Fire Safety

Fire Safety and Detection from industry professionals with over 30 years experience....

Life Safety

"Secure your business and premises with protection that never takes a break"

Integrated Security

BDS specialise in the design, installation and maintenance of multi disciplined security solutions

Service and Maintenance

Fire Alarms, Life Safety Systems and Integrated Security are things you don't really notice until they're really essential

Accreditations are vital

See out list of industry accreditations here

Fire Evacuation Alert Systems

Are you ready to comply with The new BS 8629:2019 guidance on Evacuation Alert Systems installed in blocks of flats? This will be law soon...

The Importance of Testing

Testing your fire alarms regularly is a key part of maintenance...

Home Security

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News 2022

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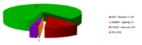
All our news for the year is outlined below, enjoy! We also have a news archive going back to 2013, click here for more...

December 2022 - A Very Merry Christmas to all our Customers and Friends

BDS staff have celebrated the Christmas season with a drink and a game of darts in their local Red lion Pub and finished off the night in their nearby Indian restaurant. As this event was on a school night, we can assure you all staff were home at a reasonable time to make sure we were ready for a days work the following morning...



December 2022 - Health Checks on Fire systems leads to Fire System upgrades

BDS provide a health check as part of its service provision. Although many systems will operate correctly, we need to report on the age of your field devices and the expected life cycle. Like all electronic apparatus the systems operation does deteriorate over time. When the manufacturers recommendation is to replace devices that fall outside their recommended life cycle. Then responsible customers will take note and budget for these upgrades. We have recently provided this service to the Royal College of Music located directly opposite the royal Albert Hall

When your home is secure,
you feel secure

BDS EFM

BDS Electrical EFM, a force in Electrical Installations and Maintenance...

BDS - Fire and Life Safety, Integrated Security

With the implementation of the Regulatory Reform Fire Safety Order from 1st October 2006 it is the responsibility of the system user or appointed responsible persons to ensure the installed fire detection and alarm systems are maintained correctly To this end the Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA) and the Fire Industry Association (FIA) advise that companies with third party accreditation, such as British Approvals for Fire Equipment & Systems (BAFE SP203), should be contracted

Why Choose us?...

We Care...
If you don't care about the service you provide you don't care about your customers! Our enthusiasm for what we do makes us care...

Our Experience puts us in your corner...

Our Five Senior managers have over 25 Years each experience in designing, installing, commissioning and maintaining fire and life safety systems our engineers are time served and are constantly being enhanced in the latest technology attending regular training sessions

We understand Urgency and have an open book policy Never letting our customers down and being there quickly when there is a problem is a key part of our commitment to you - We also commit to support your fire and safety equipment on a 24/7 basis. Customers subscribing to this service are guaranteed a response 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

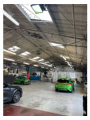
We are truly independent and offer bespoke services to exactly match your needs and budget

We have formed partnerships with the world's leading fire and safety product manufacturers. We are not tied to any manufacturer allowing us to deliver the most appropriate and cost effective products as part of our solutions.

We are able to install and maintain equipment for the following suppliers: Notifier, Gent, Morley IAS, Kentec, Advanced, Haes, Protec, C-Tec, Global, Fike/Rafiki, EMS, Apollo, Hochiki, KAC, Thomas Glover, Airsense, Vesda, Fireray, plus many more...

November 2022 - The importance of Fire and Life Safety at Wimbledon

We've been back at Wimbledon recently discussing the future of Fire and Life Safety at this fabulous venue. With us was Donald McFarlane the Commercial Director of Honeywell Security and Fire. Thanks to everyone at Wimbledon for your hospitality and a fascinating and illuminating day...
It's so nice for us all to be part of the team protecting this wonderful venue, keeping the fans, the players and everyone at Wimbledon safe and secure
Kevin Blyde MD



GOLD Partner

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5 YEAR GUARANTEE

October 2022 - Fords Brentford Press Garage

A fire alarm system installed in 1986 & maintained by BDS for more than 20 years has finally been updated.

Although the system was very old pre-dating BS5839 Pt 1 1988 the system with its regular maintenance always passed its inspection with flying colours, including the failsafe interface relay to shut down the gas that supplied the heating. We have now installed an addressable Notifier ID 60 using Opal devices and programable interface relays. As a Gold Partner all Notifier equipment provided by BDS has a 5 Year Warranty.

Ashdown Park

The Grand Eastbourne

Tylney Hall

October 2022 - BDS makes it a treble

Elite Hotels have now signed up with BDS to have all three of their Fire alarm systems maintained. The Hotels have different systems and Protocols, due to BDS investing in training and building up strong relationships with our suppliers we can support the systems without any issues giving the hotel one point of contact and a Group Discount.

