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# North Cumbria Police Headquarters Case Study

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## Cumbria Constabulary

### A major new environmentally sensitive headquarters building for Cumbria Police Authority

Working in partnership with Carlisle City Council, the Cumbria Police Authority developed a major new environmentally friendly public building in an industrial estate location on the outskirts of Carlisle

**The Brief** To produce a sustainable, highly energy efficient new headquarters building with the smallest possible carbon footprint - to replace temporary accommodation following a major flood in Carlisle

Spread over three floors, the building had to meet environmental standards using BREEAM - the Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method

Efficiency was achieved not through add-ons, but from first principles, and aspired to get the best possible rating under the method. The whole design sought to maximise best environmental practice. Importantly, it provided for natural ventilation at all times, without recourse to air conditioning systems

In addition, a roof top garden, with a green area, is there to insulate the second floor below, and also to soak away water build up in heavy rain. Something that the Authority recognised as important given the earlier experience of flooding in the Carlisle area

**The Storage** Triumph supplied a full series of lockers, tambours, lateral filing units and combination units from

its **L<sup>m</sup>** and **Metrix** storage ranges. They were selected for their high levels of aesthetic appeal, and for the need to comply with the Government Protected Marking Scheme. This favours the use of lockers rather than underdesk pedestals, producing an uncluttered look across the floor areas

The Scheme also mandates clean desk policies at the end of each day. An issue which was particularly important given the sensitive nature of police work. The comprehensive range of Triumph storage gave plenty of room for all documentation and materials to be put away safely and easily. It was also colour co-ordinated floor-by-floor, and fully secure

Project Scope	
Title	North Cumbria Police Headquarters
Location	Carlisle, Cumbria
Client	Cumbria Police Authority
Architect	Taylor Young of Bury
Furniture Supplier	Centric Office Solutions
Storage Supplier	Triumph
Product Ranges	L <sup>m</sup> Lateral Filing System and Metrix Modular Storage