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Sofrydd Primary School

Project:

Supply, install and maintain

Client:

Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

Overview:

Crumlin's Sofrydd Primary School was among a number of locations identified by Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council as in need of improved security.

As the council and CDS worked together to develop the upgrade and expansion of a county-wide integrated security system (with its central hub at a large control room in Blaenau), several schools were selected to receive additional resources to protect against vandalism and improve the sense of safety for staff and pupils alike.

The project took advantage of modern CCTV solutions which were utilised in the most discrete and cost-effective way possible.

Project description

Applying security systems to schools presents several challenges, which CDS has become well versed at overcoming. These are: the need to reduce the burden of vandalism cost on the local authority; the challenge of being cost-effective and getting best value for public money; and the requirement to protect pupil and staff privacy while ensuring ongoing safety.

As part of the county's investment in integrated security systems, CDS was able to network a limited series of strategically-placed CCTV cameras to the central control room in Blaenau.

The project also involved the design and installation of a perimeter intrusion system with motion detectors, which effectively 'wake up' other security systems when tripped out of school hours.

CDS' security solution utilised the latest CCTV technology, such as IP networking and digital recording, meaning control and data interrogation is made that much quicker and easier for the team in the central control hub.