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Enjoy a Taste Of Redcar and Cleveland!



Taste of Redcar and Cleveland is now underway!

The campaign has now started running from **Wednesday 4th March - Sunday 15th March!**

Here are a list of all the businesses taking part, click to view each of their tasty offers for this campaign.

Redcar, Normanby & South Bank

[Mikes Café](#) | [The Beacon Lounge](#) | [Funky Monkey](#) | [The Little Chip](#) | [Platform 5 Tearoom](#) | [Footprints Community Café](#) | [Oliver's Fish & Chip Restaurant](#) | [Tommy Tuckers](#) | [Daisy Mae's Vintage Tea Room](#) | [Tegridy Foods Pizza Bistro](#) | [House of Foliage](#) | [O'Gradys Hotel](#) | [The Coffee Shed](#) | [Nite Light CIC](#) |

Guisborough

[Cloudy Nine Play Café](#) | [Gisborough Hall - De Brus Bar and Grill](#) | [Uppercrust](#) | [Cookfellas Wine Bar & Eatery](#) | [The Twisted Peel](#) | [Sergio's Italian Restaurant](#) |

Marske

[Gilbey's Bistro Ltd](#) | [Base Pizzeria & Bar](#) |

Saltburn & East Cleveland

[Bello Bistro](#) | [Annie's Coffee House](#) | [Scoundrels Coffee Co.](#) | [Jolly Sailors](#) | [Brockley Hall](#) | [The Valley Gardens Tearooms](#) | [Holey Molies](#) | [Jack & Jill Coaching Inn](#) | [The Cozy Kettle Tearoom](#) | [Mad Alice's Micro Bar](#) | [Skelton Mill](#) |

You can view the list of all the businesses that have signed up to the campaign by clicking the link below.

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NetWORKing in Saltburn



We're pleased to share a fantastic event for local businesses taking place at Saltburn's Spa Hotel this March. Building on the success of the 'NetWORKing Redcar' sessions, we're delighted to be bringing Network NOTwork to Saltburn for the first time.

Hear a special panel discussion featuring:

- Lorna Jackson, founder of [Saltburn Food Festival](#) and owner of [Real Meals Delicatessen](#).
- Laura Bowles, founder of [Creation Saltburn](#)
- Danny O'Connor, founder of [Whitby Wellbeing](#)

Date: Tuesday 24th March

Time: 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Venue: The Spa Hotel, Saltburn Bank, Saltburn-by-the-Sea, TS12 1HH

Whether you are growing an established business or just beginning your journey, you will find friendly conversation and encouragement set against the beautiful backdrop of Saltburn.

What to expect:

- A relaxed, inclusive atmosphere
- An informed panel discussion featuring local independent business leaders
- Networking activities
- Opportunities to share your story and learn from others

Operating across the North East, NetWORK NotWORK's networking events provide a no-pressure, community-powered approach to building connections through networking.

To book your place, click the link below.

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Business support opportunities

Tees Valley Business Masterclass Series



Tees Valley Combined Authority has introduced a programme of expert-led masterclasses, workshops, and webinars taking place between January and March 2026.

This fully funded series, designed in collaboration with all five Tees Valley local authorities, is here to help businesses access a range of expertise to grow or start a business, improve efficiencies and seize new market opportunities. New workshops and webinars are announced regularly, these are available to all Tees Valley residents.

Masterclass topics include:

- Start-up essentials
- Finance & funding
- Sales, marketing & social media
- HR, recruitment & leadership
- Cyber security
- AI & ChatGPT

Upcoming workshops and webinars include:

Stress-Proof Your Business: Tools for Resilience and Sustainable Working

Wednesday 11th March

9:30am - 12:30pm

Stockton-on-Tees Employment & Training Hub, Wellington Square, Stockton-on-Tees, TS18 1RG

Strengthening Your Business: Resilience, Risk & Recovery

Wednesday 18th March

9:30am - 12:30pm

Stockton-on-Tees Employment & Training Hub, Wellington Square, Stockton-on-Tees, TS18 1RG

Raising Investment Series (1): Funding Options and Financial Strategy

Wednesday 18th March

10:00am - 12:30pm

ONLINE

Chat GPT for Small Business

Thursday 19th March

10:00am - 12:00pm

ONLINE

Digital Skills for Business Owners: Mastering Canva

Friday 20th March

1:00pm - 4:30pm

ONLINE

Raising Investment Series (2): What Investors Look For

Friday 20th March

10:00am - 1:00pm

ONLINE

The Finance Marketplace: Your Access to Business Funding & Investment

Monday 30th March

1:00pm - 3:30pm

Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS.

