

Collaboration for inspiration



Collaborative working is the future

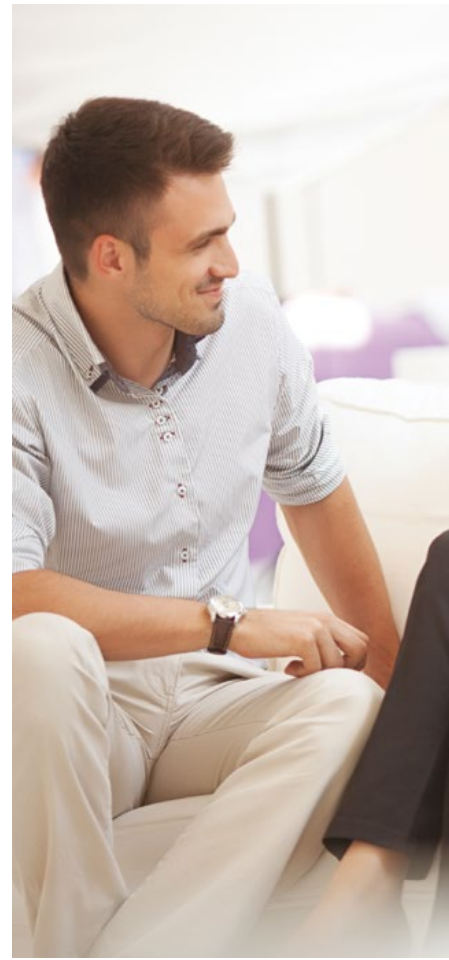
It is well known that collaboration stimulates innovation and bringing individuals together is a great way to encourage inspirational thinking.

As many of us are finding, we increasingly conduct our day-to-day business activities through our networks – choosing to interact with people we know and trust, using them to test our ideas or running things by them in order to get an alternative view.

Group intelligence continually outperforms individual intelligence as you have access to a real diversity of experience and skills. Collectively, people get to a wider range of ideas faster and sessions develop as momentum builds.

Faster decision making and speed to market are critical to achieving results as the pace of business and global competition increases. Imagine the benefits if knowledge travelled around your organisation as quickly as a rumour does today?

Connection believe people have to collaborate to drive business forward. However, the environment in which people operate needs to be conducive to collaboration too. The flip side to the collaboration coin is that individuals and small groups also require privacy at times throughout the day – acoustically, visually and territorially. Here at Connection we have developed a range of practical, technology enabled office furniture that solve the collaboration conundrum – whether short periods of intense concentration or groups needing a wide range of facilities to stimulate their thinking. Connection offer Hive, Tryst and now Cubbi, to address all requirements.





Attraction & Retention

Talented people are difficult to find and even more difficult to hold on to; there is an ongoing search for talent as Baby Boomers retire en masse and Generations X and Y enter the marketplace with very different expectations.

Generations X and Y are extremely mobile, highly connected and more diverse than ever. The next generation of working individuals are used to success coming through team working – it's how they have learned and it's what they believe they need to perform in the workplace. Instinctively people want to connect and the Quality of the Work Environment is now second only to salary in determining job satisfaction. (Skype Living Workplace Survey 2011)

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Space Optimisation

At any one time, only 49% of desks are in use (Johnson Controls Global WorkPlace Solutions 10 year study) – that's a lot of empty space to pay for, for any organisation. At the same time, groups find it increasingly difficult to find a meeting room available when it's needed, given the increase in collaborative working. Meeting rooms designed for many people are often taken out of action and occupied by individuals or worse, booked but empty – the legendary "ghost booking".

This is where organisations need to look at the fundamentals of their office space – how can space be used more efficiently. A recognised global trend is that individually owned space is giving way to shared spaces and that can significantly increase the utilisation of floor space.



Connection Collaboration

Products designed with your collaboration needs in mind.

Connection have developed the **Hive**, **Cubbi** and **Tryst** products to make your space more efficient and your people more effective. **Hive** is designed to create flexible spaces for collaboration, communication and concentration. It is a versatile modular system which integrates technology.

