

BDN GAINS SHARE OF MULTI-MILLION POUND CITY CENTRE UPGRADE

BDN WORKS NIGHTS TO BEAT THE CLOCK!

Nottingham Council obtained European Funding to update and refurbish the main square in the centre of the city. The £7.5 million project was awarded to Balfour Beatty one of the UK civil engineering companies and a global player in the construction business.

A major part of the new refurbished slab work was awarded to BDN Construction. The laying of expensive granite slabs required special particular expertise and the BDN employees had to cope with the unexpectedly high temperatures of this summer, as well as working through the night to meet demanding deadlines.

Balfour Beatty awarded BDN further work due to their efficiency and high standard of workmanship. Congratulations to the BDN staff for their hard work and meticulous standards.



(above) An artist impression of how the square will look upon completion



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ASHFORDBY STORAGE & DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION

This project was awarded to BDN Construction Ltd by Fox Contracting Ltd the major contractor. Ashfordby Storage and Distribution is a private company built up through two generations and is a major player in the storage of both confectionary and pet food for Mars. This development was specifically for the confectionary side of Mars' business. BDN's involvement was to ensure Aco and surface drainage blocks, tegulars and slabs were laid together with kerbing and graveling. The contract lasted for some eight months and involved 12 staff from BDN. The whole site extends to 5 hectares and is operated to the highest standards.



WALTON HOMES HOUSING DEVELOPMENT



This estate by Walton Homes, once finished, will see 150 new houses at Shirebrook in Nottinghamshire. The contract awarded to BDN by Cowmans and Taylors, both Contracting Companies, involved remedial work on drains and road way kerbs that other companies had completed to a poor standard. BDN were brought in because of their excellent name for quality work and completion time.

DON'T GET TIED UP IN KNOTS!

THE PROBLEMS OF JAPANESE KNOT GRASS

Japanese knot grass is an ever increasing problem for the construction industry. The photo above is a mature plant on a roadside in Nottinghamshire. The photo below shows the roots growing under slabs and disrupting the whole pavement. It can grow through concrete and is easily spread by people's boots or shoes to other locations. Speedy treatment is necessary to control it.



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HEALTH & SAFETY

AN ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT

ROSELAND BUSINESS PARK LONG BENNINGTON

The Roseland Business Park covers a substantial area and Mr John Rose who owns it continues ongoing development of the hangars for commercial use. BDN work closely with Roseland and a number of businesses at the park, of which Newark Concrete Floors is one such company. This project for Roseland involved concrete roadways and surface drainage. Once completed this will encompass an area of 60000 sq ft.

BDN's health and safety consultant (Michelle Woodward) keeps the BDN directors up to date with changing H&S legislation and requirements.

Today's environments demand appropriate clothing and training of staff, however the key ingredient will always be individual common sense and attention to detail.

The photo (right) highlights an example of a broken bolt on hire equipment delivered to site. BDN staff vigilance quickly noticed this and staff were able to return the faulty equipment without the threat of danger to safety.



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NATIONAL GRID EXPANSION DEMANDS STRINGENT HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS

This summer National Grid awarded a major contract to North Midland Construction Ltd PLC for the expansion of the large electricity sub station at Grendon, Northants. BDN Construction provided the kerbing for the new road into the development.

A further expansion is due to take place in the not too distant future at the far end of site. BDN hope to be awarded the contract for all foundations, as well as the kerbing for entry and exit roads based upon the quality of their work.

The task on site was made more challenging for BDN's staff by the need to adhere to strict health & safety clothing requirements in this summer's heat wave.



THINKING OF OTHERS

"BDN has enjoyed contributing to a number of events and charities during the past year" says Director Brett Noble. "I was passionate about football from an early age and know only too well how local clubs rely on companies to support them. We are proud to sponsor Collingham Football Club and enjoyed presenting the team with their new BDN branded kit when they played in a recent charity match against the team from the TV soap 'Emmerdale'.



BDN together with Construction Manager Dave Sharp, have sponsored the Birchwood Colt football team in which Dave's son Jack participates.

A number of donations have been made to Breast Cancer Research, as well as contributions towards a sponsored Pennine Bike Ride by Balfour Beatty for the Rainbow Trust.

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BDN Construction Ltd was formed in 2001 by Brett Noble and Nichola Hambly, with the aim of focusing upon quality work in given time scales at competitive prices. An expert and professional team was formed and business soon began to pour in through word of mouth rather than advertising.

Since then BDN has become a preferred Contractor for Balfour Beatty and found themselves involved with a range of high profile construction companies, though not always directly. Jackson's Civil Engineering, a major contractor at the new Kings Mill Hospital at Mansfield, North Midland Construction Ltd Plc at the Grendon Electricity Sub Station and Walton Housing at Shirebrook, to mention but a few.

As the business has grown it has been necessary to strengthen the structure of the team and 'home-grown' Dave Sharp (right) was promoted internally to Construction Manager.



The geographical spread of work is no longer limited to Nottinghamshire but has extended to Lancashire, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Northamptonshire and Warwickshire.

"Having good hard working staff who form efficient teams is a major constituent to our success" says Brett Noble.

Through this newsletter, Brett and Nichola would like to thank all the staff for their major contribution to their expanding business.

THE HAPPY COUPLE

July 2006 was a very special time for BDN Directors Brett and Nichola, who celebrated their wedding with close friends and family at Langar Hall, Nottinghamshire.

The photo is of Brett, Nichola and Sophie. (right)



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