

BESPOKE SECURITY FOR MK GALLERY A CHARTER GLOBAL CASE STUDY





PRODUCTS FEATURED: Obexion MD SR4 Shutter

One of the most bespoke projects of recent years, MK Gallery is an incredibly impressive new public gallery designed by 6a Architects. The stunning building has completely rejuvenated Milton Keynes' landscape and has an ambitious exhibition programme.

Charter Global have secured many a property of high value, however MK Gallery is the most recent regeneration project to specify minimum LPS 1175 Issue 7: SR4.

The high specification was one of the GIS (Government Indemnity Scheme) general conditions, as part of the gallery's support from Arts Council England. GIS is a scheme that offers an alternative to the cost of commercial insurance for properties that otherwise cannot afford to exhibit expensive or cultural pieces.

MK Gallery is one institution to have benefited from the scheme in recent years, though the hefty security requirements made for a complicated project time line.

The decision makers for MK Gallery therefore had to enhance the building against all and any credible threats. The £12m exhibition space features no less than five galleries, an auditorium for up to 200 people, a learning studio and independent cafe.

The exhibition loading area required a abnormally large shutter, but lacked the headroom to support a standard motor.

Devising a unique system with a bespoke motor specification that reduced the headroom required, an Obexion MD SR4 Shutter was installed.





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Ultimax controls were incorporated along with other complex features, such as **status indication**. This was mainly led by the requirement from the facilities team.

Status indication is remote confirmation of opening and closure. As the loading area was located on the other side of the gallery to the security reception, this mitigated the risk of internal sabotage.

Two further security roller shutters were provided for the personnel fire escape to and from the bright feature fire exit staircase. Both also certified to LPS 1175 Issue 7 SR4, these

heavy duty pieces of machinery were connected to the fire alarm interface with battery back ups.

With how bespoke the shutters are, regular maintenance is vital - a service Charter Global are providing the gallery through a TOTALCARE service contact.

With an ambitious future exhibition programme, MK Gallery is set to open with an exhibition featuring the works of 85 artists.

Check out more about the MD SR4 Shutter here









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Offering a comprehensive range of high performance security measures to commercial asset protection professionals, Obexion was the first to manufacture and to date to supply and install solutions up to specification SR5 of the LPS 1175: Issue 7 standard. Contact Charter Global directly for further resource.