



**WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER**

We are delighted to introduce our newsletter which will be published on a quarterly basis. We are very proud of our contribution to Essex infrastructure and facilities for the people of Essex and our newsletter will be an important way of keeping our valued staff, clients and the community updated on our latest projects and important developments. The publications also give us an opportunity to feature our important charity and fundraising work in the community. We welcome your ideas for future articles or comments on our news. Please contact Connie Carter on [ccarter@awhardy.com](mailto:ccarter@awhardy.com) if you have anything you would like to share with us.

**OUR WORK IN THE COMMUNITY**

Hardy's are very proud of our work in the community to support local charities and other deserving causes. Our annual charity football match is an important event supported by our customers and suppliers with their staff and families. Money raised in the past has gone to causes such as the Dementia appeal at Southend Hospital.

We also have sponsored participants in the London Marathon and this year were particularly pleased to sponsor the Ark Centre in their charity bike ride (see picture below). We were also pleased to contribute to the 2019 Mental Health Awareness initiative.



*Nick Cheshire receiving sponsorship on behalf of The Ark Centre who provide early intervention and support for autistic children.*

Further news on our work will be featured in forthcoming newsletters. Please contact us if you have an event or cause that you wish us to consider for sponsorship.

**60 YEARS YOUNG**

**...and Looking to the Future: Quality construction since 1958**



Last year was a special one for A W Hardy Construction as we celebrated our 60th Birthday. We have been proud to serve the community of Essex and you can't go far without seeing our contribution to schools, healthcare facilities, churches, housing and commercial developments. Many of our exciting projects will be covered in future editions of our newsletter. Our success is built on our staff, many of whom have been with the company for decades. Now in



our 61st year, we are looking to the future and reviewing and strengthening our range of services. Working with partners in other organisations, such as Southend Borough Council's Economic Development Team, we can ensure that Hardy's can meet the needs of Essex for decades to come.

**AW HARDY FLYING HIGH**

Southend Airport is increasingly becoming a major part of economic and social development in Essex, providing new jobs and opportunities for travel and business. A W Hardy were extremely proud to be chosen to construct the new aircraft hangar and work began in May. We are



working with REID Steel technology in what is a challenging and exciting project. As a company that has served Essex for 60 years and, in conjunction



with its sister company W & H Roads Civil Engineering, we are delighted to be involved in the ongoing redevelopment of the airport. Our thanks go to all our fantastic staff for their hard work and expertise. We will cover this exciting project in future newsletters.

# BREAKING NEW GROUND - BILLERICAY'S NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE

We have now started work on building the new £1.6m community facility to replace the Chantry Centre in Billericay. The structure has been designed by architects from leading property and construction consultants Ingleton Wood, which has an office nearby at Lake Meadows Business Park in the town which is being built by A.W. Hardy. Councillors from Billericay Town Council and representatives from Ingleton Wood and A.W. Hardy recently came together for a ceremonial ground-breaking event.

Paul Cavalier, Partner at Ingleton Wood, said: "We are excited to see the work begin. So many people will benefit from this modern building, which will be bathed in light, and will be part of the community for decades to come."

Danny Lawson added: "As a local business, it will be incredibly gratifying to see this take shape over the months until its due completion date in the summer of 2020."

Adam Adshead, Billericay Town Councillor, said: "With the foundations going in we've reached a very significant stage. In a very short time, we'll be able to see the shape of our new community building as it rises out of the ground. We are already seeing a number of community groups contacting us about using the new, modern facilities that we'll be able to provide."

Mark Hayman, MD at A.W. Hardy, said, "Whilst the company has constructed many public buildings during the past 60 years, this is the first for Billericay Town Council. We were keen to be involved and are excited by the proposal - one of the best we have seen! A.W. Hardy are pleased to be involved in providing this newly-built asset for the people of Billericay."



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## Employee of the Month Scheme Launch

In further recognition of the importance of the contribution of our staff, from January 2020, we will be officially launching our EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH SCHEME.

Each month a member of staff will be chosen and recognised for their contribution to our services. All staff are eligible and those chosen will receive shopping vouchers and a donation made to their nominated charity. Staff will be selected for areas such as hard work and dedication, good customer service or their work in the community. More details will be in the next newsletter.

## WE DO LIKE TO BE BESIDE THE SEASIDE!

The longest pleasure pier in the world extends 1.34 miles into the Thames Estuary from the Southend's sea front at Western Esplanade. The existing entrance to the attraction was in need of refurbishment and Southend Borough Council commissioned a project designed to replace the existing entrance with a bright and welcoming one; increasing public facilities such as new toilets, a refreshments area and a new information desk. A W Hardy were delighted to be the chosen contractor and work started in the Spring.

It was a challenging, yet exciting project, using our highly skilled staff; including our in-house carpentry and woodwork shop in the replacement of decking boards. The project involved the preservation of important heritage elements whilst providing modern facilities that would serve the population (and visitors to the town) for decades to come. We were very proud to complete the work within budget and on time. This tied in with the start of the holiday season when visitors could see an impressive entrance to this world-renowned landmark. Southend Council recently reported that the number of visitors had increased during the summer and this is largely attributed to the new entrance. Well done to everyone involved!



Contact us: If you want to discuss your next construction project or for more information about the newsletter, please contact Connie Carter or Tim Sayer on 01702 462721.

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