# Introducing Mercury-group.co.uk





### It's all in the name...

In Roman mythology, Mercury is said to have been the information messenger to the gods and one of the swiftest, most popular and gifted.

With these qualities in mind, we created Mercury Group – a group of businesses consisting of a team of very gifted and hugely popular individuals who have developed a fantastic reputation for helping organisations to engage, inform, educate and inspire their customers as they grow and prosper.





### A bit about us

We are a UK-based multi-disciplinary marketing and communications business that specialises in raising the profile of our clients to help them communicate clearly, grow stronger and prosper.

Our team, which has operated at primarily a senior level, has more than 100 years' experience in B2B, consumer, rail (train operating companies, infrastructure and major projects), construction, engineering, FM, onshore and offshore wind, oil and gas, regional government, NHS and business marketing and communications.

We have won more than 75 nationally recognised awards between us and we are members of the Chartered Quality Institute, the Chartered Institute of Public Relations and the Chartered Institute of Marketing. Together, we have worked for more than 800 organisations across the private, public and voluntary sectors in the last 14 years.







### Integrated award-winning services







### Great brands work with us



### **Results focused**

In the last 12 months, we have delivered:



Marketing • Communications • Media Coverage • Campaigns • Award Bids • Tenders





## A history of success for our clients

In the last 10 years, we have:



Delivered high profile and successful campaigns for

# more than **800** organisations

Company Membership



Positively promoted, and as a consequence helped secure the funding for a **£94m rail electrification programme** (to GRIP stage 3) for one of the UK's leading train operating companies

Worked directly for five of

the 'big six' energy firms

Promoted and delivered **more than 20** gh-profile fashion events ar

high-profile fashion events and an award-winning fashion show

E

Carried out

more than 80

brand and

marketing

audits for large

organisations

Devised and delivering marketing and communications work for Europe's biggest and most prestigious international business convention

Dealt with three of the country's most difficult onshore planning applications, co-ordinating all communications and stakeholder communications and helping the to achieve planning approval at the first time of asking



Delivered services for two Italian and Norwegian oil and gas companies



## A history of success for our clients

In the last 10 years, we have:



Supported three international offshore wind companies,

whose projects' combined valued is

more than £70bn,

with successful communications through the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC) process. These are Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects which are required to go through the Planning Inspectorate for approval



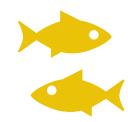


Designed and built more than 4000 websites (including all of the needed support services such as SEO)



Commissioned print on over a **1,000,000** printed brochures, newsletter, leaflets





Helped one of Europe's biggest marine parks, valued at **more than £400m**, achieve planning approval planning approval through the PINS process. Again, this was a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project which had to go through the Planning Inspectorate for approval

Promoting rail infrastructure projects UK-wide on more than £1bn



worth of multi-disciplinary work

Helped one rail customer to win work in excess of **£450m** in a three year period



Devised, managed and delivered more than **200** successful social media campaigns delivering more than **1,000,000** Tweets and Facebook messages (and counting)







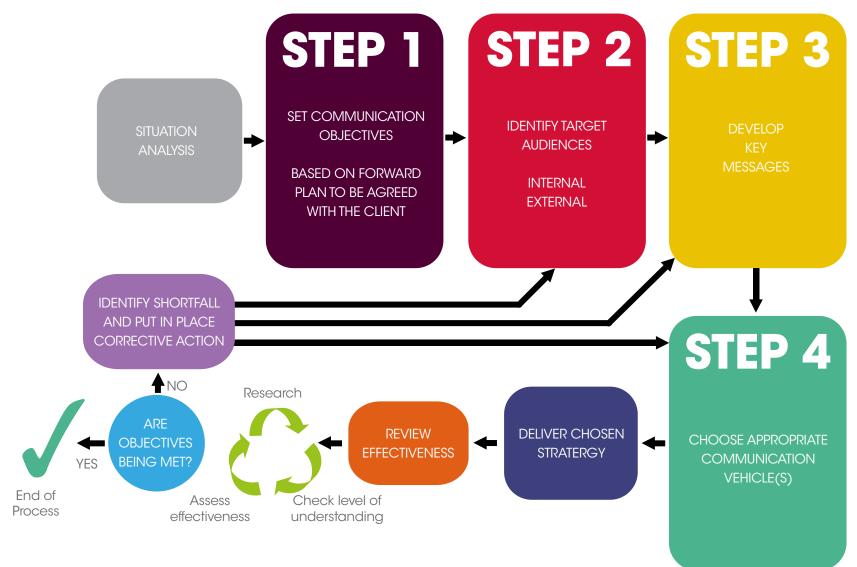
### **Project management<sup>TMW</sup>**







