

# Move is driving business forward

**S**USTAINED growth over the past two years has meant a move to new premises for Wellingborough specialist welding firm JC Weldfab, providing a more suitable base for the company to continue to serve the high performance motors sector.

With two or three Formula 1 teams already on its client list, as well as specialist parts suppliers and motorsport enthusiasts from across the UK, the new premises in Saxon Court on the Finedon Road Industrial Estate will enable JC Weldfab to expand its offering.

Four times the size of the firm's former premises, the new unit has room for a CNC tube bender, and plans are afoot to invest in a lathe and milling equipment to allow more work to be carried out in-house without the need to outsource certain manufacturing processes.

Jonathan Crossland, who founded the company with Michael Moyers five years ago, said: "Things are really moving forward now and we are ready to grow and expand. Mark Broster has joined us as Workshop Manager, taking much of the administration, social media and office duties off me and Michael, allowing us to concentrate on what we do best.



The JC Weldfab team in the workshop (l to r) Jonathan Crossland, Michael Allan, Mark Broster and Michael Moyers.  
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"We also have Michael Allan, a young welder fabricator, who is proving a valuable addition to the team, and when the new equipment is in place we will take someone on to run the machine shop.

"We'd hit a bit of a bottleneck in the old premises, we were at capacity and our lead-in times were getting too long for us and our customers, now we can expand what we do, get manufacturing processes in place that speed up the work, and take on more work as a result."

JC Weldfab already carries out performance welding and fabrication for a number of teams in the world of motorsport, including those in Formula 1, rallying, touring cars and Time Attack, providing

them with anything from exhaust systems and roll cages to pit equipment and suspension components, along with aluminium, titanium and stainless fabricated components.

"Once your name gets known in the motorsport world, you do get enquiries from other teams but you have to be able to deliver and now that we are here and investing in new equipment, we will be able to respond to more of those enquiries," said Jonathan.

"Having said that, we also do small local jobs, from fixing alloy wheels to making garden water features. If it's made from metal, chances are we can make it for you."

For further details, contact JC Weldfab on 01933 274579 or visit [www.jcweldfab.co.uk](http://www.jcweldfab.co.uk)

# All's well - well almost

**A**LL'S well in Wellingborough. Well almost, anyhow. There is a shortage of development land for industrial purposes due to a lack of supply, but increasing demand on a daily basis.

Perhaps that is why we let, short-term, 32-42 Denington Industrial Estate, comprising of about 54,000 square feet, which is held on a monthly licence to the Salvation Army.

This is despite the property not being fit for purpose and in need of drastic refurbishment and repair. However, while this dilapidation claim is sorted out with the previous tenant, Gorell Barnes have minimised our client's loss by creating this licence which has helped the charity, too. The refurbished building, where work is due to take place in the summer, will then be available for warehouse or industrial operators with the added benefit of minimal offices but which could easily encompass further offices as

required.

The property has a self-contained yard and access from both Dennington Road and Crane Close and is therefore



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a major building on a corner site giving it further prestige.

Talking of developments, client Godwin Developments are pursuing a development on 3.45 acres at Park Farm which will comprise of affordable housing with the balance of

the site available for retail and leisure use including a convenience store, shops and two restaurants. Interest is being lodged until planning permission is achieved in the near future.

Elsewhere on Park Farm, we have 3 Baird Court available for a lease assignment comprising 5,000 square feet of workshop with current consents for an MOT station for Class 4, 5 and 7 and vehicle repairs.

This unit fronts the courtyard giving great access and visibility to the main Park Farm Road and is of a modern construction with self-contained parking. The property also has the further benefit of a break clause in two years time should any new tenant not wish to continue occupation thereafter.

On the retail and leisure front, Gorell Barnes act for the owners of Nene Court which is a very successful retail and leisure destination for specialist operators appealing to a wide variety of shoppers. Anchored by Best Buys outdoor centre, other retailers include a toy shop, gift shop, Harts Brewery, a gun shop, a delicatessen and café and cycle shop among others.

A new development is being undertaken to provide for further shops, of which two are already reserved.

Anyone wanting information in respect of any of the above opportunities should contact John Barnes on 01536 330100 or email [John@gorellbarnes.com](mailto:John@gorellbarnes.com)



3 Baird Court offers a rare opportunity to acquire a full MOT station.

## Public service ethos and commercial flair prove winning combination

A combination of public sector ethos and commercial flair is driving forward the success of locally based facilities management and contract services provider, Wellingborough Norse.

In 2012 the company took over responsibility for delivering The Borough Council of Wellingborough frontline services such as refuse collection, street cleaning, grounds maintenance, environmental enforcement, public conveniences, markets, car parks cleaning and security and civic buildings facilities management.

However, Wellingborough Norse has since been steadily building up an impressive portfolio of additional public and private sector clients and added to the range of services it offers, including tree maintenance.

"Wellingborough Norse also supports the local economy by procuring many supplies and services locally," commented Business Development Manager George Jarvis. "The company is providing secure jobs, training

opportunities and, through our Buy Local policy, hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of business for local companies through our supply chain."

The company is also committed to the ongoing development of employee skills, and creating first class employment opportunities including apprenticeships.

George Jarvis puts the company's success down to the combination of public service ethos and commercial flair. "Wellingborough Norse has become synonymous with flexibility and cost-efficiency value and quality," he says. "We look to develop long-term relationships with clients, sharing goals and agreeing outcomes, rather than taking the traditional contractor/client approach."

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