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### **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **DAVID MOYES OFFICIALLY OPENS VORTEX COURT!**

Vortex Court, the second phase of the prestigious office scheme at Wavertree Technology Park, Liverpool was officially opened by Everton Manager, David Moyes. The opening event commenced with a breakfast reception which was attended by David Moyes, and more than 60 people including local authority representatives, agents from Liverpool and Manchester, and developers Northern Trust.

Vortex Court comprises two detached office buildings of 14,285 sq ft and 18,827 sq ft. The new buildings complement the first phase, 22,900 sq ft office Northern Trust developed in 2002 which is let to Littlewoods Pools.

Mike Grindrod, of Northern Trust comments “Wavertree Technology Park is a flagship scheme for Northern Trust, marking our commitment to investment in environmentally sustainable developments for the future. We were delighted that David Moyes could join us at the official opening of the site, and with a good turn out at the opening, we are confident that Vortex Court will be a huge success”.

Over £1.5m of grant funding has been secured towards the project from the Objective One programme through the Eastern Approaches Strategic Investment Area Initiative. The buildings include feature double height glazed entrances, full access raised floors, displacement ventilation system, double glazing, central heating, with extensive on site parking, all in an attractive landscaped environment.

Vortex Court is one of the first office developments in the region to pilot an innovative, environmentally friendly and sustainable approach to energy. Northern Trust has incorporated wind turbines on its £5m prestigious new office park development in order to generate electricity at the site.

Wavertree Technology Park is Liverpool's premier out of centre office park located approximately 1 mile from the M62 motorway and 2 miles from the city centre. The Park also benefits from the recent opening of a new Merseyrail Station providing important links to the regional railway network.

Joint agents for the scheme are Irving Rice and Partners (0151 476 0001), and GVA Grimley (0151 255 1910).

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*Notes to Editors:*

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Wigan based contractors Allenbuild have constructed the development to achieve a "very good" breeam rating, which is a measure of best practice in environmental design and management set up by the Building Research Establishment (BRE) to assess the environmental performance of new and existing buildings.

Vortex Court is part of Northern Trust's portfolio which extends to over 8 million sq ft of industrial and office accommodation located throughout the North and Midlands with over 3,200 tenants, and 2,000 acres of land.