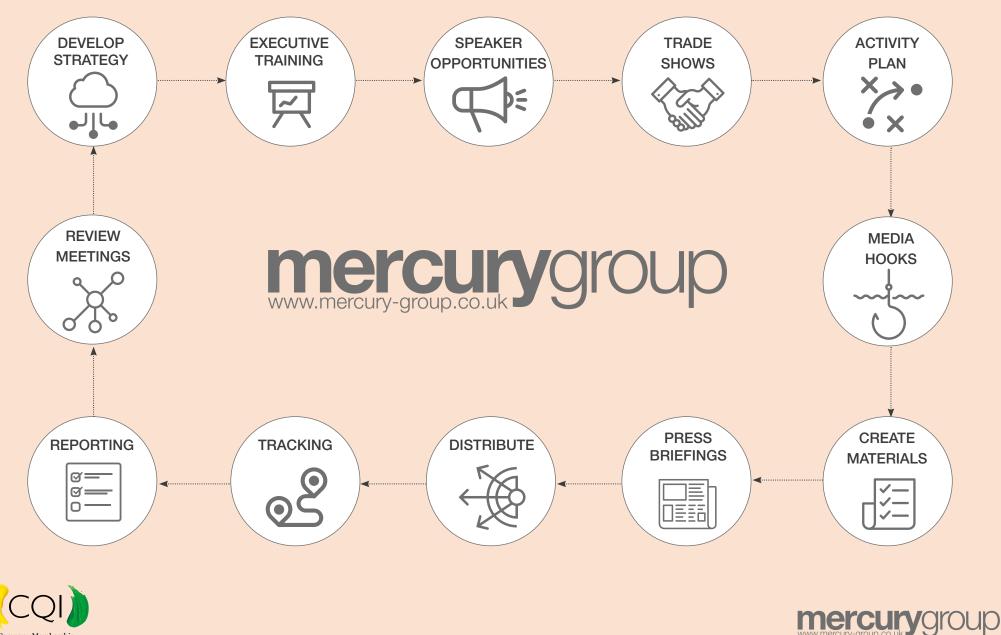
### **Communication process**<sup>TMW</sup>







### **PR and profile raising process<sup>™W</sup>**





### **Mercury PRoPTMW**

### Hobson & Porter context

Hobson & Porter is a long and well-established, multi-award winning construction and community partner, working with clients across Yorkshire and Lincolnshire to deliver safety and quality-driven construction projects in the built environment.

Established in 1971, the firm remains family-owned and maintains core family-based values in its practices, looking beyond the project to provide added value for its customers, making it the 'go-to' contractor in its specialist area of operation and the communities it serves.

Hobson & Porter's Key Priorities	Hobson & Porter's PR Objectives	Core Channels			
<ul> <li>To be recognised as an integral delivery partner for our clients, contributing experience and expertise to the construction process</li> <li>To be a regional contractor</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To raise awareness of Hobson &amp; Porter and reinforce a clear narrative that helps the business to grow and prosper</li> <li>To create a favourable impression of the company</li> </ul>	PR (online and offline media) <ul> <li>Local and regional press</li> <li>Business press</li> <li>Online press</li> <li>Trade press</li> <li>Hobson &amp; Porter website</li> </ul>			
capable of servicing all our clients' requirements	<ul> <li>To positively communicate the core values of the company as a great employer and a great organisation to do business with</li> </ul>	Client websites			

