



Sector: Education

Product: Lenovo ThinkPads and ThinkCentres

Services: Sourcing the best products and pricing

Highlights:

- Hollybank Trust is a registered charity based in Mirfield, West Yorkshire that provides care to children and adults with profound and multiple learning difficulties.
- To support its 1:1 guided learning, Hollybank wanted to replace its existing HP Towers with more portable, versatile PCs and lightweight laptops.
- Hollybank chose Lenovo ThinkCentre M710e small form factor desktops and ThinkPad E490 core laptops as they were the perfect fit for the trust.
- Hollybank is pleased with its new Lenovo hardware and the service it received from Redway Networks.

Hollybank

Hollybank Trust supports SEN EdTech with new Lenovo PCs from education WiFi provider Redway Networks.

Hollybank Trust is a registered charity based in Mirfield, West Yorkshire that provides care to children and adults with profound and multiple learning difficulties (PMLD). Hollybank educates over a hundred students at its special school, residential homes, and adult daytime activity centre, which include a state-of-the-art therapy centre, assistive technology suite and several sensory rooms.

Hollybank's older building – where all three Bronte sisters were educated – isn't ideal for technology and space is of a premium. Because of this, it needed to replace its large HP Tower PCs with smaller compact desktops that would still be powerful enough to support its specialist education programmes. Hollybank also wanted to upgrade its staff laptops to the latest technology.

Mark Illingworth, Senior Support IT Analyst at Hollybank Trust says: "To support and maximise the potential of our students we provide one-to-one guided learning so we wanted portable, versatile PCs that would be lightweight but still powerful enough to support both our students and staff".



Lenovo is the perfect match for Hollybank

Hollybank turned to educational wireless provider Redway Networks for its new PCs. Mark says: "We knew we wanted to go with Lenovo and chose Redway Networks to provide our new kit as they are Lenovo Gold PC accredited. As we are a registered charity, budgets are tight, so cost was a major factor and Redway gave us the best pricing."

Hollybank chose the new Lenovo ThinkCentre M710e small form factor desktops as they are super compact and robust with strong processor performance and great for small spaces.

To assist students with low vision, Hollybank also purchased large print text keyboards and magnification and reading software, fully integrated with its other educational technology.

For staff, Hollybank selected Lenovo ThinkPad E490 core laptops as they are lightweight and portable with powerful performance, so ideal for senior management, nurses, occupational therapists and assisted teachers.

Mark says " Our new Lenovo PCs are much better than our previous hardware as they are very light and have great performance. Our students' educational learning includes lots of visual, sensory and interactive learning programmes, so being able to move around whilst accessing these programmes is vital. I've been really pleased with the service I received from Redway Networks from sourcing us the best prices on our Lenovo kit to keeping us informed every step of the way with deliveries and timings and we look forward to working with them in the future."

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