

Link Business Centre is proud to provide Amity International with the ideal location for its in-house design expansion

The Amity Group was founded by Mokhles Tangestani-Nejad and Ram Singh in 1991. In 2005, Amity moved into the healthcare sector by developing several patented technologies in the area of High-Level Disinfectants (HLD) for instruments, surfaces & the environment. These initial products led to the development of the healthcare range.

In 2017 Amity opened a dedicated Research and Development Centre & Equipment Manufacturing facility, housed within their Barnsley Warehouse site. This 2,000 square foot resource is mostly used for product testing, ensuring that Amity are continually pushing the boundaries of chemistry within the disinfectant market and producing state of the art technologies to meet consumer demands.

Amity had an opportunity last year to take on an experienced designer in the relevant fields to make this idea a reality. Stephen Byrne is a resident of Malvern and with Amity allowing him to choose a site for this venture anywhere in the country he chose if possible to stay in his hometown. Link Business Centre offered a chance to make this happen. Offering the right size of unit, the position of the site along with having on site management made Unit 18 an ideal proposition. Stephen will be working on projects such as automated Whole Room Decontamination Systems, which provide professionals with a highly effective means of Infection Prevention & Control. He was particularly impressed with the modern, clean and professional feel that the Centre provides, which is what Amity were looking for, crucial when receiving visitors from such organisations as the NHS. Stephen has plans to take



Stephen Byrne (left) receiving the keys to Unit 18 from Richard Evans



Airdecon 200 – A fully automated Whole Room Decontamination System, providing professionals with a highly effective means of Infection Prevention & Control. Being simple and quick to use, it can save precious time in patient wards, emergency rooms, operating rooms and infectious disease units keeping the facility working.

on local young people on an apprentice basis when the manufacturing process commences at Unit 18.

AMITY group of companies are approved suppliers to some of the largest corporations in the world i.e. Shell UK, General Motors, Ford, Toyota, Jaguar. Already a significant employer in the UK and USA the current expansion programme includes new initiatives creating employment prospects and partnership opportunities on a worldwide scale.

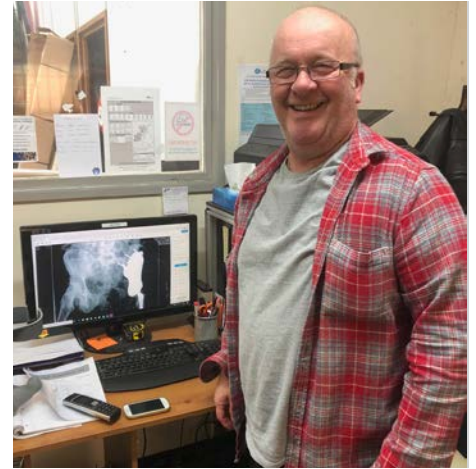
Manufacturing bespoke solutions for the aerospace industry supplying companies such as BAe Systems, Lockheed Martin, Airbus, Boeing to name but a few.

For more information:
www.amityinternational.com

Hip, Hip Hooray to Andy Haigh!

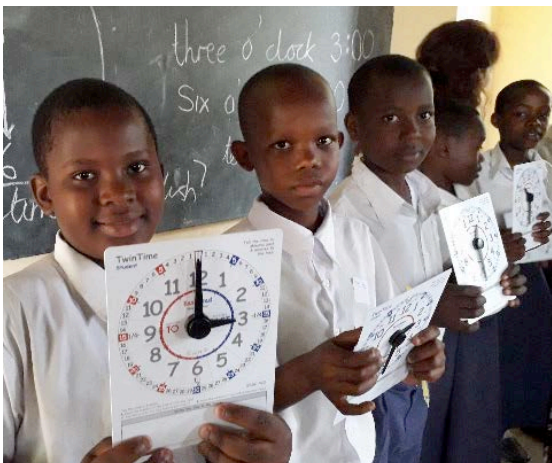
Andy Haigh, Mid West Automation, Units 5 & 22, Link Business Centre, has nothing but praise for his workforce who pulled together to keep production going while he was having major surgery. The business was going through a particularly busy time, supplying materials to a major Birmingham based manufacturer, associated with the automotive industry. Andy has built up an excellent working relationship with the manufacturer so this was a critical time for the business. Gareth Lloyd and Lisa Whitehouse took control of production, assisted by Andy's Grandson Carter, while his wife Jennie managed the paperwork and office duties, and his daughter Lisa Haigh, gave up her job as an accountant to take the helm.

