

TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES 'MODULAR' WAREHOUSE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The new Technology Supplies distribution centre (incorporating sales, administration and warehouse functions) was fully operational in the 1st quarter of 2012, after a three year project from initial concept designs, investment planning and business justification to the final designs, build and fit-out, which was supported from start to finish by the

warehouse design team from Gideon Hillman Consulting.

The new facility at Battelfield Enterprise Park in Shrewsbury occupies 32,000 sq. ft. and the warehouse comprises of bulk racking for storage and bulk pick, plus a range small item pick areas on the ground floor comprising of shelving, cantilever racking and secure unit storage/pick cabinets. Also accommodated on the ground floor are the project build area and inbound/outbound marshalling areas.

There is currently a single storey mezzanine installed with shelving to accommodate the business growth through to 2016 without any further need for investment. The design of the building allows for a second storey

mezzanine level to be added and also for a 7,000 sq. ft. extension to the building, with space for racking and extensions of the two storey mezzanine floors.

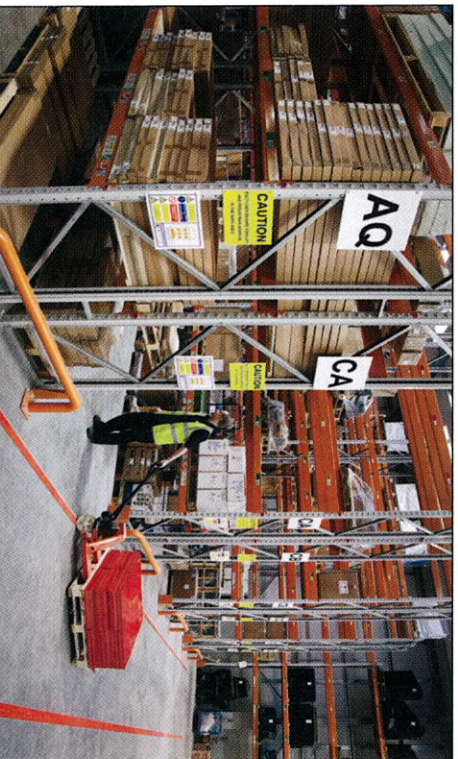
"What makes the facility design so efficient is that it has been designed to specifically accommodate the projected business growth over the next 15 years, without initially over-investing into floor space, equipment and fit-out. This has been achieved through a modular design approach, which as well as negating initial over investment also provides flexibility if the Technology Supplies' business plan change over the next 10 to 15 year planning horizon", explains Gideon Hillman, Managing Director of Gideon Hillman Consulting.

Technology Supplies Ltd is a leading supplier of Design and Technology and Art products and equipment (including full design and technology workshops and laboratories) to schools and colleges throughout the UK and overseas.

Technology Supplies Managing Director Gordon Campbell's opinion of his choice of consultants to work with



highly recommended by Technology Supplies Ltd, they are a truly specialist organisation with an in depth knowledge of materials handling and warehouse solutions."



speaks for itself. "We were extremely impressed with the professionalism of Gideon Hillman Consulting. Every stage of the comprehensive project was discussed and we were kept updated on progress of each key element of the consultancy process. The final designs (which have now been implemented) exceeded our expectations and provided us with comprehensive layouts, material flow routes, storage system options and minimised equipment costs. Most importantly the new facility enables us to optimise space utilisation and meets our requirements in terms of anticipated organic growth. Gideon Hillman Consulting comes

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