### Hobson & Porter's Headline Messages

- · Safety is at the core of everything Hobson & Porter does.
- Hobson & Porter is an integral construction delivery partner, assisting our clients in building the future and restoring the past.
- Since 1971, Hobson & Porter has reinvested in its business and created financial independence.
- As a major regional contractor throughout Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and beyond, it offers a tailored bespoke solution to its clients' construction needs.
- Hobson & Porter embraces a true partnering approach, built on a foundation of core family values: Trust, Honesty and Reliability.
- Hobson and Porter's areas of expertise include Construction, Project Management, Civil Engineering and Mechanical & Electrical.
- Hobson & Porter has built a business based on trust and relationships with clients.
- Social value and lasting legacy are key performance drivers for all of Hobson & Porter's projects.
- Hobson & Porter believes it has a responsibility to protect and preserve the environment for tomorrow's generation.
- Hobson & Porter has a longstanding commitment to develop skills and training for the benefit of the industry,highlighted through the Foundations scheme – working with industry partners and key educational establishments to bridge the skills gap in the industry.
- Hobson & Porter provides integrated, multi-disciplinary construction services to customers both new and old.

### Mercury's Role

- To proactively promote to customers and business partners Hobson & Porter
   When needed, to passionately protect policy and
- actions
- To assertively advise on the right things to do

### Meeting Structure

- Mercury to meet at Hobson & Porter's offices at the beginning of each month with Richard Hunter and Dave Blades to populate the PR plan with ideas in line with the company's business plan.
- Dan Clark and Phil Loades to meet at Hobson & Porter's offices with Dave Blades twice per month to discuss and write stories and arrange photography (two hours per session)

Three press releases per month (up to 36 per annum), based on the following broad

headings: human interest stories, Corporate Social Responsibility, contract wins,

construction excellence, key milestones, awards and accreditations

### Arranged PR Activity

W/C	Story	Status Next Action		Coverage	Notes		
05/12	Richard Hunter	Mercury	ry Complete Secured		All coverage on HP Source		
12/12	Appointments	Mercury		Secured	All coverage on HP Source		
19/12	Contract wins	Mercury	Complete	Awaiting	Awaiting further contract information		
09/01	Roman findings	Mercury	Complete	Awaiting	Release distributed by NYCC		
16/01	Rooted update PR	Mercury		Secured	All coverage on HP Source		
30/01	Fire Station PR	Mercury			Awaiting approval from HP		
13/02	Bransholme Fire Station open day	Mercury			Awaiting approval from HP		
13/02	Foundations date set	Mercury		Secured	All coverage on HP Source		
20/02	Minor works job creation PR	Mercury	In progress		Awaiting discussion with John		
27/02	Apprenticeships PR - Careers Week	Mercury	Still to draft		Liaising with Pauline & Hull College		
MAR	Foundations PR	Mercury	Still to draft		Initiatives with Bishop Burton - Paulin		
MAR	Bernard Porter tools donation	Mercury	Complete		Awaiting approval from HP		
MAR	PR Stunt - Milestone PR	Mercury	Still to draft		Briefing ideas to involve Look North		
MAR	Richard Hunter - Big Interview	Mercury	Still to draft		Awaiting Hull Daily Mail date		
APR	British Gypsum Pod PR	Mercury	Still to draft				
MAY	Woodford PR	Mercury	Still to draft				
JUL	Foundations PR	Mercury	Still to draft				
AUG	Yorkshire Day PR	Mercury	Still to draft				
AUG	Build up to Foundations Live 2017	Mercury	Still to draft				
SEPT	Foundations Live 2017 PR	Mercury					
OCT	LGTA Construction week PR	Mercury	Still to draft				
NOV	Foundations PR	Mercury	Still to draft				
DEC	Foundations PR	Mercury	Still to draft				

