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The staff newsletter of AJ Engineering and NEWCo



## WATER WORKS MARKS NEW BUSINESS CONNECTION FOR AJE

**A new contract working on a water treatment works marks the start of a new business relationship for AJE which could lead to numerous new projects for the firm.**

Working with Efficient Service Delivery (ESD) on behalf of Scottish Water, the AJE team has begun work at Whitehillocks Water Treatments Works at Brechin in Angus.

The project worth around £240,000 involves mechanical works and a new building which has to be constructed in keeping with an existing building on the site.

The mechanical works involves installing new dosing lines which carry chemicals required for the cleaning of the raw water.

Graham Alexander, general manager with AJE said the job was progressing well and has already led to other projects with ESD: "This partnership that we have with ESD has meant that our skilled team has secured not just this project in Angus, but also a definite two further projects elsewhere around Scotland including Ardersier and Tain. We believe that it may lead to more."

Under an alliance agreement Black & Veatch, Galliford Try and MWH Global, operating as ESD, will operate as equal joint venture partners working in collaboration with Scottish Water. This programme forms part of a wider investment by Scottish Water to improve treatment works serving its five million customers.

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# “Seamless” project for NEWCo team



**A village hall renovation is now complete thanks to the final works being carried out by the NEWCo team.**

Bridge of Orchy Community Hall had fallen into disarray but has undergone a complete refurbishment making it a modern venue for meetings, community activities and organisations.

Nearing the end of the works NEWCo

was employed to fabricate and install a fire escape at the side of the building to allow a final sign off for the Village Hall Committee.

A client satisfaction survey issued by NEWCo to the customer was returned with the comment: “The whole process worked seamlessly from initial contact to final fabrication and installation.”

## On Yer Bikes!

**AJ Engineering and Construction is celebrating 20 years in business and a challenge has been set for the staff to clock up 21,000 miles on a static bike, the same distance travelled to projects in one year by the firm.**

Now though, thanks to Business Development Representative Lee Binks, AJE is holding a monthly community cycle ride and they want as many people as possible to get involved.

The second ride took place this Saturday on a 14-mile route to Hill 99 in Culbin Forest.

Lee said: “The cycle challenge within the depot is going really well. People are taking part and we have had a few associates such as Sarah Medcraft from Moray Chamber of Commerce and Clare Lock who does some of our design work for us, coming in and taking part. However, I am a keen cyclist and with the weather getting better, we thought we could hit the roads, take in some scenery

and get the people of Forres involved as well.”

He added: “Being involved in the community is very important to the company, so if we can get to know people a bit better by having these social outings, then that will be great. It will be fun, will give people the chance to socialise a bit and will also help people get fit. Who knows, it may be something that we continue beyond this year, if it’s successful.”

Other events throughout the year will include social evenings, more collaboration with groups in the community and the company plans to take part in Moray Doors Open Day in September which will incorporate a family and customer fun day as well as being open to the public.

Money raised over the course of 2019 will be split equally between Marie Curie in Moray, Diabetes Scotland (Moray branch) and Star for Harris.



The group of cyclists who took part in the first community cycle to Findhorn.

## NEWCo team shoot for charities

**The NEWCo team has held a clay pigeon shoot to help raise funds for the company’s chosen charities, part of its 20th year anniversary celebrations.**

The team day out hosted by Roybridge Shooting and Crombie Clay Shooting raised £136 for Marie Curie in Moray, Diabetes Scotland (Moray branch) and Star for Harris.

Star for Harris was the charity chosen by the NEWCo team. NEWCo’s managing director Neil Worsdall is a friend of the family who set up the charity in memory of their son Harris who passed away at just 15-months-old after a battle with a cancerous brain tumour.

As well as shooting the clays the team also tried their hand at long bows, crossbows and axe throwing!

Dave Hollands took the winner’s prize with Tom McKay unfortunately taking the Turkey prize.



Left: Dave Hollands Right: Tom McKay

