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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Hello and welcome to the Gadbrook Park BID winter newsletter.

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely festive period and wish you all a happy and prosperous new year.

I'd like to start by commending **Craig Spencer** and the **Close Brothers** team for their fantastic fundraising activity on behalf of **St Luke's Hospice**. It really is a wonderful charity which continues to positively impact so many lives.

Onto other news now and it's great to read so many positive updates from a range of our businesses in this edition to kick off the new year.

Smart Clinic's accreditation is testament to the quality of the service they provide, **Eurospecial's** expanded operations will provide them with the foundations for further growth, and it's great to welcome a new business in **Tan Republic** to further diversify the business park's offering.

Elsewhere, it's pleasing to hear about **Butcher & Barlow's** merger with a law firm in Leigh as they continue to grow their presence in the north west. The business continues to go from strength to strength, and I'm excited to see the heights they can reach over the coming years.

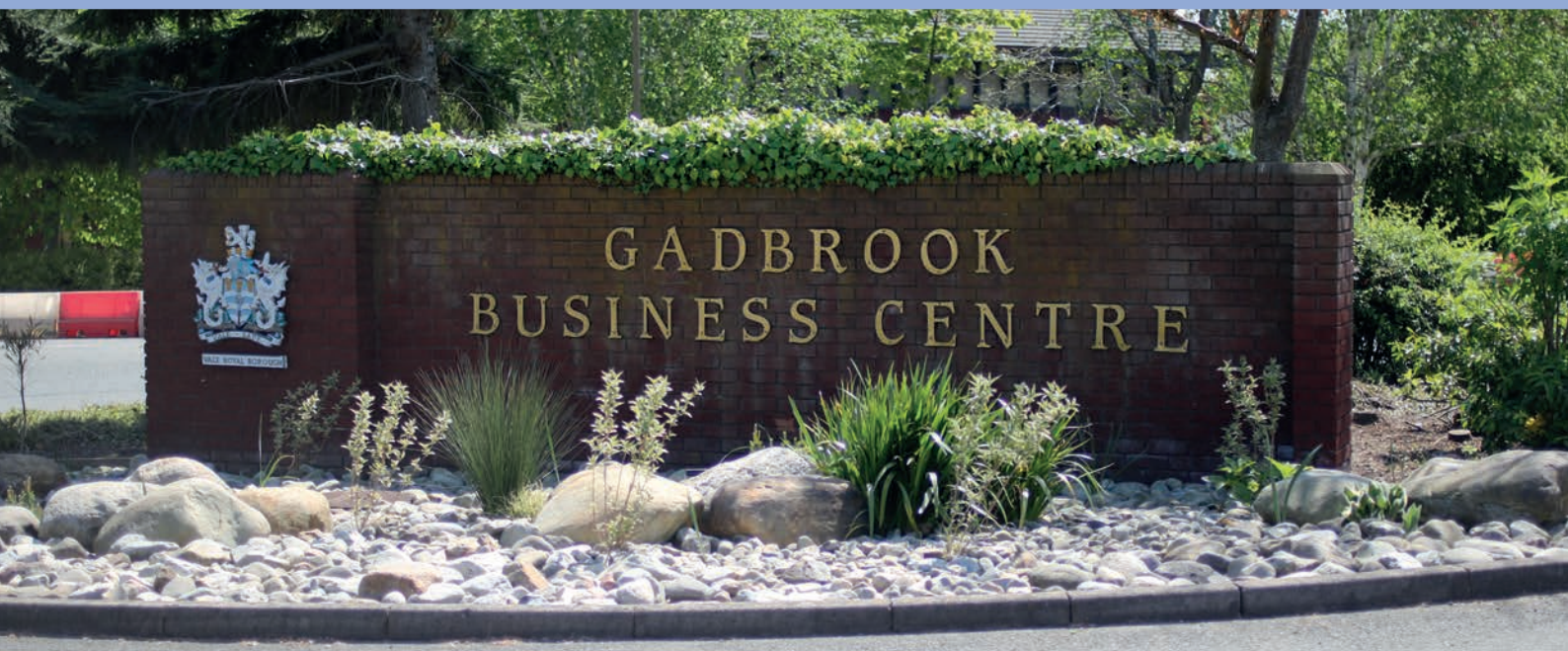
It was also good to read the latest update from **WR Partners**. They really are experts in their field, so it was no surprise to learn about their partnership with **St Helens RFC**. Hopefully it proves to be a fruitful collaboration for both parties.

