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Objective:

To provide Arboricultural and Bat Ecology professional consultancy services that exceed customer needs and expectations for long term, sustainable business and for the benefits of environmental enhancement and sustainability.

How:

By offering a wealth of arboricultural and managerial skills and experience acquired throughout a career including international and senior level management and leadership, working on a series of large and successful contracts. More recently by attaining a Class 2 bat license for disturbance, hand netting and handling and by further developing skills, knowledge and experience of advanced bat surveying and handling techniques.

P r o f e s s i o n a l E x p e r i e n c e

Utilitree Arb Ltd (Company Owner)
Nottingham, UK

2014 - present

Consulting Arborist, Class 2 Licensed Bat Ecologist and Managing Director

Duties including arboricultural surveys, inspections, report writing, auditing, project management, training and consultation services tailored to customer needs, specialising in utility arboriculture, also mortgage reports, health & safety reports and tree surveys in relation to development. Bat surveys and inspections specialising in tree and woodland surveys, also bat surveys in relation to development. Day to day company management. Development of customer services.

Ground Control Ltd
(TUPE transfer from UPM Tilhill in August 2012)
Orston, Nott's, UK

2003 - 2014

Utilities Contract Manager / Contract Delivery and Technical Manager

Duties and responsibilities include managing and developing up to 70 Direct and Sub-Contract Staff on contract to Western Power Distribution, Central Networks and Central Electric to ensure safety, environmental, customer service, quality and value for money is maintained by the day to day management, contract development and forward strategy. Investigate operation failings including accidents, environmental failings and customer complaints. Perform and schedule QMS, EMS, AMS audits.

Ensure legal, client and company procedure and reporting is complied with. Operational, financial, risk and contingency-based management controls, systems and procedures created, implemented and continually developed. Over seeing profitable submissions of £500k+ per month. Responding to and providing solutions to client requirements and priorities and completing circuit clearance work programs ahead of schedule.

Achievements include developing a good safety culture throughout the contract. Creating and developing contract structure and lines of reporting. Development of pay and grading schedules, production of annual training plans for the contract, development of recruitment process, interviewing potential new recruits and sub-contractors to assemble the current contract team. Leading on Surveyor Workshops and Team Development Days. Production and development of 'The Surveying Process'. UPM Creation and development of financial controls, procedures and analytical tools. Creation and development of forward programming procedures and tools. UPM-Tilhill achieved Achilles Verify using Direct Staff Teams from the CN Contract to pass on-site audits.

Fountain Forestry Ltd.**1999 - 2003**

Market Harborough, Leic's, UK

Contracts Manager. Duties included tendering for and managing various Arboricultural contracts with a number of varying clients including Local Authorities, Electrical Companies (including East Midlands Electricity), Railtrack, Highways Agency and maintenance companies, Civil Engineering companies. Arranging labour and plant resources, auditing completed works. Managing up to 20 direct staff. Managing PPE and LOLER procedures for district. Managing staff training programs and EME authorisation procedures for Utility Arboriculture.

Tower Forestry Ltd.**1998 - 1999**

Bury, Lanc's, UK

Contract Supervisor. Duties included supervising Direct Staff and Sub Contractor's- auditing for health and safety, environmental and quality issues. Passing completed work for payment. Planning and scheduling electrical shut down works. Responding to client and customer queries and requests. Surveying and prioritising work. Gaining land owner consents for tree work. Liaising with local authorities. Writing method statements and risk assessing work. Work was on contract to Eastern Electric.

Environmental Consultants Int.**1997 (short term contract)**

Liverpool, UK

Line Clearance Surveyor. Duties included surveying power lines and planning work for contract tree crews as a Sub Contractor to Tower Forestry on behalf of Eastern Electric for short period whilst studying HND Arboriculture.

