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Waterproofing, Drainage & Sewage News

TuffStuff® Flexible GRP, the latest GRP roofing innovation from Tuff Waterproofing



TuffStuff® has created the best multipurpose GRP roofing system on the market, with its TuffStuff® Flexible GRP already receiving rave reviews from customers. One resin with endless possibilities, the Flexible GRP provides an exceptional combination of versatility and durability. Quick to lay, with no need to strip or re-deck a roof, this fast-curing system saves time and money.

Essentially it is a single-resin solution which can be applied to a multitude of surface types and structures including vertical sections. The resin can be applied directly to felt, asphalt, single-ply, GRP, concrete, timber or metal and with its combined fast-curing system the resin can be walked on within 30-60 minutes of being laid. Its highly flexible, extra-tough, seamless waterproof membrane rapidly breaks down with CSM reinforcement for quick and tidy detailing. Once laid and whilst curing, the TuffStuff Flexible GRP is showerproof.

There is no need to hunt down two or three tubs, as its one-pot system means one coat can last up to 10 years and two coats, 20 years (the 20-year system qualifies for a 20 year Product Warranty). Negating the need to strip back and replace, Flexible GRP saves time and money by overlaying a roof. To book a TuffStuff® Flexible GRP product demo, visit the company website below.

TuffStuff® is the UK's premium designer, manufacturer and supplier of heavy-duty GRP waterproof flat roofing systems. Located in North Yorkshire, TuffStuff® supply its products through a dedicated stockist network throughout the UK. The company's experienced product development team is always pushing the boundaries to create products that revolutionise the industry and effectively, make roofing systems simpler. British born and bred, the company works closely with its customers and its own UK based manufacturing facility to produce an evolving product range that is suitable for multiple flat roof applications.

The company is heavily established in 30 years of research and development and has been thoroughly testing and designing products for roofing applications since the 1980's. Perfect for use within a domestic or commercial environment, the company has grown year-on-year to become of the industries finest and most valuable assets to the GRP flat roof market.

Deploying a mission to create successful long-term relationships with its customers by understanding their needs, TuffStuff® deliver a range of market-leading products alongside a premium support service. Other products include resins and catalysts, reinforcing materials, roof trims, application tools, and decking boards. Each product category holds its own product range that embody the same TUFF traits designed to tackle all the elements.

Further to its product range, TuffStuff® is proud to offer the most comprehensive training programmes within the flat roof industry. It has a dedicated team on hand to deliver individual and group training sessions on the TuffStuff® installation process, the products within the range and how equipment must be stored to maintain its optimum condition. Striving to provide all customers with the highest standard of flat roofing products, TuffStuff® is always looking to improve. Part of the business is to offer technical support services to each customer ensuring they feel confident and have a support network behind them allowing them to get the best out of TuffStuff® products.

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We offer a support service for consent to discharge applications to the Environment Agency - a requirement when installing sewage treatment systems. All our boreholes are constructed using the cable-tool percussion method - preferred by the Environment Agency (EA) when drilling the chalk aquifer - and are logged with the BGS.

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Open-loop GSHP installations utilise ground water as a heat source. Groundwater is pumped from the borehole directly to the heat pump where the heat is extracted. The water is then returned to the aquifer, normally via a buried harvesting tank. As ground water is utilised, there is the option of a potable water supply (subject to analysis

and suitable filtration). The heat pumps we install are manufactured by a British company and are MCS accredited.

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Tuff Waterproofing launches new Polyurethane flat roofing system for commercial market

Tuff Waterproofing, the UK's leading supplier of heavy-duty GRP waterproof flat roofing, has launched a new system offering a combination of fast installation, ease of use and high performance which is ideal for the commercial market. Tuff Tech Pro VP/UV is a durable, completely seamless waterproof encapsulating membrane which is ideal for new or existing flat roofs, walkways, balconies and gutters. Its advanced fast-curing formulation is quick and easy to apply, significantly reducing time and labour on site. Available with installation training on request, the product is non-hazardous and can be applied in damp atmosphere.

