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Rosie Brighty, Design Engineer, Pearson Engineering

As a Design Engineer at Newcastle-based Pearson Engineering, Rosie Brighty works as part of a team designing mine clearance vehicles.

"There's so much diversity in my job; one month can be completely different from the next," says Rosie. "It's a dynamic place to work, with a can-do attitude and I am lucky that I get to work on projects from conception right through to completion – I get to imagine something and then bring it to reality."

"The job involves a lot of learning and I enjoy that it stretches me academically."

Rosie, who is originally from Carlisle, studied a BSc in Chemistry and an MSc in Design and Manufacturing Engineering, both at Newcastle University, before landing a job as a Graduate Design Engineer at Pearson Engineering.

"After graduation I didn't want to move away from the North East. You can feel anonymous in a bigger city but in Newcastle everything is so accessible and there's a nice vibe, culture and sense of community here."

"The area has a lot of engineering companies and there are so many areas of engineering that graduates could go into. I'd recommend looking into the various graduate schemes there are available as they're quite well paid and you get to try out lots of different areas of work."

"I had to give a presentation in my interview at Pearson and I think my enthusiasm and willingness to learn helped me to get the job," said Rosie. "I'd advise anyone who is thinking about a career in engineering to look into ways of gaining experience, whether that's a placement year in industry or a summer placement. We have interns here at Pearson Engineering and they can learn so much on a 10 week placement."

"I see myself staying in engineering long term as I want to gain more technical experience and build on what I learnt in my Master's degree. And I don't see myself moving away from the North East either, my whole life is here and I'd never leave."

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