

Key Features

- Proactis Spend Control 150 named users
- Vision for Proactis
- Integration with SunSystems Financial Management

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[Name], Project Accountant, [Organisation Name]

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[Organisation Name] is the information, advice, guidance and support service for 13-19 year olds living in [area]. It also provides support up to the age of 25 for young people who have learning difficulties or disabilities (or both) and information advice and guidance for adults.

Building a Business Case for Spend Control

The company had been operating a paper-based system for raising purchase orders. In common with all systems of this kind, it had its limitations. Firstly, orders raised in one location frequently had to go to another location for authorisation and signature. Secondly, the system required pre-printed multi-part stationery. Thirdly, members of staff did not always follow procedure.

The decision to invest in a new Spend Control system was backed by a business case that set out the benefits of the investment.

[Name], Project Accountant for [Organisation Name], explains

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...In our old system, there were four copies of each purchase order. We have 30 offices around [area] and an order raised in one office would have to go to another office for signature and authorisation. This took a long time and people sometimes forgot or failed to follow the proper procedure. Our Creditor team were spending far too much time chasing paperwork and, of course, suppliers want to be paid on time..."

...We wanted authorisation to be centrally controlled and thought that if we could set rules centrally it would prevent some people from getting around procedures."

Choosing the right system

[Organisation Name] have a financial management system based on SunSystems. The flexibility in that system, particularly in the area of analysis and reporting makes it ideally suited to organisations of this type. Having successfully used SunSystems for a number of years they wanted a new purchasing system that would be fully integrated with it and have flexibility to mirror their setup of SunSystems. Proactis from LAKE provided that flexibility.

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[Name] explains

“Our company structure is complicated. There are departments, teams within departments, and projects that cut across departments. We wanted a system that would accommodate this vertical and horizontal structure and integrate with SunSystems.”

Choosing the right partner for your Spend Control project

Selecting the right supplier can be as important as selecting the right product.

“We did our homework on suppliers by checking company background, checking references and so on. We also needed a quick turnaround on the project, so the fact that LAKE is a local supplier helped in that regard.” [Name]

Positive Outcomes

“The project is achieving its objectives and has definitely made the Supplier Management job easier...”

...I would recommend LAKE. They came in and did what they said they would do. The service from [LAKE consultant] in particular was very good.” [Name]

Lake Financial Systems

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- A solution that does what was promised
- A project that completes on time and on budget
- Support services you can count on
- Expertise to help you adapt when things change

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