# Employment Bulletin

# Midlands September 2016

On behalf of the Career Transition Partnership (CTP), welcome to the Midlands Employment Bulletin, which will provide you with the latest jobs and business news from across the region and highlights a selection of the latest regional vacancies on our job site, <u>RightJob</u>.

In addition to this bulletin, there are plenty of other resources available to assist you in your job search: the monthly <u>Focus e-newsletter</u> provides job-finding, resettlement and training news via email, our bespoke <u>Industry Sector Guides</u> are regularly updated with the latest industry news, and the <u>CTP website</u> is full of useful tips, advice and dedicated <u>employer</u> <u>microsites</u>, where you will find information from a range of companies with ongoing opportunities for ex-military personnel.

# **Regional Overview**

The Midlands is situated at the heart of England is comprised of the counties of West Midlands, Sandwell, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Herefordshire, Shropshire and Telford with the inclusion of cities and towns such as Birmingham, Stoke on Trent, Coventry, Wolverhampton, Solihull, Dudley and Walsall. Historically, employment in the West Midlands is dominated by manufacturing. Employers such as Jaguar Land Rover and JCB continue to lead within this sector.

The eastern part of the Midlands consists of counties such as of Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire and Rutland.

Each of these areas has its own varying set of employment factors which you need to take into account when job searching. Therefore, it is beneficial for you to keep up-to-date with local business news and sign up with local job search websites to get relevant, up-to-date information to aid you in your search for employment.



# **Regional Job Market News**

Expansions | New businesses | Market growth | Upcoming opportunities | Closures | Risks

# Derby's Bombardier lands £1 billion East Anglia trains deal



Derby train-maker Bombardier has landed a £1 billion deal with the new franchisee of the East Anglia rail franchise that will keep its factory busy into the next decade. The Department for Transport announced that Abellio had won the right to operate the East Anglia rail franchise. And as part of the deal, Abellio will be ordering 660 new carriages from Bombardier to replace the aging rolling stock that is currently operating on the East Anglia network. The contract will secure around 1,000 jobs at Litchurch and over the next few years. <u>Read more</u>.

# **Talent Source Network**



FDM Group is a professional services provider with a focus on IT and the UK's leading IT graduate employer. FDM's business model is both unique and robust, bringing people and technology together.

We are renowned for our dynamic Careers Programme, which gives ex-Forces personnel award-winning business and technical training in core disciplines. Programme attendees then progress to represent FDM on client sites as our Consultants for a minimum of two years. With over 160 clients worldwide, we help them achieve specific business objectives within various sectors, including financial services, media, retail and insurance.

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# West Midlands Fire Service - Come and give it a try

# WEST MIDLANDS FIRE SERVICE

Making the West Midlands Safer, Stronger and Healthier

Although we're not recruiting firefighters right now, we will be later this year (2016).

Recruitment is expected to open this Autumn and we'll be releasing full details nearer the time. Make sure you keep visiting our website and keep an eye on our social media channels!

In the meantime, we're running a series of 'taster sessions' across the West Midlands. The three-hour sessions will be invaluable for people who want to find out more about the role of a modern-day firefighter – including the physical and mental demands.

You'll find out about our culture and ethos, get an overview of what our firefighters do and the career paths open to them, and learn about the recruitment process itself.

You'll also get an idea of the physical side of the job. We'll encourage you to have a go at some exercises designed to test your ability to complete the practical assessments which are part of our recruitment process.

To finish, there'll be an open question and answer session during which you can go over anything you want to know about the job and chat to some of our operational staff.

To register your interest in the above event with West Midlands Fire Service, or to obtain further information about job opportunities with West Midlands Fire Service, please visit the website at <u>https://www.wmfs.net/careers/firefighters/</u>



# New Carillion opportunities for Medical Discharge Service Leavers (UK)



Carillion is a leading international integrated support services business. Carillion employ more than 46,000 people and operate in the UK, Canada and Middle East. Carillion have annual revenues of more than £4bn. Although their roots are in construction, today they provide all the services needed to create and manage places which play a vital part in national economies and local communities. These range from buildings, to transport and power networks. Carillion work in partnership with the public sector to deliver important services which offer value for money and make a positive difference to the lives of people in the communities where they work. Carillion may be able to offer work attachments/taster visits in a variety of areas, some of which include:

Carillion are offering work attachments/ taster days to Service leavers who are being medically discharged, available in a wide range of business areas.

