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Willowtown Primary School

Project:

Supply, install and maintain

Client:

Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

Overview:

The former Victorian Willowtown Primary School, Ebbw Vale, was recently replaced by a much more modern £5m building, constructed by Midas. The new school was funded in large part by a School Buildings Improvement Grant from the Welsh Assembly Government; the provision of such grants are dependent on several factors, including the promotion of "security in new and significantly refurbished schools."

As with any school, the key issues presented by Willowtown revolved around student safety, protection against vandalism and access controls to some areas.

Improved security systems in schools have been proven to reduce vandalism, which is a significant problem nationally.

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Project description

This project called for a level of security which could protect the school's assets without invading the privacy of the pupils and staff on site. Working with CDS, the client opted for a system of CCTV cameras and perimeter detection, with cameras placed at strategic locations around the new school development.

The perimeter detection equipment consists of movement detectors, designed to activate other security systems around the school once they are tripped by unauthorised access.

The system has localised control/viewing enabled in the headmaster's office, but also links to a central control room in Blaenau, which is the primary hub for the public access CCTV across all of Blaenau Gwent. Councillor Gill Clark, Blaenau Gwent Council's Executive Member with responsibility for education, commented: "We want to provide the very best learning environments possible for our children and young people, and it's very rewarding to see the children of Willowtown enjoying the benefits of their new facilities."

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