

RESOURCE REVIEW

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the newsletter of Adroit Construction Services

Welcome to the October issue of '**Resource Review**'. As Autumn is upon us we can look forward to crisp mornings and beautiful scenery. This month's issue looks ahead to an exciting period for Adroit Construction, as we gain a contract with Welsh Water and move forward on various new projects.

AN IMPORTANT BREAKTHROUGH IN WALES

We have some very good news to report from Welsh Water. After a prolonged period of negotiations we have been appointed as a framework contractor for the delivery of the renewable energy programme.

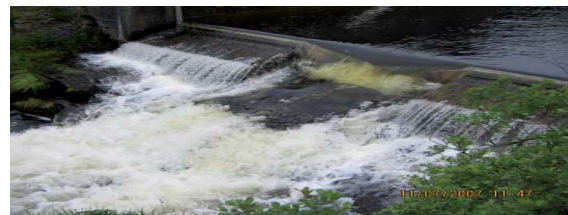
This programme is managed by United Utilities on behalf of Dwr Cymru with the objective of increasing the use of renewable energy to 40% in a few years. Currently most power is drawn from the National Grid but in Wales there are lots of opportunities to recover surplus energy from flowing water at dams etc.

Hydro generation has been used for many years but this is the first time that the financial balance between the cost of installation and energy savings has actually made sense. Certainly the schemes that we have looked at indicate a pay back period of five years. The Government also offers tax incentives to organisations that are prepared to risk these initiatives.

Up to fifty potential projects have been identified throughout Wales to be delivered within the next three years and we expect to undertake half of the programme.

In practice we will be involved in a lot of initial design and viability planning before placing orders for the hydro generators with a typical delivery period of thirty weeks. After delivery there will be an intensive installation programme for our engineering teams.

So this is the best possible news that involves a new client and an important niche market.



Llyn Brenig, North Wales, hydro generation scheme

Did you know...

Hydro power is currently the largest source of renewable energy in the UK, Europe and Worldwide.

The UK currently generates about 1.8% of its electricity from large-scale hydroelectric schemes.

If hydro power from all of the streams and rivers in the UK could be tapped it would be enough to meet just over 30% of our total electricity needs.

Stop Press

£3.5 million order to AMB for buildings for schools in Lincolnshire

ACS gets go ahead to start work on Bloom garden centre in Gloucester

ACS receives £350,000 awards from Severn Trent for UWW sites

After a gap of many years we have now received tenders from British Waterways

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INTERNAL NEWS



British farmers are anxiously awaiting the results of tests which will show whether two different livestock diseases have spread. Government vets are trying to determine if the UK's first case of bluetongue disease, found in a cow in Suffolk, has passed to other animals on the farm. Officials are also investigating a suspected new case of foot-and-mouth on the Hampshire-West Sussex border. This could have a potential impact on Adroit Constructions work in the British countryside...

Social Calendar

Water Aid Quiz evening

The largest multimedia quiz in the Midlands took place on the 13th September at the stunning Chateau Impney Hotel in Droitwich Spa. The event supported by Biwater and Water Active is in its fifth year and has raised over £30,000 so far in support of WaterAid's vital work, helping the poorest communities Worldwide.



Over 30 teams entered including the "Adroit Allstars", who came a storming 12th. The Allstars also won prizes in the raffle including a Digital Camera and a pass to a 1 Day Environmental Seminar.

Wateraid are awaiting the final donation figures from the Chateau, but am delighted to let you know that so far at least £8,600 has been raised to support WaterAid's work, which is absolutely wonderful news!!!

The 2008 date for the Midlands Big Quiz Night will be confirmed shortly for your diary, so if you are interested in attending next year please let me know – hvf@adroitconstruction.co.uk

Christmas Party

This years Group Christmas Dinner & Dance will be held at the Worcester Racecourse on Friday 21st December, the bar opens at 7pm sharp! Please get your menu choice and partner's name to Pat Lowe before the 29th October 2007.

Celebrating 40 Years

Mike Cosnett, Senior Estimator
I look back on my years with the company with pleasure. I started back in 1967 as a site engineer earning the princely sum of £7 for a 5 and a half day week.
I've had the opportunity to work with some very good people and had many laughs along the way.
I hope under David Broome's guidance we retain the principles set by his father which have created an exciting and comfortable company to work for.



Quick Chat

TONY FOSTER,
Proposals Manager

Little known fact about Tony Foster?

Tony played widow twanky in Panto.

Ideal Job?

Proposals Manager at Adroit Construction/
Physio for the Swedish Womens Football team!

Most Embarrassing Moment?

Being towed in by the Harbour Master at Goodrington Sands, Devon for his 1st class windsurfing!

Happiest Moment?

My Wedding Day/West Brom being promoted to the premiership in 2002!

Which famous person would you say is most like Tony Proposals Foster?

David Brent



Current Vacancies:

Adroit Construction Services is currently looking for people to fill the following dynamic roles:

Project Engineer Coordinator
Site Agents
Site Supervisors
Electrical Instrument Technician
Civil Estimator/QS/Estimator Buyer
Senior QS

If you have any contacts who would be an asset to our highly skilled team please speak to Geoff Allchurch.



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