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on Ludgate Hill, Birmingham.*

**STOFORD** in numbers**£440m**of funding secured in the last  
12 months**3,595m sq ft**

of floor space capacity

**15**

pre-lets agreed nationally

**1,012m sq ft**

currently under construction

**13**spec buildings completed  
or under construction**731 acres**of commercial development  
pipeline across the UKA year of challenges  
and of success

*After an exceptionally challenging year, which saw businesses having to adapt like never before, we can only hope that 2021 will become more settled for everyone.*

We, like much of the real estate and construction sector, have been fortunate in that we were able to continue trading throughout the Covid-19 pandemic and the past 12 months have seen us deliver several outstanding projects across the country.

We are proud to see great progress across our sites, including at Worcester Six Business Park, where we have recently started on site to build a 38,564 sq ft data centre for IONOS and its subsidiary brand Fasthosts (see p06).

Icon Industrial, a joint venture between Stoford and TPG Real Estate, has delivered a £150 million state-of-the-art logistics and content creation studio at Manchester Airport on behalf of The Hut Group (see p09). This headquarters development comprises 168,000 sq ft of warehouse space, with a further 104,000 sq ft of office space over four floors. We've since completed the sale of a second facility and broken ground on development of a third building for the Group.

In February 2021 we will complete the global headquarters for cloud communications leader Metaswitch, a Microsoft company, in Enfield as it forges ahead with growth plans.

Of course, we're first and foremost a developer, but we are also focusing strongly on sustainability (see p03). We're proud to have achieved The Planet Mark certification for 2019-2020, which recognises our commitment to becoming net carbon zero by 2030, and we've also achieved ISO 14001 : 2015.

We're looking forward to seeing what 2021 brings.

*Matt Burgin, Joint Managing Director, Stoford*

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## 2021: Our year for sustainability

*Stoford is making huge strides in becoming a more sustainable business.*

It's never been more important to focus on protecting the environment, which is why the company is proud to have achieved The Planet Mark certification for 2019-2020. This certification acknowledges businesses that are committed to continuous environmental improvements, with the aim of becoming net carbon zero by 2030.

It has also achieved the internationally recognised ISO 14001 : 2015, which specifies requirements for an effective environmental management system (EMS).

A core part of the business is being proactive in advising clients how to become net carbon zero in use and how best to achieve environmentally responsible goals when planning new developments – whether that's installing additional electric charging points, installing on-site power generation through PV panels, net zero carbon cladding systems or looking at ways to be more efficient.

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***We know this isn't a simple tick box exercise and we are already making good progress, but, of course, there is always more we can do. We are keen to show the construction sector that developers can do their bit to help make the world a better place to live.***

Matt Burgin, Joint Managing Director, Stoford

## Trio of new hires for Stoford

*Stoford has announced three new appointments to support the continued growth and expansion of its business.*

Andy Hartwright has joined the business as Land Director from Gladman. The newly created role will see him working on Stoford's land portfolio and identifying and securing future development sites.

He is joined by Simon Ganley, who has been appointed as Project Manager to assist Stoford's delivery of more than one million sq ft of new developments currently under construction.

Experienced Financial Director and Non-Exec Director, Jeffrey Pym has also joined the business as an adviser to the Board. His specialisms include commercial real estate, spanning industrial/logistics, offices, trade parks and leisure.

The new appointments expand Stoford's team to 20 members of staff.

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***The appointments we've made add further experience and professionalism to our team and will not only strengthen our ability to deliver current projects but support our vision of securing new development opportunities. We have a huge commercial pipeline of more than 700 acres and capacity for some 3.5m sq ft of floor space across the UK and are looking forward to continuing the growth of our business in the years ahead.***

Dan Gallagher, Joint Managing Director, Stoford



The Plan also commits it to creating 38 metres of new watercourse and 100% retention of woodland, wet grassland, rough grassland and species-rich hedgerows.

It has made a start on its commitment to remove 527 metres of poor-quality hedgerow and replace it with 3,000 metres of new hedgerow planting to boost wildlife species; and to plant more than 250 standard trees, three hectares of new woodland and shrub planting and 5,000m<sup>2</sup> of wildflower seeding and native bulb planting.

