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NORTHERN TRUST LAND SECURES TEN NEW STRATEGIC LAND PROMOTION AGREEMENTS ACROSS ENGLAND

Northern Trust Land Ltd has announced the successful signing of ten new strategic land promotion agreements over the last 12 months, further strengthening the company's growing portfolio of residential development opportunities across England.

The agreements, which collectively cover approximately 456 acres of land, represent the potential delivery of 3,000 new homes across a range of strategically located sites nationwide.

The newly secured sites are located across Shropshire, Lancashire, Greater Manchester, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Staffordshire and Hampshire, with several larger-scale schemes due to complete shortly.

Commenting on the recent activity, **John Tootell, Strategic Land Director at Northern Trust Land Ltd**, said: *"The last 12 months have been exceptionally positive for the business, with a number of high-quality sites secured in key locations across the country. These agreements reflect the confidence landowners continue to place in Northern Trust Land and our ability to successfully navigate the planning system whilst maximising the value of their land interests."*

Collectively, these further strengthen our significant strategic land portfolio and provide the opportunity to deliver much-needed new homes in sustainable locations. The strategic land portfolio is a key growth area for the business and with a number of other acquisitions already in the pipeline we will continue our investment in the sector. The recently issued revised NPPF, providing a significant shift in national planning policy, is also welcomed and comes at an opportune time as our activity is set to increase."

Northern Trust Land continues to expand its strategic land portfolio nationwide, working with landowners, farmers and agents to promote land through the planning system for residential and mixed-use development.

For further details on Northern Trust Land please visit the website at www.ntland.co.uk or contact the team on 01257 238555.

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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