

Midlands July 2017

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, **RightJob**.

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 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

New electric vehicle battery centre could create 10,000 jobs



Up to 10,000 new jobs could be created in the West Midlands if the goahead is given to create a national centre to develop batteries for the electric vehicles of the future.

The ambitious scheme to create a national centre for battery technology for the next generation of self-driving, connected and electric vehicles forms part of a wider aim to see Coventry become a motor city for the 21st century.

The proposals for the National Battery Prototype Centre, developed by Warwick Manufacturing Group (WMG) and the Coventry and Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership (CWLEP), were outlined at a gathering of industry leaders. **Read more**.

Market Drayton sawmill eyes boost from HS2 and motorways development



Hales Sawmills in Market Drayton moved to a new home in 2015, following a £5.5 million investment in new premises.

Now the company is adding to its scale again by spending £2.5 million on another building, and hopes to use the additional space to capitalise on spending in infrastructure, including the £56 billion construction of the HS2 rail line. **Read more.**

Jobs boost as Kidderminster carpet firm looks to expand its workforce



A Kidderminster carpet firm has announced it is taking on new staff following its takeover of a historic firm earlier this year.

Brockway Carpets and its new sister business The Grosvenor Wilton Company Limited has launched a recruitment drive aimed at expanding its workforce. The news is a welcome boost to the industry in Kidderminster following the news that up to 60 workers could be made redundant in a proposed restructure at Brintons.

Grosvenor Wilton is looking for a host of full-time and part-time staff to support the company's expansion plans at its Hartlebury, Worcestershire factory.

Chairman Charles Annable said: "We're looking to recruit across a wide range of skills and experience from experienced weavers to junior apprentices. **Read more.**



Derby's Bombardier lands South West Trains order worth almost £900 Million



Derby train-maker Bombardier has landed another huge order worth almost £900 million. First Group/MTR, the new franchisee of South West Trains, announced that it had selected the Litchurch Lane firm to supply 750 carriages. The deal, worth £895 million represents the third largest contract the Derby site has won since 2014. It has previously secured deals worth £1 billion to provide trains for the Elizabeth Line (formerly Crossrail) and East Anglia. The train that Bombardier will be supplying will be the Aventra.

Read more.

Derby's Rolls-Royce wins huge £1.2 billion engine order from Ethiopian Airlines



Rolls-Royce has secured a £1.2 billion order for an aero engine which it manufactures in Derby. The firm, which has its civil aerospace division in Sinfin, has received the order from Ethiopian Airlines to supply Trent XWB engines for 10 new Airbus A350-900 aircraft. The deal also includes a TotalCare service support agreement, which will see Rolls-Royce maintain the engines throughout their service life. **Read more.**

Jaguar Land Rover to recruit 5,000 staff after record year of sales



Jaguar Land Rover has unveiled plans to recruit 5,000 new engineers over the next year in a boost for British industry as the Brexit talks begin. The carmaker has just enjoyed a record year of sales bolstered by demand for luxury cars in China and North America, and needs thousands of new recruits, predominantly in the UK, to help develop new models, including electric cars. **Read more.**

Sainsbury's in multi-million pound takeover talks on Lincolnshire based company



A leading supermarket giant is interested in a multimillion pound take over a Lincolnshire based company. Sainsbury's is understood to have entered negotiations with an eye to completing a £130 million buy-out of convenience brand, Nisa whose head office is based in Scunthorpe. The chain which is owned by 1,400 members, currently supply nine stores that are dotted across the county - albeit it does not trade under its name. Read more.



Top flight contract for hydraulic engineering experts Group HES



Group HES is flying high with a new £2m deal with Galliford Try, at the new Airbus testing facility

The Innsworth-based engineering company, Group HES, has landed a record deal with construction company Galliford Try, to supply four large ring mains at the new Airbus Wing Integration Centre (AWIC) in Filton.

The AWIC facility will be a development and testing centre for wing innovation in aircraft, as well for other large structural aircraft parts. Airbus will also open the facility up to other companies and universities, with its innovative, highly flexible and easily adaptable environment. Read more.

