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## Dicker Precision Components Celebrate Expansion with Champagne Reception and MP Visit

**Dicker Precision to host an Open Day for customers and explain expansion plans, Dugard are pleased to be involved.**

We've already been down to Hailsham to see the new unit and take some pictures and now everyone else is invited! Dicker Precision is hosting an **Open Day at 2.30pm, Friday 30th November**, at their production unit at 46-47 Station Road Industrial Estate, Hailsham, East Sussex. The event is to reveal Dicker's recent expansion to clients and the local public, as well as a visit from Charles Hendry (MP for Wealden) who will examine the company's success in the midst of the unpredictable economic climate.



**Dugard Machines at Dicker**

Dicker manufacture products for the oil and gas industry and recently have had to appoint a new Staff Manager to oversee a growing number of projects. To help cope with this ever expanding workload, (which includes making parts for the Army's latest vehicle; The Foxhound), Dicker purchased two new Dugard machines which are installed and running in the new unit.

**The first machine Dicker invested in was the Dugard HD1886B**, a heavy duty constructed VMC which due to the larger spindle tooling and bed will enable Dicker to produce considerably larger parts. The HD range is a new one for Dugard,

launched at our Open House last year. These machines have an interesting reverse axes table so the footprint is much smaller and the table is fully supported. The HD range also features a heavy boxway system for high metal removal rates and accuracy over the lifetime of the machine. This combined with the BBT50 tooling system, through ballscrew refrigeration and 32 station twin arm ATC made the HD1886B a perfect choice for Dicker.



**Dugard HD1886B**

**The second is a Dugard 1000Y Plus VMC** which was bought to complement Dicker's existing machines (including a Dugard 1000 VMC). The 1000Y Plus is a rugged machine built for high speed machining with outstanding rigidity, stability and accuracy. It has an extended Y travel of 610mm as well as Double contact "Big Plus Tooling", heavy duty roller linear ways, 10,000rpm spindle with refrigeration and a 24 station twin arm ATC. The 1000Y Plus is one of Dugard's best selling machines for



**Dugard 1000Y Plus**

a reason and Dicker are extremely pleased with their purchase.

The open house is set to be quite an event, with a champagne reception and canapés as well as a brief talk from Charles Hendry MP, (previously Minister of State for the Department of Energy and Climate Change). Mark Love, Dicker Precision Components Director comments:

**"In times of austerity, we continue to grow and expand and we are extremely proud of our performance. This Open Day gives both our local community and customers the chance to come in, get to know the people behind Dicker Precision Engineering, see our new equipment, and hear our plans for 2013. We are also very grateful for Charles Hendry who will give up his time to come in and visit the depot and we look forward to welcoming him and other attendees."**

Obviously the focus is on their expansion but Mark has kindly asked us to attend so Paul Wallace (our South East Sales Manager) and Nick Gunning (the UK Sales Director) will be available to answer any questions. There will be videos of the machines in action and we'll also be filming so if you're not able to attend remember to come back to our website soon to see what you missed.

**For an invitation, please contact Clare at Dicker on 01323 840140 or email [dickerprecision@btconnect.com](mailto:dickerprecision@btconnect.com)**

**If you need any information on the Dugard machines used at Dicker please call us on 01273 732286 or email [sales@dugard.co.uk](mailto:sales@dugard.co.uk)**