

## Legrand UK & Ireland announces investment in UK manufacturing with new facility

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**Legrand** UK & Ireland has announced the opening of a new electronics manufacturing hub in Northumberland next year, bringing 200 jobs to the local area and launching the latest electronics manufacturing centre of excellence for the Legrand Group in Europe.

The new site in Cramlington will be home, among other, to Legrand's CP Electronics lighting controls and Legrand Care brands, offering the global specialist of electrical and digital infrastructures a facility in an area close to the clean energy sector and associated skills base.

The purpose-built site is designed to optimize processes, capability, efficiency and sustainability. It will be home to new manufacturing technologies, with increased digitisation of the manufacturing process and will boast a wide range of sustainable features, including solar PV. Planning permission has been granted for the 3,717m<sup>2</sup> facility, which will also feature a 1,580m<sup>2</sup> service yard and 107 car parking spaces on land at Crossland Park, Cramlington. It is expected that the new facility will be completed by April 2025.

Legrand's mission is to improve lives by transforming the spaces where people live, work and meet, with electrical and digital infrastructures and connected solutions that are simple, innovative and sustainable. This new facility will not only help us to better deliver this for our clients, but it will also improve the experience for our people who will work in a safe, diverse and inclusive environment designed to be more comfortable and sustainable.

Pascal Stutz, CEO, Legrand UK & Ireland, said: "The opening of our new Cramlington facility underscores

our confidence in the UK's manufacturing sector and particularly in the skilled workforce in the North East.

"Legrand has been a proud UK manufacturer for more than 40 years. During this time, the company has grown its expertise to become a trusted partner to contractors, specifiers, wholesalers, installers, facilities managers and building occupants, through our extensive catalogue of products, training opportunities and support services. Indeed, we are already proud members of the Made in Britain organisation, demonstrating our commitment to quality and UK manufacturing.

"Our investment in this state-of-the-art facility underscores our ongoing commitment to UK manufacturing."

Tim Witty, Development Director at UK Land Estates, added: "This is an incredibly exciting project, and we are delighted to welcome Legrand to the region.

"We constantly invest in our portfolio, and Legrand's new state of the art base on Nelson Park Industrial Estate delivers the highest possible energy efficiency standards as well as offering space for the global business to grow and flourish here in the North East."

Additionally, Legrand is also looking to further develop its presence in the London area, with plans to also establish a state-of-the-art research and development centre and testing laboratory. This second new facility will also house a Training Academy and the operations support teams. It will be conveniently located to welcome guests and will provide cutting-edge tools and collaborative spaces, fostering innovation and accelerating the creation of advanced solutions.

This strategic investment underscores our commitment to continue driving technological advancements and delivering exceptional value to our customers.