



## Lean and Green Deployment

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## The Perfect Process Company

- Focussing on 3 areas of improvement using lean techniques:
  - Manufacturing improvement
  - Business process improvement
  - Green manufacturing
- Over 20 years experience in automotive, aerospace and food manufacturing improvement at a global level
- 10 Years consulting experience with a network of experienced associates
- Certified LCS (Lean Competency Systems Level 3B) Trainer
- Author "The Green Factory" 2016 and "The Strategic Lean Office" 2022
- Speaker at over 20 academic and business conferences

THE PERFECT PROCESS





# 2 Books on Lean share the knowledge developed over 20 years











### The journey to Lean and Green starts a long time ago, far far away in Porto Alegre Brazil in 2008







Lean and Green combines 2 business concepts into a single practical model







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We a different stimulus to drive continuous improvements

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Move environmental managers from compliance to a continuous improvement mind-set



### THE PERFECT PROCESS The Lean and Green Business model can be described by 5 principles



- Identify a stable value stream (VS) 1.
- Identify the environmental impact 2. (E)
- 3. Measure the environmental value streams (EVS)
- Improve the environmental value 4. streams (EVS)
- Continuous Improvement (CI) 5.



The principles of the L&GBM Source: Pampanelli (2013).





## Implementing Lean and Green

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The steps to implement The Green Factory are summarised on this poster

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Example of a Cell Block Diagram





21,9 MW/mês

E-Flow mapping used as a diagnostic for environmental waste, including all mass and energy flows in the cell.





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## The Results



### The Pilots confirmed the 7 prerequisites







### Overall business impact







# Pilot testing at cell level show significant savings

	CELL 1	CELL 2
Kaizen Date	nov/08	jun/10
Nature of operations	Steel machining	Assembly of manufactured parts
Level of Lean	Deployment Level +	Deployment Level +
Process stability	<90% +	<90% +
Employee Involvement Tools	In place +	In place +
Leadership support	High +	High +
Environmental awareness	In place +	In place +
Data collection	In place +	In place +
Use of resources	High +	Medium -
Total cost of mass and energy flows (R\$ / Year)	\$ 1005 K	\$ 483 K
Major impact CELL environmental cost	Metallic Waste: 68%	Grease 75%
% Cost savings by reducing cell`s mass and energy flows	13%	3%
Cost savings (R\$ / Year)	R\$ 264.000,00	R\$ 30.000,00





Financial results were much more

### significant in the machining cell

	Cell 1	Cell 2
% Action plan implemented	94%	81%
Examples of improvement opportunity ideas that were identified during the Kaizen events and that were implemented	<ul> <li>For reducing energy usage: Motion sensitive and low energy lights installed in low usage areas;</li> <li>For reducing metallic waste generation: Forgings were redesigned for reducing machining and hence metallic waste;</li> <li>For reducing contaminated waste generation: Plastic wrap containing oil contamination was eliminated from the containers - substantial savings in disposal costs.</li> </ul>	For reducing energy usage: All assembly cell lighting system of was replaced by to 54watts system that consumes less energy; For reducing grease waste generation: (1) A new system was introduced to re-use the waste grease that was left in the used drums; (2) a new weighing standard was introduced in order to reduce the process waste grease.
% Cost savings by reducing cell`s mass and energy flows	13% After implementing the action plans (1 year)	3% After implementing the action plans (1 year)
Cost savings USD \$	\$ 132 000 Results after implementing the action plans	\$ 15 000 Results after implementing the action plans



The results were a validation of the Lean and Green business model

Overall, after the first year of implementation, approximately 60% of the action plans for the seven kaizens developed were implemented, saving around USD \$ 419 646, representing a 5.5% reduction of environmental cost for the cells' mass and energy flows.