Cubbi is a free-standing, cable managed enclosure that provides visual, territorial and acoustic privacy when working alone or in pairs. **Cubbi. bench** is for short bouts of work and can be utilised as a phone or video conference booth, whereas **Cubbi. task** is somewhere to retreat for longer periods of intensive concentration, with an ability to accommodate a task chair.

Tryst's simple yet elegant design offers a comfortable, quiet place to relax in the office environment.

Hive, **Cubbi** and **Tryst** offer numerous configuration possibilities and address the modern-day problems faced by people and organisations such as;

- Interruptions and distractions
- Communicating and sharing ideas
- Collaborating
- Focusing
- Finding space to support diverse activities
- Encouraging stimulation and inspiration
- Maximising return on investment



Connection products look to:

- Optimise the use of existing space to maximum effect
- Establish different zones with no need to build walls
- Help enhance and reinforce organisations brand and culture
- Integrate power and technology
- Support diverse working styles
- Create inspiring environments to attract and retain the best talent
- Enable bespoke design of activity-based settings
- Allow visual, territorial and acoustic privacy for individuals and groups

Privacy



- Visual privacy with a range of screen heights and enclosures
- Territorial privacy for individuals and semi private meeting areas to support collaboration
- Acoustic privacy using upholstered screens and structure

Display



Knowledge needs somewhere to live. The products allow for a multitude of display accessories to be accommodated including:

- Televisions
- Monitors
- Whiteboards
- Pinboards
- Signage

Inviting settings to encourage the visual sharing of ideas and the serendipity resulting from spontaneous interaction.

Diversity



- A limitless set of configurations for an array of applications with Hive's modular, adaptive nature
- Integrated worksurfaces at varying heights to support a range of postures and promote well being
- Provides settings for users to choose between throughout their day

Sensory



- Fabrics and finishes specified to suit with the interior design scheme
- Integral lighting
- Interior architecture to create stimulating environments and enhance the office landscape
- Opportunities for the aesthetics to support the organisation's brand

Upholstered, sound absorbing structures actively improve workplace acoustics.

Efficiency



- Remove pressure from meeting room reservations
- Re-locatable, modular construction
- No need to build walls or relocate building services as people move, teams change and companies re-organise.
- Limited kit of parts and low inventory
- Turns under-used floor space into working areas, maximising return on property investment
- 'Day two' adaptation of settings with accessories

Technology



- Furniture and interior architecture designed with integral technology
- Connecting people and technology; plug and play
- Comprehensive cable management to irrigate spaces with power and data
- Sockets and outlets positioned for intuitive access
- High quality power and data modules easily accessed from the front for ease of maintenance and adaptation
- Product design future-proofed to accommodate evolving technology

Hive.


A technology enabled furniture and interior architecture system, designed to adapt to the ever changing needs of a high performing workspace.

Modular construction, essentially a kit of parts, where the only limit on the setting is the imagination of the specifier. Adaptable post installation; different heights, configurations and finishes achievable with minimal additional investment.

The integral Workrail delivers a crisp aesthetic and superb functionality, accommodating worktools, monitors and cantilevered worksurfaces.



Hive. products all feature:

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Cubbi.

Collaborative working is here to stay; face to face and through technology. Those collaborating require privacy and, just as importantly, their neighbours need sheltering from the resulting activity and noise!

Cubbi delivers privacy for individuals and pairs who require some focussed time on their own. Without Cubbi it's likely they will occupy a meeting room designed to accommodate many people, or much worse, not achieve the results they desire.

Designed to occupy a modest footprint and to be located in the open plan, Cubbi is an oasis of calm in an increasingly frenetic workplace.



Cubbi. products all feature:

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Tryst.

A complete family, designed to support new ways of working: Low and high back, one, two, three seats, console unit and booth. With an exceptionally comfortable sprung seat and the upholstered walls providing a warm, acoustically sheltered environment, Tryst is an informal meeting point for socialising as well as privacy.

Connection know what's key to a booth setting: ergonomics – seated position, distance between people, the positioning of the worksurface and access to technology. Tryst facilitates all of this and more.



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