September 2022 - RNIB

RNIB are moving into the Grimaldi Building named after a pantomime clown Joseph Grimaldi, who is buried in the grounds. RNIB have asked BDS to supply Fire Life Safety and Intruder alarms

The Fire System will be Gent Vigilon System using S quad Devices, together with a Baldwin Boxall Vigil Omnicare Emergency voice communication system, the Intruder alarm will be by Texecom

Department
for Education

September 2022 - BDS says hello to an old friend...

BDS first attend Sanctuary Buildings in 1995 and maintained the Fire alarms & suppression systems to the building including many system upgrades for 10 years. We have recently teamed up with one of our most loyal customers Bancroft to fit out a new Gent Fire alarm to Floors Seven & Eight with new phases continuing in 2023

It's Great to be Back!

August 2022 - Efsane Restaurant Expansion

EFSANE is a Five Star Turkish Meze Restaurant, situated in the heart of Kent, In a high street of Longfield village. The expansion saw the owners moving into the old adjacent bank building, more than doubling its capacity. with no access to ceiling voids, it was agreed to go wireless on both fire and security systems

The chosen fire alarm system was Taurus Hyfire, wireless fire alarm system connected to an Advanced fire alarm panel with Translator & Expander Modules & Field devices over three floors and two buildings.
The Security Wireless alarm system consisted of shock sensors, PIRs and micro covering all areas.
The CCTV consisted of 2x 16TB Network Recorders connected to 29x 5MP Deep Learning Colour Smart Turret Cameras, these illuminate in the dark giving full colour 24hr coverage.

Moorfields Private Eye Centre

Cuffe plc
apollo WORLD CLASS FIRE SOLUTIONS

August 2022 - Moorfields Eye Hospital

BDS were appointed by Cuffe PLC to carry out the fire alarm alterations on behalf of Moorfields Eye Hospital over three phases to Buildings 60 Wimpole Street and 52 New Cavendish Street.

Phase 1 – 60 Wimpole Street Scope of Works
Replace the obsolete fire alarm panel using Advanced MxPro5 changing all field devices to Apollo XP95. Supply, additional detection to suit new layout across all floors providing extra protection.
Supply, install and commission a two-way link to 52 New Cavendish Street.

Phase 2 & 3 – 52 New Cavendish Street Scope of Works
Install additional detection to suit new layout across the basement of 52 New Cavendish Street
Add additional magnetic door closers giving clear passage for patients.

July 2022 - AELTC Wimbledon

We had a very hectic build up to the Championships 2022 at the All-England Club. Due to the works carried out in build-up, the Champs passed like a breeze with no issues rising from false alarms or activations. We hard wired all the temp hospitality and staff marquees removing the need for wireless detection from HyFire. We have installed a new Agile system from Notifier in each of the residential buildings attached to the club, replacing the old HyFire system in each building. Detection has been provided to a LD1 system with sounders installed within each room.

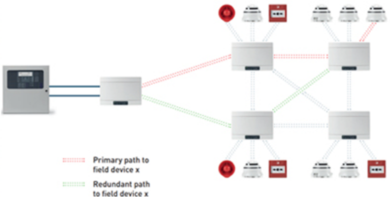
We have just started new projects for the club including the redevelopment of the Millennium building which is a 4-year plan to upgrade the structure, which includes providing a new entrance portal to players and staff under Somerset Road linking the new Indoor Tennis Centre and the main site. Another project to be completed this year is for the new media centre with interview rooms and broadcasting offices for the different transmission companies. This building is a 3-story structure with a new roof interview and broadcasting location with views over the tennis courts.

The new version 4 ONYX Works graphics system is now fully operational and in use within the Operation Centre in Centre Court. With this now in place, we can carry out remote monitoring and control of the Notifier ID3000 fire alarm system, providing the customer with 24-hour cover but not needing to be onsite.

Plans have been submitted for permission to build a new 8000 seating stadium located in the north side of the old golf course beside Church Road. The plans also include for another 30 tennis courts to be built. Works are due to start in 2023 – 2024.

July 2022 - Charlotte Mews 7,8, 9 & 10

BDS will be commencing works on two buildings within Charlotte Mews working for the same client as Noland House.
During these works our engineers will be replacing the existing aged Morley fire alarm system for a new networked Advanced MXPro5 system consisting of two control panels, new loop cabling throughout and field detection using the Apollo XP95 protocol.
Due to the building being fully functional and occupied our engineers will be attending the site to conduct the works over evenings to prevent any impact to the existing tenants.


