

## **Design Council to move to new home**

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*The Design Council is set to leave its current home in London's Covent Garden and move to a new base in the Angel Building in Islington.*



Angel Building

A spokesman for the Design Council says the organisation is moving because the lease is up in its current building and the Angel Building is both cheaper and more sustainable than its current home.

The move is set to take place in the summer, and the Angel Building's architect Allford Hall Monaghan Morris is working on interior designs for the Design Council's space.

The Design Council will occupy a 1000m<sup>2</sup> space on the Angel Building's third floor and as well as the office space, it will also have space for presentations and events.

The Angel Building was shortlisted for the Royal Institute of British Architects Stirling Prize last year.

It boasts sustainable design features including using biomass for heating and recycled rainwater for flushing toilets. It currently houses organisations including Cancer Research and Expedia.

Design Council chief executive David Kester says, 'This new and more flexible space is a fantastic example of how great design can create places which are good for business, people and the environment.'

The Design Council has occupied its current home, a converted BT phone exchange in Covent Garden, since 1997. The third and fourth floors of the building were converted for use by the Design Council by Ben Kelly.

<http://www.designweek.co.uk/news/design-council-to-move-to-new-home/3034100.article>

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