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WHITTLE JONES PROUD TO BE BLACK COUNTRY CHAMBER PATRON

Whittle Jones Midlands are delighted to announce they have joined the Black Country Chamber of Commerce as Patrons. Whittle Jones Chartered Surveyors manages the industrial and commercial property portfolio, on behalf of Northern Trust Company Ltd.

The Black Country Chamber of Commerce is one of 53 accredited Chambers of Commerce. As a membership organisation, they represent around 1,500 businesses who employ over 60,000 employees across Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton. The Chamber offers business help and support on a huge range of business issues whilst assisting companies raise their profile and develop a wider sales network.

Richard Suart, Regional Property Manager at Whittle Jones commented "Our decision to become Chamber Patrons is based on a need, now more than ever, to support groups whose sole aim is to provide support to businesses in the region and endorse the positive messages about the Black Country both locally and nationally."

The Whittle Jones Midlands region totals circa 1.4 million sq ft of commercial assets, with the majority located in the West Midlands and Black Country. Whittle Jones is dedicated to assisting both new and existing customers expand and relocated across the portfolio and can accommodate a wide range of occupational requirements on flexible terms with a fast and efficient service from our management team.

Richard continued "Our aim is to support the Chamber through our property knowledge and provide a range of available commercial premises to increase the Chambers broad spectrum of business information."

Margaret Corneby, Chief Executive of Black Country Chamber of Commerce said "I am delighted to welcome our new Patron Whittle Jones. Our Patrons play a key role in advancing the prosperity of the area. Whittle Jones can assist businesses to grow by helping them to expand and relocate in areas including Walsall, Dudley, Sandwell and Wolverhampton.

For more details please visit the Whittle Jones website at www.whittlejones.com

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Northern Trust Co Ltd

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's current property portfolio covers circa 8 million sq ft of industrial/trade and office parks, having developed over 2 million sq ft of commercial property itself in more than 40 locations. The company has more than 5,000 acres of land under ownership/management throughout the UK, with over 400 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; with the potential of bringing forward c 4,000 homes. In addition, new regeneration/development partnerships have been entered into with various public bodies, to provide regeneration initiatives across the UK and employment premises for both Small and Medium Enterprises and larger occupiers.

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