Tuff Tech Pro VP/UV is completely dry within eight hours and fully cured within 24 hours to form a totally waterproof membrane across the whole of the application area. Brush or roller applied, the solution is designed for excellent adhesion to a range of substrates, including bitumen membranes, asphalt, metals, brick and concrete. It has excellent wetting out and moulding capabilities to accommodate complex shapes and details. Roof penetrations, ventilation and cooling plant can all be sealed and new plant can be easily accommodated.

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Stay safe with lightning protection

South West Lightning Protection provides a number of services throughout the UK including lightning protection, early streamer emission systems, upgrades of older systems, earthing services and design, safety line testing and inspection of horizontal safety line systems and PPE.

Established in 2014, South West Lightning Protection was created by Gary Libby who has over 40 years' experience in the industry. Located in Plymouth, the company also has an office in Scotland. "Our core service is lightning protection installations and testing;

we also design new systems. As we are a small company in comparison to our competition, we strive to provide a personal service to our clients." Stated Gary.

In recent news, South West Lightning Protection has commenced testing of roof mounted horizontal cable based mansafe systems, permanent ladders, guard rails, and safety anchors. These services are provided individually from the company's lightning protection services, and to save the client money, can be combined.

South West Lightning Protection work throughout the UK to assist its clients with their project requirements regardless of their location. Within its lightning protection service, South West Lightning Protection is able to offer a full installation and testing service, including BSEN62305 systems, BS6651 upgrades, NFC 17 102 early streamer emission systems and BS7430 earthing systems.

Some recent projects have included chimney upgrade works in Cumbria, new air termination networks in London and a new roof tape system in Plymouth.

South West Lightning Protection record all test conditions and results, and a reminder is sent out before the next test is due.

The system South West Lightning Protection use provides an alternative solution to protecting structures where the installation of a British system is not a feasible or a viable option.

Some benefits of its early streamer emission device include a more aesthetically pleasing device as the system only requires two down conductors and earth terminations to provide a path to earth. It is cheap to install and maintain, and as the number of roof conductors, down conductors and earth terminations are reduced, the system has a lower carbon footprint.

Its clients include electrical contractors, ministry of defence, NHS, companies in the sectors of water, commercial, telecoms and facilities management, as well as individuals. The company holds a health and safety accreditation by SafeContractor which audits the company training and safe systems of work. All company engineers are CITB card holders for the work they undertake, and DBS checked.

Inevitably, South West Lightning Protection experienced a disruption in the industry from COVID-19, however, as the company provides a safety critical work to the ministry of defence, it was classed as an essential business, so work was able to carry on at a reasonable level. "We have produced a company COVID-19 policy which protects both SWLP operatives and clients. We work with clients to ensure we are in compliance to any restrictions on work which may be stipulated by customers." Stated Gary.

As South West Lightning Protection continue to grow within the lightning protection sector, the plan is to provide long term employment to its existing work force whilst adding new members of staff. "Whatever your requirements, we're here to help." Mentioned Gary.

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Restoration News

Peter Minter: The Brickmaker's Tale

Peter Minter and his son Tony are well-known for their father and son business, Bulmer Brick and Tile. The family-run business has successfully been running for over 80 years and is extremely proud to say they have excellent expertise and knowledge in this industry.

Peter Minter wrote his own book, The Brickmaker's Tale, which entails a unique history of the Bulmer Brickyard and the craft of brick-making. Bulmer Brick and Tile pride themselves in saying that they are the most traditional in the UK that still uses methods to make bricks which dates all the way back to 1450. The firsts section of The Brickmaker's Tale focuses on the early history of the site, the second part of the book explores from 1936 onwards when the Minter Family acquired to the company.

Finally persuaded by family and friends, Peter Minter wrote a book that recorded some of his unique knowledge and memories in a book. The book highlights the story of the Brickyard and the people that have worked there throughout the years. The Brickmaker's Tale touches on the recreation of historic bricks for National Trust properties which include Hampton Court Palace and Blickling Hall in Norfolk, not to mention the bricks for the extension of St Pancras Station in London.

