

Tasked with the refurbishment of an Institute with one of the world's great legal research libraries, Burwell Deakins Architects has reconsidered all aspects of the building, including accessibility, technology, work and study environments, and the needs of visitors. The Library's entrance will be relocated to the second floor to provide a more welcoming experience, with views over leafy Russell Square. The Library's reading rooms will gain additional private study carrels and desks, and spacious group meeting rooms and visitor assistance areas will be added.



## The key objectives of the refurbishment project :

- Enhance the entrance to the building
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- Provide flexible academic space throughout the building that caters for research centres and collaborative interaction between staff, fellows and students
- Increase the number of reader workstations and study carrels in the Library
- Add group study and other flexible spaces at the Library entrance level
- Improve the building's thermal stability and reduce its carbon footprint
- Ensure that the building's heating, cooling, and ventilation systems provide an optimal work and study environment for its users
- Upgrade or replace all services installations that are either at or approaching the end of their lifecycle



## 3rd Floor View of New Study Desks and Carrels

View towards the private study carrels, with new desks and furniture, and new timber-finish bookstack ends to assist wayfinding and create a warm, sophisticated space.



## 2nd Floor View of Enquiry Desk and Study Area

View from the windows by Russell Square, looking back towards the enquiry desk with a group study area to the left and meeting rooms to the right.



## 2nd Floor Admissions Desk

The Library's admissions desk and waiting area feature a view into the Library and over Russell Square that enhances the sense of arrival.



## 5th Floor View of New Research Centre Offices