

The Garden Centre Group's long term relationship with Codegate

The Garden Centre Group is the UK's largest specialist garden centre group, with over 100 outlets from Tyne & Wear to Cornwall. The company does not operate a central warehouse; instead, products are delivered direct to the outlets by a large number of different suppliers.

Nearly a decade ago Wyevale (as they were then known) chose I2 Mobile Solutions Ltd to replace their existing paper based stock checking system with a mobile stock control system using bar codes.

The brief called for a portable, multi-functional solution which could be used by non-technical garden centre staff in a variety of indoor and outdoor locations. The solution had to encompass two-way data communications between the hand held terminals and the head office's NSB retail system.

The system was installed and maintained successfully for many years, so much so that Codegate (who acquired I2 Mobile in 2007) was recently chosen to modernise the software, add more functionality and update the estate of over 1,000 Motorola portable terminals.

About Codegate . . .

Codegate is a privately owned software development company, with its head office in Oxfordshire. We specialise in the provision of track & trace and mobile enterprise solutions. This includes a "full service" offering from functional specification through to design, production, implementation and ongoing maintenance.



"Having written the existing stock control application some time ago, Codegate's development team has a proven track record of success with us and has existing knowledge and experience of The Garden Centre Group's business processes. This understanding allowed Codegate to migrate a lot of our existing functionality to the new solution, importantly reducing the need for the re-training of our users,"
Chris Thomas, IT Business Analyst, The Garden Centre Group's Systems.



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