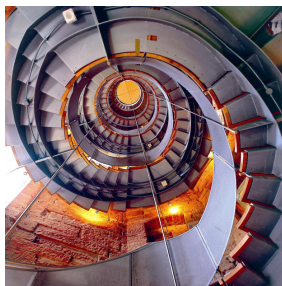


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## **The Lighthouse and King Communications restore security to Scotland's Centre for Architecture, Design and the City.**

The Lighthouse in Glasgow, recently called upon the services of King Communications and Security Ltd to convert their CCTV system into a state-of-the-art IP CCTV network system. The Lighthouse, opened by HM the Queen in 1999, serves as Scotland's Centre for Architecture, Design and the City.



Operating as a charitable trust, and as such an iconic building in Glasgow City Centre, it is important that every measure is taken to secure its historical value, holding some of Mackintosh's most prized pieces of work including one of his chairs which is reputed to be worth more than a quarter of a million pounds alone. King Communications were able to install a solution that met the requirements of The Lighthouse and caused minimal disruption of the infrastructure.

"It's made a massive change to our infrastructure, in the immediacy of checking on all parts of the building, and the extended data storage," says Angus Stewart, The Lighthouse IT manager. "We hold exhibitions valued into thousands of pounds and are now able to install additional cameras at key points at any time."

With over 1 million visitors since the opening of The Lighthouse in 1999 and anywhere between 15 – 20 exhibitions being held in the building's many function suites each year, this has been an incredibly important project to maintain one of Glasgow's most iconic buildings – something that King Communications have been more than happy to have worked on.



Martyn King, of King Communications, summarised:

"We were able to provide The Lighthouse with a very comprehensive upgrade to their existing surveillance system without throwing out their existing CCTV infrastructure and whilst using the buildings already well-specified network infrastructure. The solution they now have offers an easy upgrade path to full IP-Surveillance and is both highly scalable and effective today. Options like remote monitoring via a PDA are now easy to implement if The Lighthouse's management wants to increase security levels during specific exhibitions for example."

Overall King Communications has undergone massive change as a company, during the last two years they have re-branded, and re-positioned itself as a market innovator-leading the way in the IP CCTV market.

For more information about the installation, or any other Security and Telecommunications enquiries, visit [www.kingcomms.com](http://www.kingcomms.com).

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### **Notes to Editors...**

<sup>1</sup> King communications install of new CCTV system was completed in The Lighthouse in April 2007.

<sup>2</sup> The installation has been highlighted as a commendable specialist install and has been included in a featured article in **Security Installer** (September Issue, 2007 - Page 56).

<sup>3</sup> King Communications has taken pride in providing this advanced installation for The Lighthouse, as only one of 9 companies in the UK Security and Telecommunications Installation Market that are able to and have successfully installed this type of system before.

<sup>4</sup> In light of this successful installation, King Communications will be holding informational events on the benefits of IP CCTV systems similar to that of The Lighthouse for all interested bodies, with the first of these being a live demonstration from The Lighthouse in November 2007. For more information on this event, visit [www.kingcomms.com](http://www.kingcomms.com).

### **About The Lighthouse...**

*The Lighthouse, Scotland's first, dedicated, national centre for architecture and design, was opened by HM Queen Elizabeth in July 1999. The centre's vision is to develop the links between design, architecture, and the creative industries, seeing these as interconnected social, educational, economic and cultural issues of concern to everyone. Since opening the centre has welcomed well over 1 million visitors.*

*The building comprises 1,400 square metres of exhibition space. It shows annually 15-20 exhibitions a year, many of which are of international stature. For example, The Lighthouse has also exhibited at Venice Biennale 2005, Milan Design Fair and London Design Festival 2005. The Lighthouse also contains a Charles Rennie Mackintosh interpretation centre and a dedicated education floor extending to 1000 square metres, including workshop, computer laboratory, gallery space and an innovative project called the Urban Learning Space. There is also a conference centre, shop and two cafe/restaurants.*

For more information, visit [www.thelighthouse.co.uk](http://www.thelighthouse.co.uk).

### **About King Communications...**

*King Communications specialise in the Design and Installation of systems in the Security, Telecomms and Nursing/Healthcare industries. It has been in operation for over 25 years providing innovative solutions to many household name clients as well as Residential Security and Monitored Solutions.*

*King Communications is currently active in the following areas.*

- *Telecommunications and Business Communications*
- *Security - Intruder & Burglar Alarms, CCTV, Access Control and other security products*
- *Building Safety - Fire Alarms, Disabled Refuge, Induction Loop, Disabled Toilet etc*
- *Nursing and Care - Nurse Call, Warden Call and Patient Call Systems and accessories.*

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