

Highway Agency A-one+ Area 14

Colas provide a full spectrum of planned and reactive maintenance services in a range of different environments. We work with local authorities and the Highways Agency to provide a comprehensive range of service deliverables through term maintenance contracts. We also operate a number of surfacing, street lighting and framework contracts for local authorities. Recognising the pressures on the public purse we are constantly searching for ways to improve our services whilst supporting our clients in delivering efficiencies.



Our Expertise

Through our MAC contracts we are responsible for 33% of the trunk road and motorway network. Working on strategic roads requires a specific skill set. Focusing on the safety of our workers and the road users, we are developing our staff to provide rapid and effective response for reducing congestion and improving journey time reliability.

We place the customer at the heart of everything we do and on all our contracts we adopt a customer-focused approach, committed to delivering a service that directly addresses the needs of the community we work in.



A-one+ Area 14

On 1st July 2010 A-one+ started the new Area 14 contract worth £147 million over 5 years, following the previous successful 7 year contract as A-one.

The network covers around 300km of motorway and trunk road in the North East and covers the A1 and A1(M) from Dishforth in North Yorkshire to the Scottish border north of Berwick, the A66 and A66(M) from Stockton-on-Tees to the Cumbrian border, the A19 north of the River Tyne, and the A696, A194(M), and A184 on Tyneside.



Over 260 full-time directly employed people provide a full range of innovative infrastructure management, maintenance, and improvement services. When required, they are supported by additional people from our fully integrated supply chain partners.

We operate out of two principle offices and six depots across the north east of England. Our main office is in Darlington with a satellite office at Kneeton. In addition, we have a Network Control Centre based in Wakefield.

Evidence that Colas is a market sector leader has been demonstrated by the award of MAC contracts for Area 7, 12 and 10 and recently 14. These MAC contracts operate as A-one+, the joint venture company comprising Colas, Halcrow and Costain. Through these contracts, we are consolidating our position as a leading provider of highway maintenance and management services and developing our reputation as a provider of innovative whole life solutions.

Here are a few of the achievements we have to be proud of:

- we have resurfaced 310 lane kilometres of carriageway
- planted 22,600 trees, 4,520metres of hedgerow, and 422,500 wild flowers
- erected 271 bat boxes, 366 bird boxes and 4,500 metres of otter fencing
- processed 14,175 road space booking entries
- dealt with 14,680 incidents
- assisted with 29,383 abnormal load movements
- collected and disposed of 50,519 bags of litter.

Going forward we have a lot of reasons to be confident and optimistic about the future and we are dedicated to continue delivering a first class service to the Highways Agency.

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