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ITS NUMBER ONE FOR WIGA WAGAA EXPANSION

Whittle Jones, agents acting on behalf of Northern Trust Company Ltd, are pleased to announce that Wiga Wagaa have expanded their operations within the Northern Trust portfolio.

Wiga Wagaa have been occupiers at Tanfield Lea (North) Industrial Estate since 2017 and, due to increased demand, have decided to double their space and move to a 1,000 sq ft unit at the nearby Number One Industrial Estate, Consett.

Wiga Waga are multi award winning makers of handmade chilli based products. The company, owned by Dr Victor Nwosu, provide a range of mild to wild chilli heat level products that are suitable for the whole family.

Dr Victor Nwosu, owner of Wiga Wagaa commented "Wiga Wagaa products are a culmination of my past eating experiences in restaurants in the UK, and during my travels abroad to places like Mauritius, Ghana, Nigeria, Malaysia, Thailand, Morocco, Egypt, Spain & Portugal. I have developed a fusion of flavours from Africa, Asia and the rest of the World, and the range of products we offer include oils, sauces, jams, pickles, mayos and snacks. You can shop online at www.wigawagaa.com.

My aim is to start expanding my business through retail outlets, so earlier this year I decided the time was right to move into a bigger unit and the opportunity arose at Number One Industrial Estate."

Barry Nelson, Regional Property Manager at Whittle Jones, added "I am delighted that Victor chose to expand the Wiga Wagaa enterprise within the Northern Trust portfolio; and I look forward to working with him on his future growth ambitions."

Number One Industrial Estate extends to over 790,000 sq ft of commercial space split into 105 units and is home to over 70 different businesses, and approximately 1,200 employees. Units on site range from 495 sq ft workshops up to the largest factory unit of 122,560 sq ft.

The estate is located around 1/2 mile north of Consett town centre and is readily accessed from the A691 and A692 trunk roads. It is conveniently located for the circa 40,000 surrounding population (2011) and is served by local bus routes along Villa Real Road (A691) and through the estate. Consett has attractive countryside on its doorstep whilst being within easy reach of the major northeast conurbations.

For more details about Number One Industrial Estate visit the dedicated website at www.numberoneindustrialestate.co.uk or call Whittle Jones North East on 0191 221 1999.

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Northern Trust is a privately owned company, established in 1962, with a successful track record in property investment, development, land management and regeneration.

The existing property portfolio extends to almost 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.

Northern Trust works closely with house builders, local authorities and special purchasers in bringing forward regeneration opportunities; and secures planning for circa 2,000 new homes a year. Our current projects covering more than 50 sites incorporate a mixture of uses including the potential of bringing forward a further 6,000 new homes.

In addition, **Northern Trust** has developed over 3 million sq ft of commercial space in over 50 locations with a further 0.5 million sq ft currently under construction or with planning being prepared for commencement on site within the next year. The company also benefits from a supplementary land bank for the longer term.

The Commercial and Industrial portfolio contains circa 4,000 individual units with 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 development almost 1 million sq ft has been added to the portfolio. The portfolio is actively managed by Northern Trust's in-house surveying practice **Whittle Jones**. **Whittle Jones** have 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.**

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