

1979

Company incorporated with 3 founding Directors, Fred Bushell, Roger Burr and Nick Copeman. Trading from a former 'Corner Shop' in Cyprus Street, Norwich.



1984

The Company's continued expansion necessitates and enables a move from Cyprus Street to Diamond Road. The move prompted the installation of its first Computer Network to revolutionise the Management of the business.



1985

BBC Fire awarded contract to protect Computer Hall with Gaseous Fire Suppression Systems for the Bank of England.



1986

Due to the Company's continued work at Sandringham House, BBC Fire Protection were appointed by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II as 'Purveyors of Fire Protection Systems'. Today, BBC are still proud holders of this Royal Warrant.



By appointment to H.M. Queen Elizabeth II
Purveyors of Fire Protection Systems

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1987

For the next 10 years BBC worked on the Windsor Castle Restoration project, providing Networked Fire Alarm Systems and were on site at the time of the 'infamous' Fire.



1993

BBC were appointed as an 'Engineered Systems Distributor' for Notifier Fire Systems.



1994

By virtue of our pedigree in working in Royal Household sites, BBC were selected to install a new Fire Detection & Voice Alarm System to the home of the British Prime Minister, 10 Downing Street.



1995

Under The Construction (Design Management) Regulations 1994, BBC became a 'Principal Contractor' for the 1st time at Sandringham House, for H.M. Queen.



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1996

After 2 years of formulating and implementing quality procedures, BBC Fire were awarded ISO9000 accreditation of their Quality System. Running concurrently, with our ISO9000 accreditation, BBC were awarded LPS1014 certification by the LPCB, covering the Design, Installation, Commissioning & Maintenance of Fire Detection & Alarm Systems.

During that same 'QUALITY' year BBC achieved approval by the NICEIC and enrolled as a Member.

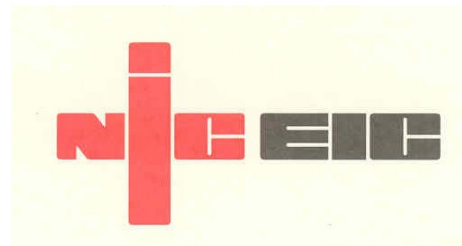
1999

During the year a new Y2K compliant Computer network is installed at Diamond Road. All Customers were notified of potential problems and relevant systems were upgraded in good time for the Y2K rollover. On the eve of the millennium, BBC staff are on standby for any possible repercussions from systems and equipment failing the Y2K rollover.

2002

A full CAD Design Office was introduced for the 1st time. Formerly CAD work had been contracted out, but the new office meant we could deliver design quicker, and increase the quality.

Also in this year BBC installed £3¼ million of High Sensitivity Fire Detection & Gaseous Fire Suppression Systems for 186k Telecoms Fibre Optic Hub projects.



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2004

The Company's continued expansion and ambitious plans for the future means a move from Diamond Road is essential. January 2004 BBC moved to its customised offices at St. Florian House, Ayton Road, Wymondham.



2005

BBC received its first £1 million contract, to design and install a fire detection and voice alarm system into the world renowned Selfridges Department Store in Oxford Street London.



2006

With the introduction of the new BAFE rules covering individual engineer assessment BBC Fire embarked upon a major expansion of their Portable Fire Extinguisher operation, adding over 1000 new maintenance sites to its portfolio, underlining its commitment to the new quality standards



2008

BBC Fire protect major data centre for Norwich Union comprising of over 4500 metres² of technical space. A Networked Control System, with 68 High Sensitivity Air Sampling Smoke Detectors, and over 2200 other alarm devices formed the hub of the system.



2009

BBC Fire is awarded and undertakes the installation of a network of fire detection systems to the British Sugar Factory in Bury St Edmunds. The site is one of the most harsh environments we have protected and included explosive ATEX areas.



2010

Brings a string of notable contract awards including a 2nd factory for British Sugar, this time at Newark. We also were contracted to provide systems for Cromer Hospital, The Royal Veterinary College, and the Sainsbury Laboratory. BBC Fire attain Systems Solution Partner accreditation for Siemens Cerberus Pro Fire Solutions.



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2011

In an important new initiative, leading fire systems manufacturer, Notifier by Honeywell launches its Gold Partner programme, designed to promote the very highest standards of fire safety. As a leading Notifier partner, BBC Fire Protection applies and are awarded Gold Partner status.



As one of their preferred supply chain partners, BBC Fire are awarded a major contract by HSBC for the replacement of the Voice Alarm System for the HQ at Canary Wharf.



In a year of many achievements, BBC Fire are awarded ISO14001 status.

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2012

Challenging projects still abound as we secure projects for 4 Hangars at RAF Marham, and get 'aerial' installing Automatic Opening Vents for a project for Southern Housing.



2013

Our contract success continues as we secure major projects for B3 at Kings Cross, the Energy for Waste Facility at Exeter, and Deutsche Bank in Birmingham.



It also was our year for 'Education' with notable awards including:

- » Haileybury School
- » Felsted School
- » American School in London
- » Woodbridge School

In 2013 John Standen, a founding Director of the Company died peacefully at the age of 83.



2014

2014 brings contract awards for world renown BBC building 'Bush House' for years the home of the BBC World Service.

This year also sees the replacement of Alarm Systems for software company Oracle who most will know from the Java software used in most Computers, Tablets and Smart Phones.

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2015

We secure the contract to replace and upgrade fire detection and voice alarm systems for the 7 Building Baker Street site for Transport for London using the Siemens Cerberus Pro range of solutions.

Valued at £1 million+, it becomes the 2nd largest single contract BBC Fire has undertaken.



We also are awarded the upgrade and replacement of fire detection and alarm systems for a major US Bank for one of their critical and key data facilities.

With a network of 31 Panels the contract was in excess of £½million.



2016

Our contract success continues as we secure major fire alarm projects at HMP Prescoed, St Denis Waste Incinerator, Fire Detection for 31 wind turbines for Nordex, and 4 Buildings for the Devonshire Square estate.



2017

We become part of Marlowe plc and enjoy increased investment and support to progress our ambitions of becoming one of the 3 largest Fire Safety Groups serving the UK.

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