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In celebration of its 5th anniversary in 2025, The TEXO Foundation is undertaking four significant projects to support The Archie Foundation, enhancing facilities for patients, families, and staff in Aberdeen and Dundee.

Here's a look at the four initiatives:

1. Nurses' Rest Area Revamp at Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital

The TEXO Foundation is joining forces with The Archie Foundation to create a significantly improved and more supportive rest area for the dedicated nursing staff at the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital. Recognising the tireless efforts and unwavering commitment of these healthcare heroes, this project aims to transform their current outdated and poorly located break space into a comfortable, modern, and truly restorative environment.

The existing space suffers from uncomfortable 1980s furniture, a lack of privacy due to its proximity to an elevator, a poorly defined layout,



an uninspiring aesthetic, and a less-than-uplifting colour scheme – the rest area is in need of a comprehensive upgrade.

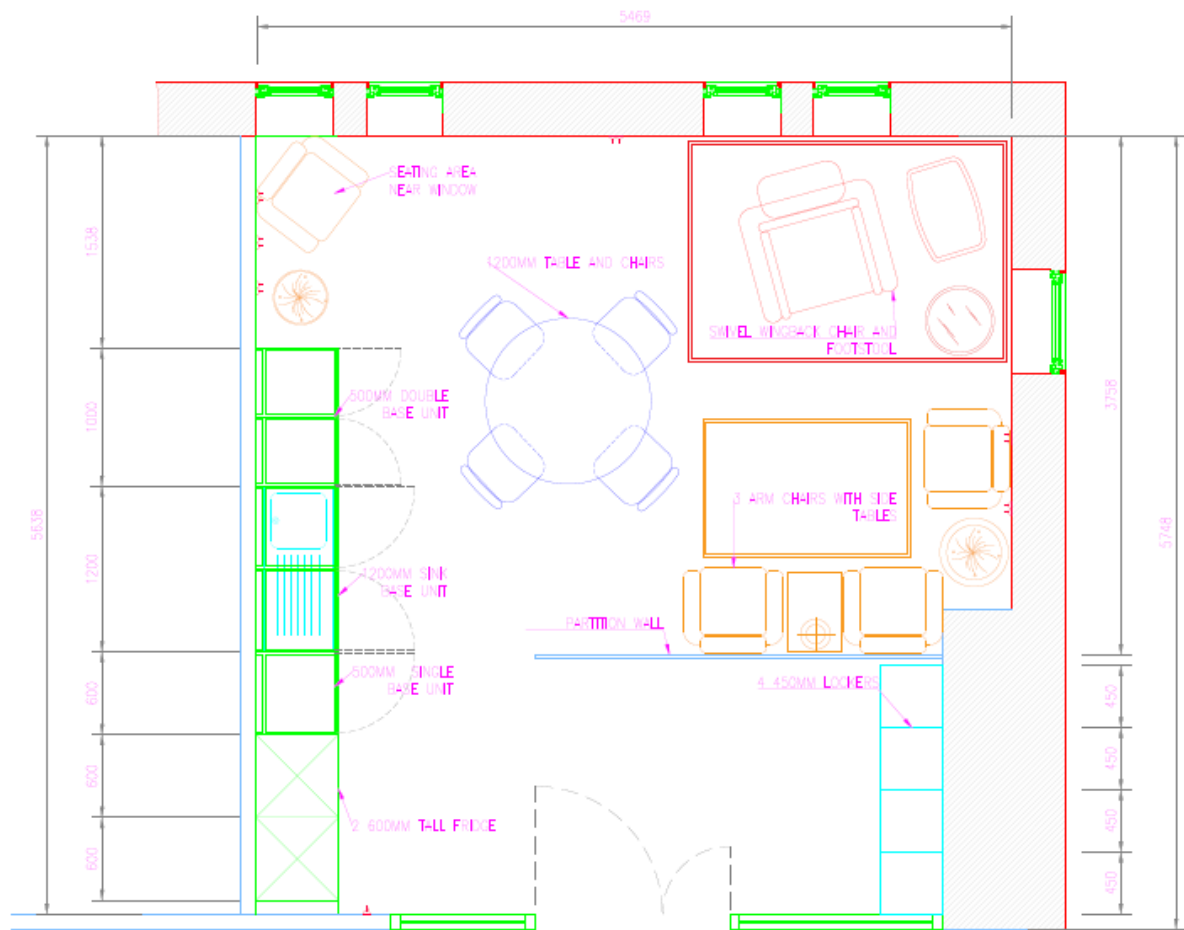
The TEXO Foundation is committed to creating a sanctuary where nurses can truly recharge and take essential breaks. The planned enhancements have been thoughtfully designed with their wellbeing and practical needs in mind and include:

