

10 YEARS : 1998 - 2008

Celebrating 10 Years

DAVID ROCHE GeoConsulting celebrates 10 years of business in 2008. Founded in 1998 by David Roche working from his home-office in a newly converted attic room, the business has grown and become well established. A broad variety of projects have been undertaken in engineering geology and geotechnics, coastal cliff management, waste management, contaminated land and in geodiversity and geoconservation, acting for a wide range of clients including county and district councils, private developers and housebuilders.

Happy 10 Years

“When I took early retirement from local government, I thought I might keep my hand in and help out the consultancy with odd bits of work from time to time, but it really turned out to be the most satisfying period of my working life” says **Keith Ellis** who has provided waste management consultancy since 1999.

“Geodiversity in quarries was always an area of interest and since stepping down from industry I’ve been pleased to be able to develop and lead the ALSF funded geodiversity audit research projects”. says **Clive Nicholas**, who has contributed as a minerals geology consultant since 2002,

David Roche reflects “My previous role as a department manager and director with Frank Graham / WSP was rewarding and satisfying for the most part, but could also be quite stressful at times, and ultimately out of my control. But the past 10 years have been the most enjoyable and satisfying achievement - to build and sustain a good business with the company of some excellent consultants and clients. I now wish I had started it even earlier!”

Flexible Reliable and Capable

“With my team of experienced consultants and suppliers the consultancy can provide a broad range of expertise tailored to the needs of our clients”, says David. “We enjoy excellent service from consultants, some working flexibly from home, but all committed professionals who deliver their expertise with reliability. **Special thanks to Keith and Clive who are now winding down their work commitments but who provided much to our development and success. And thanks also to our Clients, for their custom and support, and for the flow of interesting work opportunities.**”



Renslade House Office

We relocated our office in 2007 to Renslade House where we have space to grow and a fine view of Exe Bridges

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Highlights of 10 Years

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| 2008 | David Roche GeoConsulting celebrates 10 years. What next? |
| 2007 | Office relocates to Renslade House. GeoValue project complete. UK Geodiversity review study. |
| 2006 | Devon schools redevelopment ground investigations - a series of projects start at Bideford College. |
| 2005 | Phil Stephenson returns as engineering geologist consultant. GeoValue – a major 2 year project. |
| 2004 | Quarry audits extend to Somerset. Peter Scott develops and leads GeoValue research project. |
| 2003 | Geodiversity Audits of Active Aggregate Quarries in Devon is our first ALSF research project. |
| 2002 | Budleigh Salterton cliff reconstruction works. Clive Nicholas develops and leads ALSF research. |
| 2001 | Beer cliffs emergency and reinforcement works after major cliff falls. Limited company formed. |
| 2000 | Office relocates to Richmond Road. Dave Allen joins as engineering geologist consultant. |
| 1999 | Sidmouth Connaught cliff stabilisation works. Keith Ellis joins as waste management consultant. |
| 1998 | David Roche starts the new consultancy business. Plymouth waste study is our first project. |

UK Geodiversity Review

Following the GeoValue project completed in 2007, and the Geodiversity Audits of Quarries in Devon and Somerset, a 'state of knowledge' review of Geodiversity in the UK has been undertaken and completed. It is the fifth ALSF research project award to David Roche GeoConsulting funded through the MIST programme managed by MIRO.

Professor Peter Scott is lead author with input from David Roche and Clive Nicholas, and also from David Lawrence and Keith Ambrose of the British Geological Survey. This forms part of the current dissemination phase for all the ALSF projects – see www.sustainableaggregates.co.uk for details.

Contamination Clean-up at St Austell and Sherborne

Contamination clean-up and validation has been carried out at residential development sites, after presenting stiff challenges to be overcome. At St Austell a former garage and workshops site with some isolated residual hydrocarbons has been assessed and remediated to allow redevelopment to proceed after satisfying the requirements of the Environment Agency and Restormel BC with key input by **Phil Stephenson**. At Sherborne a former garages site with some elevated arsenic and hydrocarbons has been remediated and validated to the satisfaction of the local planning authority with key input by **Dave Allen**.



Beer Cliffs – a major and ongoing cliff works scheme



Ground investigation boreholes at Bideford College

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