

Coming up at Quorum...



Summer Sports Club - Opening Times

The Quorum Sports Club is open **7 days a week** from **7am – 9pm** for football and tennis. Football bookings operate on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Tennis bookings operate on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays. Netball and Hockey can be booked on request, subject to availability. For more information or to book online please visit www.quorumbp.co.uk/sport



Bike Week, 17th - 21st June

Join the Bike Week celebrations at Quorum Business Park and receive cycling advice, a free bikers breakfast and a unique Dr Bike service.



Quorum Games, 1st - 19th July

Sign up your company to take part in a range of different sporting tournaments from tennis, football and netball competitions to fun lunchtime races such as the three legged race or the egg and spoon race.



Photography Club Meetings

Quorum's Photography Club now has meetings in the Q Learning facility every three weeks. All are welcome to attend. Go to www.quorumbusiness.co.uk/life/activities/photography to find out more.

Q CARD

Q Card holders watch out for our monthly emailer, Q Life - keeping you up to date with all the latest news, events and Q Card offers. Not a Q Card holder yet? Register at www.quorumbusinesspark.co.uk/qcard and start receiving some fantastic discounts at local outlets.

Q LIFE

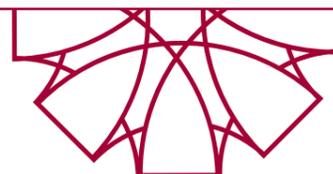
Join the Quorum Community by signing up to Q Life and start receiving news, events and offer updates direct to your inbox. Sign up on the contacts page at www.quorumbusinesspark.co.uk



For more information on Quorum or upcoming events visit us onsite at the Hub or online: www.quorumbusinesspark.co.uk

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The Avenue

The newsletter for Quorum Business Park



Summer 2013

Welcome to the new issue of 'The Avenue'

It has been an exciting start to the year with the success of the Quorum Food Fair in May where the park saw over thirty local traders sell their produce and a record number of employees attend.

Take a look at the back page to see the events planned for the Summer, including the Quorum Games, Bike Week and the Summer Sports Club Opening Times. You can keep up to date with all the latest news, events and Q Card offers at www.quorumbusinesspark.co.uk

Quorum welcomes NCFE and TDR



The TDR Team outside their new office, with Fergus Trim, Development Director at Quorum

Quorum Business Park is continuing to attract new businesses, having seen an impressive take-up of over 90,000 sq ft in the first quarter of 2013, all of which came from the education and skills sector.

Awarding organisation NCFE and training development firm TDR Training have both acquired space on the business park, taking on 50,361 sq ft and 40,000 sq ft buildings respectively.

NCFE, which is a registered charity and has a strong heritage in learning, has acquired the Q6 building, which covers four floors. The move will accommodate the expansion of the business, which previously operated from central Newcastle.

TDR Training, focusing on providing science, technology and engineering training and apprenticeships, has acquired building

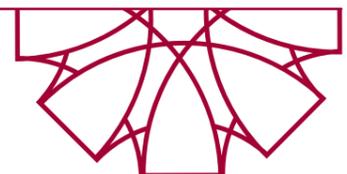
Q1 as part of its expansion plans. Both organisations will fit out their buildings to take occupation in the second half of the year.

Quorum Business Park Development Director, Fergus Trim, said: "We fully appreciate the importance of skills and training in growing the North East economy. Last year saw Creating Careers choose to relocate onto the park and it's great to have another two learning providers on the park, further raising awareness of the benefits and range of skills training available in the region."

Pat Leach, Director of TDR Training said: "We have received fantastic support from the team at Quorum. All of our employees have received invaluable travel advice to help them with their new journeys into work and we particularly enjoyed hearing about all the events and activities we can get involved with when we move to Quorum in the Summer."

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Students guide the way in Business Park's Environmental Initiative



Students fulfill ten week placement

Four students from Northumbria University's Department for Geography and Environment have completed a ten week placement at Quorum in which they took on consultancy roles for two projects that the business park is implementing as part of its long-term commitment to sustainability and the environment.

The first strand of work was the development of a wildlife trail to capitalise on the existing and thriving wildlife area at Quorum. Luke Smith, 21, and Hollie Stocks, 22, were allocated the role of bio diversity consultants on this project. They were tasked with carrying out an analysis of the wildlife already present in the grounds and creating a proposal detailing measures which could be introduced to attract more birds, bees and butterflies.

Quorum Events Manager, Jen Taylor said: "We will be implementing the measures proposed by the students in time for the summer with the help of the Quorum Wildlife Group and concluding with a trail around the park for all to enjoy."

The placement also saw Geography (BA) student Michael Wren and Environmental Management (BSc) student Pei Tan act as travel plan consultants on a green travel initiative for Quorum.