Stoford has fully protected and committed to the long-term management of 0.8 hectares of wet grassland meadows, which, with two parcels of ancient woodland, forms a central component of the “green spine” and are vital habitats for wildlife and plant species.

The veteran tree strategy for the site, preserves the felled trees trunks which are valuable sources for fungi, lichens, bryophytes and deadwood invertebrates and is also planning to create two wildlife structures, at least one of which will be designed specifically for swifts.

For more information, visit:  
[www.worcester6.co.uk](http://www.worcester6.co.uk)

## Sustainability at Worcester Six

*Stoford is on track to complete its extensive work to safeguard the environment and preserve the rich wildlife at Worcester Six.*

Edward Peel, Development Manager, said the business park is classed as a “game changer” development, which is considered to be an exemplar for its economic and environmental performance.

“As custodians of the site, it is incumbent on us to work to improve the biodiversity site alongside the construction of the new buildings. We’re taking this work extremely seriously and we’re already seeing the benefits, which we know will contribute hugely to the environmental strategy in Worcestershire,” he said.

Working with Worcestershire’s Green Infrastructure (GI) Partnership has led to the creation of a long-term GI Concept Plan, which commits Stoford to making sure 40% - approximately 16.5 hectares – of the site is earmarked for green infrastructure.

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***It is great to see the progress being made in all aspects of the Worcester Six development. I am very much looking forward to seeing the positive impact of the tireless work our teams have put in, in the most difficult of circumstances, to maintain the county’s extensive progress in the business development and growth area.***

*Councillor Ken Pollock, Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy and Infrastructure*



## “Exceptional” ancient archaeological finds uncovered at Worcester Six Business Park

*Archaeologists have uncovered the first Iron Age wooden tracks to be found in Worcestershire during excavations at Worcester Six Business Park.*

The prehistoric wooden stakes and piles are among a series of important finds, including ancient streams and marshland, at the business park that were identified during carefully planned excavations at the site on behalf of the developer.

Robin Jackson, the manager for the project at Worcestershire Archaeology, which is part of Worcestershire County Council's Archive and Archaeology Service, described the findings as “exceptional”.

“Such discoveries are very rare in the region and these are the first prehistoric wooden tracks to have been found in Worcestershire,” he added.

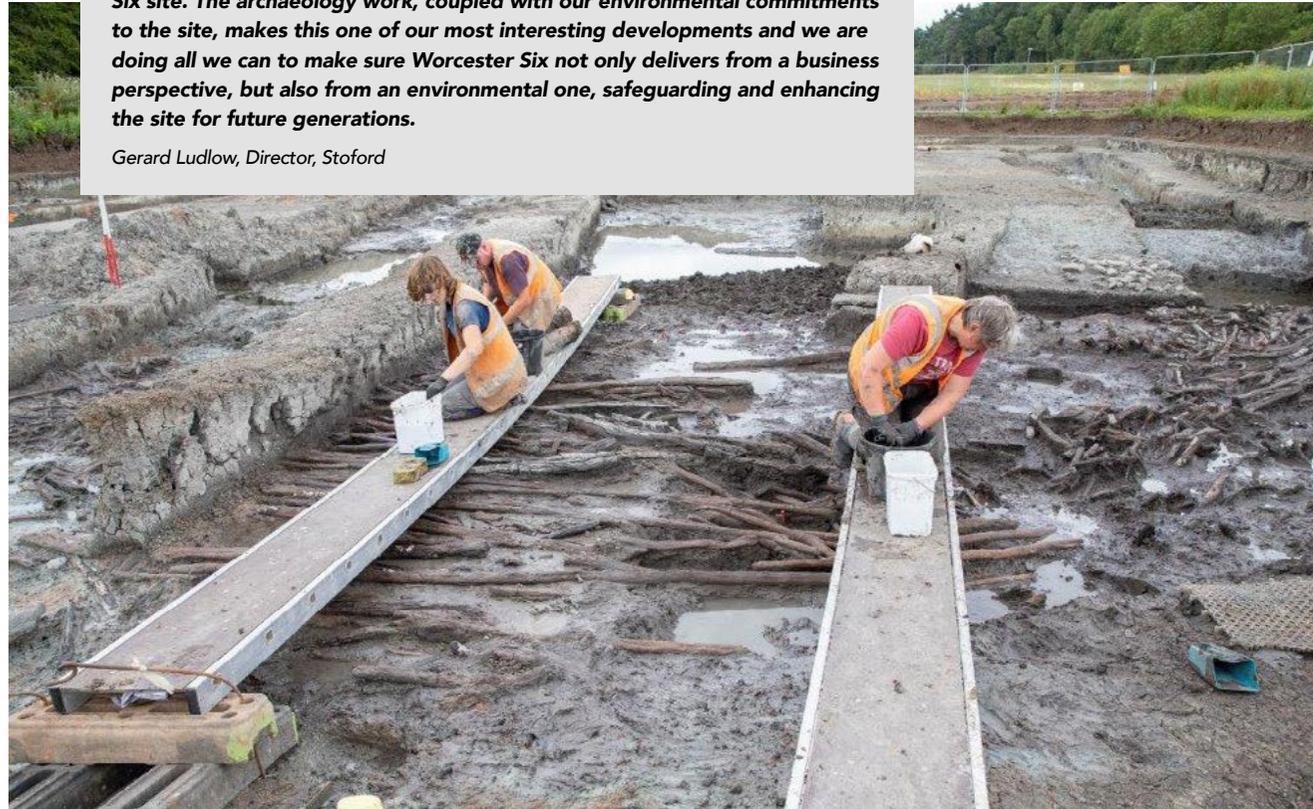
The excavation identified three former prehistoric stream channels, which survived about 2.5 metres below today's ground level. Because the channels were waterlogged, the ancient plant seeds, remains of vegetation, insects, snail shells and pollen found there are also in excellent condition and are being analysed to provide detailed information on the changing environment of these channels and the surrounding landscape between 4,000 and 2,000 years ago.

