



Directors, Mark O'Grady, and John Lumb pledge to improve indoor air quality in non-domestic buildings with the launch of new division Evotech Air Quality

Building maintenance company launches new division to tackle poor indoor air quality

Today, on Clean Air Day, national buildings maintenance company Evotech, has launched a new division to help combat poor indoor air quality (IAQ) in the workplace. The new division, Evotech Air Quality, will offer state of the art air monitoring solutions and technical services to improve indoor air quality.

As a nation, we spend around 90% of our lives indoors, and yet the air we breathe indoors can be up to five times more polluted than that outside, creating significant health risks to building occupants. Pollution is made up of many compounds including greenhouse gases, chemicals, and particulate matter (PM), which is made up of both solid and liquid materials, mould spores and pollen. The World Health Organisation and the UK Government classifies PM as the biggest environmental risk to public health, and recently, scientists at the University of Cambridge have linked deaths in coronavirus hotspots, with exposure to high levels of air pollution. Short term health conditions include eye, nose, and throat irritation, coughing and sneezing and shortness of breath; with long term conditions comprising, chronic bronchitis, reduced lung function, respiratory disease, cardiovascular illness, and premature death.

John Lumb, Business Development Director at Evotech says, "Poor indoor air quality can have a real impact on workplace wellbeing, cognitive function, and absenteeism due to ill health. By monitoring the quality of air in buildings and putting real-time data at the fingertips of building managers, we are able to take specific remedial action, to improve the air we breathe at work, in educational settings and public buildings.

It seems fitting to launch our new air quality division on Clean Air Day 2020 and to support this important campaign. This is an exciting development for Evotech and further boosts the range of specialist technical solutions we provide to enhance how buildings perform."

Evotech Air Quality, in partnership with pioneering Norwegian tech company, Airthings, will provide building owners and managing agents, with indoor air monitoring solutions that effectively measure the levels of CO₂, humidity, temperature, particulate matter, volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and Radon, to provide clear and demonstrable evidence of the IAQ within buildings. Where results are poor, improvement measures can be implemented to reduce indoor air hazards, optimise ventilation, and better control heating and cooling systems, whilst reducing energy consumption and carbon emissions.

Based in Yorkshire, Evotech is a national building maintenance company, which specialises in optimising building performance to improve the environment for occupants, and reducing energy and carbon emissions, whilst keeping buildings compliant with the latest regulations. With a successful track-record for the implementation of environmentally friendly initiatives that improve building environments, the company puts sustainability at the heart of its building maintenance and performance solutions. For more information visit www.evotech-air.co.uk.

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