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Mountjoy and Tew agree £20m Council term

Hampshire County Council have awarded building maintenance contracts at a sum of £20m each to Mountjoy and Tew Brothers.

The Hampshire building fabric term maintenance contract starts this summer and runs for five years, with an option to extend by a further five years. It is divided into two regional lots. Mountjoy, part of the Quarr Group, has been selected for the eastern part of the county; Southampton-based Tew Brothers has the western side.

Services to be provided under the contract include statutory compliance, electrical & mechanical and catering maintenance, building fabric reactive maintenance and minor works and out-of-hours response.

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JCB Secures Major Deals

JCB has secured one of its biggest-ever orders in the UK with Rental company A-Plant placing an order for more than 1,200 machines and a range of generators worth more than 55mm



The order includes more than 600 JCB Loadall telescopic handlers and more than 450 mini and midi excavators, as well as JCB rough-terrain forklift trucks, site dumpers, backhoe loaders and tracked excavators.

The deal is certainly good news for JCB's factories in Rocester, Uttoxeter and Cheadle, as well as Hixon, Staffordshire-based JCB Power Products, which is manufacturing a total of 162 generators ordered by A-Plant following its first-ever purchase of JCB units last year. The volume of generators bought is enough to power eight hospitals or 4,000 homes. It means that in the last three years A-Plant has placed orders with JCB worth more than £140m. All the latest purchases are being supplied through JCB dealer Greenshields JCB.

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Demolition Degree Launched

The University of Wolverhampton has launched the first demolition management master's degree programme in the UK.

Studies start this term at the University's School of Architecture & Built Environment. Accredited by the Institute of Demolition Engineers (IDE), the course has been designed in conjunction with industry specialists and will be delivered by both academics and demolition experts, such as previous ICM Manager of the year winner





John Woodward of C&D Consultancy.



Above: **Paul Hampton (University of Wolverhampton), Patricia Słoneczny, Richard Dolman (both AR Demolition) and John Woodward (C&D Consultancy) John Woodward is a member of our Institute.**

Paul Hampton, head of built environment at the University of Wolverhampton, said: "We are confident this will provide a significant offer to the demolition industry and the wider built environment sector. In particular, this will address the sector skills gaps and provide a meaningful step change for recruiting future talent."

Mick Ulyatt, chair of the IDE education committee, said: "The formal accreditation of this degree is an historic landmark for the development of demolition engineering and is an important milestone in trying to get more young people interested in pursuing a career in this field. We have no problem attracting labourers and operatives, which is great. however, we want youngsters looking to become chartered demolition engineers, senior managers and the leaders of the future.

"There isn't anything like this currently in the

UK and the University of Wolverhampton has shown its passion and understanding of our sector by working with us to shape the content and delivery of the courses."

Ten people have signed up for the master's course, which comprises of up to 15 different modules, ranging from asbestos removal and façade retention to working with explosives and health and safety.



The British Virgin Islands

We have all seen on TV the Damage by hurricane Irma, one of our overseas members Mark Jones lives and works on the Island, he reported to me that he was ok and the Construction project he was on survived but most of the Island properties suffered terrible damage.



British troops helping to repair electricity and clearing up dangerous buildings.



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