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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## WORK STARTS ON NEW £3M INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN ROCHDALE

Northern Trust is pleased to confirm that construction of their new 26,500 sq ft industrial development in Rochdale has commenced.

The new development at Sandbrook Business Park will add 11 workshop / industrial units and 3 hybrid business units. The workshop / industrial units will be arranged in two facing terraced blocks with units ranging in size from 550-2,215 sq ft; whilst the hybrid / business units will be split into two semi-detached units of 3,250 sq ft and a standalone unit of 5,164 sq ft.

The new development will complement Northern Trust's existing ownership at the Park which provides 18,454 sq ft of modern office accommodation, split into 3 detached 2 storey buildings.

Mike Grindrod, Director at Northern Trust commented "Over the last 12 months we have seen strong demand for our industrial accommodation with record low void levels across the portfolio, which has underlined our commitment to expand the portfolio through new acquisitions and development. The commercial portfolio now extends to over 8 million sq ft in more than 4,000 units and supports in excess of 20,000 jobs. The new development at Rochdale is the fourth site we have commenced work on in the last 6 months; and when completed will provide a range of high quality, modern industrial units ideal for small and medium sized enterprises looking to set up or relocate to the area."

Sandbrook Business Park is actively managed by Northern Trust's in house managing agents, Whittle Jones.

John Marrow, Regional Property Director at Whittle Jones added "The offices at Sandbrook have always proved popular due the sites easily accessible location at the end of the A627(M) and transport links to the M62. I am confident the industrial and hybrid / business units will prove just as popular."

For more details on the phase two development at Sandbrook Park or to register your interest please contact the Whittle Jones North West office on 01257 238666.

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**Northern Trust** is a privately owned company, established in 1962, with a successful track record in property investment, development, land management and regeneration.

The existing property portfolio extends to over 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 secures planning for circa 2,000 new homes a year. Our current projects covering more than 50 sites incorporate a mixture of uses including the potential of bringing forward a further 6,000 new homes.

In addition, **Northern Trust** has developed over 3 million sq ft of commercial space in over 50 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 circa 4,000 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. Through recent acquisitions and development almost 1 million sq ft has been added to the portfolio. The portfolio is actively managed by Northern Trust's in-house 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 <u>Whittle Jones website</u>.

**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 <a href="https://www.northerntrust.co.uk">www.northerntrust.co.uk</a>