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The latest news from Countrystyle Recycling Ltd : **Spring 2015**

Countrystyle Wins Kent Commercial Services Contract

Countrystyle Recycling has been appointed by Commercial Services Ltd (a Kent County Council wholly owned trading company) as the waste haulage and plant hire service provider for two waste transfer stations in Kent, North Farm at Tunbridge Wells and Dunbrik at Sevenoaks.

The four year contract, worth c. £6 million across the life of the agreement commenced on 1st April 2015 and sees Countrystyle manage the waste haulage for over 116,000 tonnes of material per year including wood, dry mixed recyclables, green waste, soil and rubble, glass, plasterboard, asbestos and domestic bulky waste. Countrystyle also takes over responsibility for operating plant at each site for loading vehicles for off site haulage.

The materials will be collected by Countrystyle's own artic fleet and transported to various treatment and disposal sites, including Countrystyle's own recycling facility at Ridham, nr Sittingbourne, Kent.

Alan Horton, Head of Operations of Commercial Services Kent Ltd, said, "We are pleased to have awarded our waste haulage and plant hire contract to Countrystyle Recycling. Key to the operation of any waste transfer station is the efficiency of the on-site loading and movement of the various waste streams off-site. Commercial Services is certain that Countrystyle is the right operator to provide this efficient level of service given their reputation for delivery in the market."



Countrystyle Expands Paper Recycling Service in the South East



Countrystyle has secured contracts with three major South East-based print companies to provide recycling services that aim to improve the sustainability of the printing operations of each of these companies.

Headley Brothers (Ashford), Pureprint Group (Uckfield) and Mastercolour (Tunbridge Wells) have appointed Countrystyle to recycle a variety of waste materials from their premises, including all grades of paper, cardboard, plastic and wood. Countrystyle is providing dedicated recycling containers and compactors to each company to make the collection and recycling process as efficient and simple as possible.

Headley Brothers, Pureprint Group and Mastercolour each operate environmentally sustainable printing businesses that aim to reduce the environmental impact of printing. The role of Countrystyle, in providing efficient collection services and sourcing end-destination recycling solutions, is critical to promoting each company's 'green credentials'.



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Countrystyle takes the Lead in Reducing Fire Risk

As part of Countrystyle's application to amend its waste wood processing permit at its site at Ridham Sea Terminals, Countrystyle has invested heavily in ensuring that its new processed wood storage area follows the guidance issued by the Environment Agency (TGN7.01) and the WISH Forum on reducing fire risk at Waste and Recycling Sites.

Storage bunkers constructed from fire resistant concrete blocks are being erected on a dedicated 2 acre site, which will incorporate an integrated fire and dust suppression system as well as stockpile temperature and integrated CCTV monitoring capability.



As part of its extensive planning and consultation process prior to submission, Countrystyle obtained prior approval to its integrated fire management system from Kent Fire & Rescue Service. Stuart Butler-Gallie, Director of Legal & Admin, said "the approach taken by the Company, as a key player in the waste wood processing market, to planning future investment in its processes, demonstrates our commitment to being at the forefront of compliance in a difficult operating environment."



**Kent Fire &
Rescue Service**

Trade Waste Expansion requires Fleet Upgrade



To ensure our continued commitment to a quality service for trade waste customers as part of Countrystyle's Fleet Replacement Programme and as part of growth plans, the Company takes delivery of three new Mercedes Arocs dustcarts in May 2015 with a further six deliveries scheduled between August and September 2015. This takes Countrystyle's trade waste fleet to 19 and its total fleet of all vehicles to 100.

The new Mercedes dustcarts will provide additional flexibility to trade waste rounds operating in the Ashford and Margate areas in Kent and will enable expansion of Countrystyle's collection services in areas centred on Croydon, Bromley, Epsom and Redhill

The new trade vehicles boast a number of features that improve efficiency and reduce the Company's carbon footprint. The Mercedes dustcarts come with a light-weight chassis which along with the new Euro 6 engine reduces fuel consumption. The vehicles also come with a new Fleetboard Eco Support system which offers the driver tips on their driving to improve vehicle efficiency and reduce environmental impact.

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MRW National Recycling Awards 2015

DS Smith in partnership with Countrystyle have been shortlisted as one of the finalist for the Waste Prevention award category at this year's MRW National Recycling Awards taking place at the Hilton Hotel, Park Lane, London on the 1st July 2015.

DS Smith operate the second biggest recovered fibre based paper operation in Europe, Kemsley Mill in Kent. Working in partnership, Countrystyle is now able to recycle 12,000tpa of Ragger Rope. These ropes are a by-product of the paper pulping process. They consist of metal wire, which is continually pulled through the pulper to remove contaminants from the paper pulp such as plastic. The Ragger Ropes were previously sent to landfill.



Countrystyle Cleaning Up Kent Cricket

Countrystyle has joined forces with Kent County Cricket Club in promoting access to cricket activities, countywide.