The Brickmaker's Tale is available from local bookshop Kestrel in Sudbury Suffolk or direct from Bulmer Brick & Tile Co Ltd.

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Make your project possible

Building Update is proud to announce that DCON Safety Consultants Limited has received our Commitment to Excellence Award for 2020.

DCON Safety Consultants Limited offers leading health and safety consultancy and construction statute advice services. The company prioritises and specialises in the highest levels of informed and intelligent advice, senior project resource allocation



and compliance assurance. Informed by industry expertise, DCON Safety Consultants Limited knows that every project has potential risks, no matter what its potential benefits, so its team of highly experienced construction professionals helps to ensure clients' statutory conformity.

Upon gaining understanding of the specific needs, goals and desires of each client and their project, DCON Safety Consultants Limited is dedicated to implementing a design and construction management plan that will meet or exceed these requirements.



And, DCON Safety Consultants Limited ensures that there is honesty, integrity, trust and professionalism underpinning every project.

Moreover, the company's services are centred on three delivery principles:

- **Maximising Quality:** the company implements proven health, safety and wellbeing strategies to help clients achieve high quality and cost-effective work commensurate with the design of their projects.
- **Minimising Risk:** the company effectively manages design and delivery risk on projects to match each client's desired risk level profile.
- **Managing Compliance:** the company relies on its extensive background working on a wide variety of projects to assist clients in developing, monitoring and maintaining compliance performance.

This excellent service would not be possible without the leadership of Diarmuid Condon, a construction industry leader who brings unique perspectives to encourage, support and mentor the abilities of his colleagues. As a construction professional with a surveying background and experience spanning two decades, Diarmuid is emblematic of DCON Safety Consultants Limited's commitment to providing outstanding services to clients.

Diarmuid has contributed his invaluable expertise to over 400 projects over 20 years, with a client list including public sector departments, corporate owners, real estate developers, main contractors, design professionals and infrastructural bodies. With this incredible portfolio, Diarmuid is helping DCON Safety Consultants Limited to become a leader in health and safety consultancy across the construction industry.

Key to DCON Safety Consultants Limited's services is working as a Project Supervisor

for the Design Process (PSDP) in various sectors across the Irish construction market. No project is too simple or too complex for the company's PSDP consultants, all of whom are construction professionals with an average of 20 years' experience in the built environment. The ability to maximise this knowledge and skillset means DCON Safety Consultants Limited can generate distinctive and innovative ideas from traditional PSDP service inputs and outputs.

Additionally, DCON Safety Consultants Limited offers planning compliance assurance services. The ability to strategically support a positive planning decision is exclusive to the company. Its Draft Construction Management Plans (DCMP) inform the overall planning, coordination and control of a project from the beginning of construction to completion. The DCMP also safeguards the obligation placed upon a client to produce a safe, functional and financially viable project.

DCON Safety Consultants Limited also provides its main contractor clients with intelligent, practical, and reasonable physical site safety advice to support compliance and good practice adherence. Behavioural safety outcomes inform how the company approaches each solution with the contractor and their supply chain, identifying opportunities for improvement.



To complement this, DCON Safety Consultants Limited can also help with clients' health and safety strategy. Its holistic and integrated approach can help unlock substantial benefits for clients by providing a structured, objective and SMART framework for full optimisation through the creation of an environment that embraces health, safety and wellbeing.

This means DCON Safety Consultants Limited helps clients to improve their health, safety and environmental performance; enhance staff satisfaction thanks to improved performance; improve risk management and corporate governance with a clear audit trail; gain confidence from long-term planning, better sustainability and

performance; and improve overall corporate reputation, including greater staff satisfaction and a more efficient procurement and supply chain.



Finally, DCON Safety Consultants Limited can offer a safety expert witness service, which is headed by Diarmuid himself. He has extensively supported safety-related matters, and is a certified and competent safety professional who will work with clients to identify exactly what kind of safety expert is needed. Then, he will use an extensive network of contacts to recruit the right person to protect clients' interests.

