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With five specialist business divisions that can operate independently or combine to deliver fully integrated solutions, PTSG occupies a unique position in the marketplace. This flexible structure enables the Group to meet customers' complete specialist services requirements through a single trusted provider, while maintaining deep technical expertise across each discipline.

The following project at the Royal Berkshire Hospital is a strong example of how this capability is put into practice. PTSG, via constituent companies Guardian Electrical Compliance (Guardian) and Trinity Fire & Security (Trinity), has been contracted to deliver specialist services for the Royal Berkshire Hospital.

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The Royal Berkshire Hospital provides acute hospital services to the residents of the western and central portions of Berkshire and is managed by the Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust. The hospital provides approximately 813 inpatient beds (627 acute, 66 paediatric and 120 maternity), together with 204 day-beds and spaces. In doing so, it employs over 7,500 staff.

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The hospital occupies a long thin site, running gently uphill from London Road to Addington Road, and flanked by Craven Road and Redlands Road. The buildings that house the hospital are of various ages, from the original building of 1839 to the latest ward block completed in 2015. The original building of 1839, together with the wings added in the 1860s, are now listed grade II* by English Heritage.

Engineers from Guardian have completed the fixed wire testing (also known as electrical installation condition reporting) on site and will be commencing Emergency Lighting Testing shortly.

Fixed wire testing protects buildings and employees from the two main electrical risks – fire and electrical shock. Over a period of time, these risks increase as installations deteriorate and it is in the best interests of businesses and their employees – and also their insurance provider – that they have an installation that is not only electrically sound but also free from the risk of fire.

A portion of the contract is also given to damper works. Regular fire damper testing from PTSG Fire Solutions Ltd provides peace of mind that if the worst were to happen and a fire were to break out, there is less chance of it spreading throughout the building. Fire dampers should be tested upon installation and then once every year.