Are you a future easyjet pilot?



Do you dream of becoming a Pilot? Join us on Saturday 12th August to find out everything you need to know about starting your career as a Pilot with easyJet featuring special guests from easyJet!

To register for the event please visit <u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/easyjet-information-session-tickets-35264803978</u>.

Birmingham manufacturer acquired in £106m equity deal



One of Birmingham's most high profile manufacturers has been acquired in a new private equity deal worth more than £100m. Liberty Hall Capital Partners, a private equity firm focused exclusively on investments in businesses serving the global aerospace and defence industry, has acquired Dunlop Aircraft Tyres in a deal which values the business at £106m (\$135m). DAT is one of the West Midlands' leading exporters. Read more.

National financial body relocates new office to West Midlands with 300 jobs



A national financial body is to locate one of its offices in Coventry, bringing 300 jobs to the city as it does. The Financial Ombudsman Service is set to take two floors of the new 11-storey One Friargate, now nearing completion near the railway station. The announcement more than offsets the 250 jobs lost to the Friargate project following the decision earlier this year by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors to vacate Coventry in favour of Birmingham. Read more



Balfour Beatty have current vacancies for customer engagement officers on GDSP in your region

Balfour Beatty

We are looking for enthusiastic, customer focused individuals to join our customer team, assisting residents and businesses in local communities affected by our gas works.

Roles will be based in Worsley or Wolverhampton, and we are looking for people to act as key interface between Balfour Beatty and customers working alongside call centre helpline to deliver exceptional standards of customer service. You will work on site to support customer communications & act as the voice of the customer within Balfour Beatty.

You will support the development of a best practice service that drives improvements in customer satisfaction and supports Balfour Beatty achieving agreed SLAs.

We do not expect candidates to have a background in the utilities sector as this can be taught, but we are looking for individuals who are customer focused and able to remain composed in sometimes difficult circumstances. We are looking for passionate people who are able to empathise with customers and are not adverse to having honest and open conversations with both internal and external customers. This vacancy is an ideal opportunity to become involved with Balfour Beatty. There is plenty of opportunity for growth and development within the Gas and Water Services, as well as the wider Balfour Beatty group.

Worsley – click here for more information and to apply

Wolverhampton – click here for more information and to apply

Manufacturer agreed relocation deal after outgrowing existing premises



Swissport is the world's largest provider of ground and cargo handling services in the aviation industry. The company provides services on behalf of some 835 client-companies and handles around 230 million passengers and 3.9 million flights (movements) per year and currently recruiting for opportunities in Airside Baggage Services, Ramp Services and Maintenance Fitters.

To apply for jobs with Swissport, please log on to Right]ob and search for following Job ID's:

155258 - GSE Maintenance Fitter, Birmingham Airport

155260 - Semi Skilled Maintenance Fitter, Birmingham Airport



Supermarket jobs pledge with opening of new store



A new supermarket in Warwickshire is set to create 15 jobs when its opens next month. Aldi UK has confirmed that its new store in Nuneaton will open on July 27. It will generate a mix of full and part-time posts. The new 1,140 sqm store on Weddington Road, which is one of over 60 Aldi is opening nationally this year, will be the second store in the town and will have 100 car parking spaces. The company is currently recruiting for the new positions. Read more.

Jaguar Land Rover invests £19m in Uber rival



Jaguar Land Rover has invested £19m into the US rival of car sharing pioneer Uber as it looks to explore its own mobility options, including autonomous vehicles. The \$25m investment into Lyft has been made through InMotion, JLR's mobility services business. Lyft is said to be the fastest-growing rideshare company in the United States and the investment will support its expansion and technological development. **Read more.**

Steel HSBC offering cash sweeteners to persuade staff to relocate to Birmingham



HSBC is having to offer cash inducements to its London-based employees in an attempt to persuade them to relocate to Birmingham, reports have claimed. Canary Wharf staffs are being offered sweeteners of up to £2,500, according to a report in The Guardian. The newspaper claims the bank has created a special bonus scheme to fill the 1,040 positions it aims to bring to Birmingham when its new UK banking headquarters opens at Arena Central next year. **Read more.**

Construction firm uses latest funding deal to build for growth



A Warwickshire construction firm has invested in new jobs and an expansion of its fleet after winning a new finance deal.