DCON Safety Consultants Limited's fantastic service offering and proven track record

of offering leading health and safety consultancy services makes the company a worthy winner of our Commitment to Excellence award. Such achievements are proof that DCON Safety Consultants Limited is well-placed to help ensure your safety, health and wellbeing and make your project possible.

If you are interested in finding out more information on DCON Safety Consultants Limited's full range of excellent services, head to the website or get in touch directly using the contact details below.

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A great ConSept from Allerton



Not only does Allerton install high quality units, the company also focuses on continual service of the equipment. This means that units Allerton has made and installed, of which there are over 1,200, are all still working efficiently across the country.



Allerton UK is a leading off mains drainage company, covering sales, servicing, commissioning, and repairs of all types of septic tanks, sewage treatment plants, sewage pump stations and soakaways. Working across the East Midlands and beyond, Allerton boasts a team of dedicated and experienced workers, all trained with British Water to ensure they are in the best position to properly assess a situation and correct it.

Established in 1974 by Jon Allerton, the company was originally concerned with draining farmers' fields. However, in the late 1980s, Allerton needed a new direction, and so began its work in off mains drainage.

As well as its sewage treatment plants and sewage pump stations which are made on the premises, Allerton also makes the ConSept. This converts septic tanks into sewage treatment plants, and can be fitted without excavations, apart from the shallow cable and air pipe trenches. This means customers can save around £3,000+VAT by avoiding excavators on site.

The ConSept uses the existing septic tank, removing the need to install a heavy plant or new tank, and it is quick to install to save time, money, and disruption. Moreover, it is manufactured using high grade composite materials and non-ferrous components, meaning the ConSept does not corrode. The equipment also has low maintenance costs, requiring servicing just once a year and desludging and emptying once every two years. Allerton will of course service and maintain all their own equipment, servicing, repairs, and surveys of sewage treatment plants is a major part of their work. The final effluent is discharged into a watercourse or soakaway, and installation and commissioning by Allerton's British Water Accredited engineers is included in the package.

"In particular, we make sure everything is explained to the customer from the beginning and throughout the process, and we always do what we say we will," said Jon Allerton, Director. "Minor problems are sorted out by engineers on site, and all the initial customer worries are dealt with in advance. We offer initial onsite advice, help with all paperwork such as planning and Environmental Agency permits, installation and ongoing servicing, including repairs. Every aspect of what we do is to please the customer."

In line with its ongoing expansion, Allerton has been taking on more staff and training them all to British Water standards. "I'm 78 soon, and the company has been recently restructured and is now Allerton Bradley Ltd. Jason



Bradley has been a large shareholder for several years, and has worked for the company for most of his life. His knowledge of all things sewage is vast, and at 36, he ensures the company can look forward to another 50 years of good service, and pleasing people!"

Allerton is continuing to expand, thanks to the real and immediate need of the company's services. Allerton's capabilities are helping people across the country save money, maintain their compliance with regulators, and ultimately protect the environment.

