

# HIS NEWS

OCTOBER EDITION



## Hargreaves Industrial Services

Welcome to our October Newsletter! We're pleased to share the latest news on our initiatives, success stories, and developments from our organisation. This month also marks a sad time for many and the end of an era as the UK's biggest steelworks in Port Talbot, and last coal-fired power station Ratcliffe-on-Soar shut on the same day.

See below to read the full story

### End of an era as UK's biggest steelworks and last coal-fired power station shut forever on the same day



Today marks a sad day for many, and the end of an era, as Britain's last coal-fired power plant Ratcliffe Power Station shuts down, as well as the closure of the blast furnace at Port Talbot. Hargreaves Industrial Services very first operation and maintenance contract with Ratcliffe Power Station began in 1994. Over the years, both of these became essential components of our business. From coal to construction, Hargreaves Industrial Services was born out of the coal mining industry, our operations revolved around mining coal, processing, handling, transporting, as well as selling coal.

As the coal mining industry began to decline, we have had to reshape our business model with a complete change of direction, which has been taking place gradually over the past five-to-ten years. This included us providing project engineering services, from design right through to commissioning, and also acquiring S&B Utilities, a water services business back in 2022.

"It's been a great job. Since coming here after 15 years in the pit, I've met some great characters and made some real friends. It's the end of an era. I never thought I would see the last train coming in. It's a sad day for me personally. I remember 8 trains a day back in the day. Seeing this last train come in is a strange thing. I've enjoyed every minute of time with the team here."

**Keith Parkin - Lead MFO, Ratcliffe Power Station**

# Fourth NOSCART Awarded to Team in South Africa



Well done to Ben Van Der Merwe and the team in South Africa on receiving their fourth NOSCART Award. The NOSCART safety award is recognised as the highest level of excellence within the occupational health, safety and environmental risk management industry. The awards are a key part of recognising and acknowledging those NOSCART.

South African and international clients (companies on both the NOSCART Five Star System and the NOSCART Integrated Five Star System), who have achieved excellence during the period under review. Ben also received the Managing Director of the Year Award (Full Time OHS Function) 2023! A huge well done to all of the team.

## Team at S&B Utilities make a difference in the local community



Our team at S&B Utilities, Knaresbrough have been working on a recent project in their local community to support a local primary school. Barton Primary School of Richmond, North Yorkshire have been constructed a new outside classroom, ready for the children's return this term. This includes vegetable planters, a mindfulness shelter and a tyre run and tractor.

We recently received a letter of thanks from the Head Teacher, letting us know how pleased the children were with this new area to play and plant vegetables. Thank you to those at S&B Utilities for your efforts.

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