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Help Shape the UK Government Response to US Tariffs



The US has announced that it will impose an additional 10% tariff on top of existing US duties, fees and taxes on imports from the UK. This came into effect on **Saturday 5th April at 00:01am EST.**

These additional tariffs do not apply to US imports of:

- steel and aluminium articles and automobiles/automobile parts, which are subject to separate additional 25% tariffs.
- copper, pharmaceuticals, semiconductors and lumber.
- energy, energy products and other minerals not available in the US.

The UK Government is consulting businesses across sectors on a potential UK response to the above mentioned tariffs, businesses are invited to share their views and concerns directly with the Department for Business and Trade at the link below.

Businesses have until **11:59pm BST on Thursday 1st May** to share your comments with government.

This week the UK government has temporarily suspended the UK Global Tariff on 89 products to make imports cheaper, including certain plastic compounds. More information on the announcement can be found [here](#).

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New Regulations for Trade Waste



As of 31st March 2025 the law in England has changed and businesses with 10 or more full-time equivalent (FTE) employees are required to recycle a core set of recyclable materials.

By law, businesses are required to manage and dispose of their waste in a responsible manner. The benefits of doing this effectively includes helping in the effort to tackle climate change and enhancing your image and customer retention.

What is the new legislation?

The new legislation in England requires waste and recycling to be separated:

- **Food waste** - must be collected separately from other waste.
- **Dry mixed recycling** - includes plastic, metal, glass, paper and cardboard.
- **Black bin waste** - residual waste.

Please speak to your contracted waste collection provider, who will advise you on what collections they are able to provide and answer any questions you may have regarding the new legislation.

If your contracted waste collection provider is Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council, you can contact the Trade Waste team via:

E: tradewaste@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

For more information on the changes and to find a helpful business recycling tool, visit our website below.

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Procurement Opportunity for Provision of Short Breaks



Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council wish to appoint Providers to the Framework for the provision of short breaks for children and young people with disabilities and their families.

Through this framework services are provided under the following Lots:

Lot 1 – Clubs. Redcar and Cleveland commissioned clubs in local accessible venues identified by providers. Clubs may include but are not limited to after school clubs, weekend clubs and holiday clubs.

Lot 2 – Individual Support Services. Individual Support Services that are personalised to meet an individual's needs and are usually provided as a solo service requiring 1:1 support or higher. Care and/or support can be provided in the family home or in the community.

Lot 3 – Overnight Support Away from Home. Overnight support provided outside of the family home in a registered venue/home.

Lot 4 – Services in the Community. Any community or outreach service that isn't covered in Lot 2 or 3 that could provide a specialist short break.

More information is available [here](#).

To express your interest in this opportunity visit the Open portal below. Registration is free and once you have expressed an interest in the opportunity you have immediate access to the documentation.

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Business support opportunities

Made Smarter Adoption North East



Redcar and Cleveland manufacturers looking to become more efficient and implement digital technology into your business are invited to take part in the latest Made Smarter Adoption North East programme which includes the opportunity to apply for up to £23,500 in grant funding to help purchase and implement new software/equipment (up to 50% of the overall cost).

- Get hands on help to develop a digital roadmap for your business – wherever you're at on your digital journey.
- Innovation Vouchers worth up to £500 are available to help you access expert advice from an industrial digital technology specialist.
- Grants of up to £23,500 are available to help you purchase and implement new software and/or equipment (up to 50% of the overall cost).

Find more information on the programme and range of support to make your manufacturing business more efficient and productive below.

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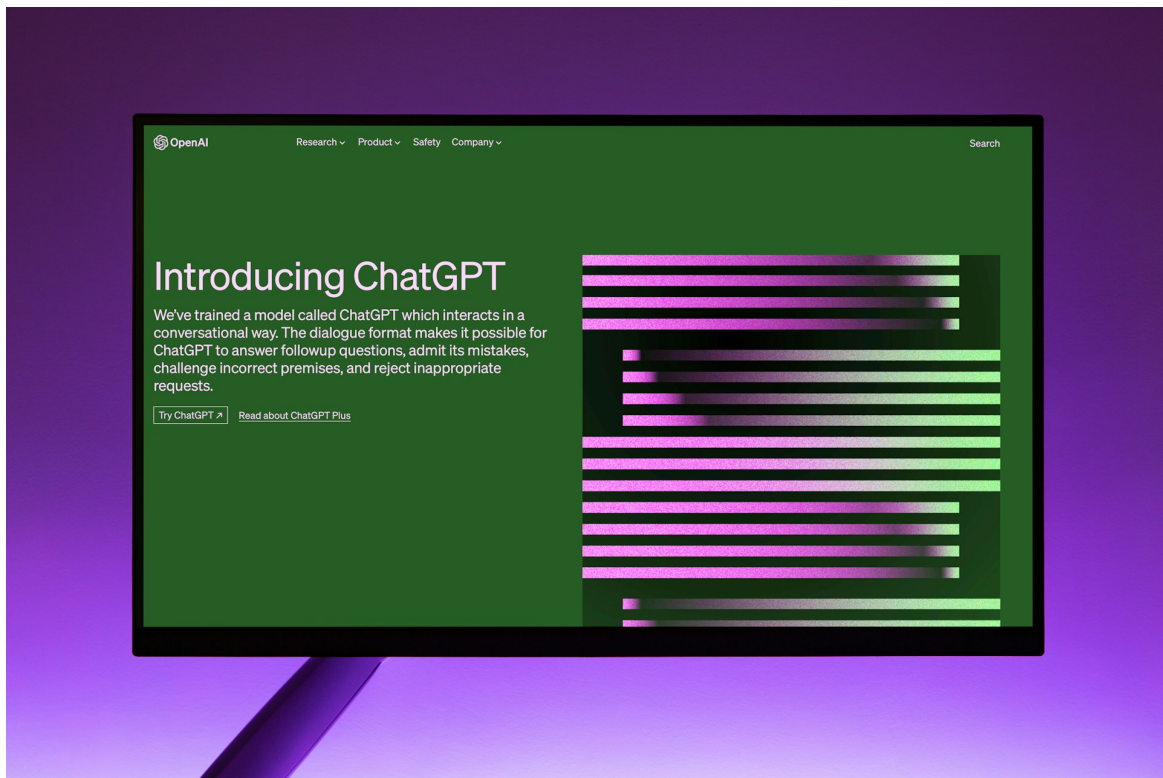
Supply Chain Opportunities