THE PERFECT PROCESS



- 3 Big lessons from the adventure to Green:
  - 1. Introduces a new dimension into traditional lean thinking, the environmental concerns, motivating a conceptual transition
  - 2. Focuses on non-traditional sources of hard savings for continuous improvement
  - 3. Identifies and measures environmental aspects and impacts as well as inputs and outputs, based on manufacturing value streams and the real flow of value





## Ecobat Resources – Lean and Green Implementation

Chris Birds

**Operations Support Manager** 



#### **Introduction – Who am I?**

#### **Chris Birds**

- Ecobat Resources UK Operational Support Manager
- 21 years employed by the company
- Started my journey at Ecobat as a Production Chemist
- Worked as a Production Team Leader
- Moved to Production planning in 2018
- Completed my LSS Green belt in 2019
- Now promoted to Operational Support Manager covering aspects of planning, operations and Lean
- Working towards integrating the UK operations section of the global SAP system



## Who is Ecobat?

#### **Our Business**

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#### **Our Business**



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Transforming the **materials** of energy storage.

Ecobat Resources uses our capability and technology to recycle materials without compromising performance while continuing to reduce overall impact.

LEAD AND LEAD ALLOYS POLYPROPYLENE COMPOUNDS



#### A Sustainable History of Lead Battery Recycling – in Numbers



2,700

65,000

**ECOBAT FOUNDED** 

EARLIEST SMELTER COMMISSIONED

**SMELTERS ACROSS** 

CONTINENTS

**EMPLOYEES** 

**BATTERY COLLECTION** POINTS

BATTERIES RECYCLED ANNUALLY

840,000 99%

**TONS OF LEAD** RECOVERED

MATERIAL RECOVERY RATE **FROM USED BATTERIES** 



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## <sup>26</sup> Our Locations

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#### **Ecobat Resources – UK Overview**



Location ;-Darley Dale Smelter Matlock Derbyshire England

Smelting since 1820 - 203 years Key Information

- 250 acres
- 246 Employees
- 24/7 Operations
- 6 Products Produced
- (Ingots, Blocks, Strip, Shot, PP & Gypsum)



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#### **Ecobat Resources UK - HJE**



Ingots 75,000 mT (Capacity for 90,000mT)



#### Poly 4,500 mT



Strip 5,000 mT



Gypsum 20,000 mT



Shot 1,000 mT

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### **Ecobat Resources UK - HJE**





- Reverb furnaces have been used in secondary lead production for many years
- FGD technology is well known on power stations
- We combine the most efficient processes from both technologies in a novel way
- The continuous smelting process is energy efficient, has low reagent consumption and achieves low emissions
- Sulphur generated in the off gas stream, treated with lime in a fluidised bed making gypsum product
- High temperature filtration of the off gas prior to the scrubbing step results in a high purity gypsum product for resale

#### **Ecobat Resources UK – HJE**





Accreditations

- ISO 9001 Quality Management Systems
- ISO 45001 Occupational Health & Safety
- ISO 50001 Energy Management Systems
- ISO 14001 Environmental Management
- Investors in People Award (Gold Status)





Why did embark on this journey?

- Lean Manufacturing had been implemented for many years in the US
- Only HJE had started a Lean Journey in Europe
- Improve it Environmental performance and impact
- Perfect Process had the expertise (Lean and Green) to deliver the programme
- Previous success in helping Ecobat UK (BLM)
- A European team/roadmap was created to begin the Lean and Green journey

### **Ecobat Resources UK – Lean and Green journey**

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- A Training programme was developed and broken up into 3 phases
- Each Phase required training & implementation tools and techniques
  - Phase 1 Visual Management & JI's
  - Phase 2 Value Stream Mapping (VSM)
  - Phase 3 Practical Problem Solving (PPS Kaizen, A3 etc.)
  - LCS Accreditation
- Each division then implemented the training with support from Perfect Process
   Company with updates at each phase

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### **Ecobat Resources UK – Phase 1**

What tools after phase 1 did we use?

• Use of JI and VM is what we implemented

What did we do and why?

