



Case Study

QA Hospital - Portsmouth

The QA (Queen Alexandra) Hospital is the main hospital for Portsmouth and the surrounding area, and it has recently been extensively rebuilt and extended. This has led to a large increase in car trips, congestion, and car parking. At the same time more people want to cycle, but bike theft is a major problem in the area.

The QA already had shelters and stands, which had been installed over the years, however it became apparent that they required more secure solutions for both staff and visitors.

Our Solution

In 2009 Cycle-Works installed an initial batch of 7 Velo-Safe lockers at St Mary's Hospital in Portsmouth. As these proved very popular this was followed with another batch of 9 Velo-Safe's at the main QA site, along with a number of simple bike stands, installed as toast racks. Later the 7 Velo-Safe's at St Mary's were moved to the main site, which was done easily and quickly.

Further installations of cycle parking followed in 2011, with four sets of stainless steel 'wave' design toast racks, followed by a further 24 Velo-Safe lockers for staff in 2012.

Marcus Nash, The Oasis Health and Well-being Centre Manager at the QA Hospital says of the Velo-Safe lockers, "I have always been impressed with the simplicity of design of both the Velo-Safe locker and its locking mechanism. They are strong enough to resist attack, yet easy to maintain in the harsh environment we have here, right on the coast."

In total, over 40 Velo-Safe lockers have now been installed for Portsmouth Hospitals, helping to promote cycling to the sites.

The Velo-Safe and Velo-Box lockers have been tested and approved by **Sold Secure** to the **Bicycle Silver** category. They have also been accredited by **Secured by Design** and meet the Police approved standards and preferred specification.



Seven Velo-Safe lockers were initially installed into the car park.



Six lockers were installed alongside the main car park.



The strong lines of the Velo-Safe complimented the new building.



Three Velo-Safe's utilise this narrow and unused space.