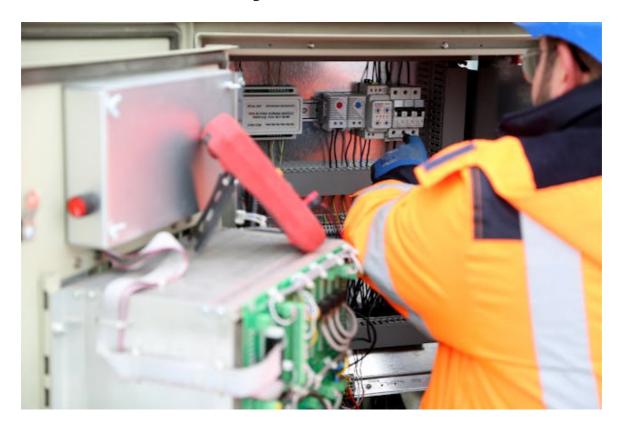


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### **Tees Valley Net Zero Returns**



Delivered by Decerna the fully funded Tees Valley Net Zero programme is back to support your business on its decarbonisation journey.

The programme provides a range of support to help your business fully integrate sustainability into your daily operations and make even greater carbon reduction and cost savings, available to new enquiries and businesses who worked with Decerna on the previous programme.

Support includes:

**Carbon Emissions Tool** – Calculate your baseline carbon footprint and track progress year on year.

**Decarbonisation Plan** – Take meaningful steps to achieve real-world emissions reductions and hit your Net Zero targets.

**Change at Work: Practical Help** – Get hands-on advice to implement change across your team.

**Sustainable Manufacturing** – Expert guidance to help cut waste and improve efficiency.

**Energy Audit** – In-depth analysis to identify energy-saving opportunities with expert support.

**Access to Finance** – Explore funding available to bring your plans to life.

**Build Your Knowledge** – Discover factsheets and videos on a wide range of decarbonisation topics, focused on what you can implement to save energy in your business.

**Sustainable Business Network** – Learn from industry experts, share ideas, develop new contacts, and hear about other businesses' experiences.

Support is fully funded for Redcar and Cleveland businesses by the UK Government via the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and delivered by Decerna on behalf of the Tees Valley Mayor, Business Board and Combined Authority.

Sign up to this year's Tees Valley Net Zero programme below.

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## Al Essentials for Business and Marketing



Are you ready to unlock data-driven decision making and solve complex business challenges?

Do you want to harness the power of AI to revolutionise your marketing strategy?

On **Tuesday 1st July** at **Redcar Civic Centre** we are hosting a fully funded 'AI Essentials for Business and Marketing' one-day training course from **09:00am** to **04.00pm** available to business owners and employees, in partnership with **AM Training** and **ITEC NE**.

The course has been designed in collaboration with industry experts, ensuring you gain invaluable insights into the latest AI tools at your fingertips.

Over the course of this session, the following content will be covered:

- How Artificial Intelligence programmes work.
- How to create effective AI prompts that streamline your marketing strategies, automate tasks and summarise documents.
- The range of AI tools that are available within the business sector and those that can help with your marketing strategies.

Places are limited, so act now to not miss out on this opportunity to use this revolutionary technology to enhance your business.

Eligibility criteria applies for individuals accessing the course, further information on eligibility can be found on our event page below.

Please register your place on the course below, places are limited to two per organisation.

Please note that you will need to bring your own laptop to participate in the course. WiFi access will be provided.

If the course is fully booked due to demand we will look to arrange an additional date for the course, to register your interest in this please contact our team at <a href="mailto:Business@Redcar-Cleveland.gov.uk">Business@Redcar-Cleveland.gov.uk</a>

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# Plans Approved for £62 Million Battery Storage Facility



Plans to build a £62m battery storage facility at Teesworks have been approved, in a move which will create more than 100 jobs. The development, proposed by Energy Optimisation Solutions (EOS), will be built on a three-acre plot at the Long Acres section of the 2,500 acre Teesworks site. It is expected that construction of the battery storage facility will be complete in around 12 months and will support more than 100 jobs in the construction sector.

The scheme will enable up to 100 Megawatts (MW) of additional green energy to be plugged into the grid. Peter Walker, director at EOS, said: "We're really looking forward to coming to Teesworks and are delighted that our plans have been given approval."

