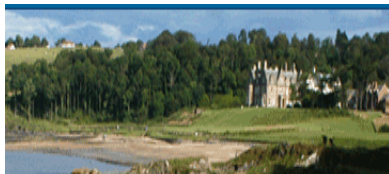


A key requirement for North Down Borough Council was a Single Smart Card solution, allowing all employee activity including Access Control and Time & Attendance over 19 sites to be managed by a single card.



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North Down Borough Council Select TDS' Access Control & Time & Attendance System

North Down Borough Council (NDBC) has selected TDS for the supply and installation of a Computerised Time & Attendance and Integrated Access Control Management Solution for the new Waste Transfer Station and other Council Sites.

NDBC's headquarters are based in Bangor, 20km east of Belfast with a population of approximately 55,000. The Council employs 450 employees across 19 sites.

NDBC selected TDS' **CoreBadge** solution to produce new smart cards for all employees to be used for the **CoreTime** system and **CoreAccess** system.

The **CoreAccess** solution was selected as an aesthetic solution which provides access control across all Council and to identify individual smart cards. The **CoreAccess** solution was implemented with the fully integrated **Kaba Benzing** hardware devices.

NDBC's key requirements for the **CoreTime** solution was the system's ability to deal with flexible working hours, shift patterns, time in lieu, absences, etc; the production of real time data entry and enquiry facilities to all end users either via direct PC usage, Employee Self Service Kiosks or wireless devices e.g. PDA or mobile phones.

The **CoreTime** solution enables employees to submit requests to supervisors for planned absences, shift changes, etc. The system highlights annual leave requests where minimum cover requirements have been exceeded.

This contract further strengthens TDS Ltd's position as a leading provider of integrated Access Control and Time & Attendance solutions.