



▲ Connah's Quay Town Councillor Eric Faulkner celebrates a community funding award from Wheelabrator Parc Adfer alongside visitors to the monthly Memory Café

## Wheelabrator community engagement fund supporting local groups across Deeside

Wheelabrator Technologies launched a community engagement fund in 2018 to support local community groups and organisations across Deeside.

This is part of the company's commitment to being an engaged community partner and good neighbour during the three-year construction phase of the project, which commenced at the beginning of 2017. To date, more than £20,000 of community engagement funding has been provided to local Deeside groups, including Connah's Quay Old Peoples' Association, the disabled children's charity Daffodils, St John Ambulance Deeside Division, Ysgol Croes Atti, Eye 2 Eye and Dangerpoint Ltd, as well as for initiatives led by Shotton Town Council and Connah's Quay Town Council.

One of the community funding awards allowed Libby's Café, a not-for-profit volunteer run community café, which is a Friends of Flintshire Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) initiative, to purchase a new television and DVD player. The equipment will be used at the café's monthly Memory Café sessions, where old films are played for members of the local community with dementia, and their carers.

Julie Griffiths from CAB explains: "Watching old films or listening to old music can trigger happy memories in people

who have dementia. Our monthly Memory Café sessions are a really popular event and the funding we've received from Wheelabrator Parc Adfer will make these sessions even more fulfilling for the dozens of local people who attend. We'd like to thank Wheelabrator for its support."

The community café is open to the public and is also used by a number of other local organisations, such as mental health charity Mind and Keyring, which supports people with learning disabilities.

Paul Green, Wheelabrator's UK Managing Director, said: "For over 43 years, Wheelabrator Technologies has understood that our social responsibility begins with the communities in which our facilities operate and in which our customers and employees live and work. We look forward to serving as an engaged community partner in Deeside for many years to come."

For more information, eligibility criteria and application forms for the Community Benefit Fund, please see the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer website – [www.wtiparcadfer.co.uk](http://www.wtiparcadfer.co.uk)

# Wheelabrator Parc Adfer construction providing jobs for local workers

With the construction of the new waste-to-energy facility now close to three quarters complete, local firms are helping Wheelabrator Technologies and CNIM, our main contractor, stay well on target to reach commercial operations next year.

This is when the facility will commence processing approximately 200,000 tonnes per year of post-recycled waste from Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd and the Isle of Anglesey, generating enough renewable baseload energy to meet the needs of over 30,000 local homes.

To date, the project has used more than 60 local suppliers with local firms managing around £4 million of work opportunities so far. Approximately 50 per cent of all 350 workers on the construction site live within a 30-mile radius, further supporting the local economy.

One local contractor, Clwyd Brickwork, a family-run business based in Mold, has had a team of people working at the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer site since October 2017. In that time, the local firm has completed more than 2,000m<sup>2</sup> of brick and blockwork.

Clwyd Brickwork Founder and Director, Grant Dickinson, said: "We're based in Flintshire so the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer job has been right on our doorstep and it's been a great project to work on. We'll be onsite for another month or two and the guys are really enjoying their time on this local project."

Opportunities for local businesses will continue during the construction and operational phases of the facility and the long-term supply chain opportunities, once the facility is operational, have been valued at more than £40 million over the course of the next 25 years.



# Wheelabrator Parc Adfer marks significant safety milestone

**At Wheelabrator Technologies, protecting the health and safety of our employees, customers and the communities we operate in is our highest priority.**

We're proud of our industry-leading safety record and understand that the cornerstone of our organisation's success has been our strong, uncompromising commitment to safety.

Wheelabrator Parc Adfer has recently completed more than 250,000 total working hours without a notifiable incident – a significant milestone, given that's nearly 30 years of combined work by our site team.

We are also proud to have recognised four members of our site team and contractor partners at Wheelabrator Parc Adfer,

presenting them all with individual awards for their exemplary, individual performances in promoting safety excellence.

