



### VERIZON

1 BISHOPS QUAY, LIMERICK CITY



#### PROFESSIONAL TEAM

Project Managers & QS: Cogent

Main Contractor: Flynn Management contractors

M&E Engineers: Metec

> Structural: KMP

Graphics: Image Now

PSDP: AshviewAcoustics: Allegro

Fire & DAC: Maurice Johnson & Partners

Acoustics: AWN

Wellbeing, adaptability, and cultural identity in a riverside landmark

#### CLIENT TESTIMONIAL

"We continue to be impressed with MCA Architect's innovative and collaborative design approach. Their dedication, knowledge and agility has exceeded our expectations, making our largest project to date a remarkable and enjoyable journey. MCA really listen and get our brand, core values and what matters most to us. We deliver together and will again."

Michelle Betson Global Real Estate Maneger Verizon

Verizon	Client
Confidential	Value
2023	Start Date
2025	Finish Date
85,000ft <sup>2</sup> / 7,897m <sup>2</sup>	Size



#### CLIENT'S VISION

Verizon sought to establish a flagship workplace in Limerick that would embody the city's dual identity: its rich urban heritage and connection to surrounding landscapes. The aim was a flexible, future-ready environment that could adapt over time, foster collaboration, and champion sustainability. Wellbeing was central, delivering spaces that inspire, nurture community, and attract top talent, while reflecting local culture on a global stage.

#### UNIQUE CHALLENGES

To the east of the building, a narrow, vertical stack of accommodation, adjoining a protected historic structure, presented spatial constraints with restricted floorplates demanding innovative space planning. To the west, maximising river views while integrating amenity spaces posed layout challenges. Both conditions required balancing architectural sensitivity with operational efficiency, ensuring the fitout not only respected its urban context but also delivered the vibrant, adaptable environment envisioned

# SOLVING THE CHALLENGES WITH DESIGN

MCA transformed the constrained layout to the east into a 'wellness

tower', stacking amenities such as a library, fitness spaces, and quiet zones above a dramatic double-height reception, turning a limitation into a visual statement showcasing Verizon's cultural values. To the west, MCA layered social and refresh areas floor-by-floor, connected by an accommodation stair. This optimised views, encouraged movement, and anchored collaboration while maintaining a clear architectural dialogue with the building's riverside setting

## HOW CHALLENGES BECAME INNOVATIONS

The 'wellness tower' redefined vertical circulation as an active journey, embodying Verizon's employeefirst values. Smart environmental sensors provide real-time comfort and efficiency insights, ensuring a responsive, future proof workspace. Modular furniture, folding partitions, and adaptable zones accommodate evolving needs. Biophilic design, panoramic views, and cultural artworks enrich daily experience, embedding place and story into the fabric of the building, and transforming functional constraints into signature architectural features.





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