



Traka, the key and asset management specialist, has helped Coventry University improve the implementation of its contractor control policy, ensuring Health and Safety Standards are met.

With almost 30,000 students, 1,890 staff and 110+ service contracting companies some requiring 24 hour access to the site, Coventry University needed a secure method to manage its keys and access cards. Traka key cabinets were installed to ensure that pre-authorized contractors could gain easy access to areas of the campus at any time of the day or night, without compromising security.

Coventry University is able to set up individual access rights for each contractor, so they can only retrieve keys and access cards to areas they are authorised to be in. Further to this, when a key or card is taken from the cabinet, an email notification can be sent to on-site University engineers so they are aware of who is on the premises with details of their mobile phone number when required.

Traka key management creates accountability, as the intelligent software allows for real-time reporting about who has accessed which key, and most importantly when it has been returned.

As well as providing secure and flexible access for contractors, Coventry University has also reported reduced in house administration time because of Traka. Previously, issuing keys and access cards and trying to locate items missing was a very time-intensive task. The installation of a key management system has resulted in time savings of up to 30 minutes a day for 6 or 7 members of the office.

“With Traka we have been able to improve Health and Safety and security, whilst also encouraging a culture of professionalism among our team and contractors.”



Nigel Young, Building Services and Contracts Manager Coventry University, said: “Before we had the cabinets we had key presses along the wall housing keys and cards that staff members in the office could access. But the whole system was extremely difficult to manage.

“The Traka key cabinets mean that we do not need a member of staff in the office at different times of the day and night to give contractors access to the building, freeing up more time.”

“With Traka we have been able to improve Health and Safety and security, whilst also encouraging a culture of professionalism among our team and contractors.”

Coventry University first installed two large L-Series cabinets outside the ground floor offices of its Alma building. Because of the success, they then added a third cabinet in the Alma building and invested in a further two cabinets for the second floor to manage the Design & Projects Contractor activity via the access control team.

The 300 key L-Series is configured to authorise a certain number of keys and access cards via various security groups at any one time. It also sends out email alerts which record who has taken certain keys and access cards and when they have returned them. Return curfews broken also send automated emails to companies advising of the breach which can lead to persons being refused continued working on the University sites.

For more information on Traka’s specialist key management and equipment management solutions, please visit www.traka.com

traka.com

The ASSA ABLOY Group is the global leader in access solutions. Every day we help people feel safe, secure and experience a more open world.

CS-CU1-AA V3