Scores of prehistoric wooden stakes and piles, mainly of oak and dating back as much as 3,500 years, were found in the former channels, forming jetties, fish traps and acting as revetments – structures that stabilise the stream banks.

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**We have been astonished at the rich archaeological finds at the Worcester Six site. The archaeology work, coupled with our environmental commitments to the site, makes this one of our most interesting developments and we are doing all we can to make sure Worcester Six not only delivers from a business perspective, but also from an environmental one, safeguarding and enhancing the site for future generations.**

*Gerard Ludlow, Director, Stoford*



Among the most important findings were four Iron Age “corduroy” trackways, dating back 2,500 years, on top of the marshy deposits that had infilled the stream channels.

Made from long wooden stakes, the largest of which measured 13m long and was 4.50m wide, they were placed flat and parallel to one another to form a platform, which made them look like corduroy cloth. These would have enabled people to safely cross the marshy areas.

Archaeologists also uncovered at least five burnt mounds – prehistoric monuments

comprising large dumps of fire-cracked stones and charcoal fragments – along the banks of the streams.

Experts are now undertaking detailed analysis of the results and will publish a report later in 2021.

The finds are being donated to the county museum and interpretation boards are to be installed at the business park, enabling visitors to learn about the site's prehistory.

For more information, visit:  
[www.worcester6.co.uk](http://www.worcester6.co.uk)

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**The approval for the IONOS development will bring another world-class operator to Worcester Six. We believe this is the first data centre to come to Wychavon and it is a clear indication of the confidence that IONOS has for the area, and for the business park. We are proud to be delivering this building for them.**

*Edward Peel, Development Manager, Stoford*



## Work begins on IONOS centre at Worcester Six

*Work has begun to build a much-anticipated data centre at the Worcester Six Business Park for the largest European-based data hosting company.*

Stoford is delivering a highly energy-efficient, cutting edge data centre totalling 38,564 sq ft for IONOS and its subsidiary brand Fasthosts for UK and overseas customers.

Appointed contractor Bennimans has now moved on site and anticipates a practical completion date of August 2021.

Edward Peel, Development Manager, said: "We've been working closely with IONOS to get to this stage and are looking forward to delivering Wychavon's first data centre for the world-class business, which has recognised the strengths of the Worcester Six Business Park, such as the strategic location and excellent infrastructure links."

IONOS was established in 1988 and is the largest hosting company in Europe, managing more than eight million customer contracts and hosting more than 12 million domains in its regional data centres around the globe. The IONOS group operates in fifteen countries and employs 3,500 people worldwide.

