerset**

- Designed & Installed into new Bursary Office building
- Plotted on C.A.D ensuring alignment with interior
- Curved shaped built from internal spine structure
- Conceived to accommodate two operatives in space
- Office furniture and board room fitments also supplied



**Image F – Institute of Life Sciences, Swansea University**

- New medical building, part of campus development
- Based on Architectural concept drawing
- Combination of materials to create colour detailing
- Integrated into building structure to include pillar
- Alarm and access system incorporated

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