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PRESS RELEASE

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NORTHERN TRUST PLEASED WITH DUKE STREET PUBLIC CONSULTATION!

Northern Trust who have recently announced proposals for the regeneration of their Duke Street site, held a public consultation on Monday 10th November to discuss their plans.

The proposals, which have been the subject of extensive discussions with Chorley Borough Council, envisage regeneration of the long standing derelict Duke Street site for residential development purposes. The scheme proposes 71 houses in a variety of styles from 1 bed apartments to 4 bed family homes on the 3.7 acre site, including a proportion of affordable homes.

A Northern Trust spokesperson commented "The public consultation proved to be a worthwhile exercise, with members of the public and a number of Councillors attending during the course of the day. The majority of comments received where very positive, although there where some concerns expressed over parking on the site, and traffic congestion in the area. Northern Trust has noted the principle issues and where possible will endeavour to make amendments to the proposal to reflect these concerns. It is hoped the planning application will be submitted towards the end of the month.

Northern Trust is also aware, that the site which has lain disused and derelict for over 10 years, previously provided private sporting facilities. We are therefore committed to working with the Council to provide alternative public sports and recreation facilities within Chorley as part of this development."

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Notes to Editors

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.

Northern Trust has extensive experience of working with the public sector, with a large proportion of the portfolio originally acquired from the Regional Development Agencies. In addition, new development partnerships have been entered into with various public bodies, to provide employment premises for both Small and Medium Enterprises and larger occupiers, throughout the Midlands and North.

Northern Trust's existing property portfolio is in excess of 8 million sq ft of industrial / trade and office parks and has more than 2,000 acres of land under ownership, throughout the Midlands and North of England. More than 1.5 million sq ft has now been developed in over 35 locations since 2000, and Northern Trust continues to expand through all three areas of its property business.

Northern Trust has substantial funds available for new investment, development, and regeneration initiatives throughout the UK.

For further information on Northern Trust please visit www.northerntrust.co.uk.