Monthly Activity

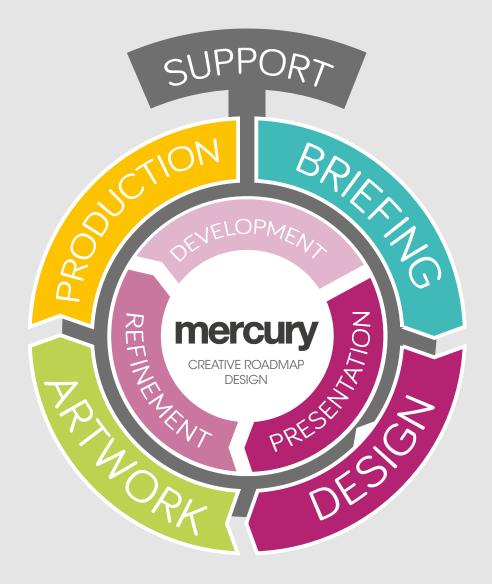
Media hooks calendar	
----------------------	--

January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1st - New Year's Day	14th - Valentine's Day	6th - 10th Careers Week	1st - 17th Easter	1st - May Bank Holiday	1st - 12th National	22nd - 4th Sept -	1st - Yorkshire Day	5th - School term starts,	21st - 29th Half Term	11th - Armistice Day	21st - Christmas
11th Monthly meeting	17th - Monthly meeting	14th - 18th National	Holidays (School)	11th - South Yorkshire/	Volunteers week	Summer Holidays	28th - Bank Holiday	International Charity Day	10th - 12th UK	12th - Remembrance	Holidays (School)
19th Northern	18th - 26th Spring Half	Apprenticeship Week	14th - Good Friday	Humber LABC	14th - Yorkshire LABC	(School)	(TBC) Monthly meeting	21st - Foundation Live	Construction Week	Sunday	25th - Christmas Day
Lincolnshire Business	Term	17th British	16th, 17th - Easter	27th - 4th June -	Awards Dinner	7th - Constructing		2017 Event	event	CITB Pride of	26th - Boxing Day
Awards open	28th - Shrove Tuesday	Construction Industry	Sunday, Monday	Summer Half Term	(TBC) Monthly meeting	Excellence Awards		(TBC) Monthly meeting	31st - Halloween	Construction Awards	Jewson Live
20th Business Masters		Awards entry deadline	28th - Constructing	29th - Spring Bank					(TBC) Monthly meeting	(Date TBC)	(TBC) Monthly meeting
entry deadline		18th - 20th Sport Relief	Excellence	Holiday		Awards Dinner				Hull Daily Mail Business	
27th Construction News		30th Business Masters	Yorkshire/Humber Awards	s (TBC) Monthly meeting		29th July - Tough				Awards	
Awards		Awards Dinner	Deadline			Mudder				Children in Need	
31st - South Yorkshire		31st - Yorkshire LABC	(TBC) Monthly meeting			(TBC) Monthly meeting				(TBC) Monthly meeting	
and Humber		awards entry deadline									
LABC Awards entry		27th - 1st April - Open									
deadline		Doors Week 2017									
		(TBC) Monthly meeting									





### Our design process<sup>TMW</sup>







### Web development process<sup>TMW</sup>





## buildingreputations



## mercuryconstruction









We have worked on some of the UK's most challenging and prestigious construction projects helping our clients communicate their messages mercury group could be a set of the set o from the planning stages right through to formal opening and beyond.



## mercuryenergy









We work for a large number of the UK's leading energy businesses







## mercuryengineering





We have promoted some of the UK's most challenging engineering projects



## mercuryfm









We have helped our FM clients to win more than 40 top industry awards, promoting their work in the UK and overseas



## mercurypublic











**Contact your** local midwife direct, you don't need to see your GP first.

Book your first appointment now by ringing:

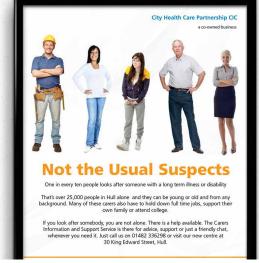
North East Lincolnshire 01472 875548 Goole 01405 720720 ext 4079 Crowle 01724 712925 Brigg 01652 659569