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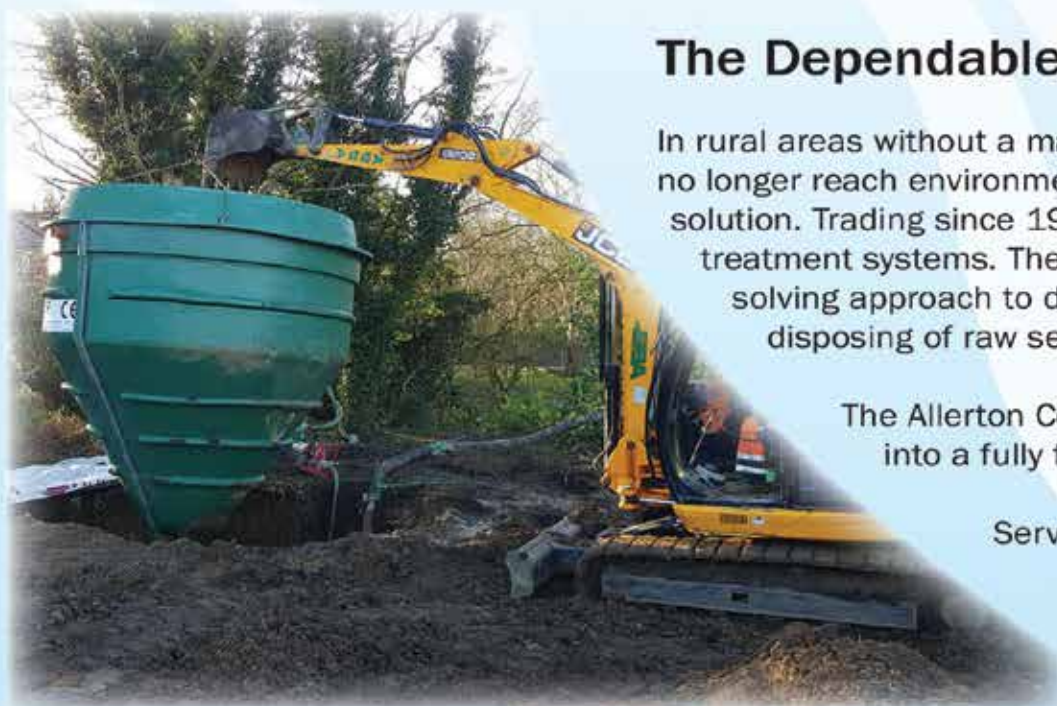
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Family run business in fifth generation

Vandecasteele Houtimport is a fifth-generation family run business that imports timber and timber products from over 45 countries worldwide. Its facilities are located in Kortrijk, Aalbeke, Belgium, where the company specialises in the import, trading and export of tropical hardwood from Africa, Southeast Asia and South America. The company also provide Scandinavian and Russian Softwood, Siberian Larch, North American Soft and Hardwood and European Hardwood.

Established in 1883 by Louis Vandecasteele, the company has been passed down through the generations to its current owner Stefaan Vandecasteele. Stefaan took over the running of the company in 2000 and together with his son Louis and daughter Margaux, keep the company's family spirit alive.

of sawn timber products. In a matter of days, Vandecasteele Houtimport has the resources and ability to adapt and bridge the gap between sources of supply in Africa, Far East, South America and North America to Europe. This makes the company the first choice with many importers and merchants.

Utilising its vast and impressive stockholding of hardwoods and softwoods coupled with its strong environmental credentials. Vandecasteele Houtimport not only cares about nature and certified wood, but it guarantees to its customer, the commitment to only trade timber that comes from well-managed certified forests. With trust and reliability being an integral part of Vandecasteele Houtimport's DNA, it also holds the validation of many certificates from well-known organisations.



Constantly seeking to promote cordial relations with customers and suppliers alike, the heart of the company runs off mutual trust from all parties involved. Having the ability to adapt and react to the ever changing, fast-paced industry, Vandecasteele Houtimport always puts the customer's demands at the forefront of its service.

Working alongside timber importers, timber merchants and wholesalers, the company is able to deliver stock that is difficult to source within days using its own fleet of 18 vehicles. Its impressive set up allows its storage facility which is situated on 39.5 acres of land to accommodate more than 120,000m³



Aligns with the 17 sustainable development goals

Vandecasteele Houtimport has set a challenging goal to stock 100% certified timbers from 2025. Currently, 100% of the softwoods the company stock is already

certified and over 50% of the tropical hardwood. This number is continuously growing and makes Vandecasteele Houtimport the biggest stockholder of certified tropical timbers in Europe.

Currently stocking over 140 timber species, Vandecasteele Houtimport now provides its newest addition of stock that is certified European Beech and Oak in Joinery, Prime, Super Prime grades and flooring. The variety of stock from the company embellishes the company's taglines of 'Choose Life, Choose Wood' and 'Using timber is good, using certified timber is wonderful!' Vandecasteele Houtimport really do love what they do and have a strong passion to grow within the industry.

One way in which the company is making growth take place is its reaction to how BREXIT has and will change the industry. To combat new rules and importation structures, Vandecasteele Houtimport has set up a company in the UK – Vandecasteele Timber Ltd – which will facilitate the trade to all UK partners. A further challenge Vandecasteele Houtimport has had to overcome is the barriers created by COVID-19.