Stoford also obtained consent for a speculative unit of 37,000 sq ft in February 2021, which can be delivered within a 10-month period.

For more information, visit:  
[www.worcester6.co.uk](http://www.worcester6.co.uk)

## Pets at Home lined up for 770,000 sq ft hub in Stafford

*Stoford has secured planning approval for a new national storage and distribution centre in Staffordshire on behalf of the UK's leading pet care business, Pets at Home.*

The development of a 52-acre site at Stafford North Business Park, close to Jct 14 of the M6, will create a 670,000 sq ft purpose-built warehouse unit, a three-storey office and two double-storey hub offices.

It will include a new roundabout on the A34 Stone Road and a development access road serving the new warehouse unit, with an additional 100,000 sq ft of expansion floor space available, if required.

Proposals for Stafford North Business Park were submitted following an extensive online stakeholder and public consultation and received unanimous approval from Stafford Borough Council.

Pets at Home has signed a 20-year conditional agreement for lease on the development, with construction set to start on site in mid 2021.

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**This development represents a fantastic opportunity to give Pets at Home a modern, purpose-built facility in a superb central location. We believe this development has the potential to become one of Staffordshire's key employment sites and will make a valuable contribution in sustaining jobs in the region during a challenging period for the local and national economy.**

*Dan Gallagher, Joint Managing Director, Stoford*



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**SOP International Ltd is a family business that imports and distributes Asian and Oriental Foods throughout the UK and Europe. The company has outgrown its current headquarters in Hertford and requires larger premises to cope with the increased level of growth and business. We greatly look forward to moving into Harlow and its new state-of-the-art offices and warehouse.**

David Chattwell, Managing Director of SOP International



## Plans approved for second phase of Icon Harlow logistics development

Plans have been approved for a second phase of development at Icon Harlow, which paves the way for delivery of almost 200,000 sq ft of Grade A warehouse stock into the established London-Stansted-Cambridge corridor.

Icon Industrial will speculatively build a new 112,000 sq ft warehouse and logistics building and will give occupiers the flexibility to take delivery of the new unit within six-months, to a base build specification.

A bespoke last mile distribution unit of c.86,000 sq ft will also be developed on behalf of an end user.

Planning approval for phase two comes soon after work was completed on the first phase of development, which comprises three highly specified warehouse buildings.

Unit A was sold to food importer SOP International, who moved its headquarters to the bespoke facility last year. International logistics firm, Verhoek Europe agreed a 10-year lease on Unit C, leaving just Unit B, a highly specified 98,533 sq ft warehouse with three-storey integral Grade A office space. It is available for immediate occupation.

Icon Harlow is conveniently located just 30 miles north of central London and nine miles from the M25. It is the second development by Icon Industrial, a strategic joint venture between Stoford and global private investment firm TPG Real Estate.

For more information, visit: [www.iconharlow.co.uk](http://www.iconharlow.co.uk)

**Units available:**

- Unit B: 98,533 sq ft available now
- Unit E: 112,000 sq ft available September 21



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**We're very pleased to have received planning consent for phase two of Icon Harlow. There is increased demand for high-spec warehouse and logistics accommodation in the London-Stansted-Cambridge corridor and we're excited by the opportunity of delivering a second phase of development here. Icon Harlow has already attracted several high quality occupiers, which demonstrates the strength of the location for distributors.**

Tony Nash, Director, Stoford

# Highways works opens £200m Redditch Gateway development

Stoford has completed a £5.5 million highways infrastructure project that will pave the way for the new Redditch Gateway business park development.

The project has delivered infrastructure works and a signalised traffic junction at the £200 million build-to-suit logistics and manufacturing scheme, which lies on a 78-acre site off Gorcott Hill and the A4023 Coventry Highway.

It will open up approximately 35 acres of development land on the northern side of the site within the Bromsgrove district and a further 27 acres to the south, which sits in the Stratford-on-Avon district.

Steelwork has been erected and cladding has been installed on Unit A, a 366,000 sq ft warehouse building. Construction of the building, which is already under pre-let, is set to be completed in Q3 2021.

Redditch Gateway has capacity for two additional build-to-suit units of between 150,000 sq ft and 250,000 sq ft, with integral office space, secure yard space and parking.