Although a work attachment cannot be guaranteed, if you are interested in being considered for a work attachment or taster visit and are going through medical discharge, please log into the <u>CTP Assist Portal</u>, and use reference WORK03121 or TAVI03122.

# Jobless total keeps falling



Dole queues have continued to shorten, suggesting jitters surrounding Brexit have yet to affect the jobs market. Figures released this month showed the number of people claiming job seeker's allowance and universal credit in Leicestershire continued to drop. Both Jobcentre Plus and the regional chamber of commerce said there was still plenty of work out there despite concerns within the business sector about leaving the EU. National figures from the Office for National Statistics showed the UK employment rate reached a record high of 74.5 per cent, with 31.8 million people in work in the three months to June – 172,000 more than the previous quarter. <u>Read more</u>



# Coventry Unipart creates 40 jobs after landing large Ford contract for china



The Foleshill based firm Coventry Unipart currently employs 380 people and produces fuel system components.

Unipart Manufacturing is to create 40 new jobs at its Coventry factory after landing a seven-year contract to supply engine components for Ford cars being made in China.

The company is one of a few companies left in Europe producing gasoline fuel rails for Ford and other carmakers.

The components enable fuel to be injected into the engine under very high pressure, providing greater fuel efficiency and 'cleaner' motoring. **Read more** 

# Palletways expands its Logistics fleet



The firm has purchased ten new trucks and tractor units, bringing its overall fleet size to 27 vehicles and 22 trailers. The expansion will help staff process in excess of 1,150 pallets per day, up from the 1,000 they handled previously.

Dez Shirley, managing director at Palletways 51, said the vehicles have a commercial benefit but will also enhance driver morale too: "We've grown our operations as the demand for freight services in the region has increased. The vehicles, which have been commissioned in time for the autumn peak period and will come into service immediately, will help us to continue to deliver a first class, reliable service for many years to come."

In addition, latest developments to an industry-leading communications platform are set to save tens of thousands of working hours at Palletways 51. <u>Read more</u>



# 400 jobs to be created at Shrewsbury food site



The redevelopment of its site in Harlescott is the company's latest vote of confidence in Shropshire. Last year ABP completed a £30 million overhaul of its site at Hordley near Ellesmere.

ABP is already one of the biggest private sector employers in Shropshire, with 732 staff at the Battlefield Enterprise Park in Shrewsbury and more than 725 at Ellesmere. The new additions would take its total workforce to almost 1,900 in Shropshire.

ABP said there will also be a significant number of construction jobs generated during the project. **<u>Read more</u>** 

#### Fire Protection Operative Program



Skanska have developed a fire protection academy in the West Midlands to train and develop opportunities for sustainable employment within the local community. This is an entry-level opportunity that will allow you to develop specialist skills in a growing industry.

Skanska, a leading construction company and developer, is an inclusive and responsible business that is helping to build a better society. We are creating, upgrading and maintaining some of the country's most prestigious buildings and infrastructure services. Drawing on our Scandinavian heritage, we are green, innovative and progressive. We bring together people and technology, helping to make our industry safer and more collaborative.

You'll have the opportunity to care for people and the environment, to be accountable for future generations and to not only foster an inclusive culture where we are open and fair, showing trust and respect for one another, but also one where everyone can speak their mind. Are you ready to build for a better society?

During the paid training you will receive the following:

- An NVQ qualification in fire protection
- A CSCS card
- A PASMA qualification
- Health & Safety training

Following this you will be eligible to apply for a 12 month fixed term contract on one of our projects.

Opportunities exist in Coventry, Walsall, Derby and Mansfield.

Closing date for applications 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Visit Rightjob to view and apply for this opportunity, Rightjob ID  $\underline{111697}$ 



# 500 new jobs to rejuvenate Thoresby Colliery site



About 500 new jobs could be created on the site of Thoresby Colliery as part of a regeneration project that has now been revealed to the public. They would be part of a 25-acre business park that will replace employment lost when Nottinghamshire's last working mine closed in July 2015. Harworth Estates, which now owns the freehold of the site, also wants to build 800 homes, create a 350-acre country park, 12 acres of sports pitches and a five-acre school as part of the project. <u>Read more</u>

