

Nominee: London Borough of Camden/ Accellion, Inc.

Supporting Vendor: Accellion, Inc.

Nomination title: London Borough of Camden Delivers BYOD Compliance to Meet Government's Internal Data Access Policies and Provides Secure Access to SharePoint Content

Accellion has delivered a private-cloud solution to London Borough of Camden (LBoC), to make BYOD a secure and compliant reality for its employees along with a collaboration solution, as there is a Council requirement that no data is stored on public cloud servers. Accellion was the only vendor to meet the government's internal data access policies and provide secure access to SharePoint content.

LBoC is one of 32 boroughs in London, England, and has a population of 220,100. It is divided into 18 wards and the council has more than 8,500 employees.

The Challenge

As part of the LBoC's strategic IT plan, it began looking at a number of initiatives to save money, improve digital security and modernise the core technologies used by employees. The creation of a BYOD strategy was seen as an effective way to meet these goals through improved productivity, reduced IT equipment costs and the fostering of happier employees by giving them the freedom to use devices of their own choosing for business-related activities.

Another key criteria included internal controls around where and how its corporate data was stored, accessed and transferred. The system needed strict regulatory compliance to mandate different levels of security and access dependent on the type of data, such as personal identification. The solution also needed to seamlessly integrate with SharePoint, to provide employees with an easy-to-use two-way interface that has minimal management overhead.

The Solution

LBoC deployed Accellion to support its transition to BYOD and CYOD. Now employees access and collaborate on important documents via iOS and Android smartphones and tablets, whenever and wherever needed. The project is undergoing a phased rollout – first for key executives, followed by the next level of management and then remaining employees.

Accellion also provides secure, real-time mobile access to files stored in SharePoint and File Shares without a need for VPN. Users can easily and securely check documents in and out of SharePoint from a mobile device without loss of encryption or breaches in data security. And, with Accellion Mobile Apps for MobileIron AppConnect™, the organisation has its much needed mobile security, including user authentication, the ability to block application usage at an individual or global level, the option to de-authorise apps and remotely wipe devices if any are lost or compromised.

Benefits

- Organisation-wide support for mobile file sharing and collaboration via a wide-range of mobile devices, operating systems and platforms
- Extend existing IT investments by enabling secure mobile access to any documents within SharePoint and integration with MobileIron's MDM solution
- Reduced IT equipment costs by shifting from a PC-centric environment to mobile computing
- Ultimate authority about where and how its corporate data is stored, accessed and transferred
- Maintain visibility into, track and report on all mobile file sharing activities to meet regulatory requirements
- Being able to securely share information from any location and from any type of device has boosted productivity, keeping projects moving forward and ensuring that all individuals are working off of the most up-to-date materials
- Fostered happier employees by giving them the freedom to use devices of their own choosing for business-related activities
- From a security standpoint, LBoC benefits from real-time visibility into all mobile file sharing activities, maintaining a comprehensive audit trail if needed for regulatory reporting
- Multi-layered authentication - all accounts are integrated with LDAP, giving its IT staff full control over user accounts, as well as via an assigned user pin number. Additionally, each piece of data that is shared or edited is encrypted both in transit and at rest.

Why nominee should win:

- LBoC is able to secure and control the sharing of confidential information with internal and external parties for enterprise security, compliance and improved business productivity
- With a choice of deployment options: public, private or hybrid cloud, Accellion's FIPS 140-2 Certified solutions enable government agencies to deploy cost-effective, secure mobile content solutions that leverage their current IT investment
- Accellion is helping LBoC provide efficient, seamless services to residents and businesses of Camden
- Accellion's private-cloud solution has harnessed the power of social networking within the Council and across their partners by making access to IT systems available from any device, any location