For more information, visit:  
[www.redditchgateway.com](http://www.redditchgateway.com)

**Units available:**

50,000 - 250,000 sq ft build-to-suit industrial/ logistics opportunity available to let.



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*There is huge pent up demand for industrial/ logistics accommodation of this size and quality in the region and our significant investment in the development of the infrastructure and junction works is the first step in realising our vision for this landmark scheme.*

Alex Morgan, Director, Stoford



# Icon Industrial delivers £150m airport development

Icon Industrial has delivered a new state-of-the-art logistics and content creation studio on behalf of global consumer brand and proprietary technology group The Hut Group (THG).

The new £150 million Grade A facility has been developed on an 11.6-acre site at Manchester Airport and is one of Europe's largest logistics and content creation studios.

The ICON building comprises 168,000 sq ft of warehouse space, with a further 104,000 sq ft of office space over four floors.

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**Icon Manchester Airport has been a huge success story since we first acquired the site three years ago and provides a major boost for the region's economy. To have concluded deals for all four units so quickly is testament to the scheme's unrivalled location at Manchester Airport, in the heart of the Northern Powerhouse.**

Angus Huntley, Development Manager, Stoford



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**These facilities will bring thousands of additional jobs to the region and will help transform the area surrounding Manchester Airport into a hub for employment and creativity.**

Matthew Moulding, Founder and CEO of THG



Icon Industrial, a JV between Stoford and TPG Real Estate, has also completed the sale of a second facility and broken ground on development of a third building for the Group.

A major Manchester-based occupier has acquired the freehold to Unit 3, a Grade A speculative warehouse/logistics development of 138,375 sq ft. The self-contained facility comprises a 128,250 sq ft warehouse with 10,125 sq ft of office space over three storeys.

Work is well underway on Unit 2, a single-aspect warehouse unit of 459,000 sq ft on an 18-acre plot. The same occupier has forward funded the development of the building, which includes three storeys of integrated office accommodation and two

storeys of hub offices. It is programmed for completion in Q2 2021.

The deals for the new plots will provide additional infrastructure to allow the occupier to meet a rapid rise in demand for its leading proprietary ecommerce technology engine. The company plans to create about 2,000 new jobs in the North West over the next 18 months.

Icon Industrial has also completed construction of Unit 4, a new 102,500 sq ft industrial/warehouse facility that has been let to in-flight catering, retail and logistics company Dnata.

For more information, visit: [manchester.iconindustrial.co.uk](http://manchester.iconindustrial.co.uk)

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**We are very pleased to have delivered these exciting new developments. This has been the result of three years' work on behalf of a number of stakeholders with a shared vision for establishing the site as the South West's leading distribution hub, south of Bristol. We expect it to unlock other sites in the area for development, bringing important social and economic benefits.**

Dan Gallagher, Joint Managing Director, Stoford



## New distribution unit and EV charging park in Exeter

Stoford has completed construction of a new 90,000 sq ft distribution unit at Exeter Logistics Park that is expected to support in the region of 350 jobs.

The development at Clyst Honiton has been built on behalf of an international retailer and includes improvements to the local transport infrastructure, with a new access road and signalised traffic junction. It was funded by Torbay Council.

Work has also finished on a major new electric vehicle (EV) charging park on an adjacent plot. The 415-space facility is equipped with 100 EV charging stations and has the infrastructure in place to become fully electric in the future.

Features include a new jet wash system, sustainable urban drainage systems, with permeable paving and bio retention pits, and a new attenuation basin to discharge surface water.

Exeter Logistics Park is part of the second phase of a significant industrial scheme on 55-acres of land at Hayes Farm, owned by the Church Commissioners for England.

The scheme is expected to attract significant investment and has already enabled a new Instrument Landing System to be installed at Exeter International Airport.

## New £26.7m Metaswitch HQ handed over

*In February 2021, Stoford completed a £26.7 million global headquarters for Metaswitch, part of the Microsoft company, in Enfield, North London.*

The 55,800 sq ft, five-storey building features a rooftop conference centre, full-height atrium, state-of-the-art data centre, and a car park with spaces for 96 vehicles, plus charging points for electric cars and bikes.

The office, which will accommodate up to 500 people, will provide a high-quality working environment for the global software company's employees and will be an impressive facility for hosting partners and customers.

