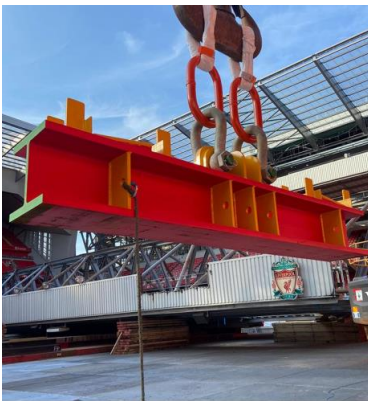


## Challenges:

MGF faces several challenges related to sustainability. Chief among these is grappling with the complexities inherent in the subject itself. The realm of sustainability comprises a multifaceted network of issues that can be daunting to navigate, especially at the outset of a sustainability journey. MGF initially joined the Supply Chain Sustainability School to gain a deeper understanding of industry challenges and to align effectively with customers in supporting their sustainability goals. Since becoming a member, MGF has strengthened its commitment by hiring sustainability professionals to lead the company's journey toward Net Zero. Another hurdle is ensuring they provide customers with accurate and robust data to support their sustainability initiatives, requiring meticulous attention to data collection and integrity.



## Impact:

Since becoming a member of the School, MGF has capitalized on a wide range of high-quality learning modules and resources to enhance their sustainability knowledge. The Supply Chain School offers comprehensive environmental and sustainability teaching resources spanning from beginner to advanced levels, catering to the diverse training needs across MGF. This flexibility has proven invaluable, allowing MGF to customize individual development plans that are pertinent to each employee and team, thereby ensuring that best practices and awareness remain at the forefront of personal growth.

The process of assessing and reassessing the organization's knowledge against various sustainability issues has enabled MGF to pinpoint key areas for improvement. This approach has been instrumental in meeting and exceeding customer requirements while advancing sustainability initiatives across the board.



## Fact box



### Company

MGF

### No of employees

459

### HQ

Ashton-in-Makerfield

### Website

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### Services

MGF are a privately owned Company, established in 1981, whose primary focus is the provision of a comprehensive excavation safety solutions service using wholly in-house resources.

### About

Recognised as market leaders in design, manufacture, and provision of modular and bespoke excavation support systems, structural support and lifting services, MGF's primary goal is to create a business which is sustainable in the long term. The key enabler to meet this goal is the delivery of our mission "to be the most trusted supplier of excavation safety solutions.

### Engagement events:

Over the past few years, MGF has expanded access to the school and participation in events across various departments and among employees. These events have proven highly beneficial by enhancing existing relationships and fostering new opportunities for MGF.

### Value gained:

As a result of joining the School, MGF has acquired valuable insights into sustainability issues impacting the construction industry. This has enabled key personnel to enhance their knowledge and understanding across various areas within the organization. Participating in networking opportunities provided by the School has proven highly beneficial for MGF.

By maintaining their Gold membership, MGF aims to underscore their steadfast commitment to sustainability issues within the industry. This effort not only enhances relationships with current customers but also cultivates new connections with stakeholders interested in sustainability initiatives.

Involvement with the School has enabled MGF to deepen their understanding and effectively meet the diverse requirements of their clients. MGF adopts a comprehensive, sustainable approach to projects, where early engagement with the School has facilitated solutions such as onsite re-utilization of equipment multiple times. This approach includes providing testing facilities and training for operatives, thereby eliminating the need for equipment to return to the local depot for inspection and testing. Consequently, this initiative reduces transportation, CO2 emissions, and enhances efficiency.

Furthermore, MGF has gained a clearer understanding of their clients' BIM (Building Information Modeling) and Digital Engineering specifications. This understanding has proven valuable during the tender stage by addressing and mitigating risks, clash detection issues, and providing a unified source of scalable information.

### Future proofing:

**Engagement** – MGF aims to expand networking opportunities and increase promotion of the school.

**Add Value** – MGF plans to promote the school by involving a wider range of personnel, applying acquired knowledge, and deepening engagement with learning materials to better understand key sustainability issues' drivers, barriers, and benefits.

**Increase Awareness** – MGF intends to encourage their supply chain partners to join the School and reap similar benefits.

**Events** – MGF will continue to participate actively in events.

**Best Practice** – MGF will adapt and share their best practices with the Supply Chain School during events, workshops, and in day-to-day interactions with customers.