





Fox Group chooses McCloskey units from Agg-Pro to help drive ambitious growth and green agenda

Established in 1932, Fox Group has been operating across the North West for over 80 years and specialises in the supply and haulage of aggregates, recycled materials, muck shift and earthworks.

Operating from 32 locations across the UK, the company runs a fleet of 350 trucks including electric vehicles and 5-7 trains a week as well as 4,500 items of plant machinery and employs 850 people.

Working across quarries, recycling, plant hire, earthworks, rail and marine, the company has a strong nationwide presence thanks to several high-profile acquisitions in recent years including Hurt Plant Hire, B and W Plant Hire, Woods Waste, Bacup Clay, Blackledge, JJ O'Grady and CRH Plant Hire. Further partnerships with the group include Jacksons, Monks Training and Tipworx.

In 2018, Fox Group purchased their first McCloskey J45 from Agg-Pro to work on a concrete runway recycling operation and since then they have increased their share of the recycling and aggregate sector to become the market leaders for all construction and haulage plant and material needs.

Fast forward to 2023, Fox Group's McCloskey portfolio is now in double figures and includes jaw crushers, cone crushers and screeners, and their partnership with Agg-Pro has gone from strength to strength.



The J40 and J45

the perfect all-rounders for the Fox Group



McCloskey

Nestled inside its crushing shed at the Leyland yard, the McCloskey J40 works 24/7 when required, to constantly process the stream of C+D waste which it helps to turn back into reusable aggregates.

This is key in Fox Group's circular economy offering and the McCloskey J40's simplicity makes it the perfect match for the job. A hydrostatic driven jaw enables it to process a variety of material and the dropdown conveyor feature allows the operator to remove any rebar or wire safely without having to shut the crusher down. This results in less downtime and higher production. Powered by a tier 5 cat engine, the J40 is also now up to 25-30% more fuel efficient than its tier 3 predecessor.

Moving between the group's multiple quarries and recycling centres and out on hire to its client





base, the McCloskey J45 has firmly proven its worth since the group purchased its first unit, an ex-demonstrator model in 2018. Like its smaller brother the J40, the J45's ease of use for the operator, high production in a variety of applications and its reliability and straightforward build when repairs and maintenance are needed, place it as the unit of choice when a crusher is requested by clients.

The key features of the J45 include a single toggle jaw, integrated hydraulic folding hopper, integrated hydraulic folding stockpiling conveyors, I-beam plate fabricated chassis construction, a large gap between crusher discharge and main conveyor feed boot, open chassis design for ease of maintenance and a fast setup time.



We have an excellent working relationship with Agg-Pro.
Not only do they offer a premium product but they also have exceptional knowledge of different applications, offer the ability to adapt to our needs when required, and provide an exceptional aftersales service. This puts them as our first choice for all crushing and screening equipment requirements.

Paul Fox, Chief Executive of the Fox Group



Following the takeover of Hurt Plant Hire, Fox Group increased their focus on producing quality virgin and recycled aggregates from its CMP Anglesey quarry.

Traditionally servicing the local area, the introduction of a McCloskey C2 Cone crusher has helped them to increase production and produce higher quality single size aggregates, which are delivered all over North Wales and the North West.

At the heart of the McCloskey C2 is a high speed, high throw 200hp cone manufactured by METSO for McCloskey. Its direct drive concept from the engine dramatically reduces fuel usage, and its steep profile liners increase its wear life by up to 50% in comparison to the competition.

In January this year, the company celebrated a major milestone with the installation of a rail head at its Leyland location. With an average of 5 trains per week transporting high-quality limestone

from a variety of quarries, the rail head has helped to reduce vehicle movements. In addition, from here, limestone is loaded onto the company's fleet of fully electric tippers, adding to the company's green credentials.

Thanks to its partnership with JA Jacksons the team have managed to achieve record figures through their recent upgraded wash plant with volumes up and above 10,000 tonnes being diverted from landfill and ploughed back into the aggregate sector.

Key to Fox Group's growth has been their partnership with Agg-Pro. The quality of the products speak for themselves and Agg-Pro is proud to offer a straightforward and honest approach plus excellent technical knowledge and understanding of the sector. Their aftersales service is also second to none with a quick turnaround if there is an issue.

We have a great partnership with Fox Group and long may it continue. Our highly experienced team have a wealth of industry knowledge and experience and always strive to offer innovative solutions to our customers. Fintan Harkin, one of our Sales Engineers, has a hands-on approach and has worked closely with Paul Fox to build a strong relationship and ensure we meet the company's changing needs and requirements.

Steve Peterson, Commercial Director at Agg-Pro





4,500 PLANT MACHINERY

350 WAGONS

32
NATIONAL BASES

850 EMPLOYEES

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Agg-Pro are authorised suppliers of McCloskey. Established in 1996 to provide a personal, customer focussed approach to the supply of equipment for the quarrying and recycling industries, the company is currently experiencing an exciting period of growth.

Its Head Office in Tamworth includes a 40,000 sq ft premises incorporating a factory for refurbishments and employs 34 people. The company is proud of its reputation for excellent customer service and builds long-standing and collaborative partnerships with its customers.