Martin Lund, CEO of Metaswitch, said: "While we are working from home for now to protect our employees and their families, we look forward to the time when it is safe to welcome our team to their new workplace that is designed to nurture the creativity, productivity, and care that they contribute every day."

The BREEAM Excellent HQ, which has also been designed with energy saving measures to help the company meet its environmental sustainability targets, sees the growing global company consolidating its three buildings into one location.

Now building is completed, Metaswitch, which was acquired by Microsoft in July 2020, has signed a 15 year lease.

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**The building represents a major investment by Metaswitch, which is good news for the town of Enfield and will mean new jobs and opportunities for local people. Enfield Council and the local community have been extremely supportive throughout the process and we're pleased to have delivered this new Grade A facility for a prestigious client.**

Gerard Ludlow, Director, Stoford





## First phase of Spa Park is completed

*The first phase of Spa Park, in Leamington Spa, is finished, with the practical completion of two speculative units.*

Units 3 and 4 (61,076 sq ft and 30,715 sq ft respectively) were built jointly with asset management company BlackRock and are now available to let for businesses in the advanced manufacturing, e-fulfilment and distribution sectors (B1, B2 and B8 classes).

The two units sit alongside two already occupied by Liberty 920E and US-based Martin Sprocket & Gear and a second phase is being planned, with units of 30,000 sq ft to 290,000 sq ft, available on a build-to-suit basis.

Spa Park is already home to lingerie and swimwear brand Bravissimo, Detroit Electric and global medical company Smith + Nephew.

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***We're confident that our investment in these two high-quality speculative units will attract ambitious businesses to Spa Park. Despite the challenges of 2020, we are still seeing a strong demand for units of this size at the park and are talking to a number of interested businesses.***

Edward Peel, Development Manager, Stoford

For more information, visit:  
[www.spapark.co.uk](http://www.spapark.co.uk)

### **Units available:**

- Unit 3:** 61,076 sq ft Available now
- Unit 4:** 30,715 sq ft Available now
- Phase 2:** Design & Build opportunity between 30,000-290,000 sq ft

## Spa Park signs leading US industrial firm for its first European operations

*US-based Martin Sprocket & Gear opened its first UK operations at Spa Park in the summer of 2020.*

The leading manufacturer and supplier of power transmission products, material handling components and systems signed a 10-year lease for unit 5, a 41,173 sq ft warehouse and offices.

Phillip Hewitt, general manager EMEA of Martin Sprocket & Gear UK Ltd, said the new venture means it can now service existing and new customers in the Europe, Middle East and Africa regions, as well as complement its facilities across the USA, Mexico, Brazil and China.

He said as well as creating local jobs, it was also committed to supporting the region's economy by working with local companies, where possible.

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***We looked at many sites across the Midlands and the north of England as our goal was to have a location that is close to the motorway network, to our major customers and to ports and airports. Spa Park ticks all those boxes. Our success will be good for the local economy as we will recruit locally and source consumables from local companies wherever possible.***

Phillip Hewitt, General Manager EMEA of Martin Sprocket & Gear UK Ltd



## Final unit handed over at Pantheon Park

*The final unit at Pantheon Park, in Wednesfield, Wolverhampton, was handed over during the first Covid-19 lockdown.*

The prime industrial and logistics park – one of the largest speculative developments in Wolverhampton – comprises four highly specified Grade A industrial/warehouse units between 30,000 sq ft and 133,000 sq ft.

Stoford delivered the scheme with specialist sustainable and impact investor Bridges Fund Management, and it was funded by Royal London Asset Management (RLAM).

Angus Huntley, Development Manager, said: "It's great news to have achieved practical completion on this significant development in Wolverhampton. Pantheon Park's high-quality units are in a strategic location that will appeal to major occupiers in the region."

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**When the units are fully occupied, we estimate that approximately 450 new jobs will have been created.**

Guy Bowden, Partner, Property Funds, Bridges Fund Management



Guy Bowden, Partner, Property Funds, Bridges Fund Management, said the project remediated 18 acres of brownfield land, which had remained as a vacant site for over a decade.

Pantheon Park is also home to the Arnold Clark car dealership and storage company Lok'nStore.

