

## Renfrewshire Council makes the grade for school security and key control with ASSA CLIQ® Remote





Company: Renfrewshire Council

Segment: Education

Property types: Primary schools, secondary

schools and early learning

centres

Location: Renfrewshire



More than 70 schools and early learning centres in Renfrewshire, Scotland, were previously using complex master key systems. Renfrewshire Council faced a number of challenges with this, including consistency of approach, who had access to keys, and how this was managed.

To address these challenges, the ASSA ABLOY Door Hardware Group recommended its ASSA CLIQ® Remote solution. To date, this has been installed in a total of 76 premises in Renfrewshire, covering a mix of primary schools, secondary schools and early learning centres.

The initiative won 'Security Project of the Year' at this year's Fire & Security Matters Awards, recognising the impact that the ASSA CLIQ® Remote system has made to Renfrewshire Council. The awards celebrate the latest technologies and achievements in the fire and security sectors, promoting the importance of innovation while also underlying the highest standards of excellence.

Solution

ASSA CLIQ® Remote is an award-winning electromechanical solution, which uses high-end micro-electronics and programmable keys and cylinders to help the schools stay in control of access rights at all times. Schools can update each key remotely, removing or granting access privileges for the key holder in real time. This ensures only those with the necessary access rights can enter an area, eliminating the security risks associated with lost and stolen keys,



while ensuring schools can easily be opened up by other trusted individuals if the senior facilities operative is unable to unlock the premises themselves.

ASSA CLIQ® Remote is also in line with Renfrewshire Council's sustainability ambitions too. The system's keys use batteries, which typically last many years before they need replacing, and the fact that access rights can be updated remotely eliminates the need for car journeys to hand over a set of keys.

"Security was the main driver for choosing to upgrade to ASSA CLIQ® Remote, and has brought real benefits for our schools and education facilities, as we can be more flexible in how we manage access control, safe in the knowledge that these sites are secure.

"In addition to each school's senior facilities operative having a key, spare keys are kept in a secure key cabinet in each of the five geographical clusters and all of our team leaders have access to keys and a PD unit so they can update key permissions on the go, without having to visit an administrator.

"ASSA CLIQ® Remote allows us to react quickly to sudden changes in access control needs and we are investigating the possibility of rolling it out as part of a change programme for our community centres."

Scot Fraser, Facilities Manager at Renfrewshire Council

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