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## Welcome to RGS insite issue 40

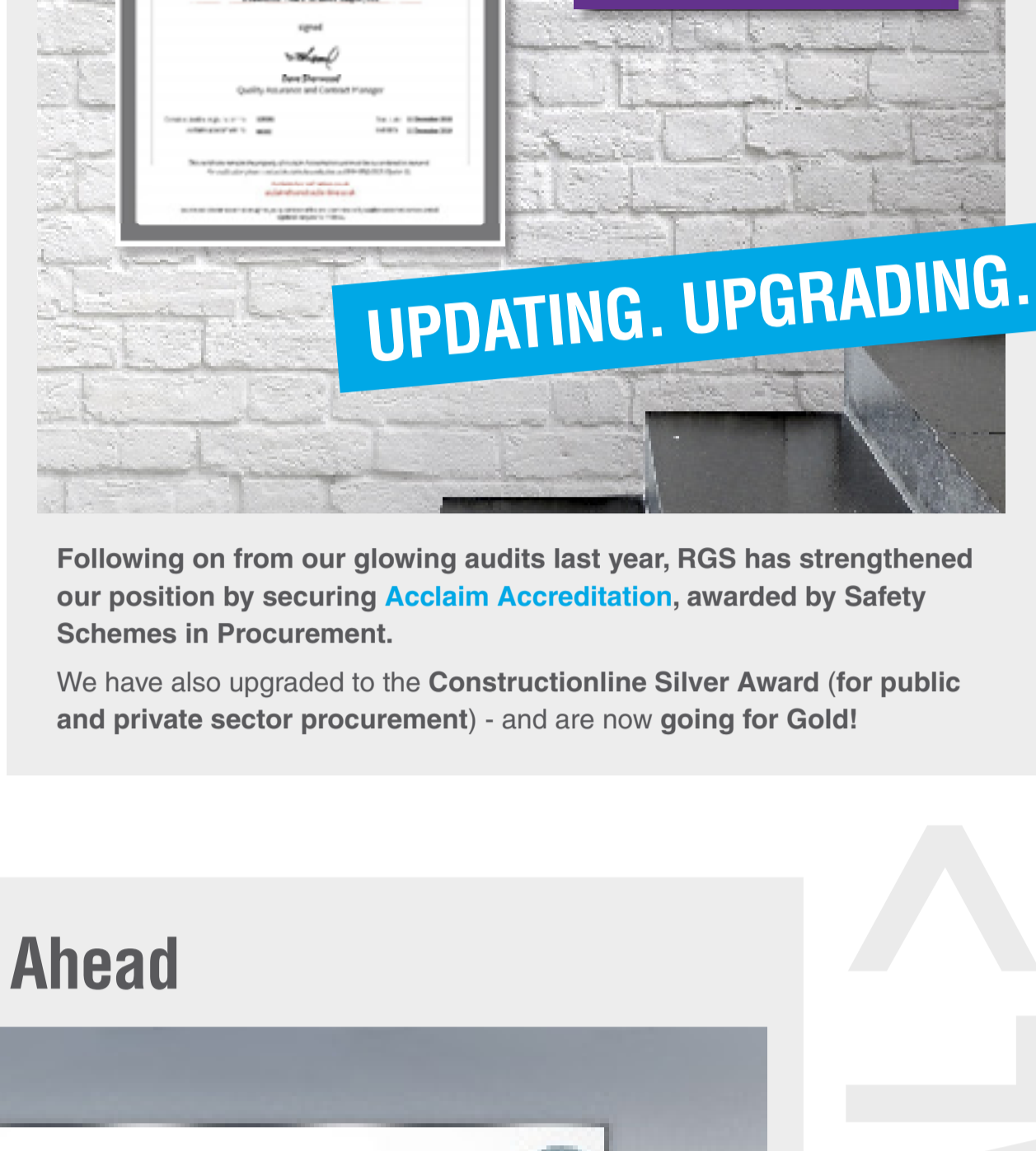
Our regular newsletter celebrating more than a decade of drilling that keeps you up to date with RGS and industry news.

Rogers Geotechnical Services Ltd are site investigation specialists offering ground investigation and geotechnical services to developers, builders, structural and consulting engineers, architects, insurance companies, local authorities, piling and foundation engineers, private individuals and other geotechnical consultants.

## Kicking off 2019!

RGS got the year off to a flying start by holding our highly successful annual **Health and Safety refresher** and 'Toolbox Talks' day.

In time-honoured style, all our team attended the event when we reiterated the message, 'Safety is always key; don't let it slide'. Safety underpins everything we do and is central to all our governance relating to good practice.



**“SAFETY IS ALWAYS KEY DON'T LET IT SLIDE!”**

### INDUSTRY STANDARDS

## New Accreditations



**UPDATING. UPGRADING.**

Following on from our glowing audits last year, RGS has strengthened our position by securing **Acclaim Accreditation**, awarded by Safety Schemes in Procurement.

