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WELCOME FROM IAN AND TONIA

Welcome to our new-look newsletter, with a fresh and contemporary design. We hope you're going to enjoy the content and all future editions.

Moving forward we want to try and share as much information from you, our staff, and your exciting stories - we want to hear about you!

We have experienced the toughest 12 months both professionally and personally. Particularly, the last few weeks as we and the girls were hit with Covid. We'd like to thank you all for your continued support during this period.

We are starting the year fresh with a real likelihood that the pandemic is coming to an end with the new vaccine role out. We are also in a really positive place as a company moving forward and I've never been so excited about the portfolio of exciting and strategic projects both east and west. We're in a good position to rebound as a company.

Thanks to Hannah for putting the newsletter together, and we hope you'll get involved and support this moving forward.

Ian and Tonia

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW DIRECTOR

IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT WE ANNOUNCE THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUDI BOWEN TO DIRECTOR.

TRUDI HAS WORKED TIRELESSLY FOR THE COMPANY AND HAS SHOWN TRUE DEDICATION, COMMITMENT AND LEADERSHIP IN EVERYTHING THAT SHE DOES.



Let's get to know Trudi a little better:

What is your past experience?

I have worked in the construction industry for around 20 years. I started my career with Thyssen Construction as a PA to a Business Development Manager and was one day asked to look into getting them a Quality System. I haven't looked back since! I moved on to work in Morrison Construction as part of their bidding team on AMP 4. I spent 11 years with Morrison Construction (who were bought out by Galliford Try). I was lucky enough to be working in an industry leading collaborative team. I ended up travelling the country with Galliford Try working with a team of strong leaders setting up a JV to deliver £350 million AMP5 for Thames Water in Hampton Court, London before being promoted into a national role. After travelling the county for a number of years, I took a role with Dawnus working out of Swansea and soon ended up travelling the country again as the business expanded. Having had enough of travelling, I joined Morganstone back in 2017. I have had the privilege to work with some amazing and inspiring people who have helped shape my career.

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Construction has always been the industry for me. It is challenging, exciting and rewarding all at the same time. You put the work in and recognition and reward follow, this has been the road map of my 20-year career in the industry.

I am extremely proud to be appointed as a Director for Morganstone and am excited at what the future holds for me personally and for Morganstone.

What does your current role involve?

My role is extremely diverse. I look after all things associated with managing business risk and compliance. Between our team of 4 we cover Health, Safety, Environment, Quality, CSR and Training. My wider industry and business experience allows me to support other departments in managing the challenges and risks they face.

Tell us a bit about yourself?

I was born in a small village called Loughor in Swansea. My career has taken me right across the country which was exciting but challenging with a young family. My family is my passion and this is something that is shared by my extended Morganstone family.

PROJECT NEWS

NEW HOMES WITH SPECTACULAR VIEWS OF SWANSEA BAY....

BEACON HILL



Morganstone are working with Pobl Group to achieve their vision for this new development. To transform the former University of Wales Trinity Saint David's (UWTSD) campus site and deliver a high-quality, rich and diverse mix of new homes.

The project is a mixed tenure development of 76 apartments and 84 new homes that have been designed to make the most of the superb views and other qualities of the site.



One of the highlights on the 12-acre site, is that we will preserve the historically important and impressive Edwardian college building, overseeing a sensitive conversion and extension of this landmark building into 62 Nr one and two-bedroom apartments that will have spectacular views over Swansea Bay.

The remainder of the development will see the inclusion of a new landscaped urban square, generous amenity space and a good mix of one, two, three and four-bedroom homes as well as a small convenience store.

PROJECT NEWS

WE'RE HANDING OVER INNOVATION HOUSE TAKE A LOOK AT...



Morganstone in partnership with Rhondda Housing Association have re-developed the site of the former Innovation House in Llanharan.