- High risk task
- Std Training Tool
- Viewed at any time without the task being completed
- Member of SLT actually carrying out the task
- Went to Gemba carried out task and amended JI accordingly
- Many revisions not as easy or quick (Must be right)
- You wont get it right first time from an office you must go the GEMBA



• Job Instruction (JI) Version



Day of Month:	S/Sup Initial	Infeed rate (used only to see if shift should be void)	WGF Above 40K (Enter Y or N)	4 Tube Damper above 50% Open	PCC DP Setpoint (majority of shift value) Min -80Pa	Main Fan speed <88% (majority of shift)	PCC Gas temp (majority of shift)	Flue Gas Temp (majority of shift)	Sonic Sprays M3/h?	FF Pa Average for shift	High Opacity running above 8?	Sieve Tray setpoint (7- 7.5kPa)	Sinter Rate 20- 25% of Pb output?	Dryer Hopper Setpoint <=52%	Comments
10/08/2020 06:00															
10/08/2020 18:00															
11/08/2020 06:00															SUMMER SHUTDOWN
11/08/2020 18:00															
12/08/2020 06:00	кw	155	N	80%	-110	88%	480				N	7.5	18.0%	52%	1st Shift after restart
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13/08/2020 18:00	AR	182	Y	70%	-108	87%	450	<b>••••</b>	J		N	7	30.0%	53%	
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15/08/2020 06:00	GJ	152	Y	70%	-105	86%	470				N	7	44.0%	54%	Foaming
15/08/2020 18:00	KW	208	Y	85%	-108	88%	400	au	rina		N	7	29.0%	52%	
16/08/2020 06:00	HL	180	Y	85%	-115	87%	400				N	7	28.0%	48%	
16/08/2020 18:00	GJ	90	Y	85%	-115	88%	380	m	nth		N	7	14.0%	44%	Foaming and inspecting burners
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18/08/2020 18:00	нı	105	Y	85%	-110	88%	530					7	19.0%	52%	Stopped for 2x breaks and 45mins labour
19/08/2020 06:00	LS	162	Y	85%	-105	86%	540	RC to be the					23.0%	53%	Stopped for repairs to Dryer tracking
19/08/2020 18:00	HL	206	Y	85%	-110	85%	540						40.0%	52%	Dryer burner failed and then foaming later on
20/08/2020 06:00	GJ	184	Y	85%	-120	86%	480	<b>I</b>	1		•		37.0%	51%	Foaming event first thing
20/08/2020 18:00	LS	192	Y	85%	-115	85%	480	l lac	K OT	ABS	)		31.0%	54%	Dryer Burner
21/08/2020 06:00	RP	200	Y	85%							N	7	24.0%	56%	Dryer Burner
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23/08/2020 06:00	GJ	180		<u> </u>	Input	due t	0 L	De	Ing		N	7.2	37.0%	54%	suspect lack of coke/large coke
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26/08/2020 18:00	HL	214	Y	55%	-110	87%	460	<u> </u>	ICa		N	7.2	33.0%	56%	changed to 2 buckets of each
27/08/2020 06:00	LS	230	Y	85%	-105	87%	450	225	T	1200	N	7.2	27.0%	56%	changed back to 3 buckets of each
27/08/2020 18:00	HL	180	N	85%	-105	86%	380	225	0.7	1130	N	7.2	35.0%	52%	low infeed due to hopper bridging
28/08/2020 06:00	SB	200	Y	85%	-115	87%	420	225	0.6	1140	N	7.2	26.0%	53%	
28/08/2020 18:00	LS	175	Y	85%	-115	87%	510	225	0.7	1150	N	7.2	25.0%	56%	CPC Down and PCC screw stopped
29/08/2020 06:00	SB	80	Y	85%	-110	87%	530	225	0.7	1100	N	7.2	30.0%	56%	Dryer stopped rotating, had to dig out
29/08/2020 18:00	LS	100	Y	85%	-110	87%	490	225	0.4	1180	N	7.2	23.0%	55%	Dryer still down for 6 hrs
30/08/2020 06:00	GJ	132	Y	50%	-105	87%	480	225	0.5	1200	N	7.2	31.0%	56%	80 mins sinter foaming - no Ca or CRT added
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23/08/2020 07:00	<mark>55.57</mark>	2.31	1.55	3.05	3.18	3.72	0.85		0.5	0.82	70.23	
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23/08/2020 13:00	<mark>57.18</mark>	2.11	1.39	2.47	4.49	3.60	0.63		0.7	0.69	71.87	
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25/08/2020 05:00	<mark>56.17</mark>	1.82	0.88	2.11	2.18	3.95	1.00		0.4	0.53	68.11	
25/08/2020 07:00	54.08	1.89	1.23	1.83	1.64	3.62	0.79		0.3	0.51	65.08	
25/08/2020 11:00	46.44	2.13	1.01	3.07	3.15	3.65	0.87		0.5	0.84	60.32	
25/08/2020 13:00	51.2	1.48	1.19	9.01	4.30	6.27	1.41		0.3	1.44	74.86	
25/08/2020 15:00	48.38	1.84	2.22	5.25	3.86	9.89	1.76		0.3	0.53	73.20	
25/08/2020 19:00	51.22	2.31	1.73	2.25	4.23	9.08	2.24		0.4	0.25	73.06	
25/08/2020 21:00	47.4	3.06	2.54	2.36	5.03	8.31	2.24		0.5	0.28	70.94	

