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STOCKLEY PARK

Uncertainty and caution have been the watchwords of trading for most businesses in the chaotic post-Brexit referendum years.

Commerce and industry are treading carefully, holding back as much as possible and deliberating over their big choices as they wait for the road ahead to become clearer.

But at least one company is bucking this conservative trend, challenging contemporary convention and investing heavily in the UK. That company is Hikvision UK & Ireland, the world-leading security surveillance product manufacturer and solution provider.

Hikvision moved its UK headquarters to Stockley Park in Uxbridge, Hillingdon, West London, in 2016, and it has recently increased its floor space four-fold. Part of that expansion has included opening the largest Security Surveillance Experience Centre in the UK, allowing customers to familiarise themselves with Hikvision's products through live demonstrations and hands-on testing.

Hikvision has also opened a new Research & Development Centre which increases its capability to address bespoke enterprise solution requirements, and to develop new product ranges specifically for the UK market.

As the leading UK security surveillance company, Hikvision is pioneering investment into the industry's grass roots by partnering with WorldSkills UK and Skills for Security to promote modern training and apprenticeships.

Stockley Park itself celebrated its 30th anniversary the year that Hikvision moved in, having been established all the way back in 1986. It is one of the UK's most renowned business estates boasting:



**+140 acres**  
of parkland, lakes and landscaped areas



**25 unique buildings**  
providing 1,800,000 square feet of prime quality offices

Those buildings are now the UK home of some significant global companies. Aside from Hikvision, they include household names like, Canon, Marks and Spencer, Sharp, Toshiba, MSC Cruise Management, Lucozade Ribena Suntory, Hasbro and many more.

With office space for in excess of 10,000 people, Stockley Park also runs a regular programme of events and activities, including daily mobile street food vendors.

The move to Stockley Park was strategic, says Hikvision UK and Ireland CEO Jason Yang. "We are committed to the UK as a major market, which is reflected in the level of investment we are making," he said. "In 2015 and 2016 we undertook a review to establish the best location for our new long-term HQ. At the end of that review process, Stockley Park was our first choice. Why? Because it is ideally located 20 minutes out of London on the M4, with immediate access to Heathrow Airport and major rail and bus networks.

**"This makes recruitment easier from London and local universities to build the teams we need for our new R&D centre, and also to attract new resource for the rest of the business."**

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Pieter Borchardt, Estates Director, Stockley Park says: "We are really pleased that Hikvision has chosen Stockley Park as their UK location for their HQ following their full review process for expansion. Hikvision joins many other major brands benefitting from collaboration and networking on the site. A direct example of this is the decision for Stockley Park to complete an overhaul of our entire security solution supported by Hikvision."

## Security upgrade for Stockley Park

With the world's leading security surveillance company as a tenant, it made strategic sense to make use of Hikvision's expertise and latest products to streamline and modernise the Park's security system. The latest phase of that upgrade process has been overseen by security industry installation firm BDI Security Solutions Ltd.

Stockley Park's legacy security system had been developed over a long period of time and included disparate components from a wide variety of technology providers. After consultation with Hikvision, the decision was made to migrate over time to a single provider system, which would include up to the minute IP cameras, network video recorders, automatic number plate recognition cameras and software, and a unified user interface, all monitored in a new, updated control room.

### Hikvision's Marketing Director, Justin Hollis explains:

The upgrade has been undertaken in phases, with some of the older analogue cameras initially moving to record on to Hikvision DVRs, and then the current project includes the use of Hikvision DarkFighter IP cameras replacing the older PTZ domes. This system is for the monitoring of the common areas of the Park: the roads, car parks and green areas. It's complemented by Stockley Park's manned security team, who patrol the park, morning noon and night, in a combination of golf buggies, pushbikes and electric carts, as well as walking. They do a great job.

The grounds are incredible here, the security's very good. I've not heard of one car or property being broken into on site."

One of the key aims of the overhaul project was to unify the various security elements onto a single back end. "That not only makes the whole thing easier to be maintained and serviced," Hollis says, "it also makes it simpler for the operators to use it. They're not having to learn four or five different systems; they've just got one back end to learn."

"So, for instance, ANPR – automatic number plate recognition – that's a big element of the system here. They monitor every vehicle that comes in and leaves the park. Their number plates are picked up by the system and vehicles can be tracked and any suspicious activity noted. But it's not a separate element of the system, it's completely integrated. Consequently, if there is an issue that needs to be resolved, it can be done through the Hikvision interface. They don't need to have an adept member of staff."

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