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# **BEING THE BEST FOR FAMILIES**

# The Continued Impact of COVID-19 on UK Businesses



Since the start of the global Coronavirus pandemic, the impact on UK businesses has been profound – we have never faced such a serious health threat affecting everyone. The pandemic has developed at different speeds and timescales across the world, but cases are still accelerating in some countries, and in others there are signs of a second wave.

Many UK businesses have been seriously affected, not just by closure of operations and people in lockdown at home but by the human toll of the pandemic. It has been confirmed that the UK is now in a recession caused by COVID-19, although thankfully the construction sector has performed much better than many others.

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) reports that in England alone there have been some 8,000 reported cases of COVID-19 in workers linked to occupational exposure and more than 100 work-related deaths from the Coronavirus since reporting began.

- From 10<sup>th</sup> April to 11<sup>th</sup> July 2020, 7,971 cases of COVID-19 in workers where occupational exposure was suspected were reported to enforcing authorities (the HSE and councils) over the period.
- 119 deaths were reported 48 in the health sector and 46 in residential care with the remainder in other industries.

As at early August 2020, there have been over 300,000 confirmed cases of the Coronavirus in the UK, according to official figures, and in excess of 40,000 deaths. Thankfully in CEMEX UK we have had just two confirmed positive cases of COVID, both of which were non-work related, which is testament to the safe behaviours and controls adopted by everyone...thank you for continuing to Look After Yourselves and Each Other.



# We Must all Continue to Follow the Four Behaviours That Save Lives



This reminds us all to keep following the FOUR COVID-19 BEHAVIOURS shown in the image – keep vigilant at home with your families, out with your friends, and when you are at work.

Please follow the required procedure if you have any symptoms of Coronavirus:

- Get a test to check if you have Coronavirus as soon as possible.
- Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result only leave your home to have a test.
- Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

The virus is still circulating and if we drop our guards we could cause further spread and seriously impact others' lives.

Here is the SharePoint link to the family playbook with advice on keeping safe at home:

https://cemex.sharepoint.com/:b:/r/sites/GlobalCampaigns/Shared%20Documents/COVID 19%20Our%20Protocols/5.%20Playbooks/English%20Versions/Family/Family\_COVID\_Pl abook.pdf?csf=1&web=1&e=gMc3JP

#### COVID Info QR Code



So that our Drivers can access the COVID updates easily with their handheld devices with no email access, we have included a QR code for people to use to get the information. Please use this code if you would like to.

Thanks to Dann King in Supply Chain for the idea.

# **BEING THE BEST FOR CUSTOMERS**

## Sprayed Concrete Trials



Richard Kershaw spent a good couple of days last week carrying out Sprayed Concrete trials at our Dove Holes quarry.

Thanks, as ever, to the Dry Silo Team for supporting the trials and more importantly ensuring that COVID-19 controls were in place.

Hopefully the results will help us expand our product offer.



#### What the Customers Think...



Look out for the Net Promoter Score (NPS) posters on a noticeboard near you!

Every quarter a selection of our customers are surveyed to ask them what they think of CEMEX UK – this is usually about 800 customers. They are asked questions and give us an overall score. These answers are then put together to show our NPS, or the percentage of customers who would recommend us to others. The posters show the UK results for the latest quarter and include some quotes from customers.

Seeing as this has been a particularly challenging quarter, the results for the UK are looking pretty good with Readymix and Aggregate services showing an especially good improvement. Our overall NPS score for the UK has gone up from 29 to 47 from Q1 to Q2. The 2020 NPS goal for Europe is to have an overall score of 50 so the UK are very nearly there.



# **BEING THE BEST FOR SHAREHOLDERS**

## Another Awesome Day for Team Salford



Congratulations to the team at Salford Asphalt plant for another record beating day last week. They produced over 1,000t in one day! with Deliveries and Collect customers and superb service from the team.

Well done to Phil Repton and the team, as well as the Planning and Commercial Teams for smashing another Salford record.

They may well have already beaten that as they were on track to do even more....



## **Dagenham Investment Pays Back**



It was really great to see the short video of the Sand Fulmar discharging her load at Dagenham recently. This is the first time an F-class vessel has been able to visit the location and is only possible due to the recent upgrade at the wharf.



Proving yet again that the river is a great way to get our products into the London market.

Thanks to Rick Lewis, Landfill & Recycling Sales Exec for the video.... it can be downloaded here: http://cemexuknews.co.uk/downloads.

## CEMEX Supplies World's Second Largest Car Park.....



CEMEX announced recently that it supplied more than 70,000 cubic metres of specialised Concrete for the construction of Park Garage, the second largest vehicle storage building in the world, with the capacity to house up to 10,000 vehicles.

