

The Avenue

The newsletter for Quorum Business Park



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Tesco Bank brings 1000 new jobs

to Quorum Business Park

In a major coup for the North East economy, Tesco Bank recently announced that it is opening a major new office base at Quorum Business Park in Newcastle.

This will create 500 jobs within a year of opening in 2010, rising to more than 1,000 in the longer term. Tesco Bank has signed terms to take the 100,353 sq ft Q8 building at Quorum Business Park for 15 years.

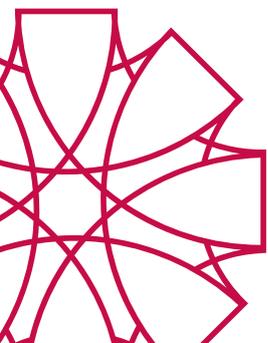
Quorum Development Partners' Development Director, Fergus Trim, said: "We are thrilled that Tesco Bank has chosen to base its insurance customer service centre at Quorum Business Park. We have been investing heavily in the infrastructure and amenities at Quorum and are pleased this is now enticing in major occupiers of the size and quality of Tesco."

Benny Higgins, Chief Executive of Tesco Bank added: "I'm delighted to be announcing more jobs as we push ahead with our exciting plans to build the Tesco Bank. Newcastle is the ideal home for our new insurance customer service centre. The North East of England has strong experience in customer services and the financial sector, with a well qualified and enthusiastic workforce. The city is a great fit for our business and, as it develops, we will be investing even more in the region over the coming years."



Quorum Development Partners' Development Director, Fergus Trim, said:

"When we re-launched Quorum earlier this year on the back of the new £180m phase of development, a major focus was targeting major PLCs from outside the region. Newcastle and Quorum have so much to offer these companies and I'm delighted that Tesco Bank is hopefully the first of many to look to invest in and bring new jobs to the North East."



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The brand new Hub microsite goes live

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A whole wealth of information a click away

As well as being resident at Q5 on the park, the Hub is now online! We have just launched the brand new Hub microsite to keep you up to date with all of the goings on here at Quorum Business Park.

The new site houses a wealth of information about the amenities on the park, as well as special offers and transport information for all of the park's residents.

The 'Quorum Life' section of the site details upcoming events and activities, as well as photos from past events.

Come and visit us online at www.quorumbusinesspark.co.uk/hub and sign up to receive email updates and offers straight to your inbox.



Longbenton Juniors score with Quorum's support

Membership includes more than 170 children

We brought a smile to the faces of a group of local youngsters after pledging to sponsor a brand new set of football strips.

Quorum Business Park has become the official sponsor of Longbenton Juniors under 9s squad and we were delighted to present the footy-mad children with Quorum-branded tops and shorts.

Quorum has also taken its support of local football one step further, by taking a series of advertising boards at St. James's Park in Newcastle.

Quorum's Development Director, Fergus Trim, said: "We are really delighted to be supporting Longbenton Juniors. The club has existed since the Longbenton estate was built and its membership includes more than 170 children. As their expanding neighbour we were more than happy to provide a little bit of support."

To find out more about the Longbenton Juniors visit their website at: www.longbentonjuniors.com



Sharon Fletcher of Longbenton Juniors said:

"With our team being part of the local community, it is a pleasure to find a local company like Quorum that is willing to help us out, especially in this current credit crunch. The kids were absolutely thrilled to discover they were receiving new strips."

All aboard the Quorum shuttle bus

The Quorum shuttle bus is officially on the road



Mayor Linda Arkley was at Quorum Business Park on Thursday 8th October to officially launch 'The Quorum Shuttle'.

This is a brand new service that operates on a loop to the business park every 15 minutes to and from the nearby Four Lane Ends Metro station.

The low emission Optare Solo bus, which is branded with Quorum livery to make it easy for employees and visitors to identify, will run from 6.45am to 7.15pm, Monday to Friday.

The service is being funded by the park's developer Quorum Development Partners, which is committed to investing in Quorum Business Park's employee amenities as other operators are scaling back.

North Tyneside Mayor Linda Arkley said: "I'm delighted to put the Quorum Shuttle officially on the road. It will help the 12,000 staff who will eventually be housed at Quorum Business Park travel to and from work in a more environmentally friendly way and provide them with a fast and efficient link to the region's public transport network."



Laura Kerry, Quorum's dedicated Travel Coordinator said:

"The shuttle is just one of the initiatives we have here at Quorum to encourage staff to take a greener route into work. We also have our own dedicated Commuter Centre so staff can learn about different sustainable modes of transport and get helpful advice and information, including bus timetables and walking and cycle maps."

Quorum heads south to showcase the growing park

Quorum impresses at leading property show

Quorum transported a piece of the North East down to London recently when it exhibited the business park's giant model at a leading property show.

The park's Development Director, Fergus Trim, transported the model down to the Royal Lancaster Hotel in London for Offices 09.

The event, which is organised by magazine Property Week and CoreNet Global UK, was attended by more than 800 delegates and culminated with the annual Office Development Awards, where Quorum was a finalist in the Development of the Year Award.

Quorum was pleased to support the national event and took a stand to show off the facilities at the park.

Fergus Trim said: "It was important to showcase Quorum at this industry event and take a little bit of Newcastle down to London for the day to show people the scale of the investment that we are making here and the quality of the scheme."

"We had a lot of interest, many people came up to say hello and to see what we were doing. They were impressed with what they found, particularly all the amenities like the tennis courts, five-a-side football pitches and the shops that will soon be on their way."



WELCOME TO THE HOME OF SERIOUS BUSINESS.

Located in the heart of the North East within the vibrant Newcastle conurbation, Quorum is one of the UK's leading business parks. Cutting edge offices deliver flexibility and one of the most cost effective financial packages in the UK.

Nursery children auction art for local children's charity

The pre-school children from Kids 1st Quorum nursery showed their true colours when they auctioned pieces of their art to help to improve the lives of North East children less fortunate than themselves.

Children and staff at Kids 1st Quorum raised over £450 for The Children's Foundation. Family and friends of Kids 1st Quorum were all present at the event where they were invited to bid for hand painted canvases, garden chimineas and wine glasses.

Kids 1st Quorum has space for 112 children. The nursery manager Andrea Venters can be contacted on 0191 259 9179 or at quorum@kidsfirst.net.

Quorum on the ball

Quorum Business Park was the match ball sponsor at the recent Newcastle Falcons v Saracens game.

A party from Quorum together with guests enjoyed the superb match day hospitality at Kingston Park and an enjoyable game of rugby and even got the keep a signed match ball afterwards. Quorum is pleased to support the Falcons through sponsorship and ground advertising to help the club towards Guinness Premiership glory.



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