Case Study 1 Commerzbank, 60 Gracechurch Street, London November / December 2009

Clear Environment undertook a large building clearance project for the leading global financial institution Commerzbank when it vacated its London ten storey city office. A huge potential problem became a real example of 'doing it properly'.

The Commerzbank team were keen to use Clear Environment because of the environmental and ethical processes that they employ on projects, proven on a previous smaller scale clearance at the Cannon Street facility.

Another key factor to consider was the short time frame available. A rapid cost evaluation process enabled the project to start four weeks from the initial meeting, immediately followed by the six week clearance phase.

A large proportion of the furniture was identified as suitable for resale. A sales and marketing strategy was swiftly implemented resulting in instant results. Established companies updated furniture, quickly, cost effectively and in line with green procurement principles. Several local new business ventures benefitted from reduced start up costs and over 100 desks and other effects were sent to Ghana as stock for new enterprises. Heavily subsidised sales were made to charitable organisations, benefiting many good causes.

The biggest beneficiary was Ocado, the internet grocery retailer which equipped its new Hatfield headquarters with over 350 items of furniture.

The non-saleable Gracechurch Street surplus effects needed to be recycled in line with Environment Agency guidelines and Waste Broker regulations. All damaged and surplus furniture was broken down and everything was sorted into wood, metal, plastics, aggregate and paper before being recycled.

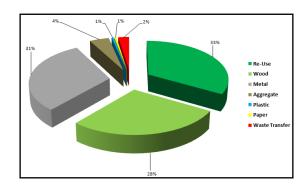
The project was completed to the clients' complete satisfaction; empty building, maximum value for 'assets' and waste minimised. Commerzbank received a <u>net financial rebate</u> on the project.

Inventory of contents for disposal

Items	Totals	Re-Used/Sold	Recycled
Chairs, operators / meeting	1340	815	525
Storage units, various	785	216	569
Desks, incl pedestals and screens / Dealer desks	972	314	658
Tables, meeting / occasional	121	81	40
Soft Seating, credenzas, bespoke pieces	50	43	7
Coffee machines / fridges / monitors	30	28	2

Waste Analysis by weight

Туре	Weight (tonnes)
Re-Use	68
Wood	57
Metal	63
Aggregate	9
Plastic	1
Paper	1
Waste Transfer	5
Total Weight	204



199 tonnes diverted from Landfill 68 tonnes of furniture sold for re-use 33% Re-used, 65% Recycled, 2% Direct Waste



Case Study 2 Health and Safety Executive, various locations February 2009 to date

Clear Environment provides a bespoke clearance service covering all the potential issues and concerns of a nationwide high profile client. Requirements range from complete building clearance schemes to one-off collections of single items of waste. Specific large projects have included sites in Carmarthen, Glasgow and London, highlighting the need to be available throughout the UK at any time, for any size project, yet still delivering a uniform and excellent quality of service.

As one would expect from the Government body responsible for the nation's Health and Safety, professionalism is of paramount importance.

Case Study 3 City and Guilds, Giltspur Street, London December 2008

Having vacated two buildings within its central London Campus, City and Guilds instructed Clear Environment to clear the complete contents in a responsible and correct manner in line with their strong environmental policies and beliefs.

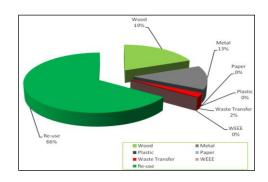
Of equal importance were the needs for a very swift turnaround to fall in line with a construction project critical deadline and to demonstrate true value for money.

The works entailed the removal and recycle of over 400 desks and 160 storage units.

Works were completed on time, on budget and to the clients' complete satisfaction.

Waste Analysis by weight

Туре	Weight (kg)
Wood	12360
Metal	8480
Plastic	0
Paper	0
Waste Transfer	1380
WEEE	0
Re-use	42720
Total Weight	64940



42 tonnes of furniture sold for re-use 66% Re-used, 2% Direct Waste

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