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A Taste of Redcar and Cleveland returns



A TASTE OF REDCAR AND CLEVELAND

4TH NOVEMBER - 15TH NOVEMBER 2026

A Taste of Redcar and Cleveland is back to support
our brilliant hospitality sector.

Open to all dine-in establishments and it's
completely **FREE** to take part!



A Taste of Redcar and Cleveland returns this November, giving hospitality businesses across the borough another opportunity to showcase their offerings and attract new customers.

Taking place from **Wednesday 4th** to **Sunday 15th November 2026** the campaign promotes local food and drink venues by offering free promotion and encouraging more customer visits.

Hospitality businesses in Redcar and Cleveland can take part by offering exclusive deals and attracting new customers during typically quieter trading periods, past campaigns have seen more than 30 local hospitality businesses take part offering a wide range of offers.

Participation is free for all sit-in venues, including bars, cafés, bistros, pubs, restaurants and hotels. Venues serving food, drinks or both are welcome to join by offering at least one exclusive campaign deal at one of the set price points: £5, £10, £15, £20, £25 or £30+

Offers can be shaped around your business, such as:

- A coffee and cake offer for £5, or a three-course set menu for £25 at food venues.
- Two-for-one cocktails or discounted drinks packages at drinks-only venues.

Speaking about the latest 'A Taste of Redcar and Cleveland' campaign, Cabinet Member for Climate and Culture, Cllr Carrie Richardson, said: "This campaign gives business owners a valuable opportunity to showcase their menus and attract new customers, while we highlight the quality and variety of food and drink available locally. I'm looking forward to seeing another successful A Taste of Redcar and Cleveland this November."

For any questions, please email enjoy@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk.

To find out more and register, please visit the link below.

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New waste legislation on the horizon for businesses with fewer than 10 FTE employees





From 31st March 2027 new recycling regulations will require business with less than 10 FTE employees to separate waste into three categories and present each one separately for collection, in line with the arrangements agreed with your waste collection provider:

Food waste – all food waste must be kept separate from other waste streams and collected separately.

Dry mixed recycling – recyclable materials must be separated from general waste. This includes plastics, metals, glass, paper and cardboard.

General (residual) waste – non-recyclable waste that cannot be reused, recycled or composted.

This means businesses can no longer dispose of food waste, recyclable materials and general waste in the same bin; each waste stream must be segregated and collected separately.

If your contracted waste collection provider is Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council, or require a quote for your commercial waste collections, you can contact the Trade Waste team via:

E: tradewaste@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

T: 01642 776910

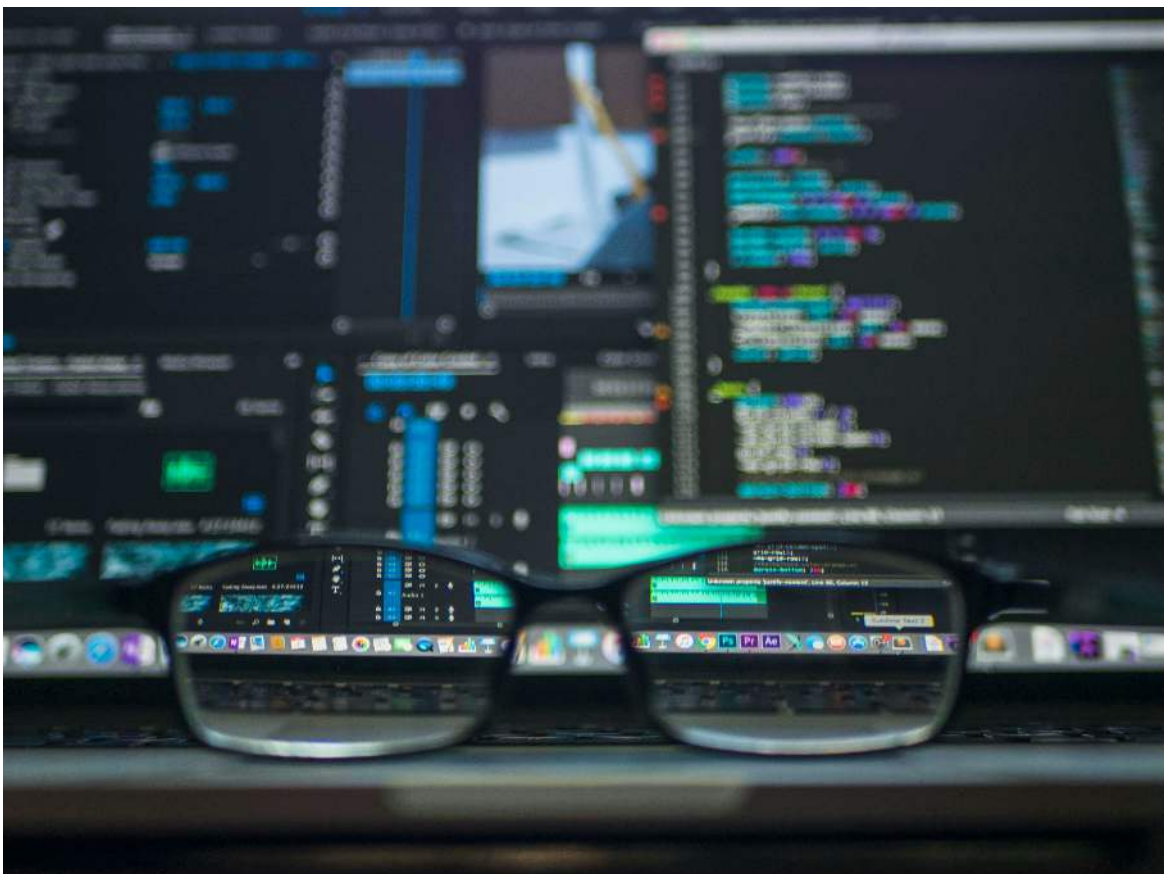
If you already have a waste collection provider, please contact them and they will advise you on what

