April 2026 Edition

HERE COMES.....

The Horne



Welcome to our Spring Edition of The Horne!

What's in this edition?

- Project Spotlight
- All aboard for Railway Trip Number Three!
- Meet the Fresh Faces
- **Sneak peak**: London's New Home

If you have any shout-outs, events or achievements you'd like us to feature, please send an email to **editorial@ansteyhorne.co.uk**

Congratulations to.....



Aleksandra on her promotion to Design Analyst!



Andy on his promotion to Senior Project Manager!



Charlie on his promotion to Director!

Project Spotlight



The final award for the South Molton Triangle scheme was agreed just before Christmas, following a challenging process involving the Third Surveyor, arising from difficulties with the Adjoining Owner's Surveyor.

This project originated as a Rights of Light matter many years ago, before evolving into a detailed assessment of development constraints and maintenance advice by the Building Surveying team to ensure that the scope of works was appropriate. It subsequently progressed into an extremely complex Party Wall appointment.

In total, our involvement with the scheme has spanned over eight years. Grosvenor have been highly impressed with the performance of all three teams. As a result, we are now acting for both Grosvenor and one of their tenants on a new hotel development on Brook Street, adjacent to South Molton Street. In addition, we have been instructed to take over another Grosvenor project following a request to provide a second opinion.

A huge well done for their continuing efforts goes to **Geoff**, **Paul**, **Thomas M-H**, **Jacob** and **Heidi**!





Planning consent was granted at committee on 26 February for the Juniper Crescent development in Camden. The scheme will deliver 478 energy-efficient homes, with 44% designated as affordable housing, with works due to commence on site this summer and first homes expected to be handed over in 2030. Well done **Gracie** and **Carl!**



Shout out to **Thomas F**, **Henry M** and **John** on the façade remediation successfully completed at The Panoramic just before Christmas!





The South East Building Surveying team completed nine disrepair inspections for a housing association in response to growing legislative demands. Despite tight deadlines and the need to identify Category 1 hazards, the team delivered high-quality inspections efficiently. Led by **Jack W** with strong coordination support from **Beth**, the successful trial demonstrated a practical, solutions-focused approach under pressure.

Meet Rujina Begum!
Team Admin SSC/BS/PCM - London



Where were you born and raised?
"Born and raised in Camden, North London."

Where did you previously work?
"Private Equity firm CD&R LLP."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"In the summer if possible, a pub garden and in winter at home watching a good film or series."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"Portugal with the best seafood and sandy beaches and you can be there in 3 hours!"

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"A few different genres but will go with Teddy Swims - Lose Control."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I have beginners luck in winning games I play for the first time including Mini golf, Christmas family board games, and the Quiz Room (in Aldgate). The competitive people in my family hate it!"

Meet Michael Ryan!
Associate Director Building Safety - London



Where were you born and raised?
"London and grew up in Ilford and Dagenham."

Where did you previously work?
"Mostly contract roles but last two were Barking and Dagenham Council and Imperial College."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"Talking to my family, watching television, listening to music and training."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
" Most recently, my favourite place is Disenzano del Garda by Lake Garda in Italy."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"Really like all genre's. Blues, country, rock, dance music. Tunes most recently listened to on repeat are Rock n Roll by Led Zepplin and Tennessee Whisky by Chris Stapleton."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"When I was younger I was a professional boxer."

All aboard the third voyage of the beloved Ffestiniog Railway Anstey Horne trip, chugging along from Friday, May 22nd to Monday, May 25th (hello, bank holiday fun!).

A massive shoutout to **Paul** and **Beth** for orchestrating this fun weekend to be!

Be sure to check out the photos included in our next edition



CHECK OUT THE PHOTOS FROM THE LAST TWO TRIPS!

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Sneak Peak!

Take a look at our long-awaited new home on the first floor of our London office. If everything lines up logistically, we could be moving in within the next 6-8 weeks… not long now!

With seven meeting rooms, a sleek new reception area, and private booths for important private calls, the space is perfectly designed for the growing needs of the London team at Anstey Horne.

And fair warning… you might want to start brushing up on Cloudbooking to reserve your desk in advance, there's bound to be some friendly competition for the best spots!

Speaking of what's coming, our new website should be launching in three months time!









Meet Daniel Martins! Senior Fire Engineer - London



Where were you born and raised?

"Born and lived in Peru, though I visited my grandparents in Brasil many times while growing up."

Where did you previously work?

"After completing my MSc, I started working at Osborn Associates in London."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?

"Practising sports is natural in my day-to-day life, so to have some fun with friends or relax after a busy day, doing physical activities is my thing."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?

"Brasil is one of my favourite places. It's an immensely big country with a happy culture, amazing beaches, and plenty of places to explore. Every time you visit, you can see something new."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?

"Los Hermanos – Quetzel, a new discovery that came from a good friend."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?

"I used to play esports professionally when I was a teenager. "

Meet Mhairi Philp! Junior Fire Engineer London



Where were you born and raised?

"Scotland, specifically a small town called Crieff known as the 'gateway to the highlands'."

Where did you previously work?