The business model of Vandecasteele Houtimport is to hold and keep all stock of over 140 different timber species. 18 months later, gaps have started to appear. Due to its extensive range of timber species that the company has invested in for a long time, now allows for lesser-known certified timber species to be promoted to its customers. The company take great pride in its work, with a mission to continuously invest in the best performing traceability and certification procedures, the highest quality organisational process and the permanent training of its employees.

Vandecasteele Houtimport endeavour to show that timber is the world's most ecological and sustainable material. And its future plans only echo the company's approach to sustainability within the industry. Vandecasteele Houtimport has a dedicated team to ensure all due diligence is up to date and in addition to the strict process, the company has invested in



a forest engineer in Brazil to ensure full control on the CoC of the Brazilian timbers purchased.

Circularity

Vandecasteele Houtimport are passionate about timber being used for sustainable building and construction material. Every step the company make boasts several ecological advantages showcasing the use of timber compared to traditional materials. With a low embodied energy and minimal carbon impact, timber really is the most sustainable material. It has an ecological, recyclable and biodegradable nature which is why Vandecasteele Houtimport is implementing a strict sustainability policy in all of its future actions and activities.

Long-term vision

Every step Vandecasteele Houtimport take, succinctly reveals the dedication and passion of the company and its future goals. As the company strive to be the European market leader in the trading of the richest assortment of certified timber, exclusively sourced from well-managed certified forests it is not going to be an easy journey, but it will most certainly be rewarding.

With the goal of maximising the social, economic and environmental value of timber, now and for future generations, Vandecasteele Houtimport is creating economical sustainable change in a world that needs it most.

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Together we can create forests for the future

Established in 2014 by Nick Hollingworth and Liz Boivin, Tomorrow's Forests are specialists in high volume commercial reforestation, supporting industry, resource management, government, private landowners, and public institutions.

"A lot of building work now requires tree planting, so we work with railway projects, housing developments, infrastructure and many others to help do this with cutting-edge technology," explains Liz.

After winning its first contract in 2014 to plant 90,000 trees, Tomorrow's Forests has grown significantly and now plants around 2 million trees each year across its numerous contracts. "After our first contract, we started gaining more, doing subcontracting in Yorkshire as well as some work in Scotland. Since then, we have established ourselves as a main contractor for the work we do and cover the whole of

Forests planting expertise with scientific research to make sure the right species of trees are planted in the right areas, and additional habitat such as ponds and meadows are created alongside to maximise the biodiversity at each site.

"We started acquiring land, offering businesses and individuals the chance to give back to nature and create biodiversity in places where it has been lost. We are very excited about this new project, and it is going well because businesses are prioritising sustainability and examining their environmental impact. We have started tree planting on a new wet woodland site in North Somerset.

A lot of people are getting more interested in tree planting and the benefits it has, sequestering carbon and creating biodiversity and habitats for animals. I think COVID-19



England, Wales, and Scotland," Liz adds. This success is in no doubt down to Tomorrow's Forests' efficient, fast, and proactive nature. "When we start working with new clients, we often get positive feedback on how fast our team works. Our professional tree planters can plant around 3,000 trees a day each, so no project is too big or too small for us.

All of our team is trained and works hard during all daylight hours. For forestry work, we use a shift pattern of four days on, one day off. This helps to promote productivity, as they get a consistent day off that comes quicker than doing a five-day week as well as reducing the risk of injury. If we are working on construction sites, it is a five-day week, but the nature of the work is different from standard forestry."

In September 2020, a sister company was established called Creating Tomorrow's Forests, with the mission to fight climate change by creating forests across the UK, providing new habitats for wildlife, and removing CO₂ from the



air. Creating Tomorrow's Forests was launched to make it easy for individuals and businesses to make a positive impact on the planet and replace the UK's lost forests, using Tomorrow's Forests' large-scale forestry experience. Instead of just planting trees for carbon sequestration, Creating Tomorrow's Forests is passionate about developing diverse woodland habitats for the long-term. The project uses the Tomorrow's

has brought things into perspective for a lot of people in this sense."

