



## **Advent IM Outsource | Case Study | Central Government 1**

Advent IM has a longstanding relationship with the UK Government and has been a trusted security consultancy provider to many Government departments over its twenty-year history. In recent years, the need for more scalable support has emerged and Government departments have been among the first to use **Advent IM Outsource**, which is a solution that provides non-permanent resources, at the quality Government has come to expect from Advent IM, but at greater scale to meet programme or project delivery timescales.

While consulting at a large UK Government Department, the Advent IM Managing Consultant was asked if Advent IM could provide further resource to support the Department's Cyber Security Team. A solution was required to a growing problem in the department, the team was struggling in reducing its security backlog due to insufficient resource/expertise. This was clearly an important issue and Advent IM was seen as the trusted partner to solve it. The Department required eight cyber risk specialists and security architects to provide direct support to over two hundred individual projects across the Department, that had accrued over time.

The trust that the Advent IM Managing Consultant had earned combined with the pressing issues of Programme delivery meant that the Department asked him to oversee this process on their behalf. This is a perfect example of Advent IM Outsource in action, because as a result, Advent IM identified several potential candidates that were suitable in terms of experience and qualifications for the project. The Advent IM Managing Consultant personally interviewed and eventually selected seven contractors to work with him on the project. Being close to both the Department and the project meant an additional layer of assurance for the key stakeholders. In agreement with the Department, the Advent IM Managing Consultant also took on responsibility for initial inducting, project assignment and overseeing their work through to conclusion while also working on a number of projects himself. This meant that valuable internal resource could therefore be redirected and used in more effective ways, whilst the Advent IM managed projects moved forward and progress was underway.

The Department found this a most satisfactory arrangement as it save considerable time and effort. The burden of overseeing the contractors was passed to a trusted delivery partner that had a history of delivering on time and within budget. In fact, this delivery model was deemed so successful the Department adopted it for all contractor engagement thereafter.

For details of how to benefit from this quality, scalable security outsourcing service, Advent IM Outsource, contact, Derek Willins via <a href="mailto:bestpractice@advent-im.co.uk">bestpractice@advent-im.co.uk</a> or visit the Advent IM Outsource page at advent-im.co.uk/outsource

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