Countrystyle, is the first business in the county's history to have a direct association with Kent Cricket's Community Department, as a Major Sponsor for the next three years. Countrystyle will also be managing all the waste collection and recycling of dry mixed recyclables, glass, green and general waste at The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence, Canterbury and the County Ground, Beckenham.



Kent Cricket's community department worked with 117 schools in 2014, involving 2,183 hours of staff time. The team conducted 115 teacher training sessions, were linked to over 3,000 formal and informal cricket matches and had contact with 41,867 school pupils. Its portfolio of work includes support for 320 affiliated clubs including 180 junior sections and 64,000 players annually.

Kent Cricket CEO Jamie Clifford said: "It is very encouraging to have local businesses recognise and invest in our community work. This is often the unglamorous and little-known activities we do and yet it affects thousands of school children and adults throughout Kent".

Supporting the KM Charity Awards

Countrystyle were proud to be able to support the KM Charity and the Green travel heroes from across Kent and Medway at the KM Walk to School Awards in February 2015. The ceremony took place at the Chatham Historic Dockyards, Kent.

The event recognised the efforts and achievements of everyone involved in supporting and expanding Kent's network of walking buses and walk to school schemes. An amazing 40,000 children are now using the Walk to School schemes, tackling congestion on the school run and contributing to healthy lifestyles for the next generation.



Looking Forward

Recycling & Waste Management Exhibition



RWM 15 – 17 SEPTEMBER 2015
NEC BIRMINGHAM

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  **CIWM** RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND WASTE MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

Countrystyle are pleased to be exhibiting at the only event in the UK dedicated to the waste management and recycling industry - RWM in partnership with the CIWM. The exhibition takes place at the NEC, Birmingham on Tuesday 15th to Thursday 17th September. **Why not come and see us at stand 4L10-M11**

Countrystyle Sponsors Recycling Officer of the Year

Countrystyle is delighted to be once again sponsoring the Recycling Officer of the Year category at this year's LARAC



2015 Conference in Nottingham on the 14th - 15th October. Good luck to all those nominated for this award and we look forward to seeing you all later in the year.



New General Manager

FGS Agri welcomes Kim Wetherell to the team. As General Manager, Kim provides support to FGS Agri managers and staff as well as providing strategic direction and developing new business. Kim brings a wealth of experience to the Group, having previously worked with major contractors within the utility industry.



Tree saw proves popular

For low ground pressure, high rise, controlled tree pruning FGS Agri has a new grab & cut tree saw attachment which is mounted on a 13 tonne excavator. Capable of cutting up to 500mm of timber, the saw is especially suited to field margin clearance and river bank work.

For more information visit www.fgsagri.co.uk or call 01233 820055.



New Digestate Spreader

FGS Organics has increased its fleet of liquid spreading equipment with the purchase of a triple axle 25m³ tanker with self-loading arm and 24m precision application dribble bar. This ensures they are at the forefront of application technology and compliant for the spreading of digestate and slurries.



Fowlmead Phase 2

FGS Organics has completed work on the second phase of the restoration project at Fowlmead Country Park in Deal. The application of organic fertilisers will turn the area from shale into a fertile grass meadow.

For more information visit www.fgsorganics.co.uk or call 01233 820055.



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Water Direct specialises in the provision of quality assured drinking water, for wherever and whenever a piped water supply is either unavailable, unusable or inadequate. In addition to being the preferred water supplier to many of the UK's water utility companies, Water Direct has also become the country's leading provider of bulk and temporary water supply systems to many construction companies and festival organisers.

Water Direct is the latest addition to the portfolio of companies owned by Trevor Heathcote and forms a natural progression for FGS Agri who already supply water as one of their utility contracting services.

For more information visit www.water-direct.co.uk or call 01622 713930.



Alex Bardsley

Account Manager (Local Authorities)



What is your biggest achievement in your working life? Being a key member of a small team working on a project which resulted in winning a contract for supplying glass for The Shard. I was

responsible for planning the delivery schedule to meet customer's needs.

What do you wish you had invented? Google. It is a relatively simple concept and a great tool used throughout the world, and I also think it is amazing a company brand name is officially a verb in the Oxford English Dictionary.

If you weren't in waste, what would you want to be? A travel journalist. I enjoy visiting new places and this would be a great way to do this.

What aspect of your job do you enjoy the most?

Being able to meet and work with a variety of people from different companies; all of whom pose different challenges and have different expectations.

Stuart Markham

Environmental & Planning Manager



What is your biggest achievement in your working life? Developing and overseeing the construction of the world's first wind turbine that floats on landfilled waste.

What do you wish you had invented? Instant Coffee – I love a good cup of Coffee but can't stand instant, I'm convinced I could have done a better job.

If you weren't in waste, what would you want to be? A tree surgeon – I love being outside and enjoy working with timber, so an ideal combination.

What aspect of your job do you enjoy the most?

The problem solving, whatever is thrown at me can usually be resolved and often the simplest solution is the most effective but working that bit out is the fun part.

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