

# VPS, the vacant property specialists, acquires CCTV and ATM security provider Camwatch

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VPS is delighted to announce the acquisition of Camwatch, a specialist security provider to a wide range of sectors in the United Kingdom. The transaction completed today, Monday 17th November 2014.

Based in Greater Manchester, Camwatch has over 10 years' experience in developing security products. Over the last few years, Camwatch has developed an innovative CCTV solution that supports the security of construction and remote sites. In addition to this Camwatch's ATM locking bar is currently deployed in over 4,000 cash machines in the UK for a range of blue chip customers. Camwatch has its own accredited alarm and video Monitoring Centre.

"Camwatch is a great business which offers innovative solutions and excellent customer service – two things that VPS also prides itself on. The Camwatch CCTV solution will provide us with technology to support our current manned guarding business as well as help us develop into new segments" says Mark Silver, CEO of VPS. "Camwatch's 10 year experience fits well with our expertise in the security of managing problematic vacant properties and sites."

Phil Bunting, Director Sales and Technology from Camwatch said: "We are looking forward to working with VPS to grow our business. VPS offers both the investment and management support that we need to take Camwatch to the next level. Camwatch has an excellent reputation for providing outstanding customer service and we will of course be continuing that. From a customer perspective, it will be business as usual."

VPS' core services cover the vacant, unoccupied and void property lifecycle from an initial risk assessment, to security, including monitoring, clearing, security, maintenance, manned guarding, cleaning and preparation. These combined services protect properties or areas against unauthorised access and a variety of hazards such as arson, theft, squatting and unauthorised occupation.

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About VPS

VPS secures more than 50,000 properties and employ over 900 staff in locations across the UK and mainland Europe. They specialise in securing, maintaining and managing vacant property across a wide range of customer and industry sectors including retail, pubs, social housing, commercial property and construction sites.

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#### About Camwatch

Camwatch is a leading pioneer in specialist CCTV monitoring. Established in 1993, it currently monitors in excess of 20,000 cameras through its national monitoring station. This is manned 24 hours per day, every day of the year by highly trained personnel.

With services that include CCTV monitoring, CCTV installation and maintenance, ATM locking bars, fire and intruder alarm monitoring, keyholding and response, lone worker protection, manned security guarding Camwatch has excelled in the remote response CCTV market for over 20 years.

Additionally, Camwatch provides monitoring capabilities protecting all manner of remote sites, businesses, their assets and their staff by monitoring images from CCTV cameras and electronic devices installed all over the United Kingdom.

Camwatch is a member of the SIA approved contractors scheme for security guarding, keyholding and public space surveillance (CCTV)

<http://www.camwatch.co.uk>  
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