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WHITTLE JONES WELCOME NEW OCCUPIER TO INNOVATE OFFICES.

Whittle Jones agents acting on behalf of Northern Trust have announced the first letting at their Innovate @ Conway House offices on Ackhurst Business Park, Chorley.

APL Accountants LLP has moved into Suite C1 on the office park on a 3 year deal. The company was formed in 2005 by two qualified and experienced Chartered Accountants, who together have around 40 years' experience in general practice and specialist accounting work. APL offers a full range of accounting and tax services including the usual routine activities that you would expect from an accountant, but focusing on business development and problem solving, both in the context of established businesses with particular challenges and in start up situations.

Peter Hodges, a partner in APL commented "We were impressed with the standard of finish, the facilities and, importantly, the cost of the office space. The suite is perfect for our needs, and provides better and more professional surroundings than our previous offices. Clients have commented on both the quality and accessibility of the premises".

The Innovate suites are situated on the first floor of Conway House and provide a range of small office suites accommodating from two people (254 sq ft) upwards, on a flexible basis, at an affordable rate. Charges for heating, water, maintenance and service charge are all included in one monthly bill, enabling occupiers to concentrate on running their business, not the property.

Andrew Lovell, Regional Property Manager at Whittle Jones North West commented "Innovate @ Conway House on Ackhurst Business Park is a new and exciting range of small offices which provide the ideal solution for start-up and small business looking for quality office space. We are pleased to welcome APL to the Innovate offices, which have been finished to a very high standard. By offering affordable space on flexible terms, we

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are confident that we will be able to welcome further businesses to the scheme in the near future.”

Innovate @ Conway House forms part of the larger Ackhurst Business Park which is one of Lancashire’s premier business locations; and is conveniently located for the region’s motorway network and business infrastructure. Ackhurst Business Park incorporates a range of modern detached office buildings set in fully maintained landscaped grounds.

Ackhurst Business Park is located approximately 1 mile from Chorley Town Centre and offers quick and easy access throughout the region and nationally. Euxton Railway Station is within ¾ mile of the Business Park. Occupiers benefit from local amenities including a Tesco Extra Superstore and Fieldfare pub/restaurant.

For more details about the Innovate offices and Ackhurst Business Park please visit the dedicated website at www.ackhurstbusinesspark.co.uk or contact one of the joint lettings agents at: Whittle Jones 01257 238666, Jones Lang LaSalle 0161 828 6440 or Bailey Deakin Hamiltons 01772 337733.

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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.

Northern Trust’s current property portfolio covers circa 8 million sq ft of industrial/trade and office parks, having developed over 2 million sq ft of commercial property itself in more than 40 locations. The company has more than 5,000 acres of land under ownership/management throughout the UK, with over 400 acres currently being promoted through the planning process for mixed use development.

Northern Trust works closely with house builders, local authorities and special purchasers in bringing forward regeneration opportunities; with the potential of bringing forward c 4,000 homes. In addition, new regeneration/development partnerships have been entered into with various public bodies, to provide regeneration initiatives across the UK and employment premises for both Small and Medium Enterprises and larger occupiers.

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