



PROCUREMENT NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO OUR LATEST NEWSLETTER!

As part of our ongoing commitment to 'getting closer to fewer' we've once again been out and about meeting graduates at careers fairs, industry colleagues at exhibitions, and even tucking into some lovely food at our supply partner's lunch and learn sessions.

What is 'getting closer to fewer' I hear you ask! We've recently revised our procurement strategy to be more efficient, collaborative and effective for us, our clients and our partners. For example, we're empowering our sites to build direct relationships with our suppliers on small-value orders, thus allowing the central teams to focus on high-value and emergency items.

In this edition, we will be catching up with teams in our Ebbw Vale project, talking health and well-being and also featuring our popular meet the team segment.

If you have any queries or would like to contact our teams, please do not hesitate in reaching out to see how we can all work better, together.

Ben McCluskey
Procurement and Supply
Chain Director



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WE'VE BEEN OUT AND ABOUT!

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Graduate Fair

Our supply Chain manager John Myskiw and Procurement Director Ben McCluskey recently attended the graduate fair at Liverpool University along with graduate Hannah Pill. They spoke to many students about the great career opportunities we have here at AmcoGiffen. They were overwhelmed with the amazing feedback and interest they received, and successfully steered many of them towards our 2023 programme!



Speedy Expo

Our Senior Procurement team members recently attended the Speedy Expo, held as an exhibition of their innovations and awards dinner to celebrate achievements, our teams had a great time at the event. Sarah Luckhurst, Senior Buyer commented; "I've seen so many fantastic new items that I know will benefit our teams on site. The day's been really well put together and a great learning opportunity."



RIN York

Ben, Amrit and John attended the RIN event in York to meet with Tier-1 contractors and manufacturers. Ben commented that "these events are a great place to catch up with our supply chain partners. They're very well attended and I'm looking forward to the next one in London on March 9 2023."

REGIONAL UPDATE - WALES



Safety at AmcoGiffen

At AmcoGiffen, we host regular regional SHEQ (Safety, Health, Environment and Quality) stand-down days which feature updates on our latest projects, company-wide initiatives and product innovations with a safety-first perspective.

John Myskiw was at the latest one in Wales this November, where we also had a truck from Flannery showcasing their latest product innovations and even a plant hire simulator!

Ebbw Vale

Works are well and truly under way at Ebbw Vale. We currently have three sites up and running with Sheedy's Yard currently acting as our main storage depot for materials team site office. Works to date have been completed at Newbridge station to great success. Andy Crowley, Operations Director for Wales and Borders: "The team have been fantastic, tackling challenges and being proactive in outputs with great backing from the Procurement Team as always."





Rail Wellbeing **LIVE**

Inspiring healthy lives across the railway

Here at AmcoGiffen, we actively promote health and wellbeing initiatives across the year with various initiatives. As such, we were all invited to take part in Rail Wellbeing Live, an annual event that can be attended virtually. During the two days we witnessed inspirational stories, learned from wellbeing talks and even picked up some tricks on how to get active and exercise in the workplace! The talks were delivered from a wide range of inspirational rail community members and we certainly took a lot away from it!

MEET THE TEAM

Based in our head office in Barnsley, our growing team is currently made up of multiple members, split geographically between North and South England, Scotland and Wales. This set-up allows us to successfully build collaborative relationships with suppliers operating in different regions. As part of the procurement process, we work closely with our site agents and suppliers to ensure our clients' needs are consistently and efficiently fulfilled.



Jessica Hellewell

At AmcoGiffen since October 2019

My dream holiday destination is a winter skiing holiday in a chalet with an open fire and huskie rides

My favourite food is Thai Noodles and my favourite drink is unicorn gin and lemonade

More about me? I've just turned 30. I live with my partner and 18-month-old daughter in Barnsley. I love camping and any outdoor adventures. I also enjoy cycling and walking.



Rachael Wolstenholme

At AmcoGiffen since July 2017

My dream holiday destination is Aruba

My favourite food is Lamb Sunday dinner or fish finger sandwich and my favourite drink is dry white wine although I can also be tempted with a cheeky vodka and diet coke. One drink I really don't like is gin.

More about me? My other half thinks I'm crazy as I don't like fish yet I eat fish fingers, I don't like onions but I eat onion rings! Outside of work I love spending time with my family and generally socialising with friends. Also, if there is nothing on the TV I do tend to watch football and so I'm really enjoying the World Cup.