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SUPPORTING NEW EQUIPMENT THROUGH FIRST- HAND ENGAGEMENT: SITE VISIT TO BOMAG

As part of our ongoing commitment to delivering high-quality technical publications and robust support solutions, two members of the team, Paul and Kev, were recently invited to attend a site visit at BOMAG, part of the FAYAT Group, at their Maidstone facility.

The purpose of the visit was to gain first-hand exposure to the latest equipment entering service, allowing Paul and Kev to closely examine the machinery in detail and develop a clear understanding of its design, operation, and maintenance requirements. This hands-on access is a critical step in supporting the development of accurate and effective preferred repair schedules, as well as producing high-quality technical publications that meet both operational and end-user needs.

During the visit, the team were able to take detailed photographs, gather source material and capture key technical data directly from the equipment and supporting documentation. This information will play a vital role in ensuring that all future publications are technically accurate, clear and aligned with real-world maintenance and repair activities. Having direct access to the equipment also allows potential challenges or considerations to be identified early, helping to improve the overall quality and usability of the final outputs.

Despite a “glorious” week in Maidstone in sunny January, Paul and Kev remained fully focused on the task at hand and were, as always, happy to support. The visit also provided an excellent opportunity to engage with the BOMAG team, discuss equipment design intent, and strengthen working relationships ahead of future collaboration.

The team returned from the visit with valuable insights and a strong foundation to support the next phase of work. We would like to thank BOMAG and the wider FAYAT Group for their hospitality and openness during the visit, as we look forward to continuing to work closely together in support of the new equipment as it moves forward.



NICK – LAND MOBILITY PROGRAMME INDUSTRY DAY

I recently attended the Land Mobility Programme (LMP) team's Early Market Engagement (EME) event for the Light Mobility Vehicle (LMV) project. The session provided valuable insight into the current requirement and enabled open discussion around key challenges, opportunities and future delivery considerations. Engagement with industry offered a clearer understanding of existing market capabilities and solutions that could support the programme going forward. The LMV programme is expected to deliver multiple options, including a wheeled utility platform to modernise capabilities currently fulfilled by Land Rover and Pinzgauer, alongside a common base platform designed to support a range of warfighting roles across the Joint Force.



CLUSTER BREAKFAST

Another Greater Lincolnshire Regional Defence and Security Cluster event today (thanks Amy O'Sullivan) hosted this time by the Air & Space Institute (ASI) and Newark College at Lincoln College.

The event was opened by Maj Gen (Retd) Julian Free, who spoke about the wide range of fantastic opportunities across the defence sector and the strong links being built with the University of Lincoln.

So exciting projects in our ever-growing cluster!

I particularly enjoyed the speakers from NatWest, who shared valuable insights into the funding support and options available for defence organisations, and what businesses need to consider when accessing that support.

Defence today isn't just military; it includes agriculture, water security and a whole-society approach, so if your business wants to tap into this sector, now is the time to get involved.



HIRING

TECHNICAL AUTHOR



JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Technical Author

Reporting to: Project Manager/Senior Author/Directors

Job Summary: A Technical Author is responsible for the production of technical documentation. The ability to gather information first hand, interpret technical information, including design drawings and Standards, and present it as useful and informative technical documentation.

Salary: Working 36 Hrs per week.

Responsibilities

- Production of technical documentation in accordance with instructions from a Project Manager and/or Senior Technical Author and in accordance with the procedures laid down in the Quality Manual
- On small projects to act as Customer Liaison/Project Manager with the responsibilities of that role
- Carrying out research, as necessary, to obtain source information for use in technical documentation
- Liaising with personnel in the other departments of the company during the production process
- Carrying out independent quality checks on other authors' work in accordance with the procedures in the Quality Manual
- To adhere to all security procedures
- To travel and work at customer's sites as required (this may include overseas travel)

Qualifications

- An excellent command of the English language
- Experience and/or technical qualifications appropriate to the types of projects in which they will be involved
- The ability to gather information first hand, interpret technical information, including design

drawings, and applicable Standards and present it as useful and informative technical publications

- To be proactive in all aspects of the role with a desire to understand and follow the procedures and processes detailed in the Quality Manual
- Practical working knowledge of the MS Suite of Office products and other software packages that are used in the production of technical documentation
- Effective time management
- The ability to work well as part of a multi-skilled team
- The ability to communicate effectively with customers
- The ability to recognise further business opportunities for the company
- Sound commercial awareness

Industry

- Defense & Space

Employment Type

- Full Time

Job Benefits

- 25 Days annual leave (5 weeks)
- Christmas stand down.
- All Bank Holidays off
- Company Pension Contributions
- Flexible working available
- Hybrid working available
- Free Eye test at local opticians
- Transferable skills advocates
- Personal development opportunities
- Multi role training on the job

Due to the nature of the work involved, any successful applicant must be UK-based. Any offer of employment will be subject to successful UK Security Check (SC) clearance.

If you're ready to make an impact in the world of TMS Support Solutions Ltd and contribute to our forward-thinking company, apply now with your CV to hr@tmsss.com

BACK FROM DPRTE 2026 – BIGGER, BUSIER AND FULL OF OPPORTUNITY

I've just returned from DPRTE 2026, and what a couple of days it was.