And finally, well done to all involved in the recent series of workshops which looked at the symptoms of the menopause and ways to help alleviate them.

That's enough from me for now other than to wish you all a successful 2025. Don't forget that your BID team is here no matter your question or query so please don't hesitate to reach out.

Yours Sincerely,

Chris McLaughlin,
Chair of Gadbrook Park BID



A TOUCHING TRIBUTE AND CHARITY FUNDRAISER

dario^G

Words by Craig Spencer, brother of the late Paul Spencer who was known to many as DJ and music producer Dario G.

In June of 2024 my brother Paul passed away after a year-long battle with cancer. Some people will know Paul better as DJ and music producer, Dario G, and be familiar with some of his dance tracks such as Sunchyme and Carnaval De Paris.

Paul had been diagnosed with Stage 4 rectal cancer and underwent several rounds of chemotherapy at Christie's Hospital in Manchester. He always spoke very highly of the staff there and enjoyed entertaining his fellow patients by playing the piano in their foyer!

I work for **Close Brothers** in Nelson House here on Gadbrook Park and on 2nd October a group of us underwent 'A Close Shave' (yes, the pun is intended!) to raise funds for St Luke's (Cheshire) Hospice in Winsford.

Paul always regarded St Luke's in the highest manner, describing it as his safe-place - somewhere he could go to be welcomed and looked after whenever he needed it the most. I'm also privileged enough to have met some of the hard-working staff there and all the family appreciate everything that they did for Paul - and indeed for all of us.

As you have probably figured out the point of all the hair-raising shenanigans has been to raise funds for St Luke's. We have had collection tins on site here in Nelson House but there is also an external **JustGiving** page set up where you can donate.

St Luke's is an incredible place full of incredible people. For more information on St Luke's, please visit their website at www.slhospice.co.uk. The more people I speak to, the more I realise just how many people have already experienced the wonderful work these people do just when it is needed most.

PRESTIGIOUS ACCREDITATION FOR SMART CLINIC

Congratulations to **Smart Clinic** following the news that they are now a SEQOHS accredited occupational health provider.

This means the business is recognised as a safe and effective occupational health service by the Faculty of Occupational Medicine's accreditation scheme.

Based in Brunel Court, Smart Clinic focuses on delivering a range of occupational health services to a high standard.

To find out more, head to the **Smart Clinic website**.



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THE LATEST FROM WR PARTNERS

It was a successful end to 2024 for WR Partners, with the business reacting proactively to the Budget and announcing a strategic partnership.

Budget seminars

In response to the government's highly-anticipated Budget, WR Partners successfully conducted four seminars on the key financial talking points. The events drew over 500 attendees in just two days.

Tax Partner James Clark led the sessions, providing an in-depth analysis of key Budget announcements. The discussions centred on significant modifications to Inheritance Tax relief impacting businesses and farmers, alongside increases in employer National Insurance contributions.



New partnership

Elsewhere, WR Partners has secured a partnership with St Helens RFC. This collaboration underscores the company's dedication to supporting clients' financial objectives.

Get in touch

If you need expert financial guidance, why not contact WR Partners today by emailing hello@wrpartners.co.uk or calling 08000 664 664.

SUCCESSFUL SERIES OF MENOPAUSE WORKSHOPS DELIVERED

Gadbrook Park BID recently partnered with Catherine Pearson from Long Life Health Club to deliver an impactful series of Menopause workshops throughout November. The sessions, hosted at Roberts Bakery, provided valuable information and support to employees across the business park.

The series covered essential topics which helped participants understand the science behind perimenopause and menopause. This included exploring treatment options and offering practical strategies for managing common challenges like weight gain, brain fog, and sleep disturbances.

THE LONG LIFE HEALTH CLUB

The success of these workshops demonstrates Gadbrook Park BID's commitment to supporting employee wellbeing through accessible, informative programming. The BID team extends their gratitude to Catherine Pearson – www.thelonglifehealthclub.com – for sharing her expertise and to all participants who helped make this initiative a success.



LAW FIRM MERGES WITH BUTCHER & BARLOW



Gadbrook Park's **Butcher & Barlow**, which has 12 branches across the North West, continues to grow after Heyman & Co – a highly respected firm in Leigh – merged with the company before Christmas.