collections they are able to provide and answer any questions you may have regarding the new legislation.

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Business support opportunities

Machine Learning & Data training



Teesside University are delivering a technical programme designed for anyone looking to build advanced data capability and unlock deeper insight from their data. Focusing on the practical application of data analytics and machine learning, giving you the tools and techniques needed to prepare data, build models and extract meaningful insight, including hands-on learning with tools such as Power BI and Python.

Funding of up to 90% of course costs is available for eligible learners, delivered by Teesside University in partnership with Tees Valley Combined Authority as part of the Adult Skills Fund.

For more information click the link below.

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Funded support to recruit young people





UK Government

YOUTH GUARANTEE

FUNDING OFFER TO EMPLOYERS

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| <p>▶ £1,000
additional payment for hiring apprentices aged 16-18.</p> | <p>NEW
FROM OCTOBER 2026</p> <p>▶ £2,000
for SMEs who hire apprentices aged 16-24.</p> | <p>NEW
FROM JUNE 2026</p> <p>▶ £3,000
for employers who hire 18-24 year olds who have been on Universal Credit for over 6 months.</p> |
| <p>▶ No NICs
for employees under 21, or apprentices under 25.</p> | <p>▶ £2,000
for employers who hire foundation apprentices aged 16-21.</p> | <p>▶ Jobs Guarantee
Fully subsidised work for long-term unemployed 18-24 year olds.</p> |



Apprenticeships



Employers looking to attract new talent and develop future skills can benefit from a range of government-backed programmes through Jobcentre Plus. **The Build Your Future Workforce** initiative is designed to help businesses recruit, train and retain young people aged 16 to 24, while reducing recruitment costs and supporting workforce growth.

- **Work Experience Placements:** Offer young people practical workplace experience for between one and eight weeks, helping them build skills while giving employers access to enthusiastic candidates and fresh perspectives.
- **Work Trials:** Trial potential recruits for up to 30 days without paying wages, as participants continue to receive their benefits. This provides a low-risk way to assess whether a candidate is the right fit before making a permanent offer.
- **Jobs Guarantee:** National rollout is planned for Autumn 2026, the scheme offers eligible 18 to 24-year-olds, who have been on Universal Credit for a minimum of 18 months, a six-month paid job of up to 25 hours a week. Employers providing jobs will be reimbursed 25 hours per week at

the age relevant National Minimum Wage or National Living Wage for 6 months. National Insurance Contributions and minimum automatic enrolment pension contributions, where relevant, will be covered for 6 months.

- **Youth Jobs Grant:** From 30 June 2026, employers can receive £3,000 for each eligible 18 to 24-year-old they hire who has been claiming Universal Credit and seeking work for six months or more. The grant is paid in two instalments and helps reduce employment costs while building a motivated workforce. Eligible roles must be at least 25 hours per week and expected to last four months or more.

Additional £2,000 payment if you are hiring a foundation apprentice aged 16 to 21. Foundation apprenