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INVESTMENT IN DELIVERY FLEET

8 NEW TRUCKS IN THE PAST YEAR AND 10 OVER THE LAST 3 YEARS

McVeigh Parker has made a large long-term investment of over a £1m in our delivery fleet in the last year. We have taken delivery of 8 new trucks, 6 of which have been custom made for us by Mac Trucks of Huddersfield. The 18t for Cambs and 7.5t that was originally for Sussex were supplied by HTC TRUCKS IN Reading.

Over the last year the following new trucks have been branded in our distinctive colours and seen around the country delivering our products: 26t Daf with Moffett 2020, 26t Volvo with Fassi crane, 26t Daf with Moffett 2019, 18t Daf with Fassi 2019, 18t Daf with Fassi 2019, 18t Daf with Fassi 2019, 7.5t Daf 2019, 18t Daf 2019, 26t Daf with Fassi Crane 2018, 26t Daf with Moffett 2017, 26t with Moffett 2017. An impressive addition to our growing fleet.



There is also the new Wagon and Drag that should be delivered into Scotland by the Autumn and this will give us a large flexible load capacity, but with a lot more manoeuvrability.

Jim Craig commented that, "It will be unique, as it will be the first wagon and drag in the fleet, and capable of carrying the same as an artic, but way more flexible and manoeuvrable. As far as I know, it will be the only one of its kind in the country, it has the ability to carry a Moffett on both the unit at the front and also on the trailer "basically it's like having the capacity of 2 trucks."

This major investment that we have made, enables us to give even better service to our customers and is confirmation of our confidence in the future and faith in the great team of people we have in all 8 depots across the country, all delivering the best service in the industry.



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CLIPLEX IS THE DOGS' FENCING

A friend of Amanda Williams has come up with a very good business idea using 3 acres of land in a picturesque area between Manchester and Huddersfield. Charlotte set up a company called My Dog Field with the idea of providing customers a secure field that they can hire and have sole use of. This allows them to let their dogs run free or makes it easier to carry out training without the worry of the dog escaping or being attacked by other dogs. In the current circumstances, it also provides a safe environment, a comfortable distance away from any other people that you may bump into in public parks or other popular dog walking areas.

Clearly, it was vital that the area was secured safely, reliably and with a product that will last a long time in order to justify the investment. The terrain is steep, rocky and there is no access for heavy machinery. My Dog Field chose some of McVeigh Parker's premium fencing products as the solution.



After thoroughly researching the options, here is what Charlotte used and the sound business and practical reasons behind her choices. Perhaps, the most important consideration is value for money – over the lifetime of the business, investing in fencing guaranteed to last will save money long term, this has led to the following specifications for Charlotte's dog enclosure.

- **3.0m 150-175 Creo strainers**
Dug in with posts knocked in using a petrol post driver
- **2.4 75-100 Creo struts**
- **12ft fully meshed deer gates and galv post to suit**
- **Medium gripples**
Used to join and tension the wire
- **XLHT13-190-7.5 100m wire netting**
Perfect for containing even the smallest dogs and tall enough to stop the larger ones jumping out.
- **Clipex Deer Standards**
Every 4m for the simplicity and ease of installation, plus the Clipex posts detract the least from the panoramic views the site has.



Since opening, "My Dog Field" has proven a big success, with customers travelling from near and far to use the field. Charlotte has received lots of positive feedback from customers stating how confident they were letting their dogs run free off lead thanks to the security of the fencing. Before Charlotte was aware of Clipex fencing, the thought of doing the fencing with traditional posts was daunting, however, thanks to the simplicity of Clipex and the popularity of this field, Charlotte is now looking to fence another field!

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TIMBER vs STEEL A GUIDE TO FENCE POSTS



Deciding on the type of new or replacement fence for your land is no longer as straightforward as it once was. Especially when trying to weigh up the pros and cons of wooden and steel fence posts. Factors that are worth considering are practicality, aesthetics, short and long term costs and more and more important these days, sustainability.

Installation

Using a wooden fence post system, you will require two people in order to install the posts efficiently, the posts are heavy and can be cumbersome to work with.

So how does a Clipex Post compare?

In considering ease of installation, Clipex galvanised steel posts are lighter, take up a lot less space for storage and transportation and can be installed by someone working on their own, saving labour time and cost. No specialist tools are required, and the ground disturbance is kept to a minimum. Beside the all-round savings to be made on installation, the innovative design of Clipex

posts gives you an added level of security when compared to wooden posts. They are fitted with an anti-lift plate which means it is extremely difficult to lift the post once it is installed, giving you significant additional peace of mind.

