# The Microsoft Crew In

## The staff newsletter of AJ Engineering and NEWCo

# MORE WATER TREATMENT WORKS IN PIPELINE





#### More water treatment work projects have been secured for the AJE team with Efficient Service Delivery (ESD).

Last month, The Micron told how the firm has begun working at Whitehillock Water Treatments Works at Brechin in Angus and that it was hoped that the contract could lead to similar projects.

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

Now, under the management of Wilson Burnett, other water work jobs are underway.

Wilson explained: "As well as Whitehillock we are also working on projects at Fochabers and Inverurie Waste Water Treatment Plants in two sperate projects worth over £700K combined. The job at Fochabers is for refurbishment whilst the works at Inverurie involve a new build and access and support steel."

However, the company is also in line to secure two other jobs with ESD – one the upgrade of a pumping station at Westhill near Aberdeen which will include the installation of new pump sets and pipe works, whilst the other is down to population growth near to Ardersier, just west of Nairn.

"It's been forecast that the existing population of 3,000 in that area will rise to 8,000 with all incoming flows attributed to domestic flows from the new Tornagrain Village and the surrounding areas," explained Wilson, "so there will be a new Water Waste Treatment Plant at Ardersier. Our role will be for the fabrication of all the pump skids here in Forres which will then be shipped to site as completed units to cut down on site time. We will also provide all the access steel to the required treatment tanks and process areas and three stainless steel open tanks to be used as part of the flow controls on site. The value of these works will be over £400k."

Under an alliance agreement Black & Veatch, Galliford Try and MWH Global, operating as ESD, are 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.

Graham Alexander, general manager with AJE said: "We are delighted to have been able to provide further services to ESD. It's great for AJE to be getting repeat business in this way and it's a testament to the quality of work that our team can deliver." Top: Fochabers Bottom: Inverurie

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## London trip for national award



# MD Alan James visited the Big Smoke at the end of May to attend the Federation of Small Businesses Celebrating Small Business Awards.

In February AJE was crowned Scotland's Employer of the Year at an award ceremony held in Edinburgh and this secured the firm a place at the national final, held in Battersea Evolution, London.

Unfortunately, AJE did not secure the national title, however MD Alan James said he was delighted the company made it that far: "We had a superb night and we were up against some great competition. To win the Scotland title was a big accolade for us, so even just getting to the national final in London and being nominated was enough for me. I want to thank all of the staff who make AJ Engineering what it is. We are a team and a great one at that."

The Employer of the Year award was won by Lincolnshire firm DBS Internet Marketing.



## AJ Engineering is recruiting for Welder/Fabricators to be based at its busy Forres workshop.

The company is ideally looking for fully qualified, skilled and experienced Welder/Fabricators with a proven background within the industry.

#### The duties:

To be considered suitable for this role you must have the following experience:

- An ability to read and interpret engineering drawings.
- Accurately measuring, cutting, fabricating and welding metals using MIG / FCAW and TIG welding processes.
- · Ensure work is carried out safely and meets quality standards.
- Ability to produce quality products consistently & on time to meet the company's deadlines.
- Ability to follow instructions given both verbally and in written form.
- Must be reliable with a strong work ethic.

### The hours:

 Monday - Thursday
 08:00 to 16:30

 Friday
 08:00 to 15:30

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Pay rate based on experience. Overtime available when required. To apply email Craig Johnston at: cjohnston@ajengineering.co.uk

## Bear necessities for charity

NEW employee "AJ the Bear" has been out and about with Robbie, visiting sites across Scotland and making sure that our customers know about our 20th Birthday Celebrations.

Our new mascot has been a great help and very busy. He's delivered a mini crane to GGR Group's office in Glasgow, he took a breather at the Glencoe Mountain Resort, he visited Liberty Aluminium's Smelter in Fort William and has been across the water to the Isle of Skye.

Robbie who is escorting AJ said: "It's great having someone to talk to when I am out and about visiting sites and meeting with customers. If he could see over the steering wheel I'd be getting worried he was after my job! He's been a good talking point and he has helped raise awareness of the company's 20th year in business and our quest to raise money for three charities. We have had some kind donations when we have been touring about."

AJE Engineering and NEWCo are this year raising money for Star For Harris, Diabetes Scotland (Moray branch) and Marie Curie Moray. You can find out more and make a donation at: https://www.sponsorme.co.uk/ajengineering