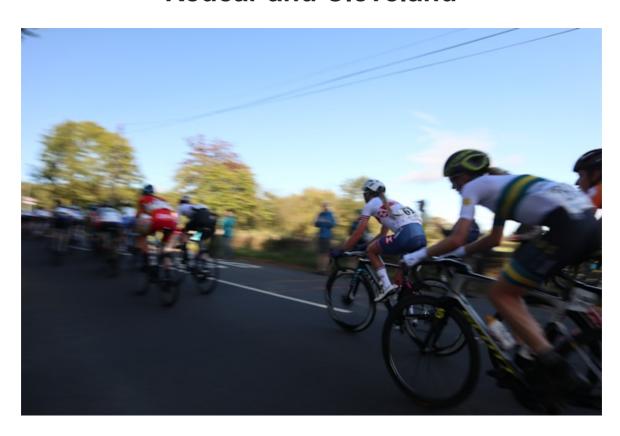
"You can store water in reservoirs and gas in gasometers and in LPG form so you can use those resources when you need them. Battery storage systems mean that you can do the same thing with electricity generated from renewable sources."

Teesworks Limited chairman, Chris Musgrave, added: "Battery energy storage is another key piece in the clean energy mix at Teesworks, helping to ensure that energy needs can be met from renewable sources regardless of weather conditions."

Read the full story by clicking on the link below.

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# 2025 Lloyds Tour of Britain Women returns to Redcar and Cleveland



The 2025 Lloyds Tour of Britain Women sets off from Dalby Forest in the heart of the North York Moors National Park on Thursday 5 June.

For Stage One of the race, riders will be racing from the Forestry England visitor centre at Dalby Forest across the stunning landscape of the North York Moors National Park and into Redcar and Cleveland for a stage finish in Redcar.

Redcar is making its debut in the women's race, nine months on from hosting a memorable stage finish in the Lloyds Tour of Britain Men 2024.

Stage Two of the Lloyds Tour of Britain Women takes place on Friday 6th June, with the race going from Hartlepool to Saltburn-by-the-Sea.

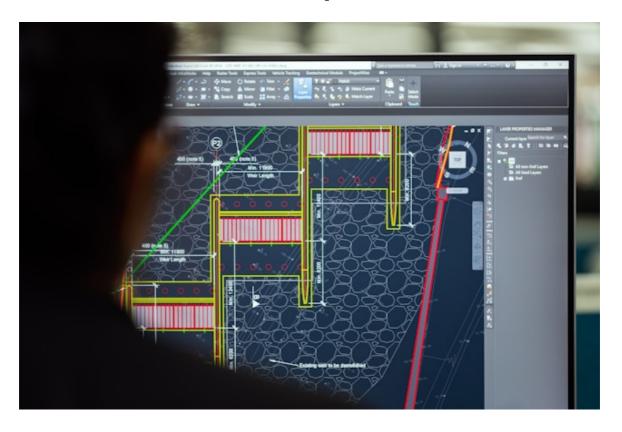
Starting from Hartlepool Marina riders will head through the Tees Valley before tackling the famous hairpins of the 15% coastal climb of Saltburn Bank twice, the second time for the finish of the stage.

For more information on the event, timings and for updates on the rolling road closures in place for the race visit the Visit Tees Valley website below.

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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**

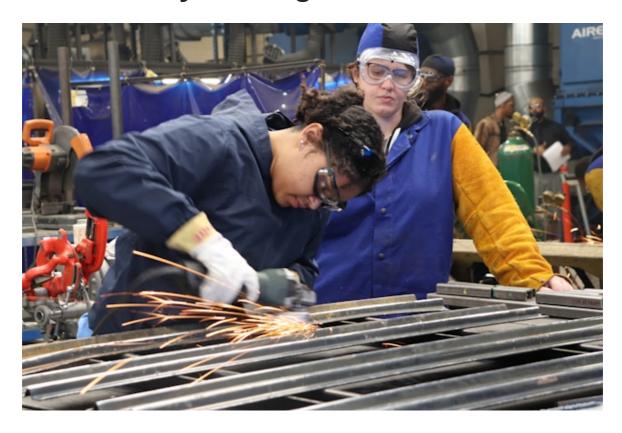


Access new supply chain opportunities for your business through our dedicated webpage below which includes information on the multi-billion pound Net Zero Teesside project.