Environmental Consultants Inc.**1996 - 1997**

Southampton, PA, USA

Line Clearance Field Technician. Duties included surveying electric power lines, customer notification, work planning, supervision of contract tree crews, auditing completed works, tree fault analyst reports. Work on contract to Commonwealth Edison, Chicago, IL, USA

E d u c a t i o n**Myerscough College****1995 - 1998**

Preston, Lanc's, UK

HND Arboriculture. Modules studied were- Surveying, Planning and Design; Contract Practice and Relevant Legislation; Treescape management; Business Management; Data Handling; Dendrology and Tree Hazard Analyst; Tree Biology; Arboricultural Technology; Plant and Soil Science; Plant Environment; Pests and Diseases.

Nottingham Bluecoat School**1987 - 1994**

Nottingham, UK

GCSE's

- Double Award Science AA
- Maths B
- Geography B
- European Studies B
- Design and Realisation B
- English Literature C
- English Language C
- Art C

A Levels

- General Studies C
- Biology D
- Chemistry E
- Physics N

Additional Qualifications and Skills

- **National General Certificate - NEBOSH Level 3 Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety-Credit.**
- **Professional Tree Inspection - Lantra**
- **Utility Arboriculture, UA1- Electrical Awareness (Re-certificated to G55/2 in 2012) - NPTC**
- **Utility Arboriculture, UA5 - Risk Assessor/ Surveyor- NPTC**
- **Chainsaw and Tree Climbing units CS20, 21, 22 – NPTC**
- **Safe Use of Pesticides units PA1, PA6D - NPTC**
- **What's it Worth Tree Valuation methods in the UK- Arboriculture Association.**
- **BS5837 Workshop- Tree Life Arboricultural Consultancy**
- **Mortgage Report Writing- Tree Life Arboricultural Consultancy**
- **Arboricultural Reporting Writing- Tree Life Arboricultural Consultancy**
- **Safe Tree Working in the Vicinity of Live Electric Conductors - Forestry, Arboriculture Safety and Training Council (FASTCO)**
- **Natural England Class 2 Bat License- 2016-19409-CLS-CLS, disturbance by artificial light, endoscopes, hand and hand-held static nets.**
- **Bat Ecology and Conservation – Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Bat Surveys – Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Bat Surveys: Tree Surveying – Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Using Bat Detectors – Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Arboriculture and Bats: How to use a Fibrescope - Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Interpreting Your Bat Surveys - Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Woodland Symposium - Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Managing Woodlands for European Protected Species - Bat Conservation Trust**
- **Mist Netting and Harp Trapping of Bats- Dr Sandie Sowler.**
- **Advance Bat Surveying Techniques- Wildwood Ecology**
- **Bat License Training Course- Wildwood Ecology- working towards Natural England Class 2 disturbance and handling license. 1st week of a 2 week course completed. 2nd week scheduled November 2015.**
- Experience totalling 150+ bat contact hours including time spent in various known summer and hibernation roosts, 14 British bat species handled and processed including 3 Annex 2 species and extractions from harp traps.
- **Bat habitat Key: Advanced Tree-Roost and Wooded Habitat Bat Survey- Andrews Ecology Ltd**
- **Street Works, Excavation and Reinstatement - Monitoring Signing, Lighting and Guarding – City and Guilds**
- **1st Aid Certificate.**
- **Manual Handling - Pristine Condition Ltd.**
- **European Protected Species: Implication of the Habitat Regulations - UPM Tilhill Certificate of Training.**
- **Accident and Incident Investigation - UPM Tilhill internal course.**
- **Grievance and Disciplinary Training - UPM Tilhill internal course.**
- **ROSPA Driver Development Course - Certificate of Training.**
- **Inspection of Rope Access Equipment (PPE) for Tree Work - Lyon Equipment Certificate of Training.**
- **Foundation Certificate in Stress Awareness - Chartered Institute of Environmental Health.**
- **Stress Management for the Health and Safety Professional - BSC College Certificate.**
- Proficient with Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook.

Memberships

- **Arboriculture Association- Grade-: Technician, membership no.: TE04363**
- **Nottinghamshire Bat Group - active member regularly supporting surveys and research projects**
- **Derbyshire Bat Group- occasional attendee of events**
- **Leicestershire Bat Group- occasional attendee of events**

References

- To be produced on request.