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ACTpro wins with one card solution for Atkins Engineering and Design Consultancy

Atkins is a multinational engineering and design consultancy, whose expertise is acquired by public and private sector clients positioned in a number of key markets including aerospace, defence, transport and oil & gas. They have recently been appointed official Engineering Design Services Provider to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.



Atkins have moved into a new four storey, 9,000m² regional headquarters in Bristol, England and with access into and within the building of paramount importance a robust, secure and flexible access control solution was required. A systems specification was compiled for ARJ Security by Atkins' Facilities Manager, Pauline Simpkins. Requirements included system scalability, dual card presentation, free access on certain doors at specific times and the ability to print customised security passes for staff and visitors alike.

The ACTpro access control system was identified by ARJ Security as the ideal solution. Project Management and design assistance was provided to ARJ Security by Richard Huison, ACT Sales Executive for Southern England. Following initial consultations it was identified that by installing ACTpro mifare readers the ACTpro access control system could be seamlessly integrated with the cashless vending system already in place. This would give Atkins a one card solution for access control and the cashless vending thus reducing ongoing costs and administration.

ARJ Security regularly recommends and installs ACT equipment primarily due to the product reliability and flexibility and the additional support services offered by ACT to their customers. Alan Jones of ARJ comments that "ACT are always willing to go the extra distance to ensure their system matches and exceeds the specification set out by the client. The ACTpro system is flexible and is developed for easy installation. Their Technical Support team are second to none in the business"



Pauline Simpkins, Atkins Facility Manager, comments that "we are delighted with the ACTpro access control system put in place by ARJ. It meets all the criteria we had set out from the start plus more. We are particularly pleased with the integration with our cashless vending and the ability to create individual card templates for both staff and visitors."