The merger marks the beginning of a new chapter for both firms, allowing Butcher & Barlow to build upon the exceptional legal services its customers have come to rely on.

All key members of the Heyman & Co team have remained in position, with the Heyman & Co Leigh office on Church Street now being known as "Butcher & Barlow incorporating Heyman & Co". The existing Butcher & Barlow office on Railway Road will stay as it is.



If you'd like to find out how Butcher & Barlow can assist you with all your legal needs, visit the Gadbrook office at 3 Royal Mews or email enquiries@butcher-barlow.co.uk.

EUROSPECIAL EXPRESS EXPANDS OPERATIONS

In further positive news for the estate, **Eurospecial Express** has completed a move to larger premises at Bowland House, marking an exciting phase of growth for the company.

The move will support Eurospecial's business growth and enable them to enhance their operations. This development not only reflects positively on the company's progress but also reinforces Gadbrook Park's reputation as an ideal location for growing businesses.

The Board wishes the team continued success in their new premises as they enter this exciting chapter of their business journey.



NEW LUXURY TANNING EXPERIENCE ON GADBROOK PARK



Gadbrook Park welcomes **Tan Republic**, a premium tanning salon that's raising the bar for beauty services in Cheshire. This family-owned business, launched in 2024, brings over a decade of industry expertise to create an upscale spa-like experience.

Designed with customer comfort in mind, the salon features a bright, welcoming reception area complete with comfortable seating and complimentary refreshments.

The spacious, well-ventilated tanning rooms also offer luxurious amenities including post-tan refresh wipes. The fully air-conditioned salon offers convenient free parking too, making it accessible and convenient.

Visit the **official website** for more information.

UPDATES FROM AROUND GADBROOK PARK



TRUSTED SECURITY PARTNER RETAINED

Following a comprehensive market review, **Alpha Omega** will continue to provide security services at Gadbrook Park. This decision reflects the board's commitment to maintaining Gadbrook Park's reputation as a safe and secure environment for all businesses and their employees.

ADVENTURE WELLBEING SCHOOL

Major renovations are transforming Sherwood House on the Business Park into a new **Adventure Wellbeing School**. This specialised SEND facility will provide tailored education and support services for students with special educational needs. Keep an eye out for more information in our spring newsletter.

CAREERS FAIR

Winsford Academy is holding a Twilight Careers Fair on **Thursday 16th January**. The event will run from **4:00pm-5:30pm** and the organisers are welcoming businesses to go along and exhibit. Email CareersStaff@winsfordacademy.org.uk if you would like to get involved.

MIDDLEWICH BYPASS

There are currently three key planning reference applications associated with Middlewich bypass which could have a significant, positive wider impact on Gadbrook Park. To view the applications – **19/5808D**, **18/2342S**, and **18/0781S** – visit the **Cheshire East planning portal**.

ARABICA CLOSURE

It is with deep sadness that we announce the closure of **Arabica Caffé**. Having served Gadbrook Park for many years, their closure represents a significant loss to both businesses and staff alike. Their consistent quality service and friendly atmosphere made them an invaluable part of our business community, providing an essential hub for meetings, networking, and daily refreshments. We extend our sincere thanks to the Arabica team for their years of dedicated service to our park.

GADBROOK PARK ANNUAL QUIZ

The hotly-anticipated **Gadbrook Park quiz** returns in a few weeks' time, taking place this year on **Tuesday 4th February** at the prestigious Vale Royal Abbey. With a two course meal and a wealth of prizes on offer, the evening promises to be a fun night for all! We look forward to welcoming all the teams that booked a table.

CHESHIRE CYBER SECURITY PROGRAMME

The **Northwest Cyber Resilience Centre** is currently delivering the **Cheshire Cyber Security Programme (CCSP)**, a fully funded programme that helps ensure businesses across the region are secure from online crime, and supports them in protecting their businesses, data, and assets. Cheshire Constabulary and the Police and Crime Commissioner's Office recognise the importance of supporting businesses with cyber security services, and have used the Proceeds of Crime fund to enable us to offer a fully funded membership (worth £500), which gives any business in Cheshire access to the **CCSP** free of charge. To secure a place on the programme, simply visit www.nwrcr.co.uk/cheshire and complete the registration form.

GET IN TOUCH

For any general queries about the BID, whether as a tenant or a company looking to invest, please contact BID Manager Hugh Shields via: hugh.shields@groundwork.org.uk or by calling **07921 055 039**.





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