

Cati case study – private school

Our Cati online compliance management tool is helping a prestigious private school manage more than 200 buildings across a large estate.

Churchill solutions manager Harrison Briggs said: ‘A relatively small estates team is having to manage compliance on a very granular level, across a large, varied portfolio.

‘This includes standard academic space, such as classrooms and offices, through to residential buildings for staff, students and visiting parents.

‘It also needs to ensure that acres of sports fields, Astro Turf pitches, a golf course, a swimming pool, a sports centre and other sports courts are safe and compliant.

‘The members of the team were previously fairly confident their compliance documentation was in place. However, Cati has enabled this to be managed far more easily and efficiently. And it ensures the relevant employees, engineers and contractors have access as necessary and are aware of any upcoming renewals or remedial actions needed.’

The school uses Cati’s property and estates module, which helps estates and property managers ensure the highest levels of compliance in building certification by enabling them to store documents securely in one central hub, rather than using a filing system or Excel database.

Some of its compliance elements include:

- Fire risk assessment, fire alarm servicing, fire extinguisher servicing, emergency lighting and dry risers
- Electrical – fixed wire testing, Portable Appliance Testing and lightning protection systems

- Water hygiene risk assessments
- An asbestos survey and monitoring programme
- Testing of goods lifts and passenger lifts
- Energy Performance Certificates for air conditioning and cooling plants
- Gas safety inspections and gas installations, and inspections of ventilation, team pressure vessels – such as laboratory vessels – kitchen extractors and fuel storage tanks.



It also uses Cati to keep track of more specialist and niche assessments, such as glazing risk assessments.

Harrison said: ‘The feedback we have received shows the school has found Cati a powerful tool for sharing information with those who need it - whether this be read-only for the board or certain staff members, or those managing it on a day-to-day basis, as well as contractors uploading their own documentation.

‘We have been told that providing this information to the board, via management packs in meetings, is far easier now, thanks to the ability to download reports from Cati.

‘It means that the administration of compliance has been shared out more comprehensively. In turn, this allows everyone to see one version of the truth, a full archive, and clear reporting to enable better decision making.’