Wheelabrator Technologies' Health, Safety and Environment Manager, Daniel Crowle, who presented the awards to our winning team members, said: "At Wheelabrator, we work 'Safely On Purpose' every day and every hour to ensure we all return home safely.

We are empowered to do the right thing for the safety of our team and the communities we operate in, so I'm proud to reward team members that play active roles in promoting and maintaining a culture of safety excellence at Wheelabrator Parc Adfer."



## Wheelabrator Parc Adfer on schedule and on budget

**The construction of Wheelabrator Parc Adfer is continuing to progress both on time and to budget, and the team is now close to three quarters through the construction timeline.**

The team has successfully reached a series of major milestones in recent months, which includes installing the turbine generator, erecting the stack, and completing the steel structures for both our administration building and tipping hall, as well as successfully completing an important boiler pressure test. This all means we're now planning for the end of construction next year, when we'll move into the commissioning phase. This is the important and rigorous testing that Wheelabrator Parc Adfer will undergo as it readies for full operation at the end of 2019.

Wheelabrator Technologies' Senior Project Manager, Apo Sarandidis, explains: "The team is making excellent progress throughout 2018, and, as local people may already have seen, Wheelabrator Parc Adfer is really starting to take shape. The team is committed to delivering a best-in-class waste-to-energy facility that North Wales can be proud of for decades to come."

We're also making progress on the plans for our Visitors' Centre. This exciting on-site community and educational facility will be made available to local schools and educational groups and will include a lecture theatre and interactive displays, and a viewing gallery and CCTV feed into the facility itself, so members of the local community can see into our operations.

This centre is being designed to help engage local people in the waste-to-energy process and explain the important

role that Wheelabrator Parc Adfer will play in diverting waste from landfills as we process up to 200,000 tonnes per year of post-recycled waste generated by Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd and the Isle of Anglesey to generate clean, renewable baseload energy.

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# Creating jobs for local people and opportunities for local businesses

Wheelabrator Parc Adfer is committed to maximising the economic benefits the facility will bring to North Wales communities, and while we have created hundreds of local jobs during our construction phase, we will also create over 30 new full-time operational roles when the waste-to-energy facility becomes operational in 2019.

Our efforts to source local labour during the construction phase have been very successful and levels of local employment range between 30 percent to 60 percent depending on the type of work that we're doing at any one time, and the level of skill required to complete certain parts of the build. As we move into the final stages of our construction project, we will continue to use the local<sup>1</sup> workforce wherever possible.

As we move closer to commercial operations, Wheelabrator Technologies is also looking to local labour to fill more than 30 full-time, operational roles which are required to operate the waste-to-energy facility. We will also want to use local labour as part of our annual

maintenance events that support our operations and high operating availability.

To date, three job fairs have been held, to encourage local people to apply for a range of operational roles at Wheelabrator Parc Adfer. The three job fairs, two held at Coleg Cambria and one held at the offices of Connah's Quay Town Council, have all been well-attended events, however if you were unable to attend, and are interested in operational roles, please submit your CV to [infoparcadfer@wtienergy.com](mailto:infoparcadfer@wtienergy.com) or visit [www.wtienergy.co.uk/careers](http://www.wtienergy.co.uk/careers).

1. Footnote: 'local' means members of our team who come from within a 30-mile radius of our site

## CONTACT US

We welcome questions and queries about the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer project and the best way to get in touch with us is by emailing [infoparcadfer@wtienergy.com](mailto:infoparcadfer@wtienergy.com)

Information and updates on the project are also available at [www.wtiparcadfer.co.uk](http://www.wtiparcadfer.co.uk)

Anyone interested in learning more about construction jobs or supply chain opportunities is welcome to email [info@parcadferconstruction.co.uk](mailto:info@parcadferconstruction.co.uk) or visit our construction website [www.parcadferconstruction.co.uk](http://www.parcadferconstruction.co.uk)



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