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NORTHERN TRUST ANNOUNCES LETTING OF 1ST FLOOR BALMORAL HOUSE AT ACKHURST BUSINESS PARK TO THE APPLEBRIDGE FAMILY

Northern Trust Company Ltd is pleased to announce the successful letting of the 1st Floor at Balmoral House, Ackhurst Business Park, Chorley to the Applebridge Family. The 1,263 sq ft modern office suite has been leased on a 5-year agreement and marks the latest addition to the Park's vibrant business community.

Ackhurst Business Park is widely recognised as one of Lancashire's premier business destinations. Spanning over 83,000 sq ft, the Park offers a wide range of high-specification office accommodation—ranging from flexible suites of 250 sq ft to self-contained pavilion buildings of up to 6,020 sq ft—across 16 contemporary buildings, all set in beautifully landscaped, professionally maintained grounds.

Lizzie Roper, Asset Manager at Northern Trust, commented: "We are delighted to welcome the Applebridge Family to Ackhurst Business Park. Their decision to establish their North West headquarters here reflects the high-quality environment and strategic location the Business Park offers. With excellent transport connectivity and modern office space, Ackhurst continues to attract leading organisations looking to grow their regional presence."

The Applebridge Family, a leading name in the UK construction industry, has chosen Chorley as the base for its North West operations as part of its ongoing strategic expansion. The new office opening follows the launch of a Midlands base in Alfreton and two further locations for their Geoenvironmental division in 2023.

"This is an exciting time for the Applebridge Family," said Chris Brown, Managing Director of Applebridge. "Our growth strategy has always centred around building strong regional teams—and the North West is no exception. With the appointments of Paul Troubridge as North West Projects Director and John Kiernan as North West Construction Director, we have an incredibly strong foundation to deliver exceptional results in this dynamic region."

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With a target of £10 million in revenue during its first year in the North West, the Chorley office will serve as the headquarters for Applebridge's regional team. The business is actively recruiting additional talent, including a Commercial Director, to support its growing client base and project portfolio.

"The North West is brimming with opportunity," added Paul Troubridge. "We're actively pursuing major frameworks and contracts that will allow us to establish long-term relationships with both new and existing clients." Visit www.applebridge.com for further information.

Ackhurst Business Park is located just one mile from Chorley town centre, with quick access to the M6, M61, and M65 motorways. It also benefits from proximity to Chorley and Euxton railway stations, offering direct connections to Manchester and the national rail network.

For further information about Ackhurst Business Park, please visit www.ackhurstbusinesspark.co.uk or contact the North West team on 01257 238666 or via email at northwest@northerntrust.co.uk to arrange a viewing.

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Northern Trust is a family-owned private company, established in 1962, with a successful track record in property investment, development and strategic land promotion.

The existing property portfolio extends to 9 million sq ft of industrial, trade counter and office parks, together with more than 4,500 acres of land throughout the UK, with circa 1,500 acres currently being promoted through the planning process for mixed use development.

The Industrial and Office portfolio contains more than 4,000 individual units with industrial unit sizes ranging from as little as 285 sq ft up to c 50,000 sq ft and office suites from as little as 1 person upwards. Premises are situated in over 200 separate locations and the portfolio extends from the South Midlands to the central belt of Scotland. Through recent acquisitions and new development over 500,000 sq ft has been added to the portfolio within the last 2 years. The portfolio is actively managed by Northern Trust's Regional Teams with offices in the North West, North East, Yorkshire, Midlands and Scotland.

New and existing customers looking for industrial and office accommodation can search the NTProperties.co.uk website.

In addition, the development team has project managed the construction of circa 4 million sq ft of commercial space in 50 locations with over 600,000 sq ft currently on site or in the development pipeline.

The strategic land team at **Northern Trust** has secured planning for circa 4,500 new homes over the last 2 years and has current projects covering more than 60 sites with potential to bring forward more than 10,000 new homes. The company works closely with landowners, developers, local authorities and local communities to deliver development across the UK. Please see NTLand.co.uk website for further details.

Northern Trust has substantial funds available for new investment, development, and strategic land acquisitions throughout the UK. For more information please visit the website at www.northerntrust.co.uk