# Derby rail industry hailed by new Transport Secretary Chris Grayling



The new Transport Secretary Chris Grayling has hailed Derby as Britain's "transport engine room". Mr Grayling, who recently took over the post from Patrick McLoughlin following the cabinet shake-up by new Prime Minister Theresa May, made his comments during a visit to the city this afternoon to witness the launch of a strategy aimed at speeding up rail and road schemes in the region. In his first major speech since taking up the post, Mr Grayling spoke of his admiration for the city's rail industry at the launch of the Picking Up the Pace report, compiled by Midlands Connect, which was held at Derby City Council's Council House headquarters, in Corporation Street. <u>Read more</u>

#### 9m investment to fund manufacturer's international growth



Hills Numberplates, the world's third-largest manufacturer of number plates, has secured £9.2m from a range of funders. Finance Birmingham, Birmingham City Council, NatWest Corporate and Commercial Finance and RBS Invoice Finance have collaborated on a package to support the Birmingham group. Hills bought France's largest numberplate manufacturer Faab Fabricauto at the end of 2015, more than doubling the size of the group which now has more than 200 employees and annual sales of around £40m. Richard Taffinder, managing. **Read more** 



# WM Customer care giant Sitel creates 400 jobs with Coventry expansion



Care provider Sitel, currently based in Sherbourne House in the city centre, is expanding with a second operation in the city at Earlsdon Park in nearby Butts Road.

Sitel's expansion comes less than two years after it opened its Coventry operation at Sherbourne House , a move which saw the creation of 350 jobs.

The new site in Earlsdon Park, on which the company is taking a ten-year lease will more than double its headcount in the city.

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#### CITB Military Program – Construction



The Military Programme is especially created for Service leavers who might be interested in finding out what career opportunities are available in construction and the built environment.

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#### Civil Double-Digit revenue rise for Deloitte



Deloitte has announced a 13.6% growth in turnover growth over the last 12 months – the fastest increase for the firm in a decade. The UK Group recorded revenues of £3.04bn for the year ended May 31, 2016; a double-digit increase on last year. This represents the sixth consecutive annual revenue rise for Deloitte, which has seen growth across all five of its business areas. It has also been a strong year for the firm's Midlands practice, which saw year-on-year growth continue for the sixth consecutive year. <u>Read More</u>



# Calling Early Service Leavers



This could be the start of a fantastic career with great promotion prospects. With more than 67.000 employees at 1,000 locations in over 100 countries, the Kuehne + Nagel Group are one of the world's leading logistics companies. Its strong market position lies in the sea freight, airfreight, contract logistics and overland businesses, with a clear focus on providing IT-based supply chain management.

We at Kuehne + Nagel recognise the benefits of employing Early Service Leavers. We understand that some of you may have a limited amount of training and experience. We signed the Corporate Covenant in May 2014, and are committed to supporting our Armed Forces, and Veterans of all ages. We have employed a Military Recruiter who can give CV advice and inform candidates on their suitability for roles and help mentor Forces leavers to ensure a smooth transition to civilian employment. We are avidly looking to recruit Service leavers, at all levels, particularly in Warehousing, Stock Control and Transport.

Visit Rightjob to view and apply for this opportunity, Rightjob ID <u>113625</u>

#### City centre landmark set to be demolished



Wolverhampton city centre enters the latest phase of its multimillion-pound makeover today when demolition work begins on its markets complex. Heantun House and the Market Halls in Market Square are no longer in use following the relocation in April of the indoor market to purpose-built cabins as part of the new-look city centre market.Developer Urban & Civic has been appointed as the preferred developer for the new £55m Westside scheme. <u>Read More</u>

#### Midland housebuilder looks East for expansion after strong 12 months



Housebuilder Morris is continuing to expand its Midlands operations with the creation of a new Morris Eastern division. It has also drafted in an experienced hand to helm the operation. The firm said demand for new homes across its divisions had shown no sign of slowing post the EU referendum and, as the fundamentals of the market remain strong, future expansion looked likely. Already in the pipeline are new developments at Alconbury Weald, Stamford, Rugby and Milton Keynes. <u>Read</u> more



# **Local Job Finding Events**

Job Fairs | Open Days | Transition Fairs | Exhibitions | CTP Events | External Events

Event	Location	Date & Time	<b>Booking Information</b>
RBLI	Birmingham	5 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup>	Email: lifeworks@rbli.co.uk
LifeWorks		September	<b>Tel:</b> 0800 3196844
			Web: www.rbli.co.uk/
A Day with	Shrewsbury	14 <sup>th</sup>	Email:





