Powys Council Case study

A long-standing partnership with Advanced provides important benefits to the local authority

About Powys Council

Powys County Council is a Welsh Unitary Authority with three constituent shires, it is the largest rural county in England and Wales, covering a quarter of the landmass of Wales.

Powys County Council operates over a large part of central Wales and is responsible for all local government services in the county, including education, social care services, roads and bridges, leisure services, tourism and planning. The Council employs around 6,000 staff working in many locations across the county in a wide variety of roles, from refuse collector to social worker, from teacher to highway engineer.

Powys Council Advanced experience

Since 1996, Powys Council has benefited from Advanced's Financial Management Software (FMS) and due to cyber threats on the rise, they decided to begin hosting the FMS solution in Advanced's Tier III Cloud Data Centres. Advanced has invested heavily in world-class security that is ISO 27001 accredited and is helping Powys Council to achieve their security needs.

"The end-to-end experience of having Advanced manage all aspects of both the software and services of such a critical finance system has taken away a huge headache for us."

Powys Council have also been using Advanced's solutions to help overcome post-pandemic challenges with technology.

"This has been a real benefit since going into lockdown. We were able to continue to pay invoices, while most of our workforce were working from home. Due to our switch over to electronic invoices we are now down to less than 5% of them being paper based. This has reduced the number of invoices being manually entered daily. It is a huge relief to be able to carry on working efficiently while the team is operating remotely."

Through a combination of Advanced software and services, Powys Council is truly benefiting from an end-to-end solution. Over time, our partnership has meant that they can call on experts who fully understand the situation, and actively work to better Council's operations with Advanced Software.

"Advanced understands the critical nature of our finance systems, and the importance of secure collaboration and processing. Advanced deliver technology that meets all of these needs, helps my team to add even more value and supports Powys Council every day."

Why Advanced Financial Management System?
"It was better tested and established. It's also the expertise of the Cloud hosting staff, they are familiar with what needs to happen with the servers and how to manage the back end."

Working with the Advanced team
"Working with Advanced has always been very good and seamless. We have regular catch-up calls and if we ever get stuck, we know that we can count on the support team or our account manager to deal with it promptly."

Looking to the future with Advanced
"We've been looking at developing the existing functionality, which we haven't been utilising yet. We are also looking into Advanced's Education Software solutions to expand our partnership."

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