Primary path to field device x
Redundant path to field device x

July 2022 - Norland House HyFire Taurus fire system

BDS is completing the upgrade on this Art deco 10,000 sq. ft Building from the existing conventional fire alarm system to a new Advanced MXPro5 along with Hyfire's latest range of Taurus wireless equipment. We are nearing the end of this project with the final parts of commissioning being undertaken by our engineers prior to formal witness testing with the client and certification/O&M information to be provided.
Due to the building being fully functional and occupied our engineers will be attending the site to conduct the works over evenings to prevent any impact to the existing tenants.

NELFT NHS
NHS Foundation Trust

GallifordTry

July 2022 - NELFT Health centres, with GallifordTry

BDS have been supporting NELFT Health care centres on behalf of Galliford Try for years and as part of their ongoing investment program they requested BDS to carry out system health checks to bring the most aged and at-risk systems to current day standards

Six projects in Barking and Dagenham were chosen to be upgraded for new Fire Alarms, Disabled Refuge Systems & access control systems, the project was conducted out of normal working hours and under a restricted and scheduled time frame leaving systems operational the following day to create as little disruption as possible
The upgraded sites were

Harold hill, Thames view and Broad Street

Thames View Health Centre
NHS

All of these sites were fitted with an end-of-life managed protocol Protec system we upgraded these to an open protocol kentec with apollo protocol

Marks gate, Chadwell heath and south Hornchurch

Health Centre

The existing access control was becoming more unreliable, so the decision was made to upgrade these sites to a Paxton net 2 access control system that they already have installed on several there sites. The new system gives them multiple options of how they want the doors to work.

July 2022 Browns family Jewellers

Browns the Bond Street Jewellers have opened a new store in Bluewater shopping centre. They instructed BDS to install a new access control system to protec the back of house and stock rooms

July 2022 - Welcome back Andy Gibbs after 10 years

No not that Andy Gibb! 😊 , We are pleased to welcome back Andy Gibbs to BDS following an absence of 10 years Andy will be assisting with our future compliance requirements working alongside our long-term Suffering & Serving Graham Hawkins. Andy has been in the industry for 30 years and brings a wealth of experience that will be passed on through to the next generation of BDS employees

June 2022 - Returning Customers

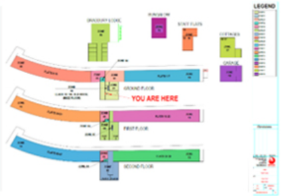
Following base build Fire Alarm upgrades to 24 Chiswell Street, No 1 Stratford Place & Premier Place New tenants have awarded BDS the contracts to fit out the fire alarms on their designated floors. We always see this as a testament to our good working practice and keeping the customer Happy!

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S HOUSE

June 2022 - New Maintenance Contract

BDS secures Fire Alarm Maintenance Contract providing a 24hr call out facility and Redcare communication at

Queen Alexandra House, which was founded in 1884 by Sir Francis Cook, to provide a purpose-built hostel accommodation for women students at the Royal College of Music and sits adjacent to the Royal Albert Hall. The building is part of London's heritage.



May 2022 - RNIB Swail House, the world's first purpose-built home for blind people

BDS were asked to carry out a health check on the Vigilon Fire Alarm System and conduct a survey of the building, by using the Gent software tool we were able to show devices on the system over 14 years old that were now out of the manufacturers recommended working life span.

The Main Panel and Repeater panel was replaced as well as new automatic devices installed where areas were deemed as a fire risk.

Finally, a new Zone Chart was created from scratch as no site plans were available.

GOLD Partner

April 2022 - Tylney Hall Hotel

BDS have secured the annual service maintenance Contract for the fire alarm systems at this beautiful hotel Located in Hook Hampshire The main building and most of the outer buildings are supported by Notifier. As a Gold Partner BDS have the expertise to support this prestigious hotel and offer extra benefits such as 5 Year warranties on all newly installed equipment

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NHS
Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells
NHS Trust

March 2022 - Maidstone Hospital

BDS have just completed the installation of fire alarm equipment to a new Building providing support for the oncology department with additional consulting rooms and office space The Apollo protocol system needed to be wired in a fashion so it could be integrated with the existing Fire alarm system that supports Maidstone Hospital

March 2022 - Ford moves its Heritage Vehicle Fleet

A fleet of historic Ford vehicles has moved out of Dagenham. The motoring giant confirmed to BDS that its heritage fleet, which was kept at the Ford Heritage Centre in Dagenham, was moving to Daventry in the Midlands. BDS of course supplied and installed the fire alarm and sprinkler systems and the security and alarm systems to the high standards required to keep this priceless collection safe...

