

Nottinghamshire crematorium chooses glass moveable wall

Rushcliffe Oaks is a new crematorium situated in open countryside between Cotgrave and Radcliffe-on-Trent. The modern building is set in beautifully landscaped grounds with a focus on providing a sensitive and calming space to remember loved ones and say goodbye in a peaceful and tranquil setting. The environmentally-conscious facility uses renewable energy sources and is one of the first in the country to invest in innovative all-electric technologies.

Working with contractor, A&S Enterprises, Style was asked to create flexible space between the Crematorium's entrance lobby and the chapel.

A Dorma Huppe Variflex semi automatic glass moveable wall was chosen as the best option, as it enables the chapel to be quickly closed off from the main entrance while maximising light and visibility.

To avoid ceremonies being disturbed by anyone coming in through the main doors, the Variflex delivers an impressive 50dB acoustic rating, and the inclusion of the pass door offers ease of access when the moveable wall is in place.

To ensure the room is fully accessible, Style increased the pass door height to 2400mm, which enables a coffin to be brought in, and the inclusion of the automatic blinds within the glass means there is complete privacy during services.

"This is a perfect example of where a moveable wall can add so much more to a room than simply dividing the space," said Steve Williams, Style's sales director for the Midlands.

"When not in use, the moveable wall can be stacked neatly away creating a large, open plan space. However, when in situ it plays an important role in ensuring ceremonies benefit from maximum privacy, and it helps create an environment that is peaceful and free from outside disturbance.

"The Dorma Huppe Variflex also has an Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) in accordance with ISO 14025 and EN 15804, which makes it highly sustainable which was important at this environmentally-conscious facility."



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