



Philip King, & Richard Benyon, MP\*



Visualisation of finished exterior\*



Richard Benyon watching PCB manufacturing taking place\*

## **Newbury Electronics marks the start of a 2-phase building redevelopment programme with a visit from its local MP, Richard Benyon**

- **New facilities will deliver savings in both water & electricity consumption**

Newbury Electronics recently welcomed local West Berkshire MP, Richard Benyon, to its premises to learn more about the company's redevelopment of its Newbury site. Work on the initial phase started earlier in June as part of a two phase development which will ultimately provide increased production space, new offices and deliver savings in both water and electricity consumption.

Philip King, managing director, explained more about the company's plans; "This first phase of development has four key objectives namely;

- to replace the on-site temporary sheds, containers, and structures with a purpose built single storey storage building
- to reduce water consumption by at least 50%
- to reduce total factory electricity usage by 20%
- to provide extra space to enable us to maintain production during the course of the second phase build.

If all goes to plan both phases should be completed by the end of 2015 and we will start to see the benefits of the investments we are making."

Having reviewed the plans and toured the company's current facilities, Richard Benyon, said; "It is great to have the chance to visit a local manufacturing

company and one that has, in the words of its own director, 'never been busier'. This is an exciting time for the company as it expands its facilities and continues to invest, both of which will enable them to offer more local employment opportunities." He continued; "I really enjoy visits to companies like Newbury Electronics, which allows me to see first-hand how the Government's long-term economic plan has supported firms in the Newbury constituency."

Referred to as the plant room, this new space which has a total floor area 100 m<sup>2</sup>, will house energy efficient air compressors, a de-ionised water plant along with a reverse osmosis water recycling plant, a water softening pre-treatment plant and a water effluent carbon filtration plant. There will also be a dedicated bunded chemical stores along with storage for maintenance spares and workshop space, garaging for the fork-lift truck and all panels and equipment associated with the company's heating, ventilation, fume & dust extraction processes.

Newbury Electronics has worked closely with its Ark Architects on the design of both this and the second phase of the development to ensure maximum use of the space available at the company's Faraday Road site. The second phase of the building programme is a much larger two storey extension which is planned for construction in 2015/16 and will provide new offices and an expanded production area. The building work is being carried out by specialist construction company, IBMC Ltd.

## **Background**

Newbury Electronics Ltd started trading in 1956. A management buyout took place in 1987 and Philip King took on his role of Managing Director in 2011. The company offers a full electronic design, PCB design and layout service alongside PCB manufacture and assembly in Newbury, West Berkshire. It employs 70 staff and is dedicated to small and medium batch PCB assembly, specialising in electronic design and manufacture incorporating SMD, SMT, surface mount, BGA, through hole, box build, soldering, test, & rework. Customers can select from electronics design and CAD layout through to printed circuit board design and fabrication, assembly and test, and the company is happy to undertake single, bespoke projects through to the design and supply of manufacture lots of up to 10,000 pcs on its automated SMD assembly lines.

As a contract electronic manufacturer (CEM), each year, the company produces in excess of over 15,000 different PCB designs for its clients, who benefit from the economies of scale built from the volume of orders processed.

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