March 2022 - 24 Chiswell Street – Cooltech/Hanmar

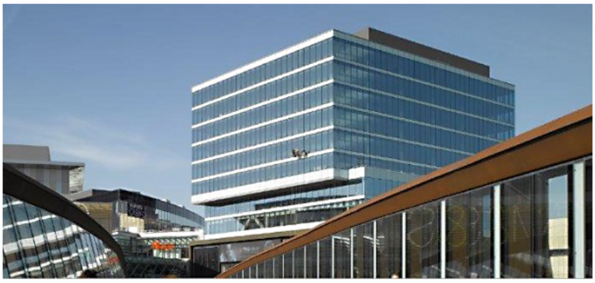
Category A fitout of levels 1 and 3 of 24 Chiswell Street where BDS supplemented the existing Kentec Syncro fire alarm system using new Apollo XP95 devices. Due to the height of the ceiling void additional detection was required by the existing control equipment would not have been able to accommodate the number of devices required to provide complete coverage. To still achieve this without the need for additional control panels BDS designed a suitable pipe route and sampling points using aspiration systems for the two project floors (Xtralis Vesda VEU) The project was completed and handed over March 2022

March 2022 - DTEK – Bancroft Project - Bancroft

Fitout of within the Leadenhall Building on levels 45 & 46 where our engineers modified and supplemented the existing Advanced MXPro5 fire alarm system with new Apollo XP95 field devices, a Xtralis Vesda (VEU) at high level and PAVA speakers manufactured by Penton. The design of this system was to an L3 design and where required BDS supplied devices and speakers with a black finish to provide a more aesthetic finish as per the architects requests. The project was completed and handed over March 2022

March 2022 - Ford and MS-RT establish £4m vehicle conversions site at Dagenham

Commercial vehicle conversions partner MS-RT is have a new £4m facility at Ford's Dagenham plant. BDS supplied and installed the fire alarm and sprinkler systems and the security and alarm systems to the high standards required...



February 2022 - Entain – One Stratford Place – The TSK Group Ltd

Category B fitout within One Stratford Place – Levels 7 & 8 where our engineers modified and supplemented the existing Gent fire alarm system with new field devices and PAVA speakers. BDS produced a L1 design for this project using the existing equipment where practical and supplementing with new equipment where necessary. This was our first time working with The TSK Group Ltd and we hit all of the deadlines set out for the project with achieving practical completion and submittal of our O&M information. The project was completed and handed over February 2022 with the exception of some after project PC Variations

February 2022 - Tilney and William Smith – 45 Gresham Street - Bancroft

Fitout at 45 Gresham Street for the new ground floor reception area, first floor to fifth floor where our engineers modified and supplemented the existing Advanced MXPro5 base build fire alarm system and Baldwin Boxall PAVA system.

This system was designed to a L1 level by BDS and during the commissioning stage of the project our engineers worked alongside the incumbent company (Mitie) as requested by the building control team. We carried out our own pre-commissioning of the system and provided all necessary information to incumbent commissioning engineers. The project was completed and handed over February 2022

CARTER
SYNERGY
Ciao Italia
NHS

January 2022 - A busy start to the year...

In Earlier news reports you would have seen BDS have upgraded the fire alarms at the Royal Neurological Hospital in Putney and continue to support their fire alarm systems. During the festive period we had the opportunity to sponsor a snowflake The hospital built an amazing display with a beautiful snowflake themed light display to spread festive cheer and joy to patients, their families, staff and the local community. We couldn't resist this amazing cause...

This year BDS has seen the start of a new relationship with Carter Synergy a national provider of refrigeration, mechanical, electrical and core building services across a wide range of sectors Including The Hyde Group & RNIB providing them with services on Fire Alarms, Fire Doors, Automatic Doors and AOV Smoke clearance systems across their wide portfolio of properties

Ciao Italia
Caffe Italia
café and wine bar
BDS

Nork Community Centre & Social Club got in touch with BDS asking for advice on their life safety systems. As the club was local to BDS and part of the community we carried out a fire risk assessment free of charge it was clear the building needed some urgent upgrades. BDS provided new Zone Charts for both buildings installed automatic smoke detection to all escape routes and high risk areas such as their Electrical intake room and kitchens & fitted door magnets to the main entrance doors and upgraded their fire extinguishers. All Emergency lighting in the public areas were upgraded to fully maintained units providing constant illumination to the escape routes.

Our local standing in the community is getting noticed...
We have recently been requested to design, supply & install new fire extinguishers to Banstead's premier restaurant & wine bar Ciao Italia & Café Italia as well as carrying out a fire risk assessment for them

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Happy New Year

January 2022 - Happy New Year to all our Customers, Suppliers and Friends...

The Team at BDS

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