Access new supply chain opportunities for your business through our dedicated webpage below which includes information on the multi-billion pound Net Zero Teesside project.

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Fuel your Business Growth: with ChatGPT and Smart Technology



Date: Thursday 24th April

Time: 10.00am – 11.00am

Venue: Online

Join the Department for Business and Trade (DBT) to discover how ChatGPT and smart technology can drive the growth of your business, through enhancing efficiency, streamlining workflows, and improving customer experience.

In this webinar, businesses will explore the practical applications of AI-powered tools like ChatGPT, alongside customer support automation, project management, and process documentation software, to automate tasks, boost productivity, and support smarter decision-making.

The event will also be providing examples of using specific tools such as ChatGPT, e-Desk, and Asana.

Book your place below.

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Unlocking your Export Potential Drop In Event



Date: Thursday 8th May

Time: between 12.00pm and 4.00pm

Venue: Main Reception (Hub 1), The Innovation Centre, Vienna Court, Redcar, TS10 5SH

Local businesses are invited to book a 1:1 appointment with an International Trade Advisor to help you explore international markets and unlock your export potential.

Learn about how the UK Export Academy can support your business to grow by giving you the confidence and know-how to land your first, or next overseas deal, access the Department for Business and Trade's wide range of expertise and local market intelligence from across the world to help you scope potential markets and possible trade missions.

Secure your 30-minute 1:1 by visiting the link below, please note spaces are limited and businesses are encouraged to book their preferred timeslot as soon as possible.

For more information and to book your place, visit the link below.

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Land development opportunities

Development opportunity in South Bank



Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council have a development site for sale situated between Henry Street and the A66 in South Bank. The area is predominantly residential in use and characterised by terraced housing to the south and west.

To the north of the site the locality is predominantly industrial in use and occupiers include Asda Superstore, Bertschi UK Limited, Cleveland Truck Stop and SK Foods.

The site comprises a 1.73 acre potential development site which provides an area of grass land and small woodland. It's suitable for a variety of development types but lends itself best to a residential development, subject to the necessary consents and planning permission.

Offers are invited by Informal Tender and are to be submitted via email or letter to Thomas Stevenson (admin@thomas-stevenson.co.uk) by **12 noon on 23rd May 2025**.

Bids must be submitted on the attached Bid Pro-Forma provided with the particulars linked below.

Please note that Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council are not bound to accept the highest or any offer for the site.

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Development Opportunity in Kirkleatham



Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council have a development site for sale in Kirkleatham. The area benefits from excellent road communication being located 0.4 miles north of the A174 which provides access to the A19, 9 miles to the east. The town also benefits from two railway stations which provide access to the wider Teesside area and mainline at Darlington railway station.

The property comprises a 1.64 acre potential development site bound to the east by Kirkleatham Lane, which includes various community buildings, parking, woodland to the southern boundary and secure fenced area to the northwest boundary.

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Events

EMN Spring Conference – Maintenance, Repair and Operations



Date: Tuesday 29th April

Time: 8.30am – 2.00pm

Venue: The Work Place, Heighington Lane, Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, DL5 6AH

Join EMN for their Spring Conference event this month bringing together industry leaders in the manufacturing and engineering sectors from across the region.

This event is targeted at Maintenance Engineers and Team Leaders; Maintenance Managers; Operational Engineers and Managers, Directors and Senior Leadership Teams with a limited number of spaces for non engineering & manufacturing businesses. It is designed to provide a comprehensive platform for sharing knowledge, networking, and discovering cutting-edge solutions that drive efficiency, reliability, and sustainability in engineering and manufacturing sectors.

Hear from an exciting lineup of keynote presentations and panel discussions led by experts who are shaping the future of maintenance and asset management. Whether you are looking to enhance your operational strategies, adopt new technologies, or simply connect with like-minded professionals, this event offers invaluable opportunities to gain insights and stay ahead in a rapidly evolving industry.

Book your place below.

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Sleep Out, Wake Up, Change Lives: Join business people from across Teesside at The Riverside on Thursday 1 May



Time: 7.00pm – 6.30am

Venue: Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS

Are you in business in Redcar and Cleveland?

Here's your chance to make a difference locally. Join CEO Sleepout Middlesbrough at the Riverside Stadium on 1st May and help change lives right here in our community.

You don't need to be a CEO - just someone who cares about people. The funds you help raise will support incredible local charities including EVA Women's Aid, Footprints in the Community, and Tees STRIVE, helping women, families, and individuals facing hardship and homelessness across Redcar and Cleveland.

As a bonus, you'll get FREE entry to the North Riding Senior Cup Final, as Boro U21s take on Sunderland Athletic, before sleeping out in the iconic Riverside stands.

Do something amazing: sign up today!

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Contact the Business Redcar | Cleveland Team



If you have a query relating to any of the support highlighted in today's issue and would like to know what support is currently available to your business, the Business Redcar | Cleveland team is happy to assist you.

You can contact the team by completing our enquiry [form](#).



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