

## A MESSAGE FROM BEN MCCLUSKEY, PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY CHAIN DIRECTOR

I am excited to share with you the latest edition of our supply chain newsletter, highlighting recent engagement events, site visits, and key updates from our latest SHEQ campaigns.

Our supply chain collaboration events have been a tremendous success in fostering stronger relationships and open communications with our partners. We have conducted several site visits enabling us to understand our project delivery requirements better and identify areas for improvement. And, we've hosted key supply partners at our Scotland engagement event promoting cutting-edge technologies to our operational colleagues.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates and developments in our next issue.



*Ben McCluskey*

PROCUREMENT &  
SUPPLY CHAIN DIRECTOR

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- PPE iStore opened in Barnsley
- 2024 Charity Bike Ride – Bigger and Better
- Spotlight Rail Award win

## NORTH REGION

We've made some changes to our North business unit by separating it into two geographic areas with a regional managing director responsible for each. Taking the lead in the West is Nick Culshaw and the East is being led by Andy Smith while we recruit. This change allows us to further develop our client-focused agile approach.



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**Nick Culshaw**  
Regional Managing  
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## CREATING A COLLABORATIVE FUTURE



Following our North West & Central CP7 framework success we hosted a key supply chain event in Manchester. The agenda included updates about AmcoGiffen, our procurement policies, our shared commitment to social value, SHEQ innovation, a brief from Network Rail and the upcoming pipeline of work.

Together we explored our joint challenges and opportunities, forged solid connections and strengthened our partnership as we embark on this new framework journey.

Thank you to all the attendees who participated in this successful engagement event.

## SUPPLIER SPOTLIGHT



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Experts in Safety



Arco is proudly celebrating its first anniversary as a strategic safety partner to AmcoGiffen – and what a productive 12 months it's been.

While Arco has been supporting us with bespoke solutions for our safety challenges, supplying PPE, clothing, and footwear, we've also accomplished some impressive projects with them. Let's take a closer look at our partnership with the UK's leading safety experts...

### SUCCESS SO FAR

It's been a constructive and collaborative first year working with Arco. One of the most significant achievements is the mobilisation of Arco's web ordering and order management platform. This has provided us with enhanced functionality such as mobile compatibility, real-time stock availability and order tracking. In addition, Arco has supported us with the introduction of exciting new products to our range of PPE, clothing, and footwear including a comprehensive range of women's fit PPE workwear, chainsaw protection, and hi-vis clothing for the aviation team.

Plus we're delighted to confirm that Arco working with VJ Technologies has launched a dedicated PPE and workwear iStore at our Barnsley head office.



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### APPEAL FOR DONATIONS

The Great Western Way, Charity Bike Ride, Bristol to Wembley, London 25-27 September 2024.

Raising money for Accord Hospice and Maggie's Cancer Care our cyclists are training hard with 3509.9 miles covered so far and £9092.33 of our £20k target achieved.

For more photos of puncture repairs and tales from training sessions please donate - Scan the QR code to contribute now and find out more about these incredible charities and why we chose them.

With thanks to our riders and support from AmcoGiffen, Nixon, Speedy Services, Scott Parnell, Redrox, Flannery, Readypower, Garic, Morson Group (Vital/Anderselite) and Go Green who are riding



### SCOTLAND PROCUREMENT EVENT

We exhibited at the Meet the Buyer at Hampden Park, in June. The event is hosted by SDP Scotland and provided us with an opportunity for public sector buying organisations, business support agencies and private sector contractors to come together to expand their supply chains. With over 1,500 attendees the event is a unique opportunity for networking in the region.

# SHEQ Campaign Updates

'Treating Health Like Safety' is a key focus area in our SHEQ Together 24/7 three-year strategy. We've been working on ways to reduce the risks our colleagues face when working around dust.

We've introduced a new **dust procedure** accompanied by a set of 15 visual minimum standards providing at-a-glance guidance. The new procedure is supported by toolbox talks covering construction dust and respiratory protective equipment. The minimum standards make it easy to identify what is required for each operation and check that the right kit is consistently used.

**AMCO GIFFEN SHEQ 24/7 together**

**ELIMINATING OR LIMITING DUST**

**TASK**  
Cutting concrete kerbs, blocks and paving with a cut off saw.

**EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE TASK**  
Cordless Cut off saw + Cordless Dust Extraction attachment (Minimum H Class) + Dust Extraction Unit + Face Mask (P95 / P3 Filters minimum)

**ELIMINATE OR LIMIT THE DUST**  
Limiting the number of cuts during design/layout  
Using lower energy equipment like block splitters  
Getting material cut off site and delivered

Cordless Cut off saw + Battery powered water bottle + Face Mask (P95 / P3 Filters minimum)

**CONTROL THE DUST BY USING:**  
Water suppression (spray) or Dust Extraction (PPE with an APF of 20 (P95 / P3 Filters))

2 Stroke Cut off saw + Battery powered water bottle + Face Mask (P95 / P3 Filters minimum)  
OR Water Bottle (Manual or Electric)

† Inhaled - mandatory 04 Sept 2024

**AMCO GIFFEN** HSE4-GH-001 Dust HSE Task 1

**Step into Safety**

**7 STEPS**

- WALK RESPONSIBLY
- CORRECT WORKWEAR
- SAFE CLEAN-UPS
- ADEQUATE LIGHTING
- SLIP/STAY SURFACES
- SAFETY SIGNS
- PLANS AND PROCEDURES

**THE ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE TO STEP INTO SAFETY**

- Use the correct footwear
- Check your footwear
- Use handrails
- Use ladders correctly
- Use tools correctly
- Use equipment correctly
- Use materials correctly
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**AMCO GIFFEN**



In March we launched our 'Step into Safety' campaign focused on preventing slips, trips and falls in the workplace. These are among the most common workplace incidents but are largely preventable. Our campaign includes a presentation taking our teams through the actions to take and rules to follow. From keeping walkways clear to wearing appropriate footwear every step we take plays a role in a safer working environment for everyone.

Our most recent campaign highlighted the risks to assess when carrying out manual handling tasks. Our guidance is based on the HSE TILE procedure which is Task, Individual, Load and Environment. The prompts on each tile provide a reminder to assess each task on its specific merits and to adjust the method accordingly.

## Award Success!

We were delighted to win the Training Excellence category at the 2024 Spotlight Rail Awards earlier this year for our COSS Academy Programme. The initiative has revolutionised COSS delivery both internally and throughout our supply chain. The interactive training programme is designed to improve consistency and quality and elevate COSS standards leading to continued improvements in the safety of people working on or near the line.

In addition, modules from the academy course will soon be integrated into the COSS syllabus nationwide solidifying its impact on the industry.

**AMCO GIFFEN SPOTLIGHT**

**WINNER**

CATEGORY: TRAINING EXCELLENCE

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#Safety #Rail #Innovation

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