The National Archives
Archives Inspire –
Changes to the first floor 2016-17

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“We will inspire the public with new ways of using and experiencing our collection”

Re-imagine our Kew site as a vibrant, welcoming, learning environment
A new events space

- Multi-purpose, flexible space(s) which can seat up to 250 people
- Strategic focus on education and learning, building on a solid foundation, in line with cultural white paper
- Caters for a variety of audiences, including: school children; families; adult learners; serious researchers and academics; external stakeholders; and more
- Allows us to hold more ambitious and more professional events and activities
- Begins to repurpose the space in the Research & Enquiries Room which is ripe for reuse, with minimal knock-on impact
- Releases the current Talks Room to be a second learning space (before full redevelopment at a later phase)
Events Space – interior view
Events Space with adjoining space
Flexible, multi purpose space
Events Space – Location
Events Space – view from the Balcony Cafe