Arden Construction, based on Springfield Business Park, Alcester is a construction, building maintenance and refurbishment business that services clients commercially and operationally in the heritage, healthcare, industrial and education sectors. It is looking to generate an increase in turnover with the support of a £75,000 asset finance facility from Lloyds Bank Commercial Banking. Read more.



100 jobs created to support logistics group's expansion



A Worcestershire food logistics firm is set to create 100 jobs as part of a £1.5m expansion of its operations. Redditch-based Oakland International is creating the roles following the refurbishment of its chilled distribution facility in Corby, Northamptonshire. Corby is currently a 55,000 sq ft (5,200 sqm) site with the ability to expand to 85,000 sq ft (7,900 sqm). Read more.

New HQ to create 20 jobs for Derby manufacturer



Derby-based Pentaxia is set to expand, with more than 20 new jobs in the pipeline, and a move to 70,000 sq ft of new manufacturing and office space later this year.

The family-run, advanced composites manufacturer, which was set up nine years ago, has grown by more than 60 per cent during the past twelve months, following a rapid increase in demand for lightweight, high performance components from its customers in the aerospace, automotive and motorsport industries.

Managing Director Stephen Ollier said: "We've been very happy at Longbridge Lane and it's been an exciting journey. We've built a strong management team who are keen to expand in order to meet growing demand from our customers." **Read more.**

Ground handling business takes off at Birmingham Airport following merger



A new ground handling company has started operations at Birmingham Airport as it looks to capitalise on the increasing passenger volumes at the hub. Azzurra Premiere Handling has been formed by the merger of Premiere Handling of Manchester and Azzurra Handling at London Heathrow. The new business, the second ground handling company to set up at the airport is already providing services such as check-in, boarding, push back, baggage handling and aircraft cleaning to airlines bmi regional and Brussels Airlines. **Read more.**

Metropolitan Police are recruiting IT Analysts



A Midlands Metropolitan police are currently recruiting for the following IT roles:

- SQL Database Analyst (DBA), West Midlands RightJob ID: <u>152178</u>
- IT Service Desk Analyst, West Midlands RightJob ID: <u>140455</u>

To apply today please visit RightJob at www.ctp.org.uk.



Pertemps Driving Division



Pertemps Driving Division is one of UK'S largest driving recruitment specialists. We are interested in recruiting Service leavers, Veterans and Reserves to join our professional driving team. We have employed over 100 Service leavers in the past two years.



Pertemps have been officially recognised for our outstanding commitment to the Armed Forces by achieving Employer Recognition Scheme Gold status from the Ministry of Defence (MOD). We offer permanent, flexible and temporary employment – to best suit you and have hundreds of LGV vacancies throughout the UK.

Pertemps Driving provide FREE Commercial LGV Cat C and C+E Familiarisation Training that gives you civilian driving experience and a guaranteed LGV driving job. For further information or to apply, visit the CTP RightJob website, log in and search for 'Pertemps Driving Division.'

Lifeworks: Supporting Ex-Service people into work

LIFEWORKS

The LifeWorks is RBLI's flagship programme providing support to Veterans looking for work through an intensive 4/5 day course underpinned by 12 months of Reachback support. The course has recently been evaluated by the Learning and Work Institute and has an 83% success rate of getting Veterans into work.

The course is open to all who have served in the UK Armed Forces no matter how old they are or for how long they served. It is free to all delegates and supported by funding from a wide range of military charities and the UK Government.

