



**Gary Justice IN BRIEF with salon owner**

*Marie Benson*

**How long have you been in the premises:** *Since 1991*

**Clientele:** *A vast range of clients come through the doors, hence it vital the design was perfect*

**Design:** *Clean, beautiful with intricate attention to detail*

**Styling Stations:** *13 Units with 3 backwash units*

**Furniture:** *Vida Chairs and Vida Backwashes from Welonda*

answered this by crafting a salon space that is flexible, practical and elegant. Its aesthetic combines openness, subtle details and striking finishes. Following a considered planning process and seamless refit, Gary caught up with Marie to see how she found the experience and how her salon has benefitted from the re-design and whether her salon was exactly how she had pictured it.

**Bensons** has been cutting and styling the people of Lanark's hair for more than two decades. The company's success comes from hard work, skilled stylists and a welcoming environment. A recent refurbishment has reinvented the salon - re-establishing it with regular customers and attracting new faces too.



The brief asked for a light, open and functional design. We



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### **What was your vision for the salon?**

Our vision was to change the salon in such a way that we would not need to change it again for a very long time – we wanted a feel and design that we knew would last. It had to be light, modern and functional. And, of course, we wanted our clients to feel as welcome as they always have.

### **Have you maximized the space in your salon?**

Definitely. It is a much better space to work in now. The staff have commented on how the space has improved for them. Having a layout done by a professional designer, who understands the workings of a hair salon, has really helped.



### **What was the most important consideration when re-vamping your salon?**

Space and comfort for our customers. Previously, we constantly felt we were moving our clients from chair to chair - our new salon had to eliminate all of this. The salon is now open plan with clearly defined areas for reception, styling and backwash.

### **Where did you source the furniture?**

Our furniture was sourced from Salon | Items - Welonda. We are so happy with our chairs and backwashes. We chose the Vida design and it just works perfectly. I am delighted with how they look in the space.



### **Why Salonitems and Welonda?**

We chose Welonda because of the company's reputation. We are extremely happy with the service and would happily recommend. The reaction from our staff and clients has been great - our salon now has the 'wow' factor.



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