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HAPPY SMILES NURSERY EXPANDS AT NUMBER ONE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, CONSETT

Northern Trust Company Ltd is pleased to announce the expansion of *Happy Smiles Nursery* at *Number One Industrial Estate*, Consett. The expansion marks another milestone for the not-for-profit childcare provider as it grows its presence in the Derwentside area.

Happy Smiles Nursery, which first moved into the estate in 2023, has now secured an additional unit on Werdohl Way. This new space will be fully dedicated to their baby provision, allowing the existing premises to focus on toddler and preschool-age children. The expansion increases the nursery's capacity to a 75-place setting, helping to meet rising demand for quality early years care in the local community.

Danielle Stacey, Nursery Manager at Happy Smiles, commented: "We're really excited to expand our offering at Number One Industrial Estate. The additional space will enable us to create dedicated, age-appropriate environments for babies and toddlers, ensuring the highest level of care and development support. Our goal has always been to work in partnership with families and offer more funded spaces at a reasonable cost to meet the needs of the local community."

Happy Smiles Nursery caters to children from 6 weeks to 5 years old and also operates a holiday club during school breaks.

Steven Porter, Regional Property Manager at Northern Trust, said: "We're delighted to support Happy Smiles Nursery with their expansion at Number One Industrial Estate. Their commitment to providing high-quality childcare services plays a vital role in the local community, and it's great to see their continued growth here. Number One Industrial Estate provides the ideal environment for thriving local businesses like Happy Smiles."

Located just half a mile from Consett town centre, *Number One Industrial Estate* comprises 106 factory/workshop units and offices, offering over 790,000 sq ft of

business space from 479 sq ft in a mix of workshops, trade counter units and larger warehouse distribution premises. accommodation. With its wide range of unit sizes the estate is ideal for a variety of business units.

Set in the heart of Derwentside, the estate offers a superb working environment within easy reach of major transport routes and is now served by a dedicated bus service, further improving accessibility.

For further information about Number One Industrial Estate and its current availability, please visit www.numberoneindustrialestate.co.uk or contact the North East team on 0191 221 1999 or via email at northeast@northerntrust.co.uk to arrange a viewing.

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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 promotion.

The existing property portfolio extends to 9 million sq ft of industrial, trade counter and office parks, together with more than 4,500 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 over 500,000 sq ft has been added to the portfolio within the last 2 years. The portfolio is actively managed by Northern Trust's Regional Teams with offices in the North West, North East, Yorkshire, Midlands and Scotland.

New and existing customers looking for industrial and office accommodation can search the NTProperties.co.uk website.

In addition, the development team has project managed the construction of circa 4 million sq ft of commercial space in 50 locations with over 600,000 sq ft currently on site or in the development pipeline.

The strategic land team at **Northern Trust** has secured planning for circa 4,500 new homes over the last 2 years and has current projects covering more than 60 sites with potential to bring forward more than 10,000 new homes. The company works closely with landowners, developers, local authorities and local communities to deliver development across the UK. Please see NTLand.co.uk website for further details.

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