UK CONNECT

Success story

Future-proof connectivity: Empowering Beard Construction with tailored wireless solutions

For our client:

Beard

Working with:

ERICSSON





Connecting sites, connecting people

How UK Connect delivered fixed wireless access for Beard Construction

The challenge

With construction sites of all shapes and sizes across the country, Beard struggled to find a one-size-fits-all solution for company-wide connectivity.

Each site came with unique requirements influenced by factors like location, project duration, site topology, and the setup of offices and buildings.

Like many construction firms, Beard couldn't afford downtime and reliable connectivity was essential. From zoos and primary schools to luxury car showrooms and leisure facilities, no two Beard sites were alike.

UK Connect's challenge was to deliver a flexible, scalable solution that could adapt to a wide range of use cases.

In total, Beard needed to connect 60 sites, all at different stages of construction, most comprising temporary cabins and site accommodation units.



About our client

Beard Construction is an award-winning, family-owned construction, development and property services company founded in 1982.

Beard specialises in design and build, new build, restoration, refurbishment, and turnkey maintenance services.

With core values of being Friendly, Efficient, and Committed, Beard forms strong, long-term partnerships with clients and supply chain partners.

Blending traditional craftsmanship with modern management, the company consistently brings bold designs to life and helps clients achieve their ambitions across a wide range of sectors.

The solution

After taking time to understand the many factors that impact individual site requirements, UK Connect offered a number of fixed wireless access solutions and services within a range of budgets. This included the popular and capable Cradlepoint R1900.

We worked closely with Beard to ensure that each solution could be reviewed and updated on a regular basis to ensure that new technology could be integrated as it became available or required.

This enabled Beard to stay ahead of the curve and not find themselves with outdated equipment or services at any of their sites.

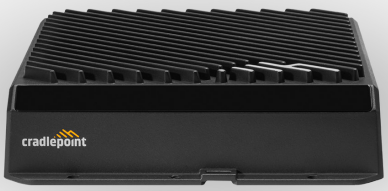
UK Connect developed an easy-to-use back office ordering process, ensuring that new site teams can easily specify what services and hardware are needed at the point of order.

Our experienced installation teams were able to fulfill these orders on the dates that were specified by Beard, ensuring that sites came online exactly when required.

Simplified services

As a busy organisation, it was essential that Beard were able to access 24/7 support when needed, and weren't hampered by onerous or labourious tasks such as billing and finance.

A simplified billing system helped Beard move through costing activities with ease, delivering a true end-to-end service from specification all the way through to delivery and beyond.



The **Ericsson Cradlepoint R1900** provides industry-leading, 5G and gigabit-class LTE connectivity as well as ethernet and wifi.



> We would **highly recommend UK Connect**. They care about the solutions they provide and the people using their services.
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> We have built relationships with various teams at UK Connect, and we are all in agreement that they **listen to our feedback** and are proactive in visiting our site teams to check everything is working as expected.

Teresa Wilkins
Head of IT, Beard

60 sites throughout the country

Scalable fixed wireless access

Simplified billing process

Professionally installed in days