"As a junior fire engineer at Hydrock (Now Stantec)"

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?

"After a long day i love to either take my dog for a long walk up in the woods or along the beach in sunny weston super mare, or youll find my locked in gaming on my xbox. After a long week, weekends are made for fishing! (Carp angling is the best) "

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?

"This hands down has got to be Italy, incredible culture, food, people, loved every second of my time there, also if you go, get the train through the alps into Switzerland, beautiful!"

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?

"You'd be so confused as my music taste is so varied, anything for rap or pop to country..or a bit of Claire de lune on the piano"

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?

"I'm really not that interesting ha! A fact about me...I absolutely love fishing (not really a secret)"

Meet Craig Renton!
Building Regulations Technical Lead - London



Where were you born and raised?
"Liverpool."

Where did you previously work?
"BSR / PRP / PTE (still trying to shake off the Civil Service's love of acronyms...), in other words the Regulator and several Architect's practices"

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"Walking, swimming, a bit of gaming or reading a good book in the sun!"

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
" Depends on the season, South East Asia to beat the winter blues, northern and southern Europe for summer sun, or a bit of Iceland or Norway at any time if I'm well equipped."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"Tbh when you see me in the office with my headphones its most likely Radio 1."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"Well too many people will know if I tell you all!"

Welcome Little One!

Huge congratulations to **Thomas M-H**, **Selam**, and **Sarah C** on the arrival of their babies, and a special congratulations to **Lucy** on the birth of her granddaughter!









Anstey Horne Sports





Clay Shooting at Lea Marston Shooting Club Ltd





Shout out to **Heidi** for arranging our first padel networking social!

Stay tuned for the upcoming AH football and cricket season!

Meet Justin Ansell!
Director - Dilapidations London



Where were you born and raised?
"Born Welwyn Garden City, brought up in Harpenden."

Where did you previously work?
"Collins McKay, 2110 Consult, Stimpsons, PSK Prout Tilbrook, Trident, Cunningham Lindsey, NHS."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"After a busy day – not a great deal but I play a bit of squash."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"Australia, India, Mexico, Canada."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"Anything from 1976-2000."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I was in Armed Forces at a young age."

Meet Annette Li Pang! Party Wall Surveyor - London



Where were you born and raised?
"Walthamstow, London."

Where did you previously work?
"Pearce & Pearce Surveyors."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"Ideally, reading a trash novel - but realistically, watching the telly, falling down a rabbit hole, or doom scrolling."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"The Philippines! Beaches, mountains, good food, family, cheap (but thorough!) pampering – it's my second home."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"At the moment, Hawthorne Heights - I have my elder emo playlist on the go in prep for Slam Dunk (IYKYK)!"

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"Probably... just none that feel interesting right now!"

Meet Louis De Visser! Fire Safety Consultant London



Where were you born and raised?
"I grew up in Enfield, North London and I'm living in Maidstone at the minute, but I'm in the middle of moving over to Ware in Hertfordshire."

Where did you previously work?
"I was at AllSaved Ltd working as a Fire Risk Assessor where I was mainly carrying out FRAs on UKPN electrical substations."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"I usually just head to boxing training or rugby practice. On the weekends, I'm mostly just hanging out and socialising with my mates and family."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"Definitely Thailand. I love the island hopping out there and would go back tomorrow if I could for the beaches and the overall vibe."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"You'll hear plenty of 70s and 80s classics. I'm a big fan of the older stuff."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I'm actually a big fan of winter sports. I make sure to get away for a skiing or snowboarding trip every year without fail."

Zodiac ELEMENTS

Zodiac elements (Fire, Earth, Air, Water) represent the fundamental energy and temperament behind the twelve star signs, acting as a blueprint for personality.

Astrology uses elements to determine relationship compatibility, with fire-air and earth-water pairs generally viewed as complementary.

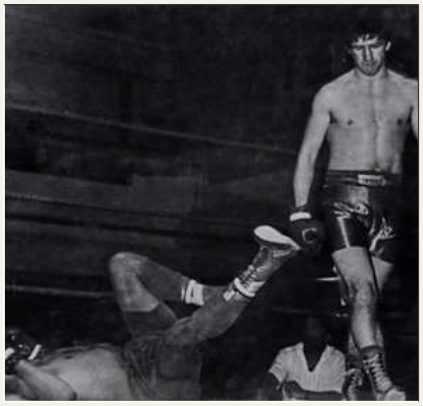
What is my sign?

Fire Signs
(Aries, Leo, Sagittarius): Characterised by passion, energy, spontaneity, and inspiration. They are natural leaders, courageous, and driven, though they can be impulsive or feisty.

Air Signs
(Gemini, Libra, Aquarius): Associated with intellect, communication, social interaction, and conceptual thinking. They are intellectual, analytical, and thrive on exchanging ideas, often acting as "dreamers".

Earth Signs
(Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn): Known for being grounded, practical, dependable, and stable. They value consistency, material security, and are often considered the "bedrock" of the zodiac.

Water Signs
(Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces): Embody deep emotions, intuition, empathy, and sensitivity. They are highly intuitive, nurturing, and compassionate, with strong connections to their subconscious.