The students analysed a recent employee travel survey and identified areas that could be strengthened – such as encouraging more car sharing. They then gave a presentation to human resource managers from companies across the park highlighting schemes and incentives to urge people to consider car sharing.

Quorum Commuter Centre Manager, Laura McVittie, who worked with Michael and Pei on the travel project, said: "Every year, the travel plan is reviewed and this presented the perfect opportunity for the placement students to provide a fresh perspective."

Quorum Business Park shines at North East Business Awards

Quorum Business Park has been crowned a winner in the Tyneside and Northumberland heat of the 2013 North East Business Awards, taking home the accolade in the Corporate Responsibility and Environment category.

By winning the award, Quorum Business Park was recognised as an organisation which has shown innovation, creativity and a sustained commitment to corporate responsibility – providing a first class environment for both tenants and the wider community.

The awards were held at the Gosforth Marriot Hotel on Thursday 21st March and saw some of the region's most successful and dynamic companies come together to celebrate North East business success.

Laura McVittie, Commuter Centre Manager at Quorum Business Park, who accepted the award on behalf of the Quorum team, said: "We are delighted to receive this award in recognition of the work we have done to pursue our commitment to providing a pleasant and sustainable environment where people, nature and business can thrive."

Red Nosed Tesco Bank takes over £280,000 of donation calls

Employees from Tesco Underwriting and Tesco Bank were busy fundraising for Comic Relief in March including a Friday night phonathon.

Over 270 lines of the Quorum Business Park site were dedicated to help with calls and in total over 400 employees and volunteers took to the phones in a bid to raise as much money as possible.

A host of local businesses also offered up their time to keep the volunteers refreshed, including magicians, masseurs, team games, celebrity callers, face paints, prizes and more food and drink than you could imagine – it certainly was a party to remember.

The average donation size on the night was £35 and staff at Tesco Bank also raised a fantastic £1,900 to donate to Comic Relief.

Local traders serve up a feast for business park tenants



Food Fair attracts record numbers

Tenants of Quorum Business Park left their diets at home on Wednesday 1 May, as they enjoyed some tasty treats at the annual North East Food Fair.

Entering its third successive year, the event did not disappoint the 4,500 employees from companies located on the park who spent their lunch breaks sampling speciality cheeses, chillies, cakes and chocolates from local producers.

The event took place in the centre of the park with over 30 local traders hosting stalls to showcase their products and tickle the taste-buds of eager visitors. In addition to the exhibitors this year, the food fair featured afternoon tea samples from Marco Pierre White Steakhouse Bar and Grill.

Ebiquity employee, Ursula Pardo said: "This is quickly becoming our favourite annual event. Over the last three years, the food fair has

seen a great turn-out from both tenants and local traders who yet again brought their best produce to the table – everyone was left wanting more!"

The Proof of the Pudding owner Susan Green said: "It was our first time exhibiting at The North East Food Fair and it was a fantastic event which we thoroughly enjoyed. It's a great site at Quorum Business Park and there were so many people who came along to try our products."

The event not only celebrated the best of the region's food and drink, but also marked the third birthday of the Quorum Q Card – a free discount scheme set up for all tenants. All Q Card holders who attended the fair were entered into a prize draw to win one of three luxury food hampers courtesy of the local suppliers.

Eat@ Coffee Shop open for business

Quorum Business Park has seen the opening of the latest addition to the Retail development, the Eat@ Coffee Shop.

Last November saw the opening of Greggs, the first unit in the retail scheme and business has been booming for the national retailer with large queues of customers during busy periods.

Fergus Trim, Development Director of Quorum said "The opening of the Eat@ Coffee Shop has been eagerly awaited by businesses on the park and the local community."

Owners Billy and Kerstin said "We are thrilled to be open. The shop is looking great and we are welcoming customers for breakfasts, lunchtimes and early evening meals and drinks. There is a tasty menu for people to choose from including fresh coffee, sandwiches made to order plus continental tapas from late afternoon."

Q Card 3rd Birthday Celebrations

The month of March saw Events Manager, Jen Taylor tour all of the companies based on Quorum Business Park celebrating three years of Q Card offers.

The tour included a promotion of some new deals on the Q Card scheme, the opportunity to sign up for a Q Card and the chance to enter the 'Lucky Duck Competition.'

Out of one thousand duck names, entrants were asked to guess the name of the duck for £1 and all of the proceeds went to Quorum's charity of the year, Cash for Kids.

There were fourteen lucky ducks chosen and each won a fantastic prize. Star prize winner, Julie Maddison of Balfour Beatty won an overnight stay for two in London, with rail travel included and two tickets to see a London show. She said, "I'm over the moon to have won such a brilliant prize. The competition created a great buzz around the building."