- **Enhanced Privacy:** Frosted glass will be installed to provide much-needed privacy from the nearby elevator and passing traffic, creating a more secluded and relaxing atmosphere.
- **Ergonomic Comfort:** The outdated furniture will be replaced with modern, ergonomic pieces designed for optimal comfort and support, allowing staff to truly relax during their breaks.
- **Calming Aesthetics:** A fresh and calming colour scheme will be implemented, creating a more tranquil and restorative ambiance.
- **Dedicated Staff Storage:** Addressing a practical need, the upgrade will include dedicated storage space for staff to keep personal items such as lunch boxes, mugs, and snacks, reducing clutter and improving organisation.
- **Increased Seating Options:** Additional tables and chairs will be provided to accommodate more staff comfortably during breaks.
- **Comfortable Corner Retreat:** A welcoming corner sofa seating area will be created, offering a more relaxed and informal space for staff to unwind.
- **Calming Night Shift Area:** Recognising the unique demands of night shifts, a dedicated calming area with a table lamp will be established, providing a quiet space for staff to sit, read, and relax.
- **Improved Amenities:** The rest area will be equipped with a new tall fridge, a freezer for staff to enjoy refreshing ice lollies during warmer months, as well as convenient kettles and microwaves.
- **Capitalising on Natural Light:** The design will thoughtfully incorporate and maximise the existing panoramic window view, bringing in natural light and offering a more pleasant outlook.

This collaborative effort between the TEXO Foundation and The Archie Foundation underscores our shared commitment to supporting the incredible individuals who provide essential care at the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital. By investing in this upgraded rest area, we aim to create a space where nurses feel valued, comfortable, and truly able to recharge, ultimately contributing to their wellbeing and their ability to continue providing exceptional care to young patients and their families.



Artist renderings



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2.

Aberdeen Children's Hospital Entrance Upgrade

The main entrance shelter at Aberdeen Children's Hospital is currently weather-worn and unwelcoming. TEXO plans to refurbish this area to create a brighter and more inviting space for young patients and their families. The work will involve cleaning glass panes, applying a protective coating to the glass, pressure washing surfaces, repainting the steelwork frame, and repairing and repainting the brick entrance.



3.

Storage Room Transformation (Ninewells, Dundee)

At Ninewells Hospital in Dundee, a storage room filled with outdated shelving has remained unusable due to a lack of manpower and tools. TEXO will step in to dismantle and remove the old shelves, clear the space, and reorganise it to create a functional and efficient storage solution for hospital staff.



4.

Glenlaw Hospital Outdoor Sensory Garden Makeover (Dundee)

Recognising the vital role that engaging and safe outdoor environments play in the wellbeing of children, the TEXO Foundation has embarked on an ambitious makeover of the hospital's outdoor sensory garden.

For too long, the existing play area at Glenlaw Hospital has suffered from neglect. Overgrown bushes have encroached on precious play space, limiting activities like imaginative "Bear Hunt" games that bring joy and movement to young patients. Crucially, essential elements like play equipment, accessibility, and sensory features are in need of significant improvement, rendering the area unsafe and uninviting for the children and their caregivers.

Driven by a commitment to creating positive and supportive environments, The TEXO Foundation has stepped in to transform this underutilised space. The objective is clear: to create a safe, stimulating, and enjoyable sensory garden that caters to the diverse needs of the children who rely on Glenlaw Hospital's care.

The refurbishment work is tackling several key areas:

Ensuring Safe and Inclusive Play: A primary concern is the non-functioning locking mechanism on the wheelchair swing. The Foundation is prioritising the repair or replacement of this vital piece of equipment to ensure safe and accessible play for all children, regardless of their mobility.

Providing Essential Shade: Understanding the vulnerability of some children to sun exposure due to medical conditions, the project includes the installation of a much-needed shading solution for the gazebo area. This could take the form of a retractable system or a fixed canopy, offering a protected space while maintaining the open and airy feel of the garden.

Reclaiming Playful Pathways: The dense, overgrown bushes that currently restrict movement and play are being carefully trimmed and will be maintained to create clearer pathways and expand the usable play area. This will once again allow for spontaneous and imaginative games like the beloved "Bear Hunt."

Honouring Memories in a Tranquil Space: The existing memorial garden, marked by faded and worn painted stones around a tree, is set for a thoughtful restoration. Drawing inspiration from similar beautiful installations at Glenlaw House and Dundee Botanic Garden, the team plans to refresh this area with new glass statues and elements, creating a more lasting and serene space for reflection.

