

QUALITY MANUAL

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TURNELL & ODELL LTD.

Turnell and Odell was formed in the summer of 1908 when Thomas Odell, a well respected local Engineer became a partner with Ben Turnell, one of the Towns Blacksmiths, and it is to these two that the company owes its roots.

Ben Turnell died in 1910 and the company was then solely run by Tom or "Tommy" as he was known, a man who could turn an idea into reality and who patented many novel inventions. He was later joined by his two sons, Jeff and Reg, who carried the business on, expanding as time went by. During the Second World War the company was heavily involved in the supply of munitions and at one time employed nearly 100 people at the Broad Green site.

In more recent times, the third generation of Odell's joined, thus continuing the traditions of the company and helping to develop the business into new areas. This created the need for more space, and in 1989 to satisfy this requirement, the company took over Stanley Engineering and at the same time bought land to build a purpose built engineering workshop in which it could bring all its facilities together on one site.

In September 1990 the company relocated, and the results are plain to see - a prestige building fitted-out with overhead cranes and full engineering services in which to progress further and expand as required.

In 2005 both Jeff Odell and Graham Odell retired as Directors and John Bradley, Jonathan Adams and Stuart Fyfe invested into the company who along with Clive Odell formed a new Board of Directors. This enabled the company to move forward again, continuing with the traditional values but injecting new blood and new ideas.

Traditions are important to T&O and some employees have been with the company all their working careers and their wealth of experience is invaluable. The company "specialises in everything" using an old adage "If you want it - We can make it" and will manufacture anything from one off to many thousands - from the re-facing of a cylinder head or the supply of a shaft to the manufacture of a special purpose machine costing a half of a million pounds. The range is enormous and so is the customer base including many household names and multi-national companies supplying products all over the world.

The name Turnell and Odell or T & O, is synonymous with quality and reliability and naturally the company has registration to B.S. E.N. ISO 9001:2000. The range of machinery is as diverse as the products that are produced, and incorporates the latest technology in C.N.C. machines for both Turning and Milling as well as full-computerised support and Inspection facilities.

In short, T & O are an old established company that is going places, striving forward producing the sort of engineering that made Britain Great and is confidently looking to the challenges of the future.

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