After having suffered from pain in his hip for a quite a while, Andy was referred to The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital in Birmingham where he was diagnosed with bone cancer. The cancer had spread into Andy's pelvis and he was told that he would have to have a large bulk of his pelvis removed. Andy had to wait 5 weeks before surgery could be booked because a shadow on his lungs was also detected. Fortunately this cleared, and surgery was arranged. Andy had another 5 week wait while the prosthetic pelvis was constructed. He finally had surgery, which took over 8 hours in May 2018. Thanks to the skill of the surgeon, Mr Michael Parry, Andy's leg was saved. After a 3 week stay in the hospital in Birmingham, Andy was transferred to Malvern Hospital, where they began to teach him to walk again. He was released after 2 months, and returned to work after only 6 months... 'Hip hip Hooray' to Andy – well done!



Andy, showing the extent of the metal prosthetic, which is screwed directly into his pelvis, connecting his upper leg bone.

Teaching time in Tanzania with help from EasyRead Clocks



Last October a group of teachers from a number of local Malvern Primary schools travelled to Tanzania to visit their linked schools in the Tanga region. This is an annual visit and there is a reciprocal visit from Tanzanian teachers back to Malvern in the summer. This link has been established over ten years with new schools joining as time has progressed. EasyRead Clocks of Unit 20 Link Business Centre gave some fabulous resources to take over to help teach time to the children. They have blackboards in the

school although chalk is rationed and the children have exercise books but very little in the way of concrete teaching resources.

“EasyRead Clocks gave some small plastic clocks with clear hours and minutes hands that children came up to the front of the class (of 85 children) and used to do different activities relating to time. They also worked on their English Swahili vocabulary for time. A large teaching clock held by the teacher helped model different times and answers. The children loved using the resources. These will be shared through the school for other classes to use too. Time is an important concept in Tanzania. In Tanga they have ‘Tanga Time’ where the day works in a different way to time in the UK. Their daily clock begins at 6am (when the day begins) and not at midnight like us. This means that 7o'clock in the morning is 1:00 in Tanzania. As if time wasn't complicated enough already! EasyRead Clocks also gave us two beautiful, colourful wall clocks to go up in two of the classrooms at the school. Thank you so much to EasyRead Clocks for their generosity. The resources will have a big impact at the school.” Debbie Russell



“We were delighted to be able to send some of our clocks and teaching aids over to Tanzania with Debbie and fantastic to see them in use and hear how she got on”

The EasyRead team pictured in their Unit from left to right: Eve Horne, Sue Shackleton, Stuart Blandford

Unit	Tenant	Trade	Contact	Telephone	www.
Link Business Centre:					
1	Melton Support Services Ltd	Cleaning Services	Melanie Baker	01684 565187	
2&3	Black Pepper (Ledbury) Ltd	Providing quality hot school meals	David Mabey	01684 891560	blackpepperlunches.com
4	The Friday Beer Company Ltd	Producing a variety of bottle-conditioned ales	Andrew Keir Perry Jackson Gerald Williams	01684 572648	thefridaybeer.com
5&22	Mid West Automation Ltd	Providing high quality aluminium frame designs	Andy Haigh	01684 899103	midwestautomationltd.co.uk
6	Meigh Mansbridge & Co	Accountancy Services to the small and medium sized business	Mike Cushing Stuart Thomas	01684 565486	meigh-mansbridge.co.uk
7	Stockall Electronics Ltd	Supporting weld monitor needs	Kate Gee	01684 574977	stockallelectronics.com
7A	Estate Office	Business Centre Management	Richard Evans, Property Manager Sue Lane, Administrator	01684 561238	linkbusinesscentre.co.uk
7B	Wyvern Homes Ltd	Residential Developers	Mark Wilesmith	01684 561238	wyvernhomes.co.uk
7C	Worcester Renewable Energy Ltd	Installers of Renewable Energy Systems	Darren Stockall	01684 892121	worcester-renewable.co.uk
8	Osbornes of Malvern	Ready Meal Company & Quality Meats	Colin Osborne	01684 561332	osbornesofmalvern.co.uk
9&10	Malvern Engineering Ltd	Precision CNC machining	Chris Smedley	01684 574471	
11A	Smart Car Care Valeting Centre	Cleaning and valeting service	Patrick	07872 991286	
11B	G Webb Automation Ltd	Supplier of powder filling and container handling equipment	Paul Webb	01684 892929	webbautomation.co.uk
13	Morris' Mini Motors	Conversion kits, engine parts and accessories for remote control models	Morris James	01684 566566	morrisminimotors.com
14&15	Link Tools Ltd	Tools & Fixing Supplies	Steve Metcalfe Gary Looker	01684 578866	linktoolsltd.com
16	Signs Central	Creatively designed and manufactured signage to help your business stand out	Russell Amphlett Barbara Amphlett	01684 892011	signscentral.co.uk
17	Alto Flooring Ltd	Contract floor laying	Russell Simon	01684 573222	commercial-flooring-contractor.co.uk
18	Amity International	Speciality Chemical & Equipment Manufacturer for Health Care and Industrial Processes	Stephen Byrne	01226 770787	www.amityinternational.com
19	Unique Polymer Systems Ltd	Epoxy and polyurethane supplier.	Tom Pettigrew	01531 636300	uniquepolymersystems.com
20	EasyRead Time Teacher Ltd	Time teaching systems for children	Sue Shackleton	01684 566832	easyreadtimeteacher.com
21	Bouncy Castle Hire, Malvern	Hire of Entertainment Equipment	Gary Kennett	01684 573654	bouncycastlehiremalvern.co.uk
23&24	HD Connectivity Ltd	AV Electronics Manufacturer	Chris Pinder	01684 576348	hdconnectivity.com