The team developed 16 houses, 5 bungalows and 18 flats. The houses were conventional two storey construction, whilst the bungalows are simple single storey buildings. The apartments are arranged in two blocks around a courtyard area.



Well done to Kevin Lake, Simon Davies, Paul Bowden, Euan Edwards and all the Innovation team. It looks fantastic!

PROJECT NEWS



GWYNFRYN

This is the first project between Morganstone and Carmarthenshire Council and involves the construction of 28 new homes for rent.



YSGOL DYFFRYN Y GLOWYR

We're excited to be working on a school project with new client - Powys County Council and Heart of Wales Property Services.



GOWER HEIGHTS

Gower Heights is Westacres new development of 13 homes in the heart of the Gower Peninsula, including 9 executive homes and 4 affordable homes.



PARC EIRIN VIRTUAL TAKEOVER

This week we held a Parc Eirin social media takeover. Each day we posted about a different aspect of the project and how it's fighting climate change.

Check out our Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn to find out more about the project.

PROJECT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS BARRY CONS CLUB

Barry Cons Club won a Highly Commended Social Housing Award at the 2021 Building Excellence Awards. Huge well done to the team!



CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Adam McCarthy and all the team at Parc Eirin for achieving CCS Certificate of Excellence. Well done for all your hard work!

PROJECT NEWS

HEALTH & SAFETY CHAMPIONS

In 2021 we launched Health & Safety Champions.

Morganstone are committed to managing the risks of occupational health, safety and environment and setting a good example to encourage and inspire other workers to make positive changes that will help create and maintain a safe and healthy workplace.

Safety champions promote a positive health and safety culture, they are passionate about safety and take an active role on safety committees.

We're still looking for more Safety Champions and we'd love for you to get involved.



If you're interested please
contact Attila -
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Employee & Subcontractor OF THE MONTH

To promote team involvement and help improve standards of health, safety and environmental performance across our projects a NEW HSE reward scheme will be launched on the **1st APRIL**.

The scheme is designed to reward those Morganstone and Subcontractor employees who have demonstrated a positive approach to health, safety and environment - going above and beyond. Recognition will take into consideration improvement ideas and suggestions made through the safety improvement card initiative, general conduct, consistent adherence to rules and good practice. Anybody can nominate a member of their team for recognition.

How to nominate - Simply email mail@morganstone.co.uk with the Name and Employer of the individual being nominated along with a brief paragraph around why you think they deserve the recognition and reward. Nominations are now open and winners will be announced monthly throughout the year.

There will be a winner in 2 categories - Morganstone Employee and Subcontractor Employee. The winners will be selected by the Senior Management team. Each winner will be rewarded with vouchers of their choice to a value of £25.00

Get nominating!

IN THE COMMUNITY

£1,500 DONATION

We donated £1,500 to the Gilfach Goch Community Association . GGCA work in partnership with FairShare to purchase food for members of the local community.



SCHOOL RUGBY KIT

Our Parc Newydd project sponsored Ty'ler Ynn Primary School's new rugby kit.

Virtual

MEET THE BUYER

We held our first virtual meet the buyer event at Ysgol Dyffryn Y Glowyr

ST DAVID'S DAY GIFT

As we couldn't arrange a St David's Day concert for the residents of Ty Dffryn we decided to treat them to gift bags with little welsh treats.



St David's Day

POSTER COMPETITION

We held a poster competition with the pupils at Ysgol Dyffryn Y Glowyr. The winning designs will be displayed on the site hoarding.



EMPLOYEE NEWS

It's
a boy



Congratulations to Zoe on the birth of her beautiful baby boy.
Kobe Jax Percival arrived on 6th October weighing 8lb 1oz



Welcome back

Daf and Ben!



Huge congratulations to our Assistant Site Managers, Jake Roberts and Sam Tucker and Accounts Assistant, Ciaran Lewis...

Sam and Jake have successfully passed all assignments in their first semester. They are studying for a HNC and HND in Construction Management.