 Training of S/Sup to understand Sinter Assay and how this indicates Reverb performance. Starting in October, due to planned Isolation in July when originally planned.

#### Summary of Phase 1:

What have we learnt?

- Repeat, Try, repeat, try...... Not everyone is the same and has varied levels of knowledge and ability
- Current system is not best for training
- A Gemba walk is the best way to test the JI
- Don't just do it on your own..... Use different people to ensure different views and practices are seen

What challenges did we have?

- Not a quick solution
- Planning in time to go and walk the Gemba and test the JI in line with production of 3mT blocks

Results

• We now have over 150 JI's at Ecobat Resources UK, for lots of task. Used in both Ops and Maint dept.

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#### **Ecobat Resources UK – Phase 2**



- Overview and training given to the team on VSM
- Explained that a VSM is a way of measuring a plants performance
- VSM Team was created
- VSM Current State Map created over 3 days
- All processes and information/data lines were included





Outcomes from VSM:

- Low LT% on MA Breaker
- Opportunity to improve Reverb
- Low LT% on Refinery & Casting
- Low LT% in other areas
- Minimal impact Overall LT%
- Confirmation/Validation
- Action Plan in place to address above

#### HJ ENTHOVEN VALUE STREAM MAP DATA 2019

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Summary of Phase 2:

What did we do and how?

- Gather a team of people to complete the VSM
- Get the data (not all to hand) and complete VSM and under LT% (Lead Time %)
- Identify opportunities for improvement (Kaizen burst etc.)
- Create a plan to implement opportunities and create FS VSM

Results?

• CS and FS VSM were originally created for 2020 in line with Business Plan

Challenges and Barriers?

- Information/data
- Standardising the data through the VSM
- Getting SMT to understand what is a VSM and its benefits to the business

What have we learnt?

- There are many opportunities for improvement
- Area's of focus would only give small gain

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### **Ecobat Resources UK – Phase 3**

Identify projects:

- Caustic Treatment cost and environmental impact
- Inconsistent Rotary Tapping and VOC emissions

Dove Dove CaCO3 TOTAL Gypsum Salt

- A3 document produced
- Model scenario created in Excel
- Validate Data

No MA Lime Dosing

place NaOH with CaC place Lime with CaC( eplace all with CaCO Pre crack (Only)

- Identify opportunity
- Solution to opportunity
- CAPEX proposal submitted





- Reverb improvement focus for many years
- Best Practice exercise for Rotary Sinter smelting
- Idea for improvement was seen by site visit to BSB and Paderno (Italian site)
- Similar technique HJE uses on Reverb furnace
- Benefits Improved Cycle times, Cost reduction, Std approach to smelting operation across all shifts
- Data collected and Trials to be planned June/July
- Data below is analysis of % Drive load on Rotary furnace



