

**Issued on behalf of Onward Holdings Ltd****Date: September 21st 2016****Ref: PR58a Normanton****ONWARD INVESTS IN PRIME SITE TO BOOST NORTHERN SUPPLY CHAIN**

Businesses seeking warehousing space to take advantage of the Government's vision of a Northern Powerhouse are being urged to get in touch with Onward Holdings Ltd, which is offering for lease a dedicated unit in the heart of Yorkshire.

"Normanton 108" is ideally located adjacent to junction 31 of the M62, the warehouse at the Normanton Industrial Estate is undergoing substantial refurbishment, including the complete re-roofing of the facility as well as full re-cladding of the exterior, new exterior windows, doors and entrance canopy to the offices. The work is expected to be completed by the end of November 2016.

This logistics hub opportunity provides over 108,000sqft of space and is within one of the UK's most sought after distribution and manufacturing locations. It has three portal bays with offices to the rear as well as extensive car parking and yard areas. There is a large grassed area to the front that could be used for additional expansion, subject to planning permissions.

Normanton has a front loading area with 12 covered dock loading bays and a fully enclosed rear loading/dispatch area with drive-through surface doors to each side. Offices and staff facilities are housed within an attached two-story building to the rear of the warehouse. The site also has the potential to be split into two separate units. The building is Energy Performance rated D 94.

Yorkshire is seen as a key location for many businesses seeking to move or expand their supply chains in the north of England, but a shortage of suitable industrial space hinders the logistics property market and could put the brake on economic development in one of the UK's most important regions.

Onward Holdings' success in supplying high quality warehousing for a variety of sectors, such as food, high end goods and packaging has prompted it to search for suitable land for logistics operations to boost availability in the region.

Andrew Miller, of Andrew Miller Chartered Surveyors of Sheffield which is promoting the site, says: "After purchasing the Normanton warehouse, Onward Holdings is making a significant investment in sprucing up the facility to make it even more attractive to businesses seeking a distribution/storage hub in such a key location."

Family-run business Onward Holdings specialises in operating highly-competitively priced industrial warehousing in the North of England. In addition to Normanton it has sites in Castleford, Doncaster, Ackworth, Scunthorpe. It also has two plots of land available for design and build opportunities at Onward Park in Featherstone, which is within touching distance of the M62.

Onward Holdings offers a range of logistics options to suit most budgets, together with additional value-added warehouse services. The different facilities that Onward Holdings offers can help companies gain a vital foothold in the northern supply chain.

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Background

Onward Holdings is a fourth generation family-run business founded in 1930 which is renowned for developing and operating warehousing and industrial units. This includes the provision of bespoke or shared multi-sized warehouse facilities in the M62/M1/A1 corridor of West Yorkshire.

In addition to offering warehousing and fulfilment services at its sites, the business has developed a former coal mine near Barnsley into a gleaming new retail park. ONYX Retail Park, comprising 17,500 square feet of retail space, is based in Wath-Upon-Dearne and is located at the former Manvers main colliery, an area of major regeneration.

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