Aesthetics

Although the look of a fence post really comes down to your own personal preference and a wooden fence post certainly can create a more natural rustic effect than steel, if you're looking for an elegant well designed and modern looking post, Clipex is the answer. It provides a fence that can have a lot less impact on your view of the countryside than the much bulkier timber post.

Durability

The service life of a fence must be taken into consideration. A fence post system that is prone to the vagaries of the British weather and will potentially rot to replacement level within a few years just isn't cost-effective. Another thing to think about is that damaged fence posts can

bring health and safety risks to your farm - a rotting fence will need constant attention and can be a danger to livestock. Timber fence posts, even when treated, may only last 5 years. The Clipex post won't rot, split or warp and has a much better strength to weight ratio.

Sustainability

With increasing awareness of the environmental impact of agriculture, opting for a sustainable fencing system is becoming a major priority amongst farmers and contractors. Whilst a lot of timber is obtained from sustainable sources, by its very nature, the process still involves cutting down trees. This releases carbon into the atmosphere, which contributes to global warming. The treatment of timber can be harmful to eco systems because chemicals used to preserve the wood can leach into the ground and contaminate soil or groundwater, harming the surrounding environment.

Clipex is a far more sustainable option, not only is there no chemical contamination of the soil, lighter and easier to transport, it is also fully recyclable at the end of its life.

Costs

When it comes to costs, it is tempting to focus the short-term. Initially, a cheaper timber fence might seem appealing. However, it may need replacing 3 or 4 times in the 30 years minimum life we expect from an all steel fence, and this means that the initial slightly higher investment would have been more cost-effective.

Although Clipex incurs a greater upfront cost than timber, the long-term cost per metre beats all the competition. The 30-year guarantee, strength and durability offered by our all steel fence system means it will not need maintenance or replacing any time soon. All steel fencing systems are the systems for the next generation.

STAFF NEWS



Returning Staff

We would like to welcome all staff back as they return after shielding themselves as directed by the government. Stay safe and it's great to have the full team back working together.

New Staff

In other good news, we are very pleased to confirm that Tessa Lofthouse has joined the company and has started the process of travelling around all the depots to get to know our people and systems.

Laura Goodfellow and Nick Oakwell have both started in Reading, Laura in accounts and Nick as a driver – **Welcome to McVeigh Parker!**

Matthew Bushnell will be starting at the beginning of September as a new salesperson, also in Reading.

A Congratulations must also go to Vicky and Jamie from the Kent depot on the birth of their second McVeigh Parker baby, a healthy baby boy born on the 20th July.

PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

Anti-Covid-19 Products

- Keep your family, visitors or employees safe with our anti-Covid-19 products
- 500ml anti-bacterial hand gel – fast-drying, soothes the skin contains Aloe Vera
- Kills 99.9% of bacteria
- Perry Premium Hand Wipes – tub of 100 wipes approved anti-bacterial formulation. Cleans oils, lubricants, grease and grime inks and dyes leaves hands feeling fresh, clean and smooth.



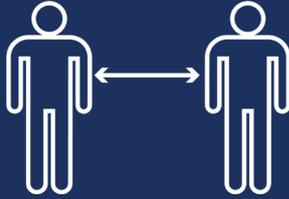
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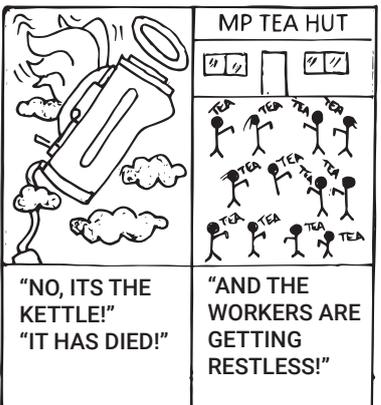
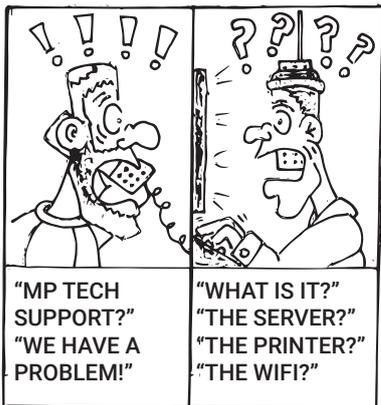
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MORE DUCTILE

EXCEPTIONAL STRENGTH IN THE KNOT & WIRE



SUDOKU CHALLENGE

This month graded as Medium

Take part in our monthly Sudoku competition! For your chance to win a McVeigh Parker wire twister! The first ten replies win!

Submit your entry to leader@mcveighparker.co.uk



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