

# A Capital Idea

Foster and Partners' new Greater London Authority building has become one of the most intriguing pieces of architecture in London. This state of the art building has a Zip HydroTap on each of its floors

The Government Office for London was commissioned with the responsibility for providing the Greater London Authority (GLA) with new permanent accommodation.

Foster and Partners designed the new GLA building which is truly stunning in its concept and appearance. It is situated on the River Thames close to Tower Bridge and was completed on time and on budget.

This new headquarters for the Greater London Authority provides 17,000 square metres of accommodation on ten floors. As well as incorporating offices, it also includes an Assembly Chamber, Committee Rooms, Mayoral suite and Public Facilities.

In order to provide staff with well-deserved facilities for making hot and cold drinks, Interior London, in conjunction with Consulting Engineer CKE Services, specified Zip HydroTap to be incorporated into specially designed staff amenities located on each floor of the building. The Contractor, Frank & Whitholme, installed nine HydroTaps, one for each floor. Each unit is

designed to deliver 30 cups of filtered boiling water at a time and 30 glasses of chilled filtered water per hour.

Zip HydroTap is the perfect appliance for prestige offices like the GLA. By providing filtered boiling and chilled water from a single tap, it is so convenient for making tasty, piping hot tea or coffee and refreshing cold drinks. And the unique Tap Font means that the Zip HydroTap can be installed on virtually any work surface, removing the necessity to site it over a sink. ■



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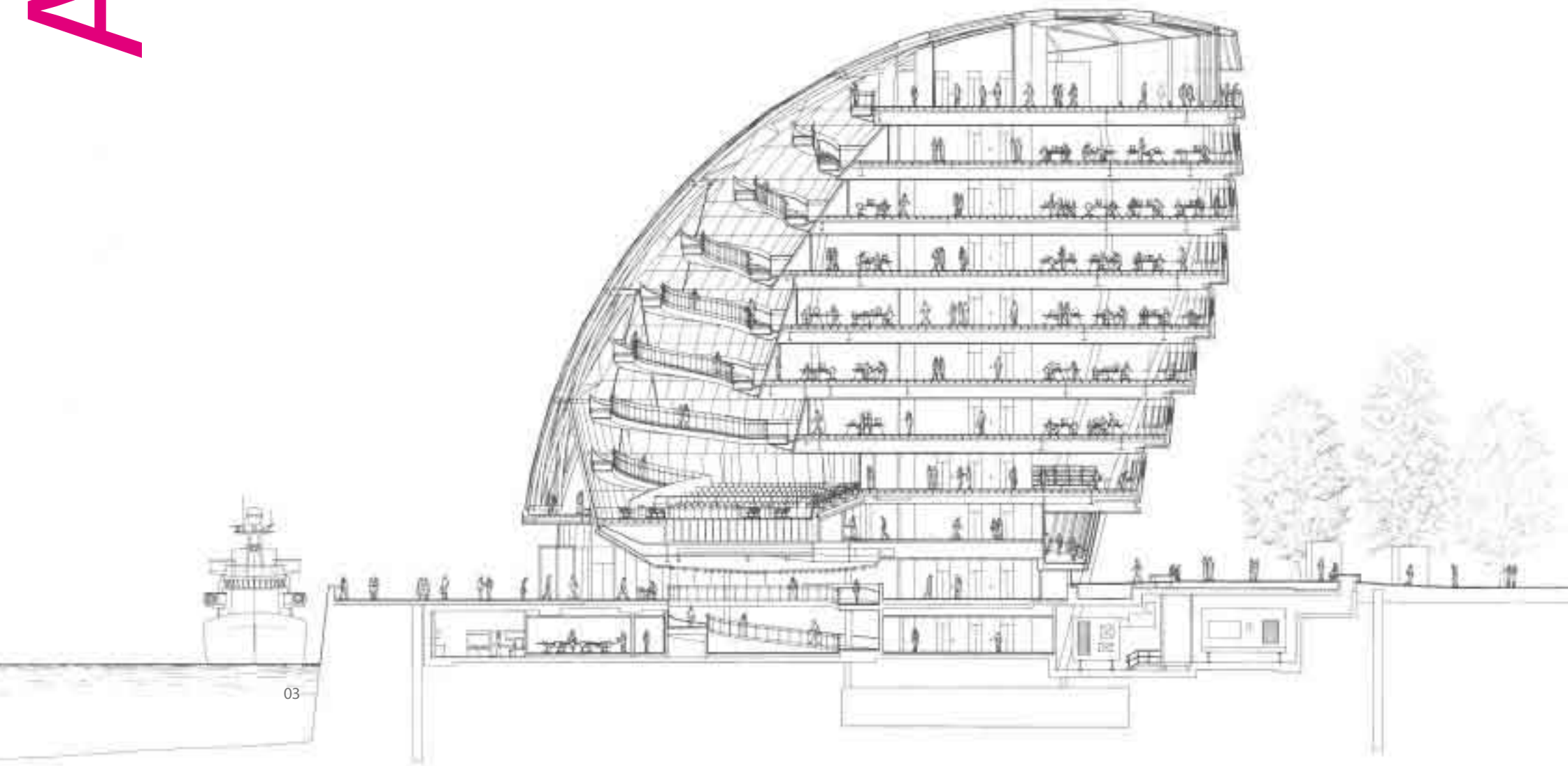


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01 The Greater London Authority building on the Thames with the London Eye in the background.

02 The Assembly Chamber.

03 Section of the GLA Building.



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