Awakening the Senses: Recognising the therapeutic benefits of sensory stimulation, the current planting scheme is being revitalised with a focus on engaging all the senses. Fragrant plants like lavender and rosemary will release calming aromas, while brightly coloured flowers and reflective objects will provide visual interest and tactile exploration. This thoughtful selection of sensory planting will create a richer and more therapeutic environment for the children.

The TEXO Foundation believes that access to engaging and safe outdoor spaces is crucial for the physical, emotional, and cognitive development of children, especially those facing health challenges. This sensory garden makeover at Glenlaw Hospital represents a commitment to providing these vital opportunities. By restoring and enhancing this outdoor area, the Foundation aims to create a haven where children can experience moments of joy, engage with their surroundings, and connect with nature, ultimately contributing to their overall wellbeing and recovery.

We are proud to partner with The Archie Foundation on these meaningful projects and look forward to the positive impact it will have on patients, families and dedicated nursing teams.



TEXO PROUDLY SUPPORTS THE ARCHIE FOUNDATION'S SPECTACULAR VARIETY SHOW

We at TEXO were absolutely thrilled and immensely proud to be the headline sponsor for The Archie Foundation's recent Variety Show. It was a truly unforgettable evening of talent, heartwarming moments, and community spirit.

The Archie Foundation, a charity dedicated to making a difference to the lives of sick children in the North of Scotland, put on a show that was nothing short of spectacular. The sheer dedication of the organising committee, the volunteers, and the incredibly talented performers shone through in every act. It was clear that a tremendous amount of heart and hard work went into creating such a memorable experience for everyone present.

Our sponsorship allowed The Archie Foundation to put on a truly first-class event, ensuring that all proceeds went directly towards their vital work supporting young patients and their families at the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital.

"I wanted to say a big thank you to all at TEXO for your incredible support. Not only did your sponsorship allow us to put on the best Variety Show yet – behind the scenes it allowed us to work with a group of children who had been through unimaginable hardships, giving them strength, confidence and a voice which shone through."

– **Paula Cormack**, Chief Executive, The Archie Foundation

The Variety Show was a powerful reminder of the incredible resilience and spirit of the children and families that The Archie Foundation supports. It was also a testament to the unwavering commitment of the charity and the generosity of the wider community.

TEXO is deeply committed to supporting the communities in which we operate, and our partnership with The Archie Foundation is one we hold in high regard. We believe in the crucial work they do and are honoured to have played a part in the success of this fantastic event.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to The Archie Foundation for putting on such a remarkable show and to all the performers who shared their incredible talents. We look forward to continuing our support and witnessing the positive impact The Archie Foundation has on the lives of children in our region.



ELIMINATING CUI AND ENHANCING EFFICIENCY ON OIL HEATER WITH THERMALLY INSULATED PAINT SYSTEM

The challenge

Our client's Train-A Oil Heater onboard their FPSO was suffering from recurring and problematic Corrosion Under Insulation (CUI). Traditional insulation methods, while initially providing thermal insulation, were failing due to moisture ingress. This trapped moisture created a hidden corrosive environment, leading to asset degradation and the loss of crucial heat and energy retention. Our client, having experienced these issues repeatedly, sought a more effective and innovative long-term solution to prevent CUI and improve the operational efficiency of their oil heater. They required a solution that could not only insulate effectively but also eliminate the conditions conducive to corrosion, ideally with minimal operational disruption.

The solution

TEXO's proposed cutting-edge solution involved the application of a Thermally Insulated Paint system, an innovative approach offering the dual benefits of effective thermal insulation for optimal oil heater performance and proactive CUI prevention through a continuous, impermeable barrier that eliminates the risk of corrosion by preventing moisture ingress. A key differentiator was the feasibility of applying this system while the oil heater remained operational at its high working temperature of 165 degrees Celsius, a feat achieved through meticulous planning and the expert development and implementation of robust Risk Assessments and Method Statements (RAMS).

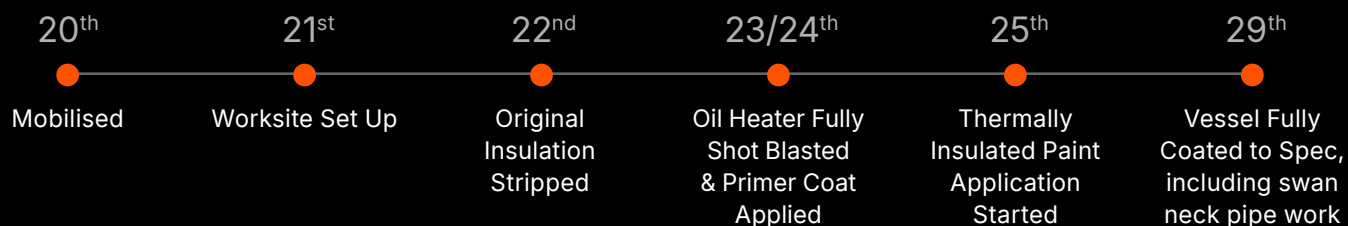
The project execution encompassed the preparation phase, which included erecting encapsulated scaffold with ventilation and carefully stripping the existing insulation; a thorough surface treatment involving shot blasting to remove corrosion and applying a primer coat for enhanced protection; and the precise application of the 5000-micron Thermally Insulated Paint system using a high-efficiency spray pump, covering both the main vessel and intricate pipework. To guarantee the highest quality application of this novel system, TEXO proactively invested in their technicians' training, sending the team overseas for comprehensive technical and application instruction.