Indeed, although the pandemic halted many of Tomorrow's Forests' operations in line with the construction industry, it meant they had more time to focus on developing their new venture. "We want to work on expanding Creating



Tomorrow's Forests, acquiring more sites and diversifying what we offer. Once we've completed the site in Somerset we'll be moving onto somewhere else."

And it is certainly true what Liz says – during the lockdowns across the world due to COVID-19, nature reclaimed many areas. "Oceans were cleaner, animals were wandering the streets where they hadn't been before – it really put things into perspective for people. It's important we take care of what we have. Scientists have been saying for years that we need to protect



our climate, but it's easy to forget about this in day-to-day life. Putting a break on everything we were used to during the lockdown switched many people's focus to nature, with more of us taking walks in nature and in woodland.


For this reason and because of the push for carbon capture schemes, Creating Tomorrow's Forests has been getting more and more interest from businesses and individuals.

We are looking forward to developing the company further next year. We currently plant 2 million trees each year with Tomorrow's Forests, and we want to reach the same point with our

sister company."

If you would like to find out more information on either Tomorrow's Forests or Creating Tomorrow's Forests, head to the websites or get in touch directly using the contact details below.

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There are many advantages to the planting of trees on less productive or unused land areas and farmers and landowners can now obtain a number of government grant and funding options to help with establishing new woodland areas.

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Equestrian News

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Complete compliance solutions



We are pleased to announce that CheckedSafe has been selected as the recipient of our Commitment to Excellence Award.

Since 2014, CheckedSafe has provided simple and inexpensive tailored compliance solutions. Established by Gary Hawthorne and Darran Harris, CheckedSafe is a SaaS platform compliance provider providing several apps and a web-based reporting system that is multi-functional and secure.

The CheckedSafe system offers organisations a complete solution, enabling them to manage and protect their workforce and comply with legal compliance requirements whilst reducing cost and liability. "We can provide you with a fully integrated solution - you can be completely paperless - also by using our system properly you will have a legally defensible product. We bespoke templates on the app to suit individual requirements, our latest release now means that the client can also do this themselves," said Gary.

Located in Burnley, its system is global and can be accessed from anywhere as long as you have an internet connection for the management portal, the app itself works off line and on-line so there is no restriction on using the app.

Both Darran and Gary's individual expertise has resulted in CheckedSafe being a nationally recognised company. "I am a transport professional with 30+ years in commercial

transport, and Darran has 25+ years as a solicitor, so our individual skills set us apart from other "IT" providers in the industry," said Gary.

CheckedSafe has a range of services from vehicle compliance solutions, compliance and regulations, risk assessment and incident reporting tools via the App that enables them to offer the client a complete solution. Gary explained, "We constantly develop our product from user feedback. We release new features at least every quarter and a new app probably every four months depending on what features we have developed. Customer feedback is critical to us, we know a lot about transport, but the end users have great ideas that we take on board and use to develop free of charge and push out to the CheckedSafe community."

CheckedSafe's web-based reporting system is accredited by DVSA and the FLTA and utilised across all fleet types of HGV, PCV, VAN, plant or utilities. If it needs a checklist, CheckedSafe can digitise and catalogue it, providing you with a cost-effective compliance solution.

With much of the industry yet to explore, over five



CheckedSafe Features

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Geo Tag

CheckedSafe uses the GPS on the driver's mobile device to pin point their location when they carry out the daily walk around check. The map location is included in the resulting report.

Bespoke Checklist

CheckedSafe has several DVSA recommended checklists. However, all checks can be made bespoke. In fact, a checklist can be created for any vehicle or piece of equipment.

No Signal-No Problem

Checks can be conducted regardless of Wi-Fi connection or phone signal. All checks are stored on the device and uploaded automatically to the CheckedSafe CWS (Compliance Management System) when the driver is in signal area.

Platform Availability

Designed for Android and Apple mobile devices, CheckedSafe also runs on tablet (Android) and iPads and is also available on the Tom Tom platform.

