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DRUM IS NUMBER ONE FOR SPORTS WAREHOUSE.

Whittle Jones Chartered Surveyors; agents acting on behalf of Northern Trust Company Ltd are delighted to announce that One Sports Warehouse who joined Drum Industrial Estate in the summer of 2016 has already doubled its capacity on the estate.

<u>One Sports Warehouse</u> is a specialist sports based retailer, run by Simon Lee and Lynne Dobison. Simon commented about the expansion strategy "We opened our original unit on 1st August 2016, and since then have moved to our new 1,600 sq ft unit. We are delighted to have had to move after only 7 months of trading, which shows that there is a gap in the market for this sector. We love having an industrial unit as it allows our customers to experience our 'demo area' which is built into the store. We currently stock Field Hockey equipment but are always on the lookout for new sports equipment to add to our offering." Further details can be found on the company's dedicated website at <u>www.one-sports-warehouse.com</u>

Drum Industrial Estate, Chester le Street extends to almost 40,000 sq ft of modern industrial / trade counter space and is currently fully let. Nick Kilkenny, Management Surveyor at Whittle Jones said "Drum Industrial Estate fronts the main A693 and is located less than 1 mile from Junction 63 of the A1(M). With its excellent transport links to the wider region it makes it the ideal base for companies to run their business from.

Whittle Jones is committed to assisting its occupiers to expand and relocate within its portfolio wherever possible; so we are delighted that we were able to meet the growing aspirations of One Sports Warehouse and secure their continued business at Drum Industrial Estate."

For more details about Drum Industrial Estate please visit the Whittle Jones website at <u>www.whittlejones.com</u> or Whittle Jones North East on 0191 221 1999.

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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 1,500 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 Chartered Surveyors** and new and existing customers looking for industrial and office accommodation can search the <u>Whittle Jones website</u>.

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 <u>www.northerntrust.co.uk</u>