

Swift Fire & Security

Since 1982, Swift Fire & Security has refined itself into the UK's leading independent fire safety and security service provider. Swift is a dynamic organisation, continually striving for service perfection, which they believe their customers deserve. Many of the UK's leading companies have experienced the peace of mind, which Swift creates when applying this ethos and their expertise.

With almost 30 years of experience operating across both the public and private sectors, Swift Fire & Security has a proven track record of delivering a quality service.

Swift Fire & Security's comprehensive range of services encompasses every fire and security requirement needed to safeguard industry today. As electronic fire and security systems become more and more sophisticated, and because Swift have been at the forefront of the technology for so long, clients can be assured Swift will continue to offer unparalleled service and first class integrated solutions.

It is no accident that Swift has not just the infrastructure and technical skills, but the communication and logistics of a premier installer. Under the leadership of Nigel Jackson, Managing

Director, Swift operates from Regional Centres nationwide, employing a national network of qualified and experienced, multi discipline engineers to provide the highest levels of service and value for money.

The strategies the Company pursue have kept them streets ahead of their competitors - and has placed them behind the integrated fire and security systems for some of the most prestigious and secure buildings in the country.

A fine example of this can be seen at The Trafford Centre, which recently upgraded their analogue systems to a fully digital CCTV security system from Swift Fire & Security. One of the UK's leading shopping and entertainment destinations, The Trafford Centre is 98% covered by CCTV cameras, and is well-known in the retail world for its comprehensive and highly responsive security system. Gordon McKinnon, Director of Operations at The Trafford Centre, understood the requirement for a high specification solution: "As The Trafford Centre has grown in the past ten years, so too has our CCTV system. We have extensive new areas to cover, as well as 32 million visitors a year to look after. This means we require a state-



of-the-art system which enables us not only to tackle crime, but spot accidents as they occur, and address the threat of terrorism." The heart of The Trafford Centre is the Central Control Room, designed to monitor all critical safety systems, such as, CCTV, security, fire safety, shop alerts and the Automatic Number Plate Recognition system, (ANPR), ensuring the protection of the millions of visitors who pass through it's many doors every year. It is within this Central Control Room that Swift Fire & Security installed two Synectics Synergy Pro Client PCs, giving operators the ability to review and immediately burn onto DVD, any CCTV footage for use as evidence.

During the upgrade many other CCTV projects have also taken place within The Trafford Centre, such as the Great Hall and the Barton Square link bridge. Many existing cameras have also been upgraded to improve image quality and provide remote diagnostics, useful as the first line in fault finding.

The handover was completed on schedule, with the initial aim of no system down-time achieved. Gordon McKinnon explains his delight in the service provided: "The install was seamless, with no downtime whatsoever. We've experienced a professional job from Swift, a provider who fully understood the brief and carefully brought the new system online with no hiccups."

A further example of Swift Fire & Security expertise can be seen at Newcastle Upon Tyne Central Library, which has re-opened after a £40.2M transformation and a three year closure. The landmark building required a state of the art fire protection system that would not only protect employees and the public but the 150,000 new books and priceless collections, which date back to the 1480s. Swift Fire & Security, a Gent by Honeywell Technology Centre, was awarded the contract thanks to the intelligent technology solutions offered by Gent's Vigilant fire alarm system and S-Quad multi-functional sensors.



Built over six levels, Swift commissioned the electronic fire detection system utilising multi-function devices offering advanced dual angle optical sensing technology, along with loop powered sounders and high intensity strobes. This state of the art technology was employed to protect the prestigious landmark. Swift Fire & Security has an impressive record - from a single office to one of the most successful fire and security system houses in the UK. Building upon this, the Company continues to work hard to make Swift even stronger - to benefit existing and future customers, and to support their growing number of major accounts.

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