Monitor Movement

We use the mobile device's motion sensors to track the driver's movements as they undertake the check, which ensures that the check is accurately being completed and you can see the driver moving around the vehicle.

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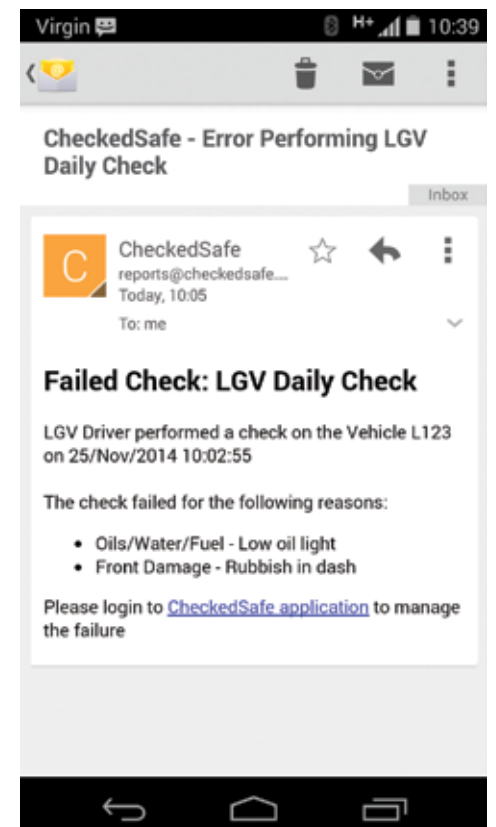
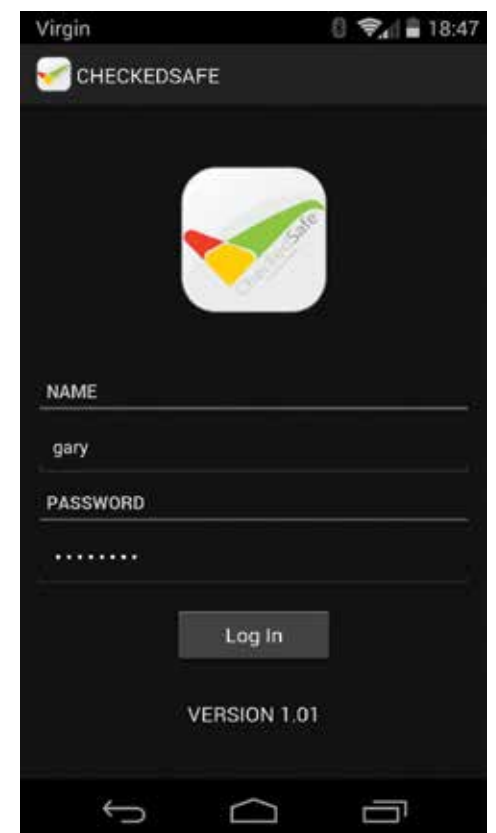
million commercial vehicles in the UK and over 20 million pieces of plant, there is a huge market for CheckedSafe to expand into. "Our plan is to furrow into the fleet industry and develop new features, and if from this market we get new ideas then we will look to develop them further. We have recently developed our API to link with Dynamic 365 for a large crane operator which will come into development later this year/early 2022," stated Gary.

Despite COVID-19, CheckedSafe has managed to outsource all marketing resulting in an increase in in-bound enquiries. Utilising platforms such as Zoom and Teams, less time has been spent travelling and more focus has been on growing the business from home.

Eight years ago, CheckedSafe was an idea, that today, has flourished into a fully successful business. Gary and Darran are passionate about what they do and provide a skill set that boasts professionalism and expertise. "We know our industry and our clients have an immediate infinity with us and put faith in us," said Gary.

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As lockdown eases Harlequin's installation teams are working with partners and clients to ensure we can carry out scheduled and new works where it is safe to do so. Following UK Government site safety regulations and social distancing guidelines, the Harlequin team are on hand for site visits and installations.

All Harlequin operatives have been briefed on the Public Health England (PHE) Site Operating Procedures (SOP) and Risk Assessment Method Statements (RAMS) have been updated accordingly.

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