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#### Questions about RightJob? Contact us: <u>RightJobSupport@ctp.org.uk</u> | 0121 236 0058

Job Title	Location	Salary	Closing Date	RightJob ID
Warehouse Team Leader - Spalding	Spalding, Lincolnshire	Competitive	02/09/2016	<u>118901</u>
Manufacturing Technician	Lincoln	£32,767	09/09/2016	<u>121762</u>
Engineering Team Leader	Melton Mowbray	Competitive + Benefits	09/09/2016	<u>112684</u>
Logistics Operatives, Aged 18-25	Castle Donington, Derby	Work placement leading to Full Time Role	16/09/2016	<u>120161</u>
Lead Systems Engineer	Coventry	£35k - £40k	16/09/2016	<u>112777</u>
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Building Services Engineer (Mechanical Bias)	Derby, East Midlands	£22k - £24k	17/09/2016	<u>118305</u>
Operations Controller - Aviation	Doncaster Sheffield Airport	Competitive	17/09/2016	<u>118320</u>
Building Services Engineer (Mechanical Bias)	Derby, East Midlands	£22k - £24k	17/09/2016	<u>118305</u>
Estates Bursar	DE65, Derbyshire	£50k	18/09/2016	<u>121459</u>
First Line Network Operations Engineer	Solihull, West Midlands	£18k - £22k	24/09/2016	<u>119451</u>
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Powered steering Technician	Albrighton near Wolverhampton	Negotiable	30/09/2016	<u>114588</u>
Contract Recruiter	Stourbridge	£20k - £25k	11/10/2016	<u>121641</u>
Security Operative	West Midlands Casino	£9.25 - £10.00 per hour	16/10/2016	<u>122047</u>
Live in Houseman/ General duties, free accommodation and utility bills	Country House near Solihull	£23k – £24k	20/10/2016	<u>121846</u>



CCTV Operator	Wolverhampton	£8.00 -£10 per hour	16/10/2016	<u>122049</u>
Royal Mail-Various roles UK wide	UK wide	Exceeds minimum wage	01/11/2016	<u>101452</u>
LGV Driver Trainee	UK wide	Exceeds minimum wage	30/11/2016	<u>89083</u>
Electronics Diagnostic/Repair Engineers	Stoke on Trent	£25k - £35k	31/12/2016	<u>121492</u>
Qualified Gas, Electric or Dual Fuel Meter Technicians – Central	East Midlands	£20,265 - £25,545	31/12/2016	<u>111317</u>

# **Have You Recently Found Work?**

Congratulations! Please let us know by contacting <u>ifoundajob@ctp.org.uk</u>

# **Useful Websites**

Jobs Barometer Measures & reports weekly job market fluctuation National Apprenticeship Service Research apprenticeships & current vacancies Career Map Search for apprenticeship vacancies Job Reactor National job search website Universal Job Match National job search website NHS Careers Explore NHS careers and current vacancies Jobtome National job search website Department for Education – Get Into Teaching JobsGoPublic Public Sector vacancies UK Jobs Guide National job search website Graduate Jobs and Work Placements Gumtree National job search website

http://alertresearch.com/the-jobsbarometer

http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/

http://careermap.co.uk/job-search/

http://jobreactor.co.uk/

https://www.gov.uk/jobsearch

https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/

http://uk.jobtome.com/

https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk

www.jobsgopublic.com

www.ukjobsguide.co.uk

www.prospects.ac.uk

www.gumtree.com/jobs/



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Total Jobs National job search website	www.totaljobs.com
Skillnet Apprenticeships and Training website	http://www.skillnet.org.uk/
The Prince's Trust Helping young people into employment and training	https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/
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It is beneficial to set up '**job alerts'** on websites from which you would like to receive notifications of new vacancies.

# **Further Information**

Upcoming CTP Events

CTP RightJob

RFEA – The Forces Employment Charity Lifelong job-finding support for veterans

The Officers' Association Lifelong job-finding support for officers

MOD Welfare Support in Transition

www.ctp.org.uk/events www.ctp.org.uk/job-finding

www.rfea.org.uk

www.officersassociation.org.uk http://www.army.mod.uk/welfaresupport/23590.aspx

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