The course has 4 elements:

- Vocational Assessment
- Coaching 4 Change
- Employment Skills
- Reachback

LifeWorks is delivered around the country. If you are a Veteran that is looking for work, please take a look at our website (www.wearelifeworks.co.uk) and give the LifeWorks team a call on **0800 3193844**, or lifeworks@rbli.co.uk.



Continued UNWIS – Work attachments for Medical Discharge Service leavers (UK)



University in Support of Wounded, Injured and Sick Service Personnel (UNSWIS) was established in 2012, and has grown to a network of 46 Universities across the UK. Providing short unpaid work placements, taster visits, open days and education and training advice for wounded, injured and sick (WIS) personnel, Veterans and their families to assist them in their transition to civilian employment.

Before UNSWIS, there were no formal partnerships with universities designed to support rehabilitation and resettlement of WIS personnel through work experience placements. Universities are a major contributor to the UK economy.

What UNSWIS Do:

UNSWIS arrange:

- Short Unpaid Work Placements
- Taster Visits
- Open Days
- Employment, Education & Training Advice

UNSWIS can offer a number of sectors some of which include:

HR, Finance, Administration, Facilities Services, Health, Safety and Environment, Project Management, Management, Cleaning Security, Teaching, Catering and Hospitality, Sports and Fitness, Laboratory Technicians.

 UNSWIS –Various work attachments within Universities – log into the portal and search opportunity ID WORK03244 for more information and 'apply' to express your interest.

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 CTP
Assist Portal, and use reference WORK03244.



Local Job Finding Events

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

| Event | Location | Date & Time | Booking Information | |
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| Job Fair | Worcester The Guildhall | 14 th July 2017, 10:00-14:00 | Web: www.thejobfairs.co.uk/job- fairs | |
| CTP Enhancement Webinar - CV Development | Online | 14 th July 2017, 18:00-19:30 | Tel: 0203 162 4410 Web: www.ctp.org.uk/events/details /CTP+Enhancement+Webinar +-+CV+Development-487332 | |
| CTP Enhancement Webinar - CV Development | Online | 14 th July 2017, 10:30 - 14:00 | Web: www.ctp.org.uk/events/details /BT+Transition+Force+Career s+Event-486018 | |
| BT Transition Force Careers Event | Midlands Kidderminster | 19 th July 2017, 10:30-14:00 | Web: www.ctp.org.uk/events/details /BT+Transition+Force+Career s+Event-486016 | |
| Travis Perkins Company Open Day | Midlands Northampton | 27 nd July 2017, 09:30-16:15 | Email: DHornsey@ctp.org.uk Tel: 07852 287789 Web: www.ctp.org.uk/events/details /Travis+Perkins+Company+Op en+Day-485019 | |
| Jaguar Land Rover Dealership Online Chat Event | Online | 27 th July 2017, 12:00-13:00 | Email: livechatsupport@ctp.org.uk Web: www.ctp.org.uk/events/details /Jaguar+Land+Rover+Dealers hip+Online+Chat+Event- 487740 | |
| CTP Enhanced Webinar – Social Media | Online | 17 th Aug 2017, 12:00-13:30 | Tel: 0203 162 4410 Web: www.ctp.org.uk/events/details /CTP+Enhancement+Webinar +-+Social+Media-487317 | |





<u>CTP RightJob</u> is our online job finding service, with thousands of vacancies for Service leavers. Here is a snapshot of the latest local job opportunities – login via MyPlan and apply today.

