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£1 MILLION REFURBISHMENT WORKS COMPLETED AT WEST CHIRTON.

Northern Trust (<u>www.northerntrust.co.uk</u>) is pleased to announce that work on a major refurbishment of its industrial premises situated on the northern part of their site at West Chirton Industrial Estate, North Shields has been completed.

The estate, which comprises nearly 83,000sq ft of lettable floorspace, includes some former munitions buildings built in 1940. Block 3 contains 25,000 sq ft of accommodation which has now been modernised and subdivided into 5 separate units. The circa £1m investment into the estate has seen the subdivided units benefit from a new roof, external cladding, loading / personnel doors and utility services together with full decoration. The investment into the site comes on the back of Northern Trust's successful planning application to build up to 400 homes on the southern part of the site.

Two other blocks of units ranging from 580 sq ft up to 1,695 sq ft and totalling 20,169 sq ft have also benefited from a facelift to vastly improve the industrial offering in the area.

Steve Brown, Regional Property Director at Whittle Jones North East, agents acting on behalf of Northern Trust commented, "The regeneration works completed at West Chirton (South) Industrial Estate have brought some much needed investment into the area and will expand the choice of premises available for small and medium sized businesses."

West Chirton (South) Industrial Estate is situated on Norham Road, immediately south of the A1058 Coast Road and less than 5 minutes' drive time to the Tyne Tunnel.

For more details on the available units at West Chirton (South) Industrial Estate please contact Whittle Jones North East on 0191 221 199 or email northeast@whittlejones.co.uk

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Northern Trust was established in 1962 and is now one of the UK's largest and most successful privately owned property investment, development and land regeneration companies.

The existing property portfolio extends to almost 8 million sq ft of industrial, trade counter and office parks, together with more than 5,000 acres of land throughout the UK, with circa 1,500 acres currently being promoted through the planning process for mixed use development. **Northern Trust** continues to look to expand its portfolio through new investment, development and land regeneration opportunities.

Northern Trust works closely with house builders, local authorities and special purchasers in bringing forward regeneration opportunities; and has already secured planning for circa 4,500 homes with the potential of bringing forward a further 2,000 houses over the next 12 months. In addition, **Northern Trust** has developed over 2 million sq ft of commercial space in over 40 locations with over 0.5 million sq ft approved for development and benefits from a supplementary land bank for the longer term.

The Commercial and Industrial portfolio is managed by **Whittle Jones** and new and existing customers looking for industrial and office accommodation can search the **Whittle Jones website**.

Northern Trust has substantial funds available for new investment, development, and regeneration initiatives throughout the UK. For further information on Northern Trust please visit our website at www.northerntrust.co.uk