Located in the Mexican Port of Veracruz, the site allows Park Garage to achieve an optimal capacity for the storage and transfer of vehicles destined for export and import. With a height of 22.7 metres, this large facility's six levels have a total extension of 125,000 square metres, an area

equivalent to the combined size of 30 soccer fields.

Park Garage is the second largest vehicle storage building in the world, just behind a facility located in Singapore, and the largest in Latin America. The codes of automobile transport ships inspire both its design and volumetric massiveness.

## **BEING THE BEST FOR COMMUNITIES**

#### **Rare Wall Brown Butterfly Spotted**



Sean Cassidy and the team were lucky enough to spot a rare Wall Brown Butterfly at Raynes quarry last week. The quarry has restored grassland areas which are rich in wildflower species (over 130 species).

Generation Sean commented: "The Wall Brown has been in serious decline in the UK due to habitat loss, so it's really good to see how the quarry restoration is



helping the species recover - we've spotted the species at a few CEMEX sites. The main image which



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isn't the best but shows the butterfly plus some of the wildflowers at Raynes. Also spotted for the first time were some Speckled Wood butterflies (pictured right) found in restored woodland."

## 23 Different Species of Dragonfly





## The Need for Speed



Last week keen nature lover, Simon West, requested a visited to our restored ponds at Hatfield quarry to look for dragonfly and damselflies.

During the visit he spotted no less than 23 different species. So even though the ponds are small they do attract a great variety of wildlife.

Here are just a few of the great photos that Simon took.





The Cambridge Science Centre, who we link with to promote STEM, are hosting free sessions about the Bloodhound, which is the latest vehicle being designed to beat the land speed record.

It is aiming to reach a staggering 1,000 miles per hour and the sessions are aimed at inspiring the next generation about science, technology, engineering and maths.

Details of the special sessions (sessions must be booked) can found at: <u>www.cambridgesciencecentre.org</u>

## BEING THE BEST FOR EMPLOYEES

#### **Well Done**



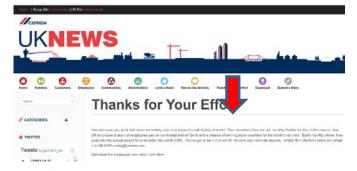
It's nice to see the winners of May's Thanks For Your Effort Award with their certificates and vouchers.

Well done again to the team of Mark Lawton, Tony Limer, Nathan Shipstone and Gary Bresnahan, the Night Shift Team at Dove Holes quarry, who responded quickly when an onsite security guard suffered a heart attack.



If you have a colleague who you think deserves an Award for going above and beyond their day job and demonstrated any of the CEMEX values please email: <u>gb-hrplanning@cemex.com</u> for a nomination form or use the form on the UK News website: <u>www.cemexuknews.co.uk</u>

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# Save on Gym Membership with CEMEXLifestyle



With gyms finally reopening and there being a big link between lack of health and COVID deaths, take this opportunity to get fitter with CEMEXLifestyle MYGYM discounts. Whether you are a seasoned gym bunny or just getting up from the sofa - sign up in time for National Fitness Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

Go to: www.cemexlifestyle.co.uk or call 01908 303531 for a

voucher code to save on PureGym membership near you.

## Five Tips to Get Back to Fitness After Lockdown



Here are some top tips to get back on the fitness wagon:

#### 1. Start slow

The first couple of weeks getting back into a fitness routine will be tough! Instead of working out to the point of exhaustion, be sure to take it easy initially. Check out this playlist of 'Back to the Gym workouts' on YouTube designed by PureGym to ease you safely back into the gym and give you the inspiration and motivation you need to smash your training again.



## 2. Give yourself a break

Your body will need to rest as it will have become weaker from not exercising as much. By jumping back seven days a week you run the risk of overdoing it or injuring yourself.

## 3. Lose the fear

It's natural to feel anxious about returning to the gym in these circumstances. However, the new cleanliness guidelines are there to ensure your safety when working out. PureGym has been given a rating of 4.7/5 stars from more than 50,000 of their members.

## 4. Give up a vice

If you've struggled to maintain healthy eating habits during lockdown, avoid diving into a diet and going cold turkey on all of your treats. This will just make it even harder to stick to your new food regime. Try giving up just one thing and you'll be more successful than trying to cut all of your bad habits out of your life.

## 5. Set achievable goals

Instead of thinking about the big picture you should try to focus on the short term. Set achievable day-to-day goals like using the treadmill for an extra five minutes, doing a couple more sit-ups each time or gradually lifting heavier weights.

Good luck on your fitness journey from MyGymDiscounts! For more information go to: <u>www.cemexlifestyle.co.uk</u> or call 01908 303531

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