For more information, visit:  
[www.pantheonpark.uk](http://www.pantheonpark.uk)

### **Units available:**

New production/warehouse units now available, 30,132 - 133,392 sq ft.



## Stone Cross 72 let to global PPE provider

*The newly completed Stone Cross 72 logistics development has been let to one of the world's fastest growing manufacturers of personal protective equipment within six months of practical completion.*

Globus Group has taken a 10-year lease on Stone Cross 72, a highly specified 72,740 sq ft warehouse of Grade A specification, located on the site of the former Carlsberg brewery depot at Stone Cross Park, Golborne.

The letting follows the sale of an existing 126,000 sq ft logistics facility on Stone Cross Park to international packaging firm ALPLA.

It is the first scheme Stoford has delivered in partnership with UK and European real estate investment management firm Oxenwood Real Estate.

For more information, visit:  
[www.stonecrosspark.co.uk](http://www.stonecrosspark.co.uk)

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***Globus Group is an expanding business that continues to provide an important service during the pandemic and its investment in Stone Cross 72 is a significant boost to the local employment market. The Stone Cross Business Park scheme was constructed to meet the continuing demand in the warehouse sector in the North West. We have delivered two high specification industrial/warehouse units in a prime logistics location with outstanding motorway connectivity that have attracted considerable interest from occupiers.***

Tony Nash, Director, Stoford

## New warehouse to secure 250 jobs in Telford

*Stoford has submitted a planning application for a new 123,835 sq ft production warehouse building in Telford, which could secure the future of up to 250 jobs.*

The scheme, on behalf of manufacturer Portion Solutions, proposes the development of a single purpose-built warehouse unit at Hortonwood 40, just five miles from Telford town centre.

Portion Solutions recently exchanged contracts to purchase the circa six acre site, together with a development agreement with Stoford.

The manufacturer currently occupies three separate buildings in Telford, one in Halesfield Industrial Estate and a further two in Stafford Park.

The proposed new development will allow it to develop its operations in the area, where it already employs 250 people, and meet the long-term growth aspirations of the business, which could see additional jobs created.

If the planning application is successful, work could start on the new building in September 2021.

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***Portion Solutions is making a commitment to its future in Telford, which is great news for employment in the area. This proposal has the potential to give Portion Solutions a new warehouse, combining three operations under a single roof and enabling it to continue to provide market-leading products to wholesalers, distributors and foodservice operators nationwide.***

Angus Huntley, Development Manger, Stoford



# Community – it's a wrap

## Helping the NHS

We turned our attention to a different fundraiser this year: goodie bags for the NHS.

The magnificent NHS staff in our region were placed under considerable stress during the Covid-19 pandemic. Many were forced to stay on-site in our hospitals for considerable periods of time and didn't always have the means to buy basic items such as food or toiletries.

Joining together with our clients, The Hut Group and 2 Sisters Food Group, we donated and delivered over 2,000 goodie bags to staff at hospitals in the West Midlands.



## Christmas Presents

As part of Stoford's continued support for Property for Kids charity, it donated an incredible 602 Christmas gifts for children who are being supported by Birmingham & Solihull Women's Aid. Our thanks go to Claire Harris for collecting all the donations. It was a magnificent effort, more than doubling the gift donations we made in 2019.



## Sto-baby

The Stoford family expanded in 2020, with the arrival of a new Sto-baby. Congratulations to Edward Peel, who became a father for the first time.



## Sifa Fireside

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we couldn't have a Christmas party last year. We decided to make a donation to Sifa Fireside, Birmingham's main day centre for homeless and vulnerably housed adults. Charities have been hit especially hard by lockdown, so we hope our donation will go some way to helping Sifa to give people the support they need during the winter months.



## Grand Union Project

Digbeth is an important arts and culture centre in Birmingham city centre and Stoford was only too pleased to support the Grand Union Project for local artists by making a substantial donation. Grand Union – Junction Works will bring a derelict Grade II listed building on Fazeley Street back into use as a contemporary art gallery and artist studios.



## Redditch Art Competition

We organised an art competition with Mappleborough Green C of E Primary School, challenging its fabulous pupils to create artwork to brighten up the Redditch Gateway site hoarding. We were really impressed by the high standard of entries received. Look out for their creations soon!

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