Barton 01652 660052 Scunthorpe 01724 747268

Your local midwifery team will be a great help to you throughout your pregnancy ensuring you have



Make the most o the winter season with live updates, health advice and essential information from Oxfordshire County Counci For all your winter information visit: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/winter





We have worked for more than 60 local authorities, 20 NHS trusts and have a proven track record as political lobbyists



## mercuryrail& transportation









28 years' experience in rail and transport. Working on some of the biggest and most challenging projects on Britain's railways



## mercuryretail









We work for 60 retail outlets UK-wide and more than 50 public houses as part of a national chain



## mercuryschools









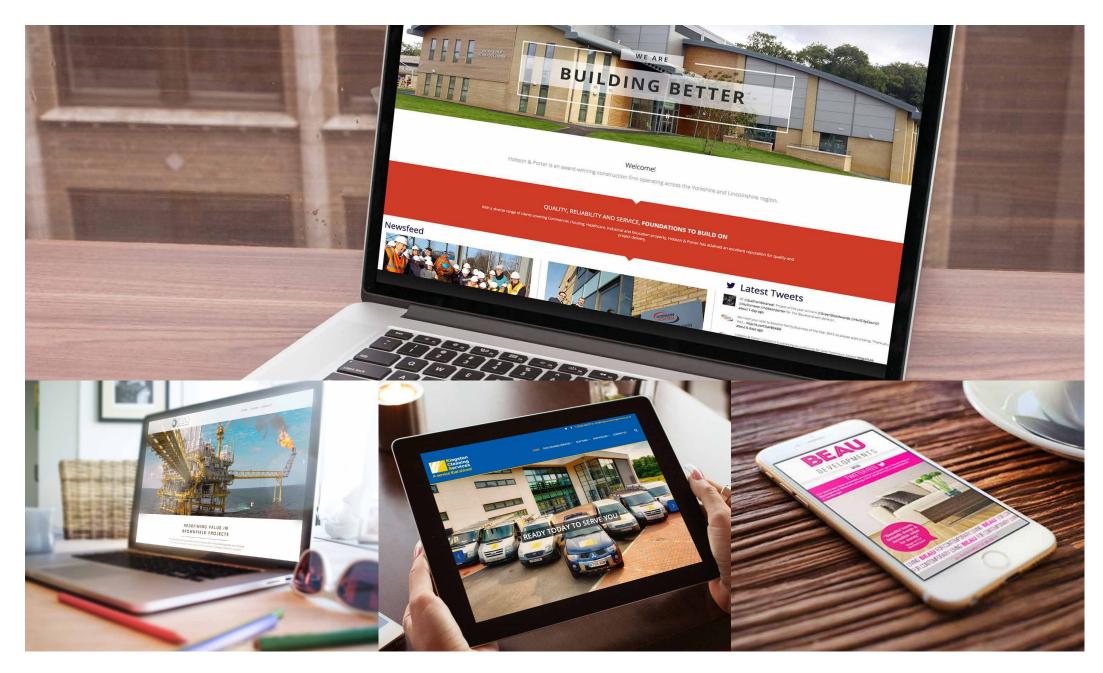
We currently work for 15 schools and have delivered our services on a £400m PFI project



## mercuryweb









Turning your vision of a strong online presence into a reality











## SPARKING BUSINESS SUCCESS





## OUR PHILOSOPHY

Here at Mercury, we believe that marketing and communications strategy has to be a series of integrated actions leading to a sustainable competitive advantage.

It is this philosophy that helps us to make such a positive and profitable difference to the customers we serve.

Simon Taylor Chief Executive Mercury Group (28 years in the rail industry)





### ORGANISATIONS TURN TO US...

... because for 24-hours a day, seven days a week we make a profitable difference to the people we represent.

