

NEWSLETTER
FEBRUARY 2021NEW OWNERS TAKE THE HELM AT
PLAYFORDS

Playfords Ltd is pleased to announce the completion of a management buyout and restructure of the Board of Directors.

Playfords have developed to become a leading Building Services Contractor with offices in Huntingdon, Durham and Dartford, with over 95 years of experience and expertise in the fields of electrical & mechanical services, renewable energy, voice & data cabling and audio visual & IT networking – the complete solution for all buildings M&E services installations.

The MBO heralds a new era for Playfords Ltd which is approaching 100 years in business in 2025. This has provided the business with an appropriate leadership structure to make possible the retirement of our existing shareholders and continue to drive Playfords forward into the future.

The new shareholders, James Tuohy – Managing Director who headed up the acquisition of the management buyout along with Andy Downing - Group Operations Director and Dave Miller - Northern Operations Director, will be working with our retiring Directors to allow a smooth transition and continuation of services to our many valued clients.

The new Owners would like to thank Alan Tuohy, Julian Winspear and Mick Tee for their dedication and drive during the past years as Directors and shareholders of Playfords Ltd.

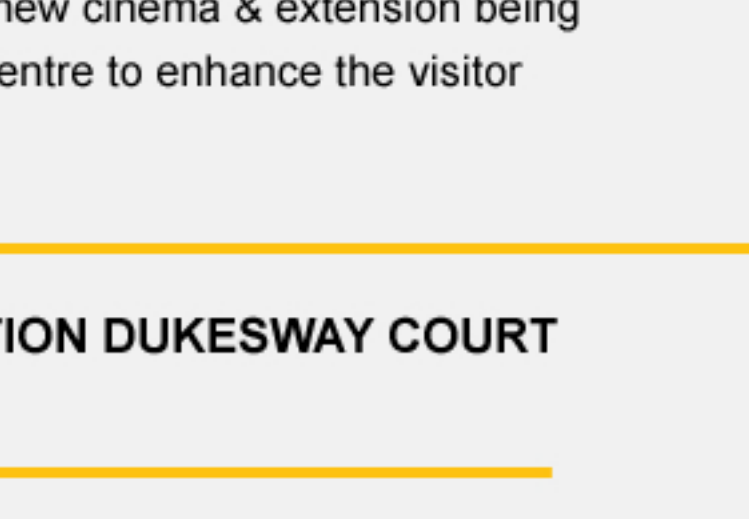
Commenting on plans for the business, James Tuohy said: *"I am delighted and honoured to be able to continue the long-standing success of Playfords and thank our outgoing Directors for their valuable service throughout their tenure. The MBO has ensured a seamless transition of control for the business and represents an exciting opportunity for the team to implement our vision and exciting future plans for the business. Alongside my fellow Directors we remain committed to continuing with our current business strategy, the plan that has been created for the MBO has identified a number of opportunities and developments for us to explore in the near future"*

"As with any important business change, we will continue to work closely with our customers and suppliers whilst guaranteeing that our high standards and service levels remain in place to meet expectation"

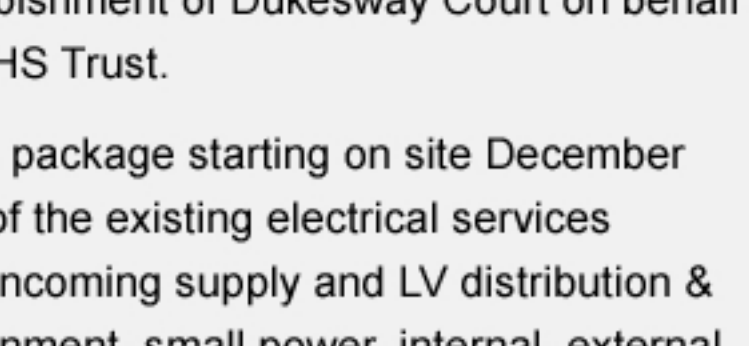
PROJECT NEWS

QUEENSGATE SHOPPING CENTRE – CINEMA EXTENSION

Works continue on the project at Queensgate Shopping Centre Peterborough, with construction work now well under way. At the end of 2020 a major milestone was completed to re locate a major electrical substation to a new position and housing on the roof to allow for the existing substation to be demolished and for the new cinema to be constructed.