Upton Business Centre:

1A	D-Mac (Alternative Spare Parts) Ltd	Supplier of spare parts and consumables for the TRUMPF range	Dave McNally	01684 595646	dmac-asp.eu
1B	ZephIR Ltd	Remote Wind Measurement Systems.	Ewan Abbott	01531 651000	zephirlidar.com
1C	Green Thumb	Lawn Treatment Service	Christophe Salicetti	01745 586062	greenthumb.co.uk
2,3 & 5	B. R. Hodgson Ltd	Steel Frame Building Manufacturing	Chris Hopkins	0117 9372481	brhodgson.co.uk
4B	GPD Contracts Ltd	External wall insulation contractors	Simon Grove	01684 593431	gpdcontracts.com
9	RAW Technology Ltd	Pollution Response and Remediation	Simon O'Rourke	01684 578484	raw-group.com



MARTIN



MARK



RICHARD



SUE



GEOFF

A new defibrillator based at Link Business Centre – an idea that was ‘Close to the heart’ of the Owner

When Claire Symonds of RPM, Link Business Centre went on a Red Cross First Aid Course in Worcester last year, she discovered that if a defibrillator is used within 3-5 minutes of cardiac arrest, survival rates jump from 6% to 50%. This made Claire realise what a huge difference having a defibrillator nearby would make to a person who has suffered cardiac arrest.

Claire approached Martin Wilesmith, Owner of Link Business Centre and suggested that it would be a great asset to local people to install a defibrillator within the Centre. The location is ideal, as it is within close proximity to several key places used by members of the public. Martin, who himself has had heart surgery a few years ago immediately agreed that it was a great idea.

Martin contacted Heartstart Malvern, who’s Treasurer is Melanie Baker, MD of Melton Support Services Ltd, Unit 1 Link Business Centre. They helped to advise and arrange the installation of the defibrillator, which is positioned just outside the gates of the Centre, so that it is available for use any time of day or night.

Since Heartstart Malvern launched in January 2017, they have provided free training to almost 3,000 local residents and schoolchildren on how to save a life by teaching them simple resuscitation skills and how to use a defibrillator.

Working together with Heartstart Malvern, Link Business Centre are offering training to any tenants and staff based on the site and other organisations in the locality.

“I would like to thank Martin and his team for installing this life-saving defibrillator and would encourage as many people as possible to come forward for training. The location of this defibrillator means that it will not only benefit people working at Link Business Centre but it will also benefit the local community”.

Richard Vakis-Lowe, Chairman of Heartstart Malvern Heartstart Malvern are keen to hear from any other local businesses or organisations who would like to arrange free training sessions for their staff. No previous first aid experience is needed. To book a Heartstart Malvern training session visit www.heartstartmalvern.co.uk



*Pictured from left to right: Melanie Baker, MD Melton Support Services Ltd and Treasurer Heartstart Malvern
Mark Wilesmith, Partner, Link Business Centre
Claire Symonds, Accounts/ Service Receptionist, RPM Malvern Ltd
Richard Evans, Property Manager, Link Business Centre*

Link Tools Ltd
Opening soon NEW Worcester Branch
Suppliers of Hand Tools, Power Tools, Fixings
Ironmongery & Much More
Units 14 & 15 Link Business Centre
For more information: www.linktoolsltd.com

Father and son, Martin and Mark Wilesmith, working in partnership with Richard Evans, Sue Lane and Geoff Walker, Gatekeeper at Link Business Centre, to provide a professional and friendly home for growing companies to build their own business success.

t: 01684 561238 • e: info@linkbusinesscentre.co.uk
www.linkbusinesscentre.co.uk • www.uptonbusinesscentre.co.uk
Bond House • Link Way • Malvern • Worcestershire • WR14 1UQ

Now you can follow Link and Upton Business Centre on **LinkedIn**

Newsletter designed and produced by Full of Bright Ideas
t: 01684 575021 • e: julie@fullofbrightideas.co.uk • www.fullofbrightideas.co.uk