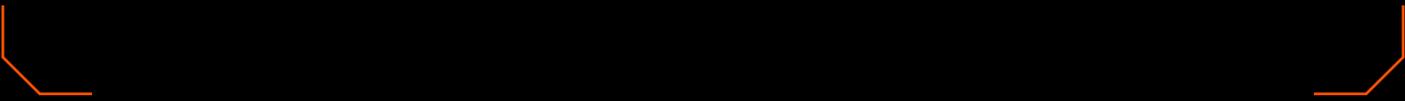


TEXO TALK

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Following TEXO's restructure, our **Asset Integrity** service has been working on some high-profile and wide-ranging projects. In a competitive market, the team has been able to secure projects with a combination of project expertise and a clear focus on safety and the environment.

"Post-restructure, I had a deep-dive into the types of work the division had historically been doing" says Steve Moir, MD of TEXO Asset Integrity, who joined the business last year from Texo DSI. "We realised that we were doing a lot of work internally within the group, and that there were huge opportunities for us to work on external projects."



What We Do

TEXO Asset Integrity

The majority of Asset Integrity's work comes under the umbrella of 'rope access'. This means projects where access is difficult or potentially hazardous, and project staff have to be experienced, properly trained and fully-aware of health and safety issues in order to complete the project successfully.

"We appointed Ross Lowe as Rope Access and Coatings Manager," says Steve Moir. "Ross is highly experienced and within a short time of joining TEXO, he had secured the largest job we had ever completed – in terms of value, the number of people and the man-hours. That has been a fantastic project for us and has shown the market exactly what we're capable of."

The project is the Valaris Gorilla V, an oil drilling rig in the Tay estuary. TEXO Asset Integrity were chosen to refurbish a range of critical components on the rig. With 10 large mud tanks and two slug tanks to shot-blast and recoat, plus five shaker pits and a helideck, this is a significant project for the Asset Integrity team. The project has run with a team of 20 fabric maintenance technicians, four general assistants and a project coordinator, with a people-hour count of over 12,800 hours.

The project has used around 3,100 litres of paint, requires a stand-alone wrapped scaffolding structure around the helideck to contain the work and avoid environmental contamination and requires a cost-effective yet technically sound project approach.



“Safety is the primary concern of many of our clients,” comments Ross Lowe. “On the Valaris project, we had no time lost to injuries which, given the nature of the work, is a great track record. When we are bidding for work, it’s important for us to show that we have the edge not just on technical capability and rope access experience – which is something that’s new to many of our clients – but also that we are protecting their assets, their local environment and their reputation.”

TEXO Asset Integrity is also working on projects within the growing onshore and offshore renewables sector. In fact, the inspection team, which is run by Graham Cadger the Inspection Manager, has carried out DNV 5-yearly Renewal Surveys on both the Wind Orca and Wind Osprey vessels over in Esbjerg, Denmark. These projects have helped to build the team’s growing reputation as a supplier of quality project services that are cost efficient, safe and reliable.

We are extremely optimistic about the future of TEXO Asset Integrity. We offer exceptional support to all our clients, and we’re working with the Lifting Equipment Engineers Association to be more active in that part of our sector. Alongside this, we join forces with other TEXO services on larger projects when required, so that together we can deliver to our onshore and offshore clients across the UK and beyond.”

– **Steve Moir**, Managing Director
TEXO Asset Integrity



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Case Study:

DROPS survey for berthed vessel in Norway

Our client commissioned us to carry out a DROPS Survey onboard a pipe-lay vessel, whilst berthed in Vigra, Alesund in Norway, in January 2020.

THE SOLUTION

TEXO Asset Integrity mobilised a multi-disciplined, multi-skilled rope access team, to not only complete the DROPS Survey, but also perform routine maintenance, and undertake repairs to any anomalies. This provided the end-client with an integrated inspection, access and repair solution.

THE RESULT

The client was impressed with our services, saying: *"The team conducted a very detailed DROPS survey to a very high standard. All members of the team were very professional and easy to work with. Their communication skills were excellent, which makes our job easier, and the reports provided were very detailed."*



"Oil and Gas UK 2018 figures show that dropped objects account for the second highest class of reportable incidents, they continue to cause harm to people and hazardous plant and is a problem that the industry takes seriously. I am proud of the team for executing another successful Dropped Object survey for our client. The excellent communications between our team and the vessel crew, allowed TEXO to complete the scope of work in a safe, cost effective manner, leaving the asset in a safer condition than when the team arrived."

– **Steve Moir, Managing Director,**
TEXO Asset Integrity



TEXO Team Player Of The Month



Dave Short

TEXO Workspace Solutions –
Construction Manager

Dave Short (Shorty) has become a well-travelled man since joining the company and is often found at either end of the country in the same week. From London to Caithness, Dave's role is certainly at the coal face, overseeing all site-based activities for our modular and building support services divisions. This can entail the upgrading of wet rooms within nursing homes, to the installation and commissioning of a bespoke built server module for Gatwick Airport.

During the height of the Covid-19 pandemic, Workspace Solutions were called to support a large number of modular expansion projects to manage the effects of social distancing – so that companies delivering critical infrastructure could continue operating. In line with both our own and client HSEQ departments, Dave developed safe ways of operating to ensure no risk of exposure to our install crews. He maintained the highest of standards for every install – in terms of both quality and safety – an everyday occurrence in normal circumstances but special credit is deserved when most of the country sat safe at home.

There is not much Dave can't do, and even more so he is always happy to help both colleagues and client alike at any time.



From a client perspective, Dave Short has been everything I could possibly wish for – from his inexhaustible product knowledge, through to his work on site that never falters in its quality and his dedication to getting the job done... I wish I had an Army of Shorty's, our work would be made so much easier."

– **Alistair Herriot**, Managing Director
Airport capacity Solutions Ltd

Working with Dave was a pleasure. He provided all the information asked, in a timely manner. All the SSoW were issued and approved by JFN HSE advisor prior to the units arriving in the UK. Once on site, it was like a well drilled military operation, with the site installation carried out effortlessly.

A first class operation carried out by Dave and his team."

– **James Mowat**,
General Manager
James Fisher Nuclear





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