Guess Who!

Next Townhall Meeting:
Wednesday 27th May at 3pm

Graham will be presenting in our Manchester office.

Meet Isha Mull!
Team Administrator - London



Where were you born and raised?
"Born in Poole but raised in Norwich, Norfolk."

Where did you previously work?
"Just graduated from University of Reading but worked at Müller (yes, the yoghurt company) as part of my degree."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"Gym is a non negotiable, but if I'm convinced I also like a trip to the pub with my friends and a pack of cards."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"Singapore, amazing food and very organised public transport."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"Pitbull or GIMS "

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I used to play chess competitively."

Meet Guy Compson!
Senior Party Wall Surveyor - London



Where were you born and raised?
" I was born in Bearsted near Maidstone, Kent and brought up in Headcorn and Tenterden, Kent."

Where did you previously work?
"I previously worked for myself and before that Stace LLP."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"Trail running."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"Restronguet Barton, near Falmouth. Remoteness with gorgeous pubs, coastal walks and trail running on your doorstep."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"90's Dance or 00's House music. Track 'SL2' by DJs Take Control - 1991 **SL2 - DJs Take Control"**

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I once danced at a Marie Curie event at The London Palladium! Each participating dance crew raised £5,000 for the charity. "

Meet Stuart Barrow!
Head of Fire Safety - London



Where were you born and raised?
"Born in Dartford, Kent and have progressively got closer and closer to France – now living in Folkestone."

Where did you previously work?
"Formerly worked for UPP (Student accommodation provider) previous experience in Housing, Fire Service, Primark and started my career in a bookmakers!"

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"Cooking! I can lose hours in the kitchen, if I'm not in the mood, I bury myself in a good book instead."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
" St Lucia – It looks like a postcard, people are really friendly, sun is hot and the beer is cold!"

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"Wow – it could be anything from Alfie Boe to Muse. I find music very emotive so it depends what I am doing. Has to be Queen if I am cleaning the kitchen "

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I took part in a TV show called "wives on strike" where I left my family for a week to see how they would survive without me. It wasn't very popular and the channel dropped the programme after 2 episodes!"

Meet Jarryd McLeroth!
Trainee Building Safety Surveyor - London



Where were you born and raised?
"Johannesburg, South Africa."

Where did you previously work?
"PureGym."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?
"You can always find me unwinding by playing sports such as golf, hockey, and rugby."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?
"Philippines – I enjoyed travelling to the Philippines because of the island hopping, great food and some of the best beaches in the world."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?
"Eric Clapton or Johnny Cash."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?
"I'm an advanced scuba diver."



If you haven't tuned in yet, now's the time! Catch the latest episode of the Surveyors Lounge, where our very own **Padraic** shares his journey from university life to the world of professional practice. He dives into the real challenges graduate surveyors face and even tackles the dreaded APC process with some great insights. Definitely one you don't want to miss!

Meet Lee Allen!
Senior Fire Safety Consultant
London



Where were you born and raised?

"I was born in Havering and raised in Brentwood, Essex. In 2005, I moved to the South Coast to be with my then fiancée and have remained there ever since."

Where did you previously work?

"I previously worked for 4site Consulting, covering fire risk assessment, compartmentation, and broader health and safety consultancy roles across a range of projects."

What's your go-to way to unwind after a busy day?

"I tend to stay active rather than switch off in front of the TV. Walking the dog is a big one for me, along with flying my drone and photography. I'm also into anything tech-related—especially 3D printing and 3D scanning."

Favourite place you've travelled to – and why would you go back in a heartbeat?

"I wouldn't say I'm widely travelled, but Canada really stood out. Not just for the scenery, but for the people—they were some of the most genuine and welcoming I've come across. I'd go back in a heartbeat, even just for that."

If we hit play on your current playlist, who are we most likely to hear?

"It's a real mix depending on my mood—anything from rock to classical. Generally, I lean towards easy listening, especially if I need to focus.."

Do you have an interesting fact about yourself that few people know?

"I'm actually an award-winning horticulturist. While working for Moyses Stevens, I won the Annie Hart Trophy in the City of London for spring colour back in 2004. I also have a background as a greenkeeper and groundsman, which is something not many people expect given what I do now."

Thanks for tuning in!

From The Editorial Team: Jess, Beth, Kat, Lisa & Zoe

Speaking of the podcast.....





Herein lies the true dangers of AI, can you spot the difference?!

REMINDERS

1. Please ensure your appraisal form is signed off and sent to **Sue** and **Emma**.
2. Risk assessment forms must be completed before attending site and filed on IRIS.
3. Emails that relate to an enquiry/job must be filed on IRIS.

Lone Working Policy

Remember when working alone:

- Make sure the address details and contact details of who you are meeting are put in your diary
- Does your line manager know when you will be complete?
- Are you using the Lone Working App? This can be used 365 days a year 24/7. Email Emma with:
  - Your mobile number and date of birth
  - 2 - 3 AH contacts with their mobile numbers (people who will know your whereabouts
  - 1-3 family or friends (name and mobile numbers) people that can be contacted out of hours

