

When D-Line relocated to a new 25,000 sq ft facility in North Tyneside, the environment needed to be comfortable for staff and visitors, with a quality of fixtures and fittings that reflected the high standards of the company.

As light fittings, floor finishes, and heating systems were selected it was specified that 'any surface mini-trunking must only be D-Line'.

It was a point acknowledged by all contractors. As Andy Shannon, Project Manager of datacomms installer Advantex said 'We often see a careful selection of materials, equipment, and decor, to create a particular look and feel. But then there appears strips of blocky mini-trunking - which are so conspicuous that they spoil best intentions'.

Judith Campbell of D-Line, who liaised with the various trades commented 'Very significant costs were incurred in purchasing the systems and equipment needed for the functionality we require. However, where surface cabling was involved, in context of budgets any premium to specify D-Line was negligible... but the impact benefit on the finished impression was dramatic!'

D-Line Trunking was used to hide cable drops to the alarm panels, adjacent to doorways in lobby and main office doors, the smooth tapered appearance giving a sleek modern first-impression that would've been impossible if a traditional trunking, as unchanged from 1950's, had been used.

Tinted security-glass was specified for doors and windows, in frames having a black powder-coat finish. Cabling to the alarm sensors above the doors was hidden in black D-Line 30x15mm Mini Trunking; with flat bends snapping over corners. D-Line provided a quick and easy solution that blended with the framework, making the D-Line profiles hard to notice!

In offices, plans to drop cabling to new data points and sockets was frustrated by batons in the cavity walls. Here, the D-Line Mini Trunking made a smart surface solution. The data installer Shaun Charlton added how 'Not only does it look smart, but the self-adhesive backing makes a useful guide before securely fixing. And because the lid is part of the body, with its special hinge effect, it makes installations very quick and easy'.

As Jeff Legg of Prestige Electrical who installed new power to production areas, commented 'We will use D-Line all the time now! Apart from looking so much better, it is brilliant to fit'

