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LINK&UPTON NEWS BUSINESS CENTRES

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Planning for the future at Link and Business Upton Centres

During our 42 year history, we've always maintained family business principles. From the outset our aim has been to maintain a two way conversation with occupiers and ensure that any issues are dealt with efficiently. When we undertook our tenants' survey in early 2020, many of you were kind enough to mention how much our availability and attention to detail were appreciated.

As you may be aware, new Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards are coming into force. By April 2023 if a commercial property is already let, and has an EPC regulation below E, we are not allowed to continue to let the property. This does not apply to us, but looking further ahead to 2028-30, the regulations stipulate that the buildings be either grade A or B. See page 2 for more details of the long-term improvements.

With the price of materials and labour rising fast, we believe it is in everyone's interests to carry out this work sooner rather than later. Our ultimate goal is to create a sustainable future for both Centres and continue to provide a home for your business.



Units 8-11a at Link Business Centre before oversheeting



For further information about Upton or Link Business Centres please contact Richard Evans, Property Manager, on **01684 561238** or visit **www.linkandupton.co.uk**

Oversheeting work and reduced energy consumption for occupiers

In the last issue of this newsletter we reported the fact that we had upgraded the security system at Upton and installed new cameras. Further improvements at Link have included the oversheeting of units 8-15 and we have plans to continue with this programme. The oversheeting of Units 1-5 at Link Business Centre is scheduled for this summer. There is no disturbance to occupiers and each new roof has a life expectancy of 40 years.



The second image below shows 200m of fibreglass being fitted in order to substantially improve insulation to units. Why are we doing this work? As landlords we have to present a valid Energy Performance Certificate for all units by 2025 and ensure they remain compliant. So the improvement works will ensure that we meet these deadlines. It also results in reduced energy consumption for occupiers.



New website for Link and Upton Business Centres

We're delighted to announce that Link and Upton Business Centres now has a new website. The new site is the result of a review of our marketing, branding and PR which we have been undertaking for some time.

The new website combines information and images from both the former Link and Upton websites and was designed by Droitwich-based Sleep. Create. Repeat. Over the coming weeks we will be installing new signage – with the help of Russell at Signs Central – incorporating both our new branding and website.

The overall improvements to our branding and website puts us in a stronger position for any future PR or marketing campaigns. We would like to thank our PR and Marketing Consultant Rosie Hamilton at Bees Knees Marketing for her support with this project.



Directory of occupiers

Unit	Tenant	Trade	Contact	Telephone	Website
Lin	k Business Centre				
1 &23	Global Opportunities Marketing Ltd	Distribution of toys in UK and Ireland	Chris Wreghitt	01905 831919	globalopportunities.co.uk
2&3	Black Pepper (Ledbury) Ltd	Providing quality hot school meals	David Mabey	01684 891560	blackpepperlunches.com
4	The Friday Beer Company Ltd	Producing a variety of bottle- conditioned ales	Andrew Keir Perry Jackson Gerald Williams	01684 572648	thefridaybeer.com
5 &22	Mid West Automation Ltd	Providing high quality aluminium frame designs	Andy Haigh	01684 899103	midwestautomationItd.co.uk
6	MMC Accountants	Accountancy Services to the small and medium sized business	Mike Cushing Stuart Thomas	01684 565486	meigh-mansbridge.co.uk
7	Stockall Electronics Ltd	Supporting weld monitor needs	Kate Gee	01684 574977	stockallelectronics.com
7A	Estate Office	Business Centre Management	Richard Evans, Property Manager Sue Lane, Administrator	01684 561238	linkandupton.co.uk
7B	Wyvern Homes Ltd	Residential Developers	Mark Wilesmith	01684 561238	wyvernhomes.co.uk
7C	Worcester Renewable Energy Ltd	Installers of Renewable Energy Systems	Darren Stockall	01684 892121	worcester-renewable.co.uk
8	Signs Central	Creatively designed and manufactured signage to help your business stand out	Russell Amphlett Barbara Amphlett	01684 892011	signscentral.co.uk
9&10	Malvern Engineering Ltd	Precision CNC machining	Chris Smedley	01684 574471	
11A	Smart Car Car Valeting Centre	Cleaning and valeting service	Patrick	07872 991286	
11B & 12	G Webb Automation Ltd	Supplier of powder filling and container handling equipment	Paul Webb	01684 892929	webbautomation.co.uk
13	Morris' Mini Motors Ltd	Conversion kits, engine parts and accessories for remote control models	Morris James	01684 566566	morrisminimotors.com
14 & 15	Link Tools Ltd	Tools & Fixing Supplies	Steve Metcalfe Gary Looker	01684 578866	linktoolsltd.com
16	Beaver Plastic Solutions Ltd	Supplier of building plastics to the construction industry	Tommy Baker	01684 491212	beaverplasticsolutions.co.uk
17	Alto Flooring Ltd	Contract floor laying	Russell Simon	01684 573222	commercial-flooring-contractor.co.uk
18	Amity International Ltd	Speciality Chemical & Equipment Manufacturer for Health Care and Industrial Processes	Stephen Byrne	01226 770787	amityinternational.com
19 &21	Unique Polymer Systems Ltd	Epoxy and polyurethane supplier	Tom Pettigrew	01531 636300	uniquepolymersystems.com
20	EasyRead Time Teacher Ltd	Time teaching systems for children	Sue Shackleton	01684 566832	easyreadtimeteacher.com
24	Hydro-Logic Services (Int) Ltd	Water management	Simon Bond	01885 485866	hydro-int.com

Upton Business Centre									
1A & 1B	Nammu Tech	Customised diving gear	Anthony Smith	0330 043 0761	nammu-tech.com				
1C & 10	Highway Care Ltd	Highway safety and security solutions	Andrew MacCuish	0344 840 0088	highwaycare.com				
2,3 & 5	B. R. Hodgson Ltd	Steel Frame Building Manufacturing	Chris Hopkins	0117 9372481	brhodgson.co.uk				
4B	GPD Contracts Ltd	External wall insulation contractors	Simon Grove	01684 593431	gpdcontracts.com				
9	RSK Raw Ltd	Pollution Response and Remediation	Simon O'Rourke	01684 578484	rskraw.com				

Pumping Station and Rising Main at Upton Business Centre

Recently the entrance to Link Way has been resurfaced and we have installed a pumping station and Rising Main at Upton. The catalyst for the installation of the rising main was the requirement of one of our largest occupiers, Highway Care Ltd, to increase their staffing levels to 10. This necessitated two 14m Portacabin units being brought into their compound to provide canteen and welfare facilities.

The new Rising Main replaces an obsolete septic tank system and it means that all areas at Upton Business Centre can now be connected to the public sewer. This will be advantageous to both current and future tenants as there are now no limits on the number of personnel on site.



New pumping chamber at Upton Business Centre

Meet the team

Father and son, Martin and Mark Wilesmith, working in partnership with Richard Evans, Sue Lane and Geoff Walker, Gatekeeper at Link Business Centre, to provide a professional and friendly home for growing companies to build their own business success.



Martin



Mark



Richard



Sue



Geoff



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