NORTH EAST AMBULANCE STATION DUKESWAY COURT
INTERNAL REFURBISHMENT

Playfords successfully secured the project to refurbish the North East Ambulance station in Gateshead. Initial works commenced in December 2020 with the project starting in earnest in January 2021.



The project comprises the internal refurbishment of Dukesway Court on behalf of the North East Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

This was a complete Electrical Services package starting on site December 2020. The services include verification of the existing electrical services installation, stripping out and securing, incoming supply and LV distribution & metering, final circuit distribution, containment, small power, internal, external and emergency lighting, lighting control, intruder and CCTV installation, fire detection and alarm system, door access system, data & voice infrastructure and mechanical services electrical installation, allowing the NHS to occupy the new training facility in March / April 2021.

PLAYFORDS NEWS

Playfords have launched our social media presence on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

We will be using these platforms to promote and showcase Playfords work, team and culture throughout the year and look forward to engaging with our clients, team and supply chain in a similar fashion.

We can be found at



www.instagram.com/playfordsltd



www.twitter.com/playfordsltd

THE TEAM

We are happy to introduce three new apprentices to our engineering team in Taylor Betty, Alfie Canning and Ben Barwick. All three joined Playfords at the end of 2020 and begin their Electrical Apprenticeships immediately, continuing Playfords' commitment to training our team and recruiting new apprentices annually.

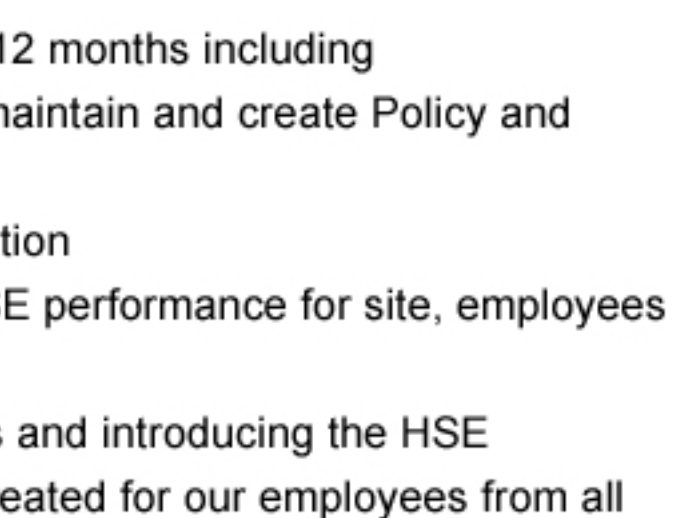


We are delighted to introduce Robbie Jackson to the role of Project Engineer, working within our Delivery Team across the British Sugar sites. Robbie takes on the role following many years working his way through the ranks at Playfords from Electrician to Site Supervisor and now Project Engineer.



SAFE TO START

Our commitment to health, safety and the environment is part of our overall pledge to become a leader in our sector, to lead the way in best practices, to maintain our zero RIDDOR goal and to ensure employees and contractors return home safely after the working day.



At Playfords the health, safety and wellbeing of our employees and those who work with us is highly valued and important to the success of our business.

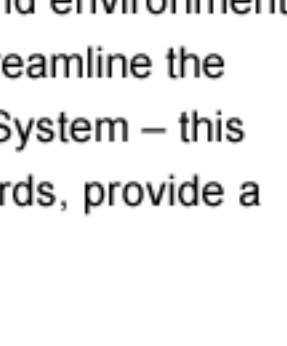
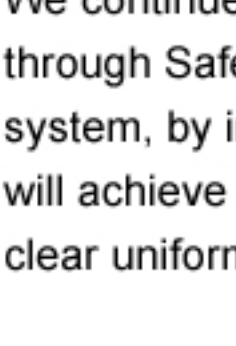
Safe to Start was created with a clear goal to promote health, safety and the environment. To provide employees and contractors with the correct tools, (information, instruction, training and supervision) to perform their duties to the highest standard.