From the moment the doors opened, the energy was clear. Packed aisles, strong conversations, and a real sense that UK defence procurement is moving at pace. It felt busy, but in a good way. The kind of busy that tells you the industry is active, engaged and looking ahead.

Attending solo this year gave me the freedom to properly walk the floor, take my time and have meaningful conversations rather than rushing between meetings and that's exactly what DPRTE does well, it brings together the right mix of people.

It was fantastic catching up with long-standing defense contacts, trusted partners and industry friends. There's something valuable about those face-to-face conversations that simply can't be replicated over Teams or email. A handshake, a quick coffee, a shared perspective on where programmes are heading, that's where real progress starts.

What stood out most this year?

- A strong focus on collaboration across the supply chain
- Continued emphasis on SME capability and agility
- Clear appetite for smarter support solutions across defense
- A genuine sense of optimism across the sector

Events like DPRTE are great exhibitions. They're a pulse check for the industry. You get a real-time snapshot of priorities, pressures and opportunities. For me, it reinforced something simple: relationships still matter. Conversations still matter. Showing up still matters.

I've come away with some strong follow-ups, new introductions and some very interesting discussions that I'm looking forward to developing over the coming weeks.

If we didn't manage to catch up this time, drop me a message, always happy to continue the conversation.

Roll on the next one.



CHRISTIAN – 10 YEARS

This February marks a significant milestone for Christian, who celebrates 10 years with the company. Since his very first day, Christian has been at the forefront of our IT function, playing a critical role in supporting the business as it has grown and evolved. His deep technical knowledge, calm approach and ability to adapt to changing demands have made him a trusted and reliable presence across the organisation.

Over the past decade, Christian has consistently delivered when it mattered most, ensuring our systems remain robust, secure and fit for purpose. His commitment, professionalism and behind-the-scenes impact are often felt more than seen, but they are fundamental to our day-to-day success. Reaching a 10-year milestone is a testament to both his dedication and the value he brings to the team; we thank him for his continued hard work and support.



MARCH

DUNCAN RETIREMENT. WHAT A SEND-OFF.

Celebrating 21 Years of Dedication: Duncan McIsaac Retires from TMS

At TMS, we are incredibly proud of the people who make our company what it is. This month marks the end of a remarkable chapter, as we celebrate Duncan McIsaac's retirement after 21 years of dedicated service.

During his time with TMS, Duncan has been a highly respected Project Manager and Technical Author, a true lynchpin in our long-standing support to RBSL. His knowledge, professionalism and steady commitment have played a vital role in delivering high-quality work and supporting both our customers and colleagues alike.

Over the past two decades he has consistently demonstrated loyalty, integrity and a willingness to support others, qualities that have made him a valued and respected member of the team. To mark this milestone, we recently held a retirement function attended by current colleagues and several former TMS retirees, creating a fantastic opportunity to come together, share stories and celebrate Duncan's career.

It was a brilliant event and a fitting send-off for someone who has given so much to the company over the years.

A sincere thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the evening such a memorable occasion.

Most importantly, thank you Duncan, for your dedication, your professionalism and the selfless commitment you have shown to TMS throughout your career.

From everyone at TMS, we wish you a long, happy and well-deserved retirement.

CAPABILITY CORNER: INTEGRATED LOGISTIC SUPPORT

Integrated Logistic Support

A system is only robust as the support behind it.

Integrated Logistic Support (ILS) is composite of all support considerations necessary to ensure effective and economical support of a system throughout its lifecycle.

At TMS Support Solutions Ltd, we work with our clients to employ ILS principles throughout the CADMID life cycle to ensure as far as practicable, support is a design consideration from the outset.

Our ILS expertise covers:

- **Development of ILS Element Plans**
- **Supportability Analysis**
- **Maintenance Planning**
- **Level of Repair Analysis**
- **Logistic Support Analysis Records**
- **Availability, Reliability & Maintainability Modeling**
- **Life Cycle Costing**

We develop and deliver ILS in accordance with the guidance provided through the Defence Logistic Framework and employ the principles of SSE21 Model for Support Solution Guidance and Assurance and the underpinning Cross Cutting Themes and Core Development Areas.

Through our comprehensive understanding of engineering principles and technologies, robust supportability analysis and accurate supporting data, TMS Support Solutions Ltd helps customers achieve efficient and effective through-life support with minimum cost of ownership.

Because in defence, support matters.

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DVD 2026

UTAC Millbrook
16th - 17th September, 2026

WHY TMS?

TMS is a leading service provider, we are a trusted partner to the defence sector. Our strength lies in our ability to integrate seamlessly with client teams, combining deep technical knowledge with an understanding of the unique pressures and expectations of defence programmes.

- We deliver compliance and quality at every stage.
- We bring clarity and confidence to complex projects.
- We understand the importance of operational readiness and design every service to contribute directly to mission success.

When you work with TMS, you gain a partner who is proactive, reliable and committed to excellence. Our people are driven by the same values that underpin defence itself: professionalism, integrity and a relentless focus on outcomes.

We Go Further, Together!

QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

"Integrated Logistic Support is a life-cycle-focussed approach that embeds maintenance, training, supply chain and technical data into the early design phase of a system to maximise operational availability, reduce total cost of ownership and improve performance"



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