

# Third base for rail maintenance specialist CWE as it takes steel site on with network access

A North Lincolnshire rail maintenance specialist has launched a new facility on British Steel's site in Scunthorpe.

Crowle-headquartered CWE will use the rail-linked site to provide wagon maintenance, overhaul, repair, and modifications, enabling it to become a "true problem solver and continue to provide dedicated client service within the region".

The independent company describes itself as a leading partner for rolling stock operators in the industry, with the addition on the huge Brigg Road complex an ongoing work in progress.

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Nick Andrew, managing director at CWE, said: "This facility marks an exciting next step in CWE's growth ambitions. It will enable us to expand our Centre of Excellence for Rail – which we established earlier this year – by supporting our customers on major refurbishment projects for multiple wagons and components. All our facilities operate to the highest standards, helping our customers keep their rolling stock on the tracks for longer."

Launched in 1966 as Crowle Wharf Engineers, with power and steel other key industries served, it also has a specialist coupler site at Worksop.

Earlier this year it won a [substantial contract to maintain a](#)

[Network Rail fleet of bulk carriers](#), and it has invested in apprenticeship and training partnerships with both Doncaster Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Lincolnshire Careers Hub to build its capabilities.

The company has also welcomed several new senior figures, including a new finance manager, finance director, commercial manager and operations manager, to drive CWE into the future.



Nick Andrew, managing director of CWE.

Mr Andrew said the opening followed a brand refresh as well as several significant customer wins for CWE.

He said the business is now the partner of choice for all freight buffers for the main players in the rail sector, and is the only independent buffer and coupler overhauler in the UK.

Quality manager Adrian Salatowski recently celebrated winning

Higher/Degree Apprentice of the Year at the South Yorkshire Apprenticeship Awards, while being recognised in the Young Rail Freight Professional category at the Rail Forum Awards.

Mr Andrews added: “This has been a fantastic year so far, and one of the things we’re really proud of is recognising and nurturing talent in the rail sector, supporting our work with organisations such as NCATI and Sheffield’s Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre.

“We’re really proud to be nominated for these awards as they recognise the efforts of the whole team.”

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