



## Protecting Bancroft's School with a Wireless Addressable Fire System

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Bancroft's School based in Woodford Green, Essex, has long been a centre of excellence for some of the brightest pupils in the country. The school has a great heritage and has produced some of the UK's best academics.

As with any school that has a long history comes a building of great heritage, Bancroft's fire alarm system was becoming antiquated and faulty cabling was a constant issue. Graham Wicks the schools Deputy Bursar comments "Our site is quite big and the problems we were having with the fire alarm system were a major headache. We needed a new system fast and without disruption to our classes, staff, or our Grade 2 listed building".

Graham contacted Assured Fire & Security for a solution. Assureds Managing Director Simon Stokes continues, "The site is quite large with a number of remote buildings. Obviously the aesthetics and history of the building was also of major consideration".

"We had no hesitation in specifying a radio fire alarm system. By providing a fire alarm system with no wires we could install the full system in a matter of weeks over the summer holiday period and by having no cabling we could keep the disruption to a minimum and respect the aesthetics of the property. In addition the wireless system saved any major excavation works and cable runs to the remote buildings which would have been time consuming and costly".

Bancroft's were also about to start a major refurbishment program so the ability to add to the system was a major consideration. A radio fire alarm system was perfect for this as when each new building came on line Assured could simply screw the detectors to the ceiling and walls and when the project was near completion, then add them to the system.

Dave Bish, the schools Building Manager, commented, "We thought this would be a huge undertaking, however we hardly knew the Assured engineers were on site! Handover was seamless and adding or removing detectors takes minutes".

"We were so impressed with the engineers, operation and after-sales service at Assured that we handed over the maintenance and new installations of CCTV, access control, intruder alarm, and fire extinguishers. We also asked them to undertake the fire training and fire risk assessment. By giving Assured the responsibility for these services we have a 'one stop shop', which enables us to concentrate on running the school".



## Wire-Free Fire Alarm Systems

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### No wires. No mess. No hassle.

There are many different buildings which suit a radio fire alarm solution; below are just a few instances where radio can be of great benefit:

- In buildings which cannot afford the disruption of cabling installation; for example public buildings which need to remain open while new systems are installed.
- Buildings of heritage, listed buildings, or buildings of historical importance, where the running of cables and containment is simply not an option.
- Refurbishments or building sites where a fire alarm is required but the existing system has been decommissioned.
- Buildings where a fire alarm has failed and the need to install a new fire alarm quickly is essential to keep the occupants safe and the building open.
- Temporary installations: you can take the fire alarm system with you. This may also be of use if the occupant of the building is looking at moving in the near future – why leave the system you have just paid for, for someone else?

#### Reasons to choose Assured:

- ✓ Guaranteed around the clock service 365 days a year
- ✓ Nationwide service, that is still local to you
- ✓ Super-fast response rate: 98% of our call outs are responded to within 2 hours
- ✓ One-stop-shop service; Our multi-skilled engineers have the ability to deal with all fire and security problems so they will only need to pay one visit, saving you money on call out fees
- ✓ Free online reports and buyers guides
- ✓ Streamlined service that helps you to save time and money
- ✓ First time fix keeping your systems working at an optimum
- ✓ Annual health checks of your systems ensuring that your systems are always working to full capacity and are always protected

Along with Bancroft's School, many companies and organisation have taken advantage of installing a wireless fire alarm.



#### Ease of install to minimise disruptions

Wire-Free Fire Alarm Systems are quick to install and cause minimum disruption to the occupants and aesthetics of the property – the average detector takes 5 minutes to install as compared with 4-6 hours for a wired system.

Battery life can be over 5 years and because the system is constantly monitored for battery failure and verification of the devices status you can be sure of the same reliability and monitoring as that of a hard wired system.

#### Assured Quality

We install wireless fire alarm equipment with proven reliability and we never compromise on the quality of equipment as we are installing life-saving systems for you, your staff and visitors. We use a range of wireless fire alarm equipment from the top suppliers including EMS Group and Electro-Detectors.

#### Guaranteeing you peace of mind



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