

PRESS RELEASE



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The SMS team. High res jpegs available on request.

Southern Maintenance Solutions (SMS) moves to new, larger premises and extends capabilities with acquisition of new business.

Southern Maintenance Solutions UK Ltd (SMS), a well-established and successful provider of comprehensive commercial heating and cooling services, has relocated its business to new, larger premises on the Youngs Industrial Estate, Aldermaston, Berkshire. The company, which employs 17 engineers and a team of five support staff, has grown significantly in the last decade and recorded a £2.2million turnover last year.

Kevin Tarbox, managing director, said; "This is an exciting time for SMS. Facilities managers need to balance a comfortable working environment, with the ever-increasing need reduce energy consumption and costs. By investing in our support and maintenance programmes, they can be confident that their equipment and plant is functioning in both a safe and efficient way."

With legislation on the horizon affecting both carbon reduction and the abolition of some refrigeration gases, and the push towards air and ground source heating as an alternative to more traditional oil and gas fired solutions, the entire building and facilities management market is undergoing a transformation. Recognising the opportunities presented by these changes, SMS has recently acquired the business interests of Flare Services Ltd, a supplier, installer and maintainer of all types of commercial and industrial boilers, and a specialist in large scale burner work.

"This latest acquisition means we are able to extend our offering and it opens up opportunities for us in new markets;" said Kevin Tarbox.

Background

Southern Maintenance Solutions UK Ltd was founded 30 years ago and since then has established itself as one of the leading providers of commercial heating, cooling and air handling installation and maintenance services in South East England. It has had particular success in the private education sector but also has long standing maintenance agreements with a range of commercial property managers for premises including various places of worship, modern gym facilities and office/manufacturing buildings.

In addition to its core activities, engineers at the company are also qualified to handle the installation and maintenance of a range of complimentary systems including electrical systems, water treatment, commercial kitchens and commercial pipework installation. The company recognises the need to invest in its staff and currently has four apprentices working towards industry recognised qualifications.

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