- Review trends for analysis Snap shot below but only sample data Completed
- Set up trending for drive data and create SQL database so report can be generated Completed
- Identify best trends Data review Under review
- Plan trials to replicate "best trend"
- Validate best practice
- Create visual management system Part completed see picture below
- Review tapping furnace (trial drill used at Paderno, use of screens potentially) –Mounting of Drill to be completed with Maint support and is required before further trials can progress.
- Review Burner firing rates and lambda settings and charging method to minimise Met Coke cost
- Create Job Instruction (New SOP)
- Validate Job instruction
- Issue Job Instruction



- Trend to the left shows when light come on (purple line goes up – Tapping light lit)
- You can see its 15 mins after curve levels out
- Some shifts still not working to this light due to it being unreliable atm
- Link the VOC trials to this also



Why?

- Changes to environmental regulations in July 2020 reducing VOC Limit
- Solution Thermal Oxidation burners
- CAPEX Cost to High Not an option
- Increased Operation cost use of Met Coke, x4 Vs Pet Coke

Challenge: - Could we make this work with Pet Coke Base Line monitored – Current Situation Out of Consent with Permit (BREATH)

How?

Various trials done with different Scenarios create including break downs

Results?

Charging sequence changed Burner (Oxygen rate) reduces when Charging Inline Analyser used to trend information 4 Hrs av trend added to identify if Nonconforming emissions Trialling on all recipes to confirm results Excepted saving of £420k pa











#### Summary of Phase 3:

What did we do and how?

- Identify 2 projects that covered the brief and improved the business
- Understand and write 1<sup>st</sup> part of A3
- Collect Data and map out onto A3 with use of Ishikawa diagrams, flow diagrams using multi-disciplined team
- Understand "Prize" (its not always £££)
- Carry out

Results?

- CAPEX submitted for Filtration of Battery Acid prior to Dove plant treatment. £125k saving
- VOC and Rotary Tapping £300k+ (unconfirmed due to lining costs etc and WIP)

Challenges and Barriers?

- Sorting through lots of data and understanding process
- Set realistic target including agreeing CAPEX submission
- CAPEX approval Still awaiting

What have we learnt?

Lots of work, but rewards can be big or small

Reward is not always money – Environmental & Safety improvements can be additional benefit

### Ecobat Resources UK – Lean & Green Journey Continues

- Ecobat has continued it's Lean & Green journey, post training with great success.
- Rising Energy prices has accelerated a lot of projects in the pipeline
- Simple VM can also have a positive impact: See below the launch of the Perfect Day in Jan 2023

Launch of the "Perfect Day"

I am pleased to announce the launch of a simple metric called the "Perfect Day", which is the vision of our CEO - Marcus Randolph. This initiative has been trialled since the end of January and will be launching very soon.

It's has been generated with simplicity in mind to define what is a good day at Ecobat. The "Perfect Day" is being rolled out across the entire Ecobat Resource family with all metrics being measured at each facility the same. It does not replace any of our existing KPI's that we measure as a business, and use to track and improve our performance, but more to simply define a good day.

The "Perfect Day" is defined in 4 categories:

- 1. Safety and Environmental: 'Zero harm' to people and environment.
- 2. Production: Exceed furnace / refinery plan by 5%
- 3. Plant staffing: Sufficient staff to run key operations.
- 4. Finished goods sales shipment: 100% deliveries shipped on time, in full (OTIF

#### **Ecobat Resources UK – Perfect Day VM Board**



YTD Summary of reasons for not achieving:

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- 3 x OTIF
- 6 x Staffing
- 19 x Production split between Reverb and Casting





## The Plan

Ecobat resources Lean and Green CI leader development programme –



- Risk of a "middle management gap" if leadership is not trained in lean and lean leadership
- EU team be-spoke session designed for senior leaders in their role as Lean leaders
  - To align Lean with strategic objectives
  - To see where Lean can help the business
- Site leadership teams trained during the site support visits
  - Lean tools and techniques
  - Leadership skills (Gemba walks, Leaders standard work, VSM, coaching)



