



## A smooth transition ... now we're going for growth

Having smoothly ushered in a fresh era at Saltend, the chemical park's new owners are focused on development and growth.

With more than 25 years' experience of operating major industrial assets, px group acquired the chemicals park from BP with the objective of realising the full potential of the site.

The first priority was to ensure a smooth transition at transfer of ownership last March and this was achieved without any issues, says Site Director Jay Brooks.

He said: "Our mantra was 'no change at change in control' and we're pleased this objective was met, to ensure continuous delivery of safe, reliable and efficient operations.

"There were some early organisational and people changes, but the team is fundamentally the same. We've filled all but one technical role that was vacant and we've

expanded the team slightly to meet growing service requirements from site partners. We've got some great new members who have joined an already very strong team.

"The fantastic job the team did in managing the transition so successfully has now enabled us to focus on the optimisation and growth projects we intend to deliver over coming months."

Jay added: "The clear message is that Saltend Chemicals Park is open for business and that's because the px philosophy is very much to buy to grow.

"Growth is coming from two areas – from existing site partners through close engagement at various levels and through an encouraging number of external enquiries to invest on the site."

Jay said the team had been delighted to meet significant requests for additional services, including rental of workshop

facilities to enable site partners to deliver their own investment programmes.

Meanwhile, px is working closely with Government departments, the Humber Local Enterprise Partnership and East Riding of Yorkshire Council to bring new investors to Saltend.

Jay said: "We have the full package here – available land for development, with a full suite of infrastructure, utilities and services, such as reception, security, emergency response, canteen and office facilities. It's all in place."

He paid tribute to the excellent collaboration with site partners.

"A very close and positive working relationship has been developed with all the site partners, at all levels, and across a broad spectrum of activities. That puts us in a great place to move forward together."



Jay Brooks: We're open for business!

## Campaign puts safety first at Saltend

A new drive to promote px group's total commitment to safety has been launched at Saltend Chemicals Park.

Staff across the site are being encouraged to use hazard observation cards, as a simple, direct and effective way to report potential safety issues.

Personnel can submit the cards at any one of four drop off and collection points, confident that all issues will be thoroughly reviewed, investigated and remedied.



Mike Dinning: Putting safety first.

The cards work in tandem with behavioural safety engagement forms, used by px teams as an informal way to start conversations on safety.

Mike Dinning, Saltend Chemicals Park Safety, Health and Environment Advisor, said: "Nothing is more important to px than safety.

"These initiatives are about focusing on process safety, personal safety and the safety of others, to achieve px's objective of zero harm to people, plant, equipment and the environment around us."

## Veolia and FES join the Saltend family

Environmental services provider Veolia UK and hazardous area inspection and installation company FES have become the latest businesses to join Saltend Chemicals Park.

Veolia has taken 2,000 sq ft of office space and a compound area for the storage of vehicles, specialist cleaning apparatus and protective equipment – becoming the first new business to take premises at Saltend since the site was acquired by px group.

Around 30 Veolia staff are now based at Saltend,

building on a long-standing relationship as a service provider at the site.

Simon Elshaw, General Manager, Veolia Industrial Services, said: "This excellent adaptable base, with space to grow, provides a solid platform on which to develop our business."

Veolia has been followed by FES, which has taken an office area at Saltend, as an additional location to the company's base in Grimsby.

Geoff Fulcher, FES Managing Director, said: "Saltend Chemicals Park was our first choice in setting up our new

Hull headquarters to service clients, new and old, utilising our staff of 60 between our Grimsby and Hull offices."

Chemicals Park Services Manager Steve Farniss said: "We have long-standing relationships with both Veolia and FES and we're delighted they now both have operations based on site.

"They are a perfect fit as they reflect our goal to bring businesses to Saltend that benefit the chemicals park as a whole and provide services that our site partners can utilise to their advantage."

## Welcome to Park Xpress

Welcome to the first edition of Park Xpress.

This new, regular newsletter aims to keep you informed and up to date about activities and developments at Saltend Chemicals Park.

We're also keen to hear from site partners, so let us know if you have news to share with the Saltend community.

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# Review raises the bar for emergency response on site

Emergency response arrangements at Saltend are being reshaped to provide an enhanced and more proactive service across the site.

The review is being managed by Lead Tactical Response Officer Darren Kirby, who joined px group at Saltend following a 26-year career as a firefighter, watch manager, emergency response specialist, trainer and advisor in the fire service and petrochemicals industry.

Under the review, staffing is being beefed up, with the appointment of a fifth Emergency Response Officer to match the five Tactical Response Officers responsible for managing emergency situations across the site.

The Emergency Response Team will be fully focused on core responsibilities while also providing extra added value to the site.

This will be in the form of First Aid and Heart Start training, Trauma Care, Working at Height, Confined Spaces and Specialist Technical Rescue services.

Darren said: "These changes reflect Saltend Chemicals Park's forward-thinking approach to emergency response and will bring us in line with national occupational standards.

"The vision is to have a Specialist Emergency Response Team that provides an even safer and higher level of service across the site

"The team will be fully focused, trained and equipped to deliver a modern, efficient emergency response capability, befitting a major industrial site such as this."



Darren Kirby: Enhanced service and added value.

## Lambert House opens its doors to you

Historic Lambert House is now available to all site partners, providing excellent meeting, conference, catering, hospitality and accommodation facilities only five minutes from Saltend.

Previously used exclusively by BP, Lambert House is the chemicals park's own guesthouse, situated in

lovely grounds and within a conservation area in nearby Hedon.

The beautifully-restored 19th century property offers the perfect relaxing backdrop to any event, with 13 bedrooms for use by overnight delegates and visiting executives.

Lambert House is also licensed and offers a range of catering options from the simplest buffets to fine dining.

Saltend Chemicals Park Estates Manager

Jacqui Turley said: "We're delighted to open Lambert House up to all the businesses on site and we're encouraging people to make full use of it.

"It's a great facility for meetings, conferences and events. Being off site it provides space away from the workplace for delegates to focus, while still being close to the chemicals park.

"Facilities and services can be customised to the specific needs of users and rates are competitive."

For more information about Lambert House or to make a reservation, please call 01482 892908 or e-mail SCP.FMHelpdesk@pxlimited.com



Lambert House: Available for hire.

## Asset management standard achieved

Saltend Chemicals Park has gained a key international standard for the first time.

The ISO 55001 accreditation provides third party verification against systems for the management of industrial assets, from procurement to design, maintenance and operation.

The accreditation covers all assets owned or operated by px group at Saltend and was

gained following a rigorous audit process involving almost half of the 50-strong px workforce on site, to ensure systems across the chemicals park are aligned with ISO 55001 requirements.

The project was sponsored by px group Executive Director Trevor High and led by Project Manager Mike McKie.

Jason Couch, Saltend Chemicals Park Engineering

and Maintenance Manager, said: "Applying px's systematic philosophy to asset management has enabled us to take this next step.

"This accreditation demonstrates we are managing the assets at Saltend responsibly and to the appropriate standards, in the interests of the whole site, all of the partner businesses and the local community."

## Meet the team

Here's the Saltend Chemicals Park management team.



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