Click the link below to view all announced workshops and webinars or to book your place.

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Export funding opportunity

Tees Valley Export Fund

Ready to Take Your Business Global? Access Grant Funding to Kickstart or Grow Your Export Activity.



Are you looking to take your products or services to international markets?

The Tees Valley Export Fund is here to help you do just that, whether you are an SME or a larger business.

This grant programme is funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and delivered in partnership with the Department for Business and Trade (DBT). The programme offers financial support to businesses that are either starting out on their export journey or looking to grow/diversify their current export activities.

This could include help with the costs associated with:

- Market research
- International compliance and certifications
- Translation services
- Export-focused promotional materials
- Attendance at international trade shows

The fund allocation for Tees Valley is £200,000, for business grants between £3,000 and £10,000 for eligible businesses. 25% match funding is a requirement of this programme.

Businesses can apply for project activity which will take place and be completed up to the end of August 2026.

For more information and to apply, click the link below.

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Join the Tees Valley Business Board

Bring your experience
to influence real decisions
across investment,
growth and skills.



Apply Now

Join our
Business
Board.

The Tees Valley Combined Authority are looking for local voices with real influence to join their Business Board to strengthen investment, growth and skills across our region.

They are seeking high-calibre business leaders who can bring insight, experience and integrity to the Business Board's work. They will help TVCA to ensure business growth and that local people can access high-quality jobs so all communities benefit from the region's economic success.

To learn more about the business board and how to apply, click the link below.

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**Help grow Redcar and Cleveland's visitor
economy**



Our Visitor Destination team are inviting businesses in Redcar and Cleveland with designated outdoor parking space to work with them to create new overnight parking spaces for self-contained motorcaravans, which has the potential to create a year-round additional revenue stream for businesses.

They are working alongside [CAMpRA](#) who are a national organisation working with businesses across the UK to offer overnight parking for self-contained motorcaravans.

What exactly is an 'Aire'?

An Aire is a safe parking space for a motorhome/campervan (motorcaravan) where the occupants are able to sleep, relax, prepare and eat food within the confines of the vehicle. No camping is permitted i.e. no tables and chairs placed outside the vehicle and time on site is limited.

Creating a basic Aire involves offering safe overnight parking with no requirement to offer additional services, CAMpRA will support with the process of creating an Aire which best fits each site plan and requirements.

The potential benefits an Aire could bring to a site are wide ranging and include:

- Creating a year-round additional revenue stream
- Bring visitor spend into the local economy
- Attract European motorcaravan tourism
- Minimal investment required
- Reduce carbon emissions

Why create Aires?

With over 400,000 motorcaravan owners in the UK, more than registered caravan owners, there is a growing market for these particular types of sites which cater for a different type of recreational holiday. More importantly this opportunity is a way of generating a year-round additional revenue stream for a business.

Why work with CAMpRA?

Campra are the recognised leading authority on overnight parking for self-contained motorcaravans in the UK. They are not only working with individuals, charity, community groups and small business owners but also with councils, the British Parking Association, industry representatives such as the National Caravan Council, and are stakeholders on the All Party Parliamentary Group on Holiday Parks and Campsites.

If you would be interested in learning more about this opportunity please contact our Visitor Destination team at Enjoy@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk.

For more information on CAMpRA and the process of creating an Aire visit the Business Hub section of their website below.

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News

Woodsmith to benefit from investment agreement with Mitsubishi



The development of the Woodsmith Mine in North Yorkshire has been given a boost following support from a major international investor.

Anglo American has entered into an investment agreement with Mitsubishi Corporation (“Mitsubishi”) to support continued progress of Woodsmith, currently being developed to mine polyhalite, a natural mineral fertiliser.

The Woodsmith Project currently employs more than 1,000 people.

To read the full press release from Anglo American click the link below.

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Wilton Centre welcomes new and retained businesses



Pioneer Group has completed 22,000 sq ft of lettings in the Wilton Centre's technical development area (TDA), a complex of four specialised, industrial buildings that can accommodate chemical pilot plants, development rigs, machine testing and light industrial activity.

DEScycle, a deep tech company building the next generation of metals processing infrastructure has taken 15,000 sq ft on a five-year lease. Precious metal recycling company Mastermelt has renewed its lease on 4,000 sq ft of space. University of Oxford spinout Seloxium, which provides materials for services for the selective recovery of valuable metals from industrial waste to mining, refining and recycling companies has taken a further 2,500 sq ft at the site, as all the businesses continue to grow.

Steve Duffield, site director at the Wilton Centre, said: "Metals recycling is vital to Teesside's economic and environmental transformation, providing cost-effective materials for manufacturers and creating jobs across logistics, processing and advanced manufacturing. Recycling cuts CO2 emissions by up to 58% and significantly reduces energy use, supporting the region's net zero goals."

"As a cornerstone of the region's emerging circular economy, metals can be endlessly recycled without losing quality, keeping valuable materials in circulation and reducing reliance on volatile global core markets. This strengthens resilience for Teesside's growing clean growth industries such as offshore wind, hydrogen, and low carbon manufacturing – all of which benefit from access to lower carbon recycled metals."

"With major industrial regeneration underway, recycled metals also support redevelopment of legacy sites by reducing waste and supplying sustainable materials, making the sector a key driver of Teesside's economic growth, energy transition and long-term industrial competitiveness."

To view the full press release from the Pioneer Group, click the link below.

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Community news and opportunities

Supporting our Armed Forces



Businesses of all sizes across Redcar and Cleveland play a vital role in supporting our Armed Forces community. Whether through flexible recruitment, positive workplace policies, or a stronger understanding of the unique experiences of those who serve or have served, organisations can make a meaningful impact.

The Armed Forces Covenant is a voluntary pledge that recognises and supports members of the Armed Forces community, both past and present.

To learn more about the aims of the pledge, how to sign the Covenant, and the support available for our Armed Forces community, please click the link below.

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Become an Independent Visitor - Be part of Changing Futures

Changing Futures North East are looking for volunteers who can spare a couple of hours a month to spend time with a young person in care.

A chat, a walk, a game, a shared hobby and your time could make a world of difference.

If you're kind, patient, and up for making a real impact, we'd love to hear from you.

Enquire to:
admin@changingfuturesne.co.uk



Changing Futures North East are looking for fun, reliable adults across the Tees Valley area to become volunteer befrienders for children living in care.

Independent Visitors spend time with a child or young person twice a month for a minimum of two years, building a friendship and having fun together.

Independent Visitors can have a huge and lasting impact on young people's lives, providing a consistent and safe friendship for young people who may not have many other positive relationships.

The criteria is:

- Over the age of 21
- Either able to drive with access to a car, or comfortable using public transport
- Living in the Tees Valley area
- Available on weekends and evenings, outside of school & college hours
- Willing to get to know somebody new, and to have fun!

Changing Futures North East provide a DBS check and full training. All activity and mileage expenses are paid for, so all is needed is your time.

If you would like to apply to volunteer, please contact Liv Dunn (IV Service Co-Ordinator)

Email: Liv.Dunn@changingfuturesne.co.uk

Phone: 01429 891444

Visit their website by clicking the link below.

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Events

AI for SME Supply Chains: A Hands On Implementation Workshop



Date: Tuesday 10th March

Time: 9:00am - 12:30pm

Venue: Natural Horizons Centre, 38 John Dixon Lane , Darlington, DL1 1HG.

RTC North are facilitating a practical, hands-on workshop designed specifically for Tees Valley SMEs looking to improve efficiency, strengthen resilience, and unlock value across their supply chains using AI.

Whether you're just starting to explore AI or already thinking about digital transformation, this session cuts through the hype and focuses on practical, business-ready applications.

Click the link below to find out more and book your place.

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The Forge: Tees Valley Labs Demo Day 2026



TEES VALLEY Labs |  Funded by UK Government | **ClimbUK**

Tees Valley Labs 2026
DEMO DAY
THE FORGE

17th March 2026, 09:30am
Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS

Date: Tuesday 17th March

Time: 9:30am to 5:00pm

Venue: Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS.

Meet some of the region's most innovative scaling businesses who have completed The Forge accelerator programme as part of Tees Valley Labs, delivered by Alt Labs and funded through the UK Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

The event will also feature the launch of ClimbUK, the UK's premier festival of business growth and innovation.

Click the link below to find out more and book your place.

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The Stable: Tees Valley Labs Demo Day 2026



Date: Tuesday 24th March

Time: 9:30am - 4:00pm

Venue: Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS.

Join Tees Valley Labs for The Stable cohort's Demo Day 2026, where start-ups will be showcasing their vision, and how they're solving real problems.

Click the link below to find out more and book your place.

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Tees Expo Spring 2026



Date: Thursday 26th March

Time: 10:00am - 3:00pm

Venue: Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS.

Join hundreds of local businesses this spring at the region's leading business showcase event. The Teesside Expo unites businesses, entrepreneurs, and industry professionals for a full day of showcasing innovation, building connections, and unlocking new opportunities.

Click the link below to find out more and book your place.

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