Safe to Start has achieved a lot in the last 12 months including

- Working with the teams to update, maintain and create Policy and Procedures
- Maintaining our ISO45001 accreditation
- Introducing new ways to monitor HSE performance for site, employees and contractors
- Changing the way we hold meetings and introducing the HSE Committee Meeting, a Committee created for our employees from all sites to come together to share ideas, discuss HSE issues and concerns and receive clear and concise information from our HSEQ Manager and a Company Director

Maintaining accreditations to:

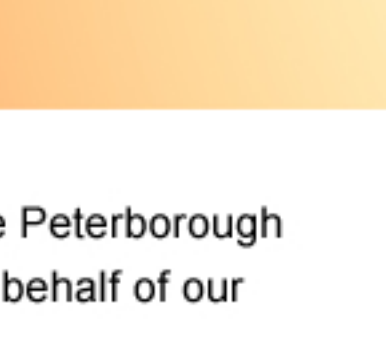
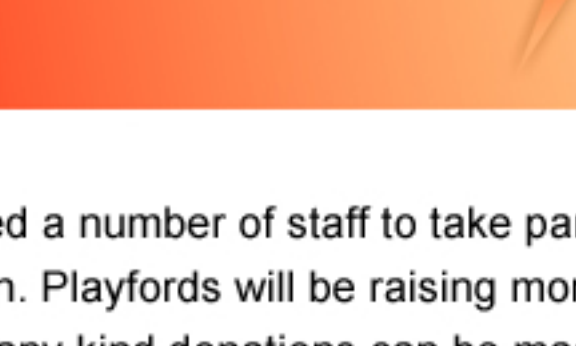
- BSI ISO 9001, ISO 14001 & ISO 45001
- CHAS
- Construction Line Gold
- SafeContractor



This and more has been achieved during the most challenging of times of COVID-19. Throughout the pandemic Safe to Start continues to provide support and guidance to employees, including creating and implementing Policy & Procedures, RAMS, regular Safety Alert updates, ensuring PPE is readily available and sites and offices are COVID-19 secure with cleaning regimes, social distancing and hand sanitiser readily available. Government guidance is constantly reviewed and adhered to.

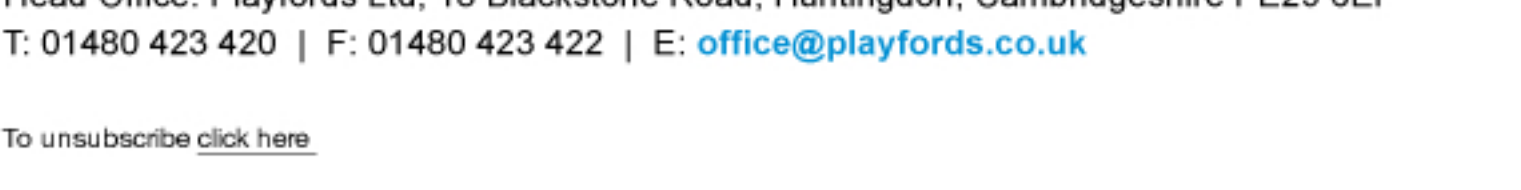
We continue with our commitment to promoting health, safety and environment through Safe to Start. One of our commitments for 2021 is to streamline the system, by integrating HSEQ into one Integrated Management System – this will achieve commitment to continuous improvements for Playfords, provide a clear uniform image and reduce duplication.

PLAYFORDS IN THE COMMUNITY



In keeping with previous years, Playfords have made their annual charitable donations to our 3 chosen charities: Sue Ryder, Ellenor Hospice Care & Teesside Hospice instead of sending out Christmas cards.

We are happy to be able to support these fantastic charities and hope our donations can contribute a small amount to the excellent work they carry out.



Playfords have entered a number of staff to take part in the Peterborough mid-summer 10km run. Playfords will be raising money on behalf of our chosen charities and any kind donations can be made at

<https://www.justgiving.com/team/Playfords10KRunners>

The competitive streak in the team is starting to kick in and everyone wants to win the Playfords race. We will be reporting the results and the winner after the event.