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## NORTHERN TRUST

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### FULL HOUSE AT NORTHERN TRUST'S PHASE 2 DEVELOPMENT AT GERARDS PARK, ST HELENS

Northern Trust is pleased to confirm that following completion of their new 35,773 sq ft industrial development in St Helens, in August last year, the estate is now fully occupied within 5 months of completion.

The phase two development at Gerards Park prominently situated on College Street, added 20 units to the popular scheme. The new units have been constructed to a high specification and are arranged in 3 separate terraced blocks with sizes ranging from 818 sq ft up to 2,900 sq ft.

The phase two development has been part funded by the Local Growth Fund. Local Growth Funding is awarded to the Liverpool City Region Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and invested through the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority through its Strategic Investment Fund.

The new development sits alongside Northern Trust's existing Gerards Park scheme which was developed back in 2012 and is actively managed by Northern Trust's in house managing agents, Whittle Jones. In total Gerards Park now provides over 66,650 sq ft in 41 individual units.

**Luke Blockley from Whittle Jones** commented "The new units at Gerards Park have been constructed to a high specification and have provided much needed workshop accommodation for small and medium sized enterprises looking to set up or relocate to the area. We have been delighted with the demand for the new space, which is testament to the high quality business space provided in an excellent location. Phase 2 is now home to 18 different businesses, supporting over 130 jobs."

**Mike Grindrod, Director at Northern Trust** added "Our forward development program enables us to continue the expansion plans of our industrial portfolio through strategic multi-let acquisitions and developments supporting the SME business community. Currently our portfolio supports in the region of 25,000 jobs across the UK."

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For more details on available business space in St Helens please contact the Whittle Jones North West office on 01257 238666.

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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 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.

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 almost 1 million sq ft has been added to the portfolio within the last 2 years. The portfolio is actively managed by Northern Trust's in-house surveying practice **Whittle Jones**, which has 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](#).

In addition, **Northern Trust** has developed over 3 million sq ft of commercial space in over 50 locations with over 625,000 sq ft currently under construction or in the development pipeline.

**Northern Trust** has also secured planning for circa 4,500 new homes over the last two years, and with the current projects covering more than 50 sites where there is potential to bring forward more than 10,000 new homes. The company works closely with house builders, local authorities and special purchasers in bringing forward strategic land regeneration opportunities

**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](http://www.northerntrust.co.uk)