Project Timescale

TEXO completed the project efficiently and with minimal disruption.

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The result

The implementation of TEXO's Thermally Insulated Paint system yielded significant positive outcomes, effectively eliminating the risk of CUI through a continuous, impermeable seal on the oil heater, thus preventing future moisture ingress and external corrosion. This innovative coating also delivered enhanced thermal efficiency, reducing the surface temperature from 165 degrees Celsius to a safe 17 degrees Celsius and improving energy retention, which in turn positively impacted the crude oil's operational process and boosted overall efficiency. Furthermore, by proactively addressing CUI, our client can anticipate substantial reductions in long-term maintenance costs associated with corrosion repair and insulation replacement, while the live application capability and efficient project execution minimised disruption to their operations. Ultimately, this durable and protective coating provides a long-term solution, safeguarding the integrity of the oil heater and extending its service life, demonstrating TEXO's commitment to innovative, effective solutions and their technical expertise in delivering tangible value within the oil and gas sector.

Client Testimonial:

"TEXO's Fabric Maintenance Manager reacted very positively and swiftly to my request for a new innovative solution to the problems that we were experiencing, both with the oil heater, as well as other CUI cases onboard. This product isn't just more cost effective but is proving to be more efficient for the product within and we are all delighted with the results."



TEAM PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

OFFICE BASED



Brooke Nesbit

Her credibility speaks for itself – everyone knows they can count on her. She doesn't just do her job; she continually goes above and beyond expectations. Her exceptional contributions to the KBR project, including working closely with senior management to address and resolve staffing challenges, have been nothing short of impressive. Brooke truly embodies the values and standards we strive for at TEXO.

IN THE FIELD



Keith Cadenhead

He single handedly has been working again across in UAE , then on a transit to Durban in South Africa onboard the Subsea Seven Borealis where he has been working on a refurbishment scope in the Smokers Room and then upgrades to 12 off cabin wet rooms. We also received feedback from our client (Keith, TEXO Service Tech, was nominated for the excellent renovation he completed in the smoking lounge and for his effective progress on the cabin repairs. He always gives 100% priority to safety and quality, thus making a difference.

TEXO NEWS

ABERDEEN FC



APRIL RESULTS

ROSS COUNTY **0 - 1** ABERDEEN

Premiership 05 April, Global Energy Stadium

ABERDEEN **2 - 2** RANGERS

Premiership 13 April, Pittodrie Stadium

HEARTS **1 - 2** ABERDEEN

Scottish Cup 19 April, Hampden Park

ABERDEEN **1 - 0** HIBERNIAN

Premiership 26 April, Pittodrie Stadium



TEXO NEWS

SUNNYBANK FC



APRIL RESULTS

HEMES FC **2 - 3** SUNNYBANK

NRJFA Premier League 05 April

SUNNYBANK **4 - 2** NEWMACHAR UTD

Dominos North Regional Cup 08 April

BRIDGE OF DON THISTLE **1 - 1** SUNNYBANK

NRJFA Premier League 12 April

CULTER **5 - 2** SUNNYBANK

NRJFA Premier League 19 April

SUNNYBANK **0 - 2** MAUD

NRJFA Premier League 22 April

NAIRN ST NINIAN **1 - 0** SUNNYBANK

North Regional Cup 26 April

COLONY PARK **3 - 0** SUNNYBANK

NRJFA Premier League 29 April

TEXO NEWS

BLYTH SPARTANS AFC



APRIL RESULTS

HYDE UNITED **3 - 2** BLYTH SPARTANS

NLN 05 April

LANCASTER CITY **3 - 2** BLYTH SPARTANS

NLN 12 April

BLYTH SPARTANS **0 - 2** GUISELEY

NLN 19 April

WHITBY TOWN **1 - 0** BLYTH SPARTANS

NLN 21 April

BLYTH SPARTANS **2 - 3** WORKSOP TOWN

NLN 26 April



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