We have also upgraded to the **Constructionline Silver Award** (for public and private sector procurement) - and are now going for Gold!

### CPD & TRAINING

## Looking Ahead



**MORE TO COME.**

As well as reiterating our safety commitment, we are also building on our strengths as providers of **ongoing training** and **CPD**.

RGS MD Emma Lewis explains:

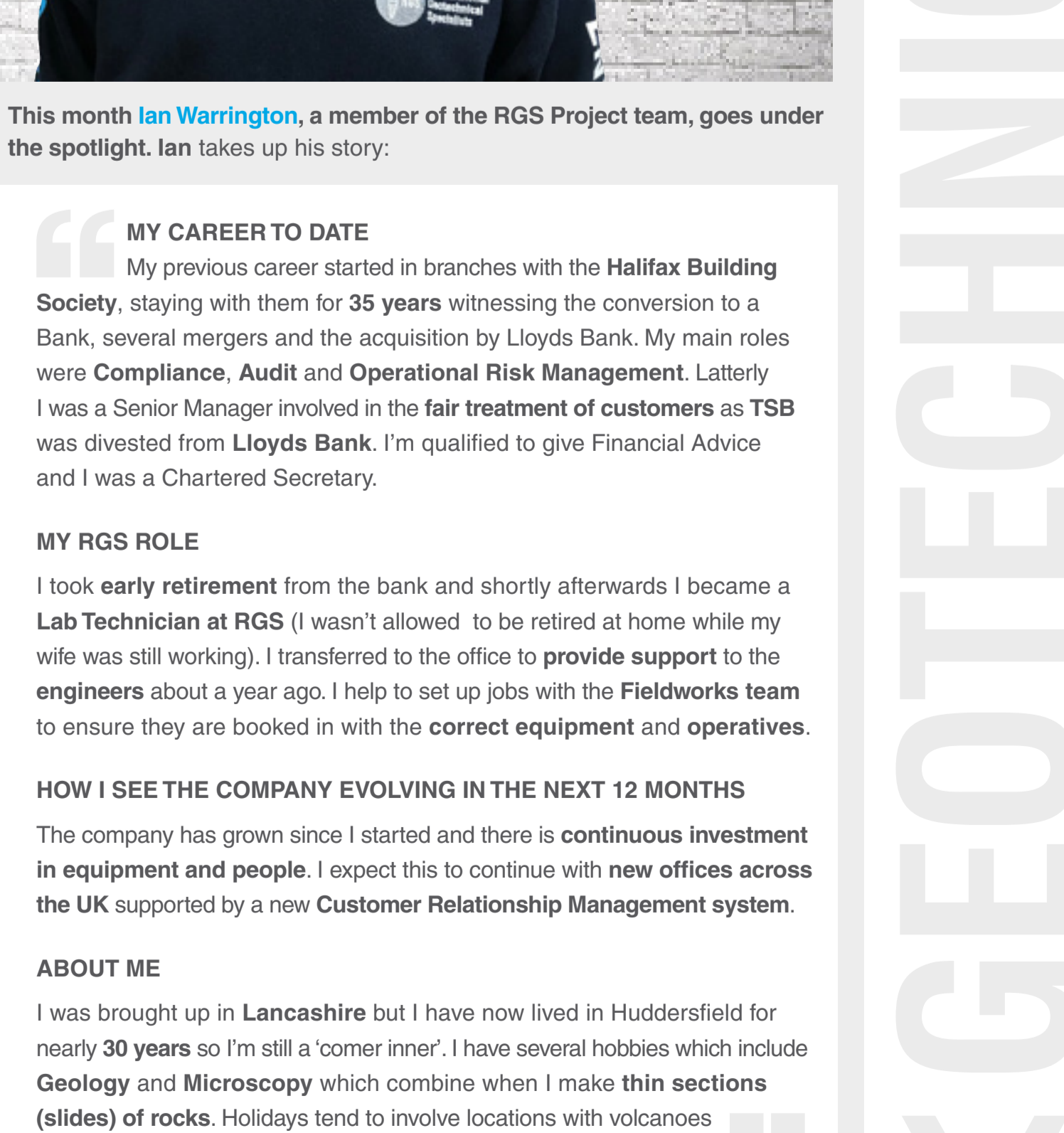
“ We are really starting to reap the benefits of our new office space and our dedicated training space.

Please watch these newsletters for **further developments** as we continue to **invest and expand** our training offer. Our **commitment** is to ensure that all our staff are offered the **best professional development** to utilise the best of their skills and abilities.

The 'experts' within the RGS team also offer **training opportunities** to others **within the industry**, to ensure we share our **knowledge and best practice**.

### INDUSTRY FEDERATION NEWS

## The Value of Site Investigation



**CONFIRMED.**

At RGS, we are often asked to explain why **ground investigations** are so important and whether this important part of the construction phase can be ignored or circumnavigated.

The following excerpt from an article published by **The Federation of Piling Specialists** earlier this Winter, explains it very nicely.

