















It's no exaggeration to say these are truly unprecedented times we are living in. During a period in our lives when things feel most unfamiliar, one thing I am pleased to say has remained the same is the unwavering dedication and can-do spirit demonstrated by our team across the region.

I'd like to thank you all for doing your utmost to ensure Howard Civil Engineering emerge from this pandemic with our best foot forward, particularly our site teams who have been unable to work from home during this time. Your willingness to implement and adapt to innovative safe working measures not only benefits our health, safety, and wellbeing on site, but also helps to protect those most vulnerable in our local communities.

I'd also like to thank our clients and subcontractors who have continued to keep us engaged and, where possible, fully operational during this period. The community spirit shown across the construction industry is truly aweinspiring.

Please take a moment to switch off an enjoy our latest newsletter. I'm very proud of the work our team has produced, and look forward to seeing what the future holds.

Michael Howard



#### SUPPORTING YOUNG WOMEN IN STEM AT SKIPTON GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL







# NEW PROJECTS

#### IRONWORKS



We are thrilled to be delivering the groundworks and six-storey RC Frame on this new mixed use development in Leeds for our client, Esh Construction.

Ironworks is a 0.35 hectacre site located in Holbeck Urban Village. Upon completion in Autumn 2021, Ironworks will comprise 58 one, two and three bedroom luxury apartments, 15 townhouses and two units totalling 1,400sq ft of retail space.

**Read more** 

#### **CITY FIELDS**



We have been awarded a £7million groundworks and plotworks contract from our new client, Countryside Homes.

This new development will comprise 170 3-4 bed new-build homes just 20 minutes from the centre of Wakefield.

Our implementation of early contractor engagement allowed us to support our clients from the outset, resulting in the program being fast-tracked.

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#### **GREENGATES JUNCTION**



Howard Civil Engineering are proud to be the Main Contractors of the Harrogate Road/New Line junction improvement scheme by Bradford Council.

This will see us undertake major improvements to the existing junction, widening the existing highway on all four arms of the junction, signal upgrades and a P-loop. Cyclists and pedestrians will also benefit with the addition of new cycle lanes, pedestrian islands and controlled crossings.

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#### **EDEN VALE SCHOOL**



Howard Civil Engineering have won a fantastic £1.25m contract by BAM Construct UK to provide foundations, drainage and external works for a new secondary school in Bradford.

Eden Boys' Leadership Academy will hold up to 800 pupils alongside 80 staff members and will cosnsist of a three-storey building, a sports facility and space for 132 cars.

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## LET'S CELEBRATE!



## PRAISE FOR HEALTH & SAFETY IN DONCASTER

Congratulations to our fantastic operatives including Gary Seed and Jack Ward who recently received Safety Awards from our client Willmott Dixon for their brilliant work at Bader Academy, a new special school in Edenthorpe!

A huge well done is also in order for our team at another Willmott Dixon site in Doncaster for winning the April Safety Awards!



#### AWARD-WINNING VALUE ENGINEERING

Howard Civil Engineering are thrilled to have been awarded Wates' prestigious Preconstruction Support Highly Commended Award for our work on Leeds City College's Quarry Hill campus (page 7).

To support Wates' ambitious delivery programme, we proposed various value engineering opportunities which enabled them to achieve efficiencies in time, cost and methodology.



**Read more** 

## SAY HELLO TO OUR NEW CONTRACTS MANAGER!



We would like to extend a huge congratulations to Tony Kilbane on his promotion from Project Manager to Contracts Manager!

Since starting his role with us at Howard Civil Engineering, Tony has done a fantastic job of managing the main contract works at our Hard Ings Road widening scheme in Bradford.

Following the award of Bradford Council's Greengates Junction scheme, Tony will be now responsible for all roadworks contracts. Well done, Tony!

## IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU...

## Say hello to the newest recruits of the Howard Civil Engineering team!



Christine Rowley Accounts Assistant



Dan Rhodes Howard Plant Hire Manager



Simon Doling Project Manager

Tom Mitchell Assistant Accountant



Daniel Heffernan Apprentice Engineer



#### **TEAM ANNIVERSARIES**

Thank you for all your hard work!



**ABBIE HARROP** Marketing Executive - 1 year

WANDA CURTIS Health and Safety Advisor - 1 year





**GERARD HOWARD** 

Finance Director - 15 years

HAYDEN BROOK Apprentice Engineer - 2 years





**JAMES PAGE** Contracts Manager - 15 years



## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

#### Enhancing health and safety, investing in new technology

Well done to the 24 team members who have recently completed their SHOC Cable Avoidance Training, and a further congratulations to the 10 team members who have completed their Medium Risk Level 2 Confined Spaces Training.

We'd also like to extend our congratulations to engineers who have undertaken and completed inhouse training on our new PQS machine-control technology, which will provide higher levels of control, accuracy and efficiency for our clients.

Together, you are all helping to make Howard Civil Engineering sites a safer place. Let's try and beat 2019's record AFR score of 0.63% in 2020!



#### **Praise for HCE amid COVID-19 interruptions**

We are thrilled to have received praise for our ongoing work at Hard Ings Road amid COVID-19 interruptions by our client, Bradford Council.

Commenting on how HCE are approaching challenges posed by COVID-19 on site, David Aspinall - Project Manager of the site for Bradford Council - complemented 'the way in which [we] are coping despite the many pressures that COVID-19 is putting on all of us.' He also praised 'the neatness and tidiness of the site and the general good organisation resulting in work that is as efficient as it could be in the circumstances'. Well done to the Hard Ings Road site team for such excellent work!

### GIVING BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY



Wearing red for Children's Heart Surgery Fund



Our Ironworks site team were thrilled to support #WearRedDay to raise money for the Children's Heart Surgery Fund.

We're pleased to have donated £200 to this wonderful Leeds-based charity. Thanks to our clients Esh Construction for organising!



#### Supporting young women in STEM

Howard Civil Engineering are thrilled to offer our support to the young women of Team Echo, one of three teams from Skipton Girls' High School competing in the final round of the national 4x4 Land Rover In Schools Competition.

Howard Civil Engineering Apprentice, Fahd Mahmood from our Hard Ings Road Scheme, met with these apprentices of the future to hand over £300 to help with expenses over the course of the two-day competition in Coventry. Howard Civil Engineering are delighted to support Skipton Girls' High School, a high performing engineering academy based in North Yorkshire just 9 miles north of our Hard Ings Road Improvement Contract.

#### ON-SITE SPOTLIGHT...

## FOSS PARK HOSPITAL



#### Client: Wates Group Value: £2.7m

We commenced work at the new Foss Park Hospital in September 2018, and handed over the project to our client, Wates, in March 2020.

Having delivered 1,500m of service trenches, 5,500m of drainage and a 165m3 attenuation tank at this stateof-the-art facility in York, we then installed finishing touches such as steel edgings, resin-bound and rolled whinstone gravel, textured paving slabs and extensive street furniture.

All work at Foss Park Hospital is now complete, and Wates handed over the 72-bed mental health facility over to Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust ahead of schedule.

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"Howards are a proactive company with a good health and safety ethic, bringing some good best practices to the project... All in all a good performance by Howards on this project, and we would have no problem working with Howards in the future."

John Laycock, Senior Project Manager, Wates Group

### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

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# HOWARD CIVIL ENGINEERING

#### HEALTH & SAFETY LEADERBOARD

January: Aflex Hose<br/>Site Manager: Steve PoulsonFebruary: Hard Ings Road<br/>Site Manager: Topy Kilbane

In light of recent events, we were unable to assess health and safety scores across all sites during March and April.

Site Manager: Tony Kilbane

We are pleased to say our sites currently have an average health and safety score of 91.36 across the board, with an AFR rate of 0.21% and no reportable incidents.

Well done, and thanks for making health and safety your top priority!