Questions about RightJob? Contact us: RightJobSupport@ctp.org.uk | 0121 236 0058

| Job Title | Location | Salary | Closing Date | RightJob ID |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Community Trust Education Project Workers | Staffordshire | Competitive | 10 July 17 | <u>160573</u> |
| 3.5t Driver | Northampton | Competitive | 15 July 17 | <u>155763</u> |
| Engineering Instructor | Birmingham | Competitive | 22 July 17 | <u>156832</u> |
| Trainee Mechanical Engineer | East Midlands Market Harborough | £32K-£34K | 23 July 17 | 156967 |
| FDM Production Support Analyst (No experience necessary) | East Midlands | £25K-£27K | 25 July 17 | <u>146016</u> |
| Multi Skilled Engineer | Brackley | £41,922- £45,692 | 30 July 17 | <u>157755</u> |
| Implementation Engineer / Technical Manager | Doncaster | £30-£35k | 30 July 17 | <u>155022</u> |
| Smart Meter Installer Gas, Electric and Dual Fuel. MET1 Gas Required. | East Midlands & UK Wide | £24k - £26,950 | 31 July 17 | <u>152137</u> |
| Trainee Assistant Site Manager Programme for the Armed Forces Community | West Midlands & East Midlands | £24K | 31 July 17 | 157582 |
| Trainee Traffic Management Operative | East Midlands Leeds | £100 per day | 31 July 17 | 138297 |
| Land Rover Vehicle Technician | Stafford | Competitive | 3 August 17 | <u>153914</u> |
| 4 x Trainee Cathodic Protection Technicians | East Midlands | Competitive | 5 August 17 | <u>158435</u> |
| General Operator | Leicester | £8.34 per hour | 11 August 17 | <u>152717</u> |
| Hyperbaric Supervisor Registered Manager | Rugby | £30K-£50K | 11 August 17 | <u>159291</u> |
| Youth Residential Care Worker | Shrewsbury | £20,880 | 12 August 17 | <u>159765</u> |



| Smart Meter Installer | West Midlands & East Midlands | £29,603 plus up £6K bonus | 31 Dec 17 | <u>136703</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Royal Mail, various roles UK wide, Postman/Woman, Drivers with Parcelforce, Apprenticeships, Group Technology, Senior Talent Entry Programme | West Midlands & East Midlands | Competitive | 31 August 17 | <u>101452</u> |
| CAT C Driver | Birmingham Airport | £9-£18 per hour | 31 August 17 | <u>154887</u> |
| Trainee Health & Safety inspector | West Midlands & East Midlands | £29,472- £33,936 | 1 October 17 | <u>160645</u> |
| Trainee Bricklayer/Joiner | West Midlands & East Midlands | £8ph | 8 December 17 | <u>150976</u> |
| Hourly Fulfilment Associate Roles with Amazon | West Midlands & East Midlands | £7.35-£8 per hour | 31 December 17 | <u>144463</u> |
| 5 x Apprentice Engineer | Oldbury | £20K-£21K | 6 August 18 | <u>158787</u> |

Have You Recently Found Work?

Congratulations! Please let us know by contacting ifoundajob@ctp.org.uk

Useful Websites

Jobs Barometer

Measures & reports weekly job market http://alertresearch.com/the-jobs-

fluctuation <u>barometer</u>

National Apprenticeship Service

Research apprenticeships & current vacancies http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/

Career Map

Search for apprenticeship vacancies http://careermap.co.uk/job-search/

Job Reactor

National job search website http://jobreactor.co.uk/

Universal Job Match

National job search website https://www.gov.uk/jobsearch

NHS Careers

Explore NHS careers and current vacancies https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/

Jobtome

National job search website http://uk.jobtome.com/

Department for Education –

Get Into Teaching https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk



JobsGoPublic

Public Sector vacancies www.jobsqopublic.com

UK Jobs Guide

National job search website <u>www.ukjobsguide.co.uk</u>

Graduate Jobs and Work Placements www.prospects.ac.uk

Gumtree

National job search website www.gumtree.com/jobs/

One2Find

National job search website www.one2find.co.uk/jobsearchuk/

Total Jobs

National job search website <u>www.totaljobs.com</u>

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/

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 <u>www.ctp.org.uk/events</u>

CTP RightJob www.ctp.org.uk/job-finding

RFEA – The Forces Employment Charity

Lifelong job-finding support for veterans <u>www.rfea.org.uk</u>

The Officers' Association

Lifelong job-finding support for officers www.officersassociation.org.uk

http://www.army.mod.uk/welfare-

MOD Welfare Support in Transition support/23590.aspx

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