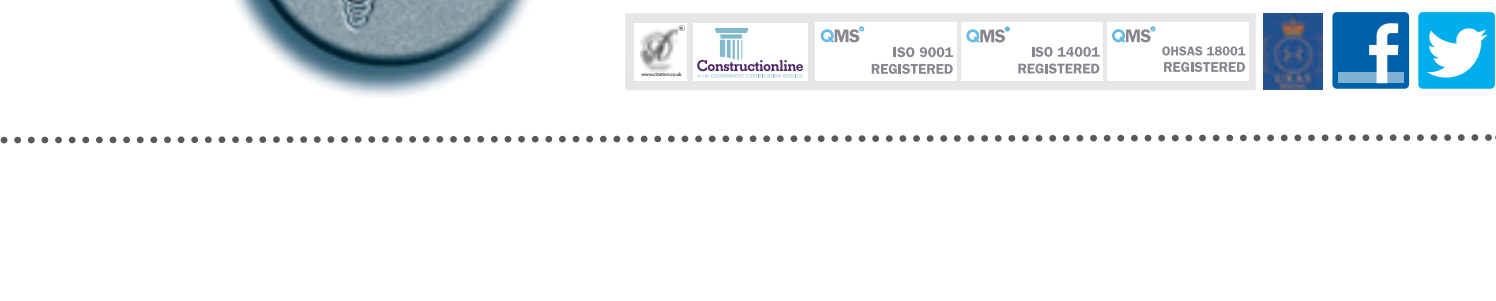
“ Few would argue that effective Site Investigation (SI) is not only **best practice** but **essential** for identifying ground (SI) conditions that may have the potential to **impact negatively** during the proceeding construction-phase of any project.

It is also widely accepted that any failure to identify ground issues often results in **unforeseen costs** to the project, as well as that all too familiar issue of **late completions**. However, what is often overlooked is SI's ability to actually **save money**, as any subsequent ground engineering work, such as **piling**, can be effectively matched to the ground conditions and not guessed at or 'over engineered' to simply avoid **unknown future issues**.

[Click here to read the full article.](#)

### INDUSTRY MEMBERSHIPS

## Signing Up to Safety



**COVERED.**

To emphasise our commitment, RGS is also delighted to confirm that **all our field team have current CSCS cards** that are always kept up-to-date.

Awarded by the **Construction Skills Certification Scheme**, these cards are widely recognised **across the industry** as proof that individuals working on construction sites have the required training and qualifications for the work they're carrying out.

### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## From All of us ...



**Imran**, a key member of our engineering team, is settling well into fatherhood following the **birth of his daughter, Aaminah**, in November.

Our very sincere congratulations to **Imran** and his wife, **Fazila** and best wishes for the future to you both and your little girl.



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### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## Team Strengthening



**WELCOME.**

We have started 2019 by welcoming our new Laboratory Technician, **Nawaf Al-Athari** and we will be profiling Nawaf in a future newsletter.

The lab is a central part of what we do here at RGS and we are delighted to have him on board.

### HEALTH & SAFETY

## Head to Toe!

As part of our regular health and safety updates, we are now focussing on **eye protection** and when it's essential to wear **goggles**.

[Click here](#) to take the time to read the handy tips in our poster.



### SPOTLIGHT ON



## Ian Warrington

This month **Ian Warrington**, a member of the RGS Project team, goes under the spotlight. Ian takes up his story:

“ **MY CAREER TO DATE**

My previous career started in branches with the **Halifax Building Society**, staying with them for **35 years** witnessing the conversion to a Bank, several mergers and the acquisition by Lloyds Bank. My main roles were **Compliance, Audit and Operational Risk Management**. Latterly I was a Senior Manager involved in the **fair treatment of customers** as TSB was divested from **Lloyds Bank**. I'm qualified to give Financial Advice and I was a Chartered Secretary.

**MY RGS ROLE**

I took **early retirement** from the bank and shortly afterwards I became a **Lab Technician at RGS** (I wasn't allowed to be retired at home while my wife was still working). I transferred to the office to **provide support** to the engineers about a year ago. I help to set up jobs with the **Fieldworks team** to ensure they are booked in with the **correct equipment and operatives**.

**HOW I SEE THE COMPANY EVOLVING IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS**

The company has grown since I started and there is **continuous investment** in **equipment and people**. I expect this to continue with **new offices** across the UK supported by a new **Customer Relationship Management system**.

**ABOUT ME**

I was brought up in **Lancashire** but I have now lived in Huddersfield for nearly **30 years** so I'm still a 'corner inner'. I have several hobbies which include **Geology and Microscopy** which combine when I make **thin sections (slides) of rocks**. Holidays tend to involve locations with volcanoes or other interesting rocks.

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### CLIENT FEEDBACK

## Talk to us

“ We are always keen to hear what clients think of our service and welcome feedback from within the industry. We'd love to hear from you. ”

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