

News August 2021

Mindset Monthly Theme for August “Make Sites Safe and Secure”

RoSPA Award

We are pleased to announce Instalcom have been awarded the RoSPA Gold Medal for the seventh consecutive year for demonstrating high health and safety standards through collective efforts from our SHEQ department, Project Delivery Teams and dedicated support functions, and collaboration with Supply Chain partners and our valued clients across the construction and utilities sector. Organisations receiving a RoSPA Award are recognised as being world-leaders in health and safety practice. Every year, there are nearly 2,000 entrants to achieve the highest possible accolade in what is the UK’s longest-running H&S industry awards.



A Virtual Awards Ceremony will be held in September to celebrate the success. The Awards Ceremony will be hosted by Broadcaster and Journalist Ed James, RoSPA President Baroness Jolly, and RoSPA chief executive, Errol Taylor. During the ceremony, RoSPA will be running an online auction and collection donations during the ceremony to raise funds for their vital Keeping Kids Safe Campaign to “Change our society for the better, so that no young child is needlessly hurt or killed in an accident that didn’t have to happen.”

HS2 Diversion Works

As part of the HS2 Utilities diversion works in Denham, Instalcom were appointed to by Align JV to divert an 800mm water main diversion to allow for construction of the 3.37km Viaduct in this area. With the 800mm install in this area we had to overcome an extremely high-water table & flow we had to install a lot of dewatering to allow us to carry out our works, we had to follow extremely high parameters from the EA & Align environmental team to allow us to discharge set quantities of water daily. Instalcom had a lot of involvement with the asset owner Affinity Water and Align in approval of the works and completed on time. Due the high running pressures of this Trunk Main large very large thrust block were required at either end of the tie in points to the original main.



Armed Forces Covent Award

The Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS) encourages employers to support defence and inspire others to do the same and align their values with the Armed Forces Covenant. Instalcom are both delighted and extremely proud to achieve this prestigious award in recognition of our support for this important initiative. Our engagement has provided direct access to a wealth of highly skilled and dedicated resource often with readily transferable skill sets that complement our existing working practices and importantly high standards. We firmly believe as the development and growth of UK Infrastructure continues at pace this talent pool will be fundamental in ensuring the key resource requirements are met to enable the UK’s ambitious plans to be fulfilled. We at Instalcom are grateful for this opportunity to support this enterprise and look forward to our continued future engagement.



EMPLOYER RECOGNITION SCHEME

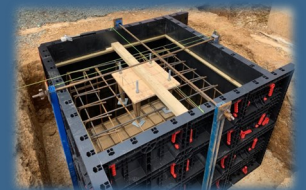
SILVER AWARD 2021

Proudly serving those who serve.

Innovative Formwork Solution

Engineering Enterprise Finan Formworks, leaders of plastic formwork solutions and plastic plywood across the construction industry continually share and integrate innovative solutions that are practical & hugely beneficial for any particular project requirements which we have implemented across our power projects. Plus Form is innovative vertical plastic formwork used for the construction of concrete walls, pillars, walls, plinths, and foundations directly on site which can be pre-assembled on the ground, removed and handled without exceeding manual operation weight limits. An innovative low carbon solution to traditional framework made from ABS (Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene) a form of polymer, known for its impact resistance and toughness resulting in stability underload.

We are the first to utilise the innovative formwork on behalf of WPD (Western Power Distribution) as part the installation of a new 66kV infeed to Bloxham 66/11kV PSS which requires installation of new 66kV circuit breakers and associated switches, within the existing compound and installation of additional protection panels within the existing switch room.



Eltham Passive Optical Network



Eltham W1A delivery is officially up and running. To mark the first PON (passive optical network) being tested Openreach and Instalcom attended site as the first set of results came in, this is another significant step in delivering ultra-fast and ultra-reliable broadband services across the Falcon program in the south. During field trials of PON technology, it was identified companies can develop an even wider range of services and speeds for the UK’s allowing providers to offer consumers and business in the future, allowing them to upgrade customers quickly, smoothly and with no disruption.



