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WHITTLE JONES RECRUIT HAYS FOR THEIR OFFICES AT HOUNDGATE & BEAUMONT STREET, DARLINGTON

Whittle Jones North East; agents acting on behalf of Northern Trust are pleased to announce the letting of Suite 2 at their Houndgate & Beaumont Street office scheme to Hays Specialist Recruitment Ltd.

Hays, the leading recruiting experts has leased the 947 sq ft office on a 5 year agreement.

Catherine Duke, Office Manager & Business Director at Hays in Darlington, said: "We're really pleased to have moved into a fantastic new office space, in a great location for businesses and job seekers alike. Due to expansion we had a requirement to move into larger premises, and we identified No 2 Beaumont Street as the most suitable office to meet our needs."

"Hays requires central locations for our offices and understands the importance of supporting Town Centre businesses. The first floor office has been fully re-designed and is now a super space for interviewing candidates and meeting clients. It has a fantastic central location, with easy access to the multi-story car park. We look forward to joining this thriving office community."

The Houndgate & Beaumont Street office development comprises two separate two storey blocks, and is ideally located within Darlington Town Centre close to the core retail area.

Steven Porter, Management Surveyor at Whittle Jones North East commented "We are delighted to have secured the letting to Hays Specialist Recruitment, which takes the occupancy level to over 80%. The offices provide modern business space in a Town Centre location whilst also benefiting from good transport links."

The offices include a range of smaller Innovate office suites which are available on flexible terms. The Innovate suites can accommodate staffing levels of 1 to 6 persons and are ideal for new or small businesses looking to relocate. Being situated in the Town Centre the offices provide excellent local amenities with an array of retail shops and eateries on the doorstep with the added benefit of a multi-storey car park adjacent.

For more details on the available space at Houndgate & Beaumont Street, please contact Whittle Jones North East on 0191 221 1999 or email northeast@whittlejones.co.uk for more information.

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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 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 2,000 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 a further 0.5 million sq ft currently under construction or with planning being prepared for commencement on site within the next year. The company also benefits from a supplementary land bank for the longer term.

The Commercial and Industrial portfolio contains over 3,600 individual units with 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. In the last 12 months, Northern Trust has added over 500,000 sq ft to its portfolio through new acquisitions. The portfolio is actively managed by Northern Trust's inhouse surveying practice **Whittle Jones.** Whittle Jones have regional offices in the North West, North East, Yorkshire, Midlands and Scotland.

New and existing customers looking for industrial and office accommodation can search the **Whittle Jones website**.

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