

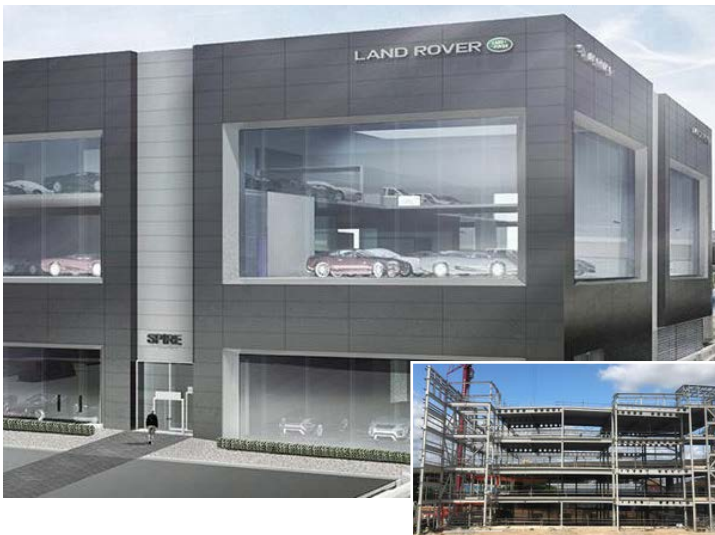


SME Business of the Year Award winners 2018!

As you may remember, in our March edition we told you how we were extremely proud to have received some local business and supply chain awards. **Well we did it again!** We attended the SME Bedfordshire Business Awards at the Bedford Park Inn Hotel back in July. We managed to take home two more awards one for **Bedfordshire Business under 50 employees and the other for Bedford Business of the Year.** It was a real honour to receive these from the Mayor of Bedford Dave Hodgson.

New Project Jaguar Land Rover

We're delighted to announce that we've secured another motor dealership project with Ashe Construction. Jaguar Land Rover, Staples Corner, North London. We started on site in October and there has been a real anticipation for this project. The building will comprise a five-storey premium showroom with associated workshop facilities, and a rooftop car park. The facility is due to open 2019.



Projects

Cotton End Forest School.



The past six months have been tremendously busy here at Wadys, and we have been involved in some excellent projects.

Although we cannot list them all, here are few of the projects that we have been delighted to have been part of:

Residential £2m - Batchwood Affordable Housing Project, Sandridge Redevelopment, Countess Way Development and Park Place Plaza Phases 1&2.

Education £1.7m - Cotton End Forest School M&E and The Hall School M&E

Commercial £505k - Cranfield Community Centre M&E, Mercedes Benz Watford M&E

Healthcare - Bedford Hospital Urgent Care Unit £162k

Historical - Brackley Town Hall Refurbishment £205k



STAFF NEWS

APPRENTICES COMPLETE AM2

Congratulations to another two of our Apprentices, Jay Billings and James Buchanan who have both successfully passed the AM2 test. The AM2 is an industry recognised trade test that is controlled by the National Electrotechnical Training (NET) Organisation.

The past six months have been superb for Wadys apprentices as we have seen two of them complete the AM2 assessment and the NVQ Level 3 qualification which has enabled them to be graded by the JIB as Electricians. We have also had two other apprentices who have completed the AM2 assessment and are working towards the completion of the NVQ. It appears that our apprenticeship scheme is working well.



James



Jay



JUST MARRIED

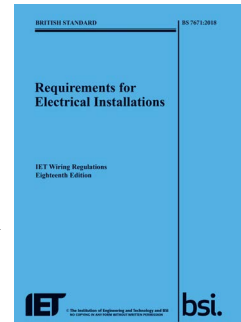
Big Congratulations to Aaron and Kayley and Brett & Carly who married this year.

Wadys wish them every happiness in their future together.



18TH EDITION

“Changes to BS 7671:2018 (Electrical Regulations) were issued on 2nd July 2018 and will come into effect on 1st January 2019. Some of the staff have recently attended courses to study the changes, and have received a City & Guilds qualification, others have been booked in to do it over the coming months. This is to ensure that Wadys are ready for 2019.”



BEDFORD RIVER FESTIVAL

On Sunday 15th July was the Bedford River Festival were a team from Wadys entered the raft race. As you can see from the picture they got bombarded with eggs and flour from both the other racers and the spectators and this was before the even race began. The team had a great start and came first in their heat and manage fourth overall. It was a splendid effort by everyone involved and a total of £6,000 was raised for the Bedford Hospitals Charity.

SOCIAL VALUES

Social responsibility has become increasingly important to us at Wadys. Whether it's by spending and working with local companies, or by making a difference to the lives of local people by providing work experience and offering apprenticeships. Wadys has been trading for nearly 60 years in the town and therefore we have a real passion about our local community.



Some of the team recently went into one of our local secondary schools to talk to the students about SME Businesses and to answer some of their questions to help with their coursework.

We have also been supporting a local charity called Noah who offer hope and support to people struggling against homelessness and exclusion. We have been assisting them by conducting mock interviews or offering employment advise to those that are trying very hard to change their circumstances.



WADYS GOES THE EXTRA MILE

Once again Tish & Doug did the Extramile challenge in France but for separate teams. It was a tough challenge this year due to the driving rain on day 1, Mountains on day 2 & visit to A&E for one of our team mates on day 3. We did help raise some serious money for local charities.