Ciaran has achieved at least 90% in all three of his last exams. Ciaran is currently undertaking an AAT level 3 in Accounting. All your hard work is paying off!

It's was a special day at Morganstone, as not one but two of our awesome staff received a presentation for their 10 years of loyal service to the company.

A huge thank you and well done to Craig Bamsey & Chris Weaver, shame we couldn't celebrate in style.



Birthdays

Wishing Attila and Daf
Happy Birthdays in
March



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Nerys Hull

GROUP SERVICES SUPPORT

How long have you worked for Morganstone?

I have worked for Morganstone for just under 2 years.

What does a typical working day look like for you?

A typical day at work varies massively, everyday is different. At the moment, Morganstone are going through external audit so my days are filled with audit preparation. I split my time between the office and our sites to ensure that we are fully prepared.

What 3 words best describe your role?

Exciting, rewarding and fast-paced.

What do you enjoy most about working at Morganstone?

Morganstone offers great progression and room for growth, there is a lot of support from my team to progress and be the best version of myself. I also enjoy the tight knit community there is from Morganstone being a family run business.

Can you tell us a little about yourself?

I was born and grew up in Cardiff, but have recently moved to the Vale of Glamorgan. I am the oldest of my siblings – I have a younger brother and sister.

On the weekends, I enjoy going for walks on the beach and bingeing Netflix with a G&T.

Where is your favourite place to holiday?

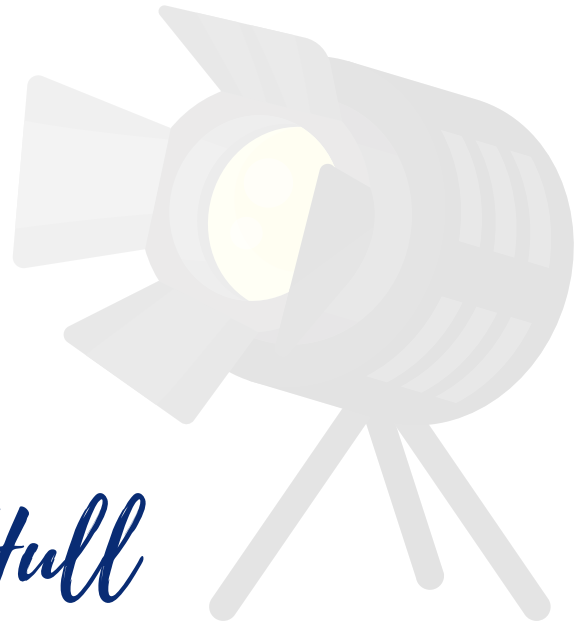
It would either be Bali or Walt Disney World (it's hard to choose one), but there are so many places in the world I want to visit, my list is never ending!

What is your personal motto?

Be yourself. Everyone else is taken

If you were to have a dinner party, which 3 people would you invite and why?

1. The Queen – my obsession with the Crown has left me with so many questions
2. Jodie Comer – she's just amazing
3. Barak Obama – inspiration to get what I want out of life



EMPLOYEE NEWS



Attila's son Jordan and his band **For You The Moon** have signed a record deal with Slam Dunk records. Their second single is due to be released in March



Congratulations to Trudi and Nerys who both moved into their new homes.



Our very own Litter Hero... Rhys Cook. "I've always enjoyed a quick stroll at lunch time and noticed the amount of litter around the local area. So armed with a litter picker and black bag I've been trying to keep the area as clean as possible. I've even convinced a local to join in!"



We Need You...

This is your newsletter, we need your stories and photos from work or special personal occasions – anniversaries, birthdays, holidays, charity events etc.

You can send us your interesting facts, useful tips, photos etc.

The newsletter will be published each quarter and the next edition is out in June.

Send your contributions to: hannah.breen@morganstone.co.uk

Remember...we'll be issuing a regular newsbulletin to keep you up-to-date with all the latest news or you could follow us on our social media channels:

