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Wirral Hospital NHS Trust balances the books with FibreSpan solution

21 June 2005, UNITED KINGDOM: Wirral NHS has appointed FibreSpan to provide a private dark fibre network between the main hospital campus and a new office built to accommodate the finance department. The agreement enables the Trust to facilitate high-speed voice and data communications across a secure link.

Several providers were involved in the selection process - their techniques, services and costs assessed. FibreSpan was appointed as a cost competitive alternative to a 10Mb BT LES circuit, enabling the client to run multiple applications without any restriction.

The Trust was attracted to the solution as it provides unlimited bandwidth at a fixed cost, a package that is not available from incumbent providers. The new unrestricted dark fibre link is aligned with a long-term strategic decision to combine all voice and data communications across single circuits.

Using its patent-pending microduct technology, FibreSpan rapidly deployed the link within agreed time-scales, providing the Trust with access to a bespoke, fully maintained, leased dark fibre circuit.

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About FibreSpan - fibrespan.co.uk

FibreSpan is a fibre solutions company with a national telecommunications licence. It designs, installs, operates and leases private dark fibre circuits, working in partnership with health and education, local authorities and other multi-site organisations. Established in 2001, it is an independent UK national statutory utility, licensed by the DTI and regulated by Ofcom.

It is FibreSpan's goal to make fibre optic connectivity a viable solution for organisations throughout the UK. In order to achieve this, the company has invested in developing patent-pending microduct technology that is swiftly changing the face of fibre optic deployment – allowing access to bespoke dark fibre connectivity at an affordable and competitive rate.

FibreSpan offer an end-to-end service that includes consultation, network planning, rapid deployment and comprehensive support. Its dark fibre networks offer unlimited bandwidth at a fixed cost for the term of the contract - a genuinely future proof solution. This puts FibreSpan in a unique position to enable clients to have complete control of future bandwidth demand.