WOODHEAD CONSTRUCTION

SUPERFAST MOBILES CONFER A SEAMLESS CONNECTED EXPERIENCE

Construction company pairs 4GEE with Microsoft Lumia running Windows 10 to realise transformational vision

Customer's challenge

Robert Woodhead Limited designs, constructs and maintains properties around the East Midlands and Yorkshire. It's committed to making building a better experience for all, which includes giving local people employment opportunities.

Many of the company's 140 staff work onsite. So their mobile communications have to be instant, secure and reliable.

Phil Hadley, group ICT manager, says: "With our previous network, data transfer was painfully slow. Managing work schedules and transferring images and large documents like schematics and building plans was a real productivity and delivery drain."

Our solution

Partnering EE and Microsoft is seeing Woodhead Construction reaping the benefits of a bold, transformational vision, with its people working smarter wherever they are.

Over 100 Microsoft Lumia 950 phones have been distributed across the business. All with superfast 4GEE and Windows 10. "We knew we'd be guaranteed excellent coverage and speed with EE," says Phil, "while with Microsoft we got the most reliable phones and powerful productivity-boosting apps."

One of those, Microsoft Continuum, is changing the way people work. Now, when they return to the office, they're able to do much more with their PCs. Marketing Manager, Mathew Hall, explains: "Continuum lets you plug in a Windows 10 phone to work on a large screen, and you can link your mouse and keyboard to the mobile using Bluetooth."

EE created a Super Bundle package covering the Windows phones and fixed lines. There's only one bill and mobile users share a monthly 200GB data pool. So there's less admin and no extra costs.

Everyone's building a very different life

When employees travel they're equipped to complete virtually any task, so they leave their laptops at home.

With Microsoft Lumia phones they've got a PC in their pocket. They can walk into meetings and project PowerPoint presentations, or get PC-like productivity from Office apps and enterprise social networking tools like Yammer.

It doesn't matter if we're in the office or on the move, we're connected to the people and information we need to get work done. One can be there in company conversations, discussing projects, and getting quick answers to questions. ³¹

Mathew Hall, Marketing Manager, Robert Woodhead Limited

People can do many more things that weren't possible before. The superior coverage and performance of the 4GEE network has helped improve the quality of reports, with images and videos direct from site. That's enabling project teams to make better-informed decisions. It's also great news for clients who can log-in to a portal to view progress via time-lapse cameras, again connected over 4GEE.

Paperless working's coming to construction projects

And that's not all. The company's developing new apps to replace time-consuming paper-based processes like health and safety checks. It also has the opportunity to integrate tools like Microsoft SharePoint to help create blueprints for mandatory requirements like building information modelling.

"We've built an amazing platform for productivity and growth," Phil concludes.

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Phil Hadley, Group ICT Manager, Robert Woodhead Limited

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