# The right delegate selection is key to success

- These delegates are the seeds for the next generation of leaders
- Supported by their line manager and site director to attend
- An employee who has high potential for career growth in future leadership roles.
- Can read, write and speak English.
- Enthusiastic in learning and implementing Continuous Improvement.
- Works well within team environments and a committed team player.
- Has good communication skills with the ability to communicate with people (individuals or groups) at all levels of the business.
- A track record of achieving objectives through high involvement of others.
- A confident person who is not afraid to challenge the current ways of working.
- A 'completer/finisher', ensuring improvement actions are driven to closure.
- A person that can motivate and inspire others.
- Has a business awareness to assure that improvement action has a positive impact on operating results.









### Competency validation through Lean Competency System - 2A

- LCS accreditation for the training
- External validation of the materials, content and trainer
- Aligned to Ecobat manufacturing process
- Requires successful practical implementation and pass of the test
- Externally recognized certificate awarded at the end following validation and test results

https://www.leancompetency.org

#### Benefits: Key Points

0	Helps engage staff in continuous improvement activities.
	Raises workforce lean capability
	Creates a standard across boundaries
0	Is a conduit to link training with application
0	Motivates employees
0	External endorsement
0	Enhances training system design
0	Organisational lean knowledge development
	Cost effective
0	Flexible and adaptable system
Ø	Tried and tested



The content built up from level 1 team flow to level 2 VSM flow and added Green to provide the environmental extension



	Phase 1 Level 1 flow	Phase 2 Level 2 flow	Phase 3 Green flow
Planning	Delegate selection Site selection Site 5S selection Site team selection Job instruction selection	Site selection VSM selection Problem selection	Site selection Lean and green selection
Delegate Preparation	Pre-work Project identification	Implementation completion Project identification	Implementation completion Project identification
Content	Site tour Pre-work check Lean introduction Strategy and CI planning Visual management Daily meetings 5S, Standard work Facilitation skills	Implementation validation Site tour Value stream mapping Practical Problem solving	Implementation validation Site tour Lean and green Leadership standard work Lean leadership skills Strategy and CI planning Core skills
Implement	CI plan, 5S, Daily meetings, visual management, standard work	Value stream mapping Problem solving	Lean and green Leadership skills, CI plan

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The programme used a mixture of coaching, teaching, practical case studies, go-see and home site implementation to develop capability







Several Different learning styles will be used throughout the programme













## What happened?

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# Lean and Green CI leader programme

- Tough programme with travel, learning and implementation pressure
- We needed an extra week to consolidate the learning and fit everything in
- Great camaraderie and learning from each other as the learning style of travelling on site training was a first for Ecobat
- Learnt as much from each other as the training!



Practised the tools as part of the programme





# Leadership training aligned with the lean and green programme



- Delivering this in advance prepared the leaders for this change
- Allowed them to develop their role as local coaches
- Set the direction for the business





### On site training provided "live" experience in a safe environment



Value Stream Mapping



5S workshop in the magazine



"E" Flow analysis





- 12 managers started
- 11 Finished the programme
- 10 Qualified to LCS level 2A
- 5 got promoted
- 3 left the business (promoted)





## What did you learn?

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# The lessons from the training.....

- LCS provided a strong lever for completing and finishing
- Leadership training and support ....
- Developed a lot of the team as well as learning Lean and Green





### Summary – Neil T

- Use every lever in the book to get success:
  - Senior leadership buy-in
  - European and site leadership training
  - Escalation route direct to plant directors and MD A3 reporting
  - LCS qualification programme, validation of results and tests
  - Burning platforms of performance drove implementation
- Now is the time to expand Lean into Green
  - COP 26
  - Energy cost increase
- Or has the dial changed? Green to Lean
  - Use employee engagement to drive green improvement
  - Piggy back Lean onto the Green conscience and energy cost increase







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