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Macmillan Coffee Morning

As part of our yearly tradition, this years Macmillan Coffee Morning is being held on the **24th September, between 10am -11am** in the Head Office Upstairs Kitchen. Last year, we raised an £740 which contributed to the incredible total £10 million which could fund 189 Macmillan Nurses across the UK. Hughie Moffatt will be running the event and will explain any precautions upon arrival to the kitchen area. We are asking for people to bring in a brought/baked cake along with a minimum £1 donation or alternatively donate via the link (<https://thyg.uk/BUU004021260>). The first ever Coffee Morning happened way back in 1990 with a simple idea: guests would gather over coffee and donate the cost of their cuppa to Macmillan in the process.



Lumen Contract Award

LUMEN Instalcom has been awarded a rail contract by Lumen previously known as Century Link to install, joint terminate and test 35 kilometres of 48 fibre cables within the Network Rail corridor. The scope will include survey, route clearance, civils and cable installation. Works will be undertaken using the existing 'Deed of Grant' agreement between Network Rail and Lumen. The installation works are in the Wiltshire area and form 2 x discreet sections (Bradford to Westbury and Townsend to Westbury). Currently in the pre-construction phase, it is expected physical works will commence in October 2021 (subject to Network Rail access planning timescales).

Network Rail Telecom Contract Award

Instalcom continue to be the preferred supplier for the installation of Fibre Interface Points (FIPs) on behalf of Network Rail. The latest requirement is to install a FIP at the NR Neville Hill Depot. Scope of works includes civils, cable installation, termination and testing. The new FIP will utilise the NR backbone fibre installed by FTN to provide FTNx and IP networks in support of the new Digital Railway, whilst further enhancing rail safety, cost and performance.



Positive Feedback

Instalcom recently received some brilliant feedback regarding the recent National Grid Substation works. *"We was greeted with, a very helpful and respectful attitude towards the resident's along Shelbourne Road, (which shares a private drive with National Grid's sub station, to back of our houses/garage's) with great communication to cause no disruptions to our daily coming and goings, especially when it involved children's commute's to/from school, adding to that, assisting in safe entering & exiting of drive way to main road, adjusting work around routine, which was something I really appreciated. They went above their duty to assist in any way possible. Many thanks and Kind regards, to all involved in the works carried out by Instalcom and OCU."*



Sponsorship

Instalcom proudly sponsored Connor 'Lightning' Lynch, a pro boxer from Manchester for his fight on the 20th August 2021 at the BEC Arena, Trafford Park, Manchester. Connor's trainer is Kieran Farrell, recipient of a British Empires Medal for his outstanding services to boxing, and in helping disadvantaged local youths, alongside Joe Gallagher, an astute boxing historian who has won and been nominated for Trainer of the Year several times. Connor started boxing when he was just 5 years old, and has previously been North West champion 3 times, and boxed for England between the ages of 15-17. After his win on the 20th of August, Connor now holds an incredible 8-0 pro record, and we wish him every success in all future fights.



Mindset



During the month of August our 8th Monthly Mindset Initiative was "Make Sites Safe and Secure". It is vital to ensure the safety and security of sites as each construction project is unique and carries its own particular issues depending on the size, nature and location of the project. Construction site theft is fairly common due to the large amounts of valuable materials and equipment which is why we continually invest in our security methods including but not limited to: perimeter security, security lighting, secure storage, security alarms surveillance system and professional services. When leaving site you must ensure it is secure. It is also highly important to follow measures including wearing correct PPE, ensuring you are fully competent and aware of the risks of the works you are carrying out, reading and displaying signage throughout sites, using technology such as our lone working apps, inspect tools and equipment regularly, carrying out and continually reviewing risk assessments and communicating any reportable incidents or near-misses to ensure the safety of personnel, visitors etc.

"Put yourself in the right mindset, be aware and take ownership of your own safety by placing a focus on the right here and right now"

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