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Siemens to run traffic signal network for England's largest county

- **New cloud-based ITS hosted solution in operation**
- **Traffic signal network management available during normal office hours**
- **Network monitoring and fault management running 24/7, 7 days a week**

Leading traffic management company Siemens has been awarded one of its first operational services contract to provide traffic signal network management and monitoring for North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC). The new contract follows investment by NYCC in new technology and hosted systems combined with the introduction of Siemens Stratos, a cloud-based solution for all traffic management, control and monitoring requirements.

Allan McVeigh, Network Strategy Manager for NYCC: "The new contract will provide NYCC with a higher level of operational support to manage the new systems and the NYCC network effectively. 'Using Stratos, Siemens will provide network management during normal office hours and network monitoring and fault management on a 24 hour basis, 7 days a week.'

As part of North Yorkshire's Highway Maintenance Service, the County Council is responsible for the maintenance of a total of 337 installations including 103 junctions, 205 pedestrian crossings and 29 Variable message signs. North Yorkshire also maintains an Urban Traffic Control system in Harrogate and Scarborough to monitor and report on operational conditions at 57 sites in Harrogate and 27 in Scarborough.

Additional monitoring is undertaken by a combined Siemens Remote Monitoring System that monitors an additional 188 sites. All these sites and the VMS signs are now on Stratos with all the RMS signs soon to be migrated to Stratos as well allowing the majority of the strategic traffic signal sites and VMS to be monitored from one system.

For Siemens, Martin Andrews, Head of Operational Services said: 'Linking existing local systems delivering traffic control, sign and car-park management in both Harrogate and Scarborough, Stratos provides scalable real-time traffic management, information and control, ranging from basic monitoring to strategic control in a new ITS hosted solution, meaning there is no need for dedicated servers or client machines, which in turn means no capital cost, depreciation of assets or ongoing hardware maintenance costs.

Combined with our new service offering, NYCC will benefit from a consistent level of support to manage and monitor the traffic signals network and systems'.

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