



Partners in Construction

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Beard appoints new Business Development Manager

Fay Connelly has joined Beard, the Oxford and Swindon-based Construction Company, as Business Development Manager. Her appointment will strengthen the sales and marketing team in Oxford and will help the company meet its strategic plans for growth. Turnover during the first quarter of 2006 peaked £10m: a 70% increase on sales during Q1 2005.

Fay was previously Sales and Marketing Executive for H N Edwards in Witney, Oxfordshire. John Youle, Construction Director in Oxford said: "We are delighted to welcome Fay to our team. Her knowledge, experience and enthusiasm will help sustain the continued growth of our business."

Notes for editors

Beard (www.beard-construction.co.uk) operates throughout central southern England and undertakes construction projects worth up to £6m. Established in 1892, the company has offices in Swindon and Oxford and employs 160 people. Beard's Managing Director, Mark Beard, was Oxfordshire Businessman of the Year in 2004.

Beard company facts and figures

- Established 1892
- £33m turnover in 2005 (up from £22m in 2004)
- 160 employees
- Engaged in the Construction Best Practice Programme
- Quality assured to BS EN ISO 9001:2000
- SAFE Contractor

- Member of the Considerate Contractor Scheme
- Investor in People
- Chartered Institute of Building training partner
- Mark Beard awarded Oxfordshire Businessman of the Year 2004
- Beacon Company

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