A selection of rail industry and civils organisations we have worked with:





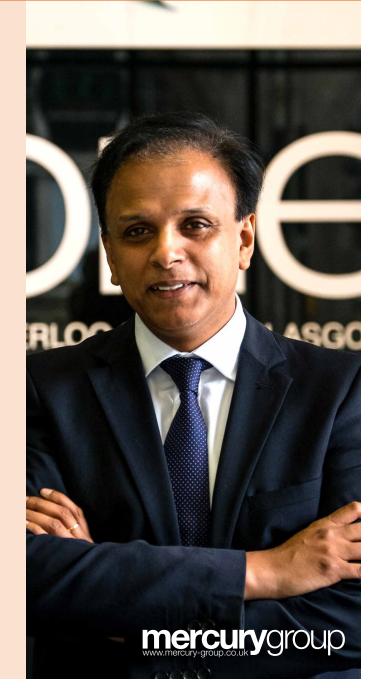


### DON'T JUST TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT...

- Mercury Group Limited is one of the strongest and most creative business marketing and communications agencies I have come across in my 25-year career working in rail, construction and civil engineering.
- This agency not only delivers incredibly creative campaigns but they make a hugely positive financial difference through their industry intelligence briefings, making connections and industry experience, which is second to none.
- If you are looking to positively raise your profile and to win work in the rail industry, these are the people to turn to. I can't speak highly enough of them and their work.

Raj Sinha Managing Director SSE Enterprise Rail





### CASE STUDY: **SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL** RESEARCHING, AUTHORING & DESIGNING **TENDERS**







### CASE STUDY: SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL SPECIALIST AND MAINSTREAM MEDIA COVERAGE



The newly formed multi-disciplinary rail

business falls within SSE Enterprise, which is

and electrical contractors with the canacity to

deliver the widest range of services to every

kind of customer. Believing that the timing

is right to enter the rail infrastructure and

multi-disciplinary markets in a bigger way.

the organisation has something different to

collaborative ways of powering and funding

major projects

offer - particularly surrounding innovative and

home to one of the UK's largest mechanical

recent re-planning of the rail industry's investment programme covered by the Hendy Review revealed that the vast majority of programmes will go ahead for delivery by 2019 despite, for a variety of reasons, challenges associated with costs and timescales on a number of enhancement projects.

There has also been a fundamental change with the reclassification of Network Rail as a public body, curtailing more freely available access to Government backed debt resulting in the requirement for more disciplined capital rationing

These have all contributed to the funding challenge as has the realisation that some large projects could have been managed on an holistic basis rather than piecemeal. Dame Collette Bowe's review, published at the same time as the Hendy Review, looks at these issues and draws conclusions for the Department for Transport, Network Rail and the Office of Rail and Road.

Time for something different

These changes have given rise to a number of opportunities, as well as challenges, for suppliers to the rail industry, newcomers and established providers alike. One of the former is SSE Enterprise, which entered the multidisciplinary rail market in 2015 with arguably the strongest foundation of any new company in the rail sector. It was formed from the substantial resources and industry expertise of SSE plc - a FTSE 30 company with 15 years of rail industry success under its belt. SSE plc (formerly Scottish and Southern Energy plc) employs nearly 20,000 staff UKwide, generating a turnover of £32 billion in the UK. It has built an enviable reputation in contracting, utilities, telecoms and other energy related services such as gas storage, exploration and production, connections and metering.



76 Ral Engineer • February 2016

### Audit triumph for SSE Enterprise Rail

SSE Enterprise Rail has passed a comprehensive audit resulting in 168 new RISQS codes, bringing its total number of individually recognised gualifications to over 200.

RISQS is the single entry point for suppliers to the rail industry. Buyers of products and services throughout the rail industry use RISQS as their supplier qualification service. **RISQS** codes signify an organisation's capability in

specific areas of operation within the rail industry.



Says Raj Sinha, managing director of SSE Enterprise Rail, 'We have built up a great track record over the last 15 years in a range of disciplines on Britain's railways. As a growing progressive company, with ambitions of increasing our market share within renewals. enhancements and power on Britain's railways, the securing of these new RISQS codes is hugely important." He added, 'We can really sta

to capitalise on the potential the has always existed among our highly skilled personnel."



New power for Liverpool Street IS THELL

Opened in 1874 as the terminus for the Great Eastern Railway, it absorbed all of the service that ran into the adjacent Broad Street station when that closed in 1986.

in for the West Anglia main line to Cambridge, the Great Eastern to Norwich and the Stansted Express service, as well as local and commuter trains to the East of England. The station's 18 platforms are used by more than 1.2 million,people every day (over 63 million per annum), traveling or services operated by Abellio Greater Anglia and client, Network Rail, operators Abellio Greater ondon Overground, as well as Transport for Anglia and Transport for London, as well as ondon which took over operation of the r Shenfield last year as a precursor to Cro There are also a handful of c2c services The station's underground interchange erves the Central Hammersmith and Ci Aetropolitan and Circle lines.

Life expired All of this, with lighting, heating, retail, office

and services, uses a lot of electrical power. There are over 50 high street food and retail outlets alone, and they all rely on electrical switchgear for the end of November 2016, while the (Durham switchgear and distribution boards). completion of GRIP 5-8 (design and construction which feeds the power supply. This equipment, which is 25 years old, is coming to the end of its operational Me. In addition, because of its age, the apparatus does not meet the current s standards for maintenance access oros

As a result, SSE Enterprise Rail has been ommissioned to design and deliver a solutio to replace all life-expired mechanical and lectrical assets between years two to four of plan. The SSE Enterprise Rail team will also mprove electrical safety to help prevent majo aquipment failure provide a dedicated back ricity supply for the station and train lighting to further improve reliability, and exp nt electrical distribution capacity at the

whilst maintaining functionality of all station facilities and operations, keeping disruption to a absolute minimum and travellers on the move SSE Enterprise Rail is developing a 'one team with all interested parties, which include the

wingen and indesport for London, as well as station staff, tenants in the station outlets a 'hie general public. This collaborative way of working assures project values and objecti will be agreed from the outset, with less likelihood of anything unexpected oc furing the design and delivery phases w SSE Enterprise's number one core value, will be the primary consideration at every stage The completion of GRIP 3-4 (co

> in the 'commercial' category, illustrating the riganisation's drup to dollare the on ice of quality, safety and value Raj Sinha, managing director of SSE Er Rail, said: "This project will be very challenging but we have the right people with the right sl t every level to deliver this type of specials ork. We look forward to supporting Netwo Rail and other stakeholders at Liver Station, building on the great reputation that o ecent contract wins for SSE Enterprise Rai ncluding the Tier 1 electrical works call-off LNW mute electrical frame

Contract win

SSE Enterprise Rail won a con

design and deliver this 'Liverpool Street

stem awarded the company maximu

ch Panels and Distribution Board Project h behalf of Network Rail. The tender scoring









Strong leadership

The leadership team is currently assessing

both the Hendy and Bowes Reviews to clarify

stands against the best in the business and his

### CASE STUDY: **SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL** BROCHURES







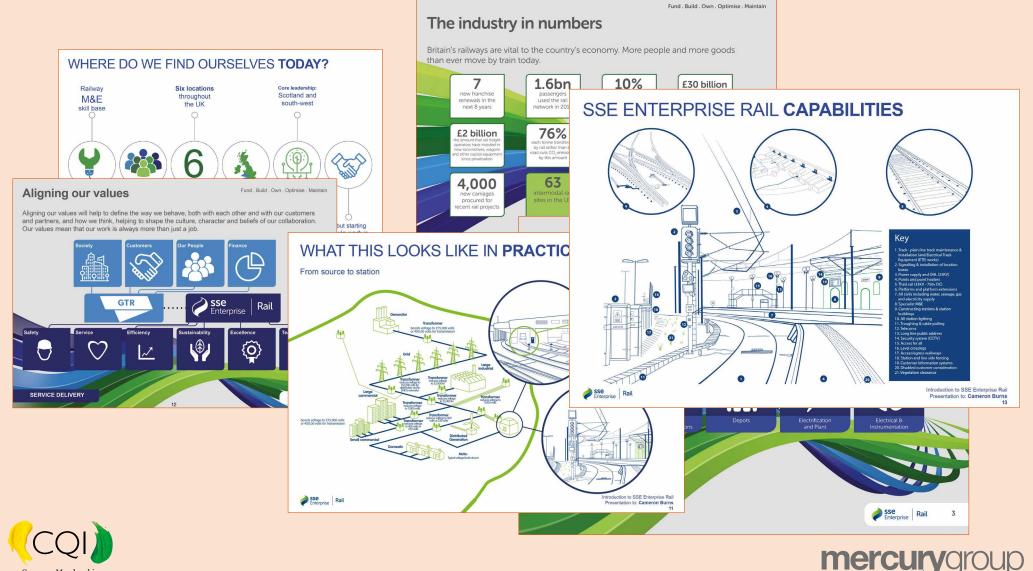
## CASE STUDY: SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL BESPOKE BROCHURES



Company Membership



## CASE STUDY: SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL PRESENTATIONS



**Company Membership** 

### CASE STUDY: SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS



Company Membership



### CASE STUDY: SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL WEBSITE

#### A SSE Rail

### **Copy for SSE wireframe**

Image resource library Trackside and Station/M&E Photography available here: http://mercurymarketing.pixieset.com/sseenterpriseprint/ http://mercurymarketing.pixieset.com/ssesheffieldstation/

#### Home page



#### SSE Enterprise Rail – Powering Britain's Railways

SSE Enterprise Rail has more than 15 years' experience working safely and collaboratively on Britain's railwavs.

We sit within SSE Enterprise, which brings together six of SSE's businesses: Contracting, Energy Solution Rail, Slough Heat and Power, Telecoms and Utilities, all delivered with energy and supported by 4,000 hugely talented and highly trained people.

SSE Enterprise works with more than 400,000 business customers from small and medium enterprises to some of the UK's largest companies, local authorities, government departments and other public bodies. We are also home to one of the UK's largest mechanical and electrical contractors, with the capacity to deliver the widest range of services to every kind of customer.

Within our rail business, we hold more than 200 'on and off track' independently assessed accreditations known as RISQS codes, confirming our place as one of the UK's most qualified rail industry principal contractors.

#### SSE Enterprise

General Business Supplies and Services We provide services associated with general building manageme utilities. Our specific expertise includes:

#### General Building Management

 General Building Management Portable Appliance Testing

#### Fire Safety Equipment

 Fire Safety Accessories & Equipment Fire Safety, Detection & Alarm Systems

#### Energy & Utilities

Metering Services



#### sse Rail

Sector page



**sse** Enterprise

2013

63

As part of SSE plc, you can see we have a wealth of industry-leading

16

A FTSE 30 company

#### Information centre

Case studies

Project examples: South West Trains & East Midlands Trains

South West Trains: 248 stations East Midlands Trains: 80 stations

SSE Enterprise Rail has supplied reliable Planned Preventative Services for Mechanical and Electrical systems, including HVAC, Gas and Water Maintenance at over 300 stations in England, for South West Trains (248 stations) and East Midlands Trains (80 stations). These services reduce the risk of equipment or system failure of vital infrastructure within the railway estate.

Safety is our number one priority, and our Railway Services teams have assisted the train operators in complying with the legal obligations surrounding electrical and gas installations by providing safe, effective maintenance and repair





28



## CASE STUDY: SSE ENTERPRISE RAIL SITE SIGNAGE







### CONTACT US:

# www.mercury-group.co.uk

mercuryrail and transportation mercuryconstruction mercurypublic mercuryenergy mercuryengineering **mercury**fm

**mercury**retail mercuryschools mercuryweb

### \lambda 01482 782287 \]

- @ simon.taylor@mercury-group.co.uk
- www.mercury-group.co.uk
- https://twitter.com/mercury\_tweets
- O https://www.instagram.com/mercury\_insta/