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## **Events**

### **Tees Valley Training Provider Showcase**



**Date:** Tuesday 3rd June **Time:** 09:30am to 12:30pm

Venue: Inspire 2 Learn, South Bank, Normanby Road, Middlesbrough, TS6 9AE

Local businesses are invited to an upcoming Tees Valley Learning Provider Network event to meet local providers and find out what they can offer your business.

From Apprenticeships and T Levels, to Skills Bootcamps and Higher Technical Qualifications, there is a wide range of provision to explore.

Providers can support your business with:

Post 16 progression

- Careers strategy
- NEET strategy
- Provider access legislation
- Work experience placements
- Cross referrals
- Employer training needs analysis

Booking is not required, businesses can drop in on the day – if you have any questions ahead of the event contact **jo.thompson@tvlpn.co.uk**.

# ETCH Networking at Daisy Mae's Vintage Tearoom



**Date:** Wednesday 4th June **Time:** 10:00am to 11:30am

Venue: Daisy Mae's Vintage Tearoom, 2 Esplanade, Redcar, TS10 3AA

ETCH returns to Redcar this June providing an exciting opportunity for creatives to come along and meet-up, sharing insights and information on funding, workspace, events, advice and support; without any of the usual business jargon.

Book your place at the next ETCH event below.

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# Teesside University Business Breakfast on Net Zero Research & Innovation



**Date:** Thursday 19th June **Time:** 8:30am to 11.00am

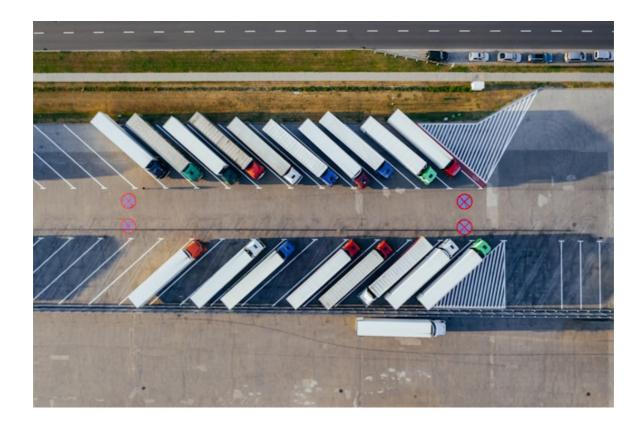
Venue: Teesside University, Middlesbrough, TS1 3BX

Businesses are invited to Teesside University for the latest business breakfast event in June focused on net zero research and innovation, attendees will gain insights into industrial decarbonisation and emerging technologies to help your business on its decarbonisation journey.

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

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**Road Transport Expo 2025** 



Date(s): 24th, 25th and 26th June

**Time(s):** 09:00am to 03:00pm

Venue: NAEC Stoneleigh, Kenilworth CV8 2LZ

Registration is now open for this summer's unmissable Road Transport Expo 2025 (RTX) – the tradeshow with a dedicated 'all about the truck' focus.

Taking place from 24–26 June at NAEC Stoneleigh, this award-winning tradeshow is free to attend and packed with everything you need to stay ahead in the road transport industry.

Here's why RTX 2025 is a must-attend event for anyone managing an HGV fleet:

#### **Discover the Latest Innovations**

Explore over **200 exhibitors**, including all the major truck-makers, showcasing the newest trucks, trailers, safety equipment, tyres, and more.

### **Experience Trucks Firsthand**

Get behind the wheel of the latest HGV models on the scene (or ride as a passenger if you don't hold a relevant licence). **Read more**.

#### **Learn from Industry Experts**

Join engaging sessions at the Knowledge Zone on vital topics like fleet decarbonisation, compliance,

and technology trends. Read more.

#### **Network and Grow Your Business**

Meet industry peers, build connections, and discover new opportunities with professionals from across the sector.

For more information and to register for your free ticket, please click **here**.

## **Tees Valley Business Summit**



**Date:** Thursday 3rd July

Time: 09:30am - 16:00pm

Venue: Teesside University

The largest business showcase and conference event in the Tees Valley returns this July, book your free ticket today or book an exhibition stand which has a cost.

Network with business leaders from across Tees Valley, last year's event welcomed more than 750 attendees and 100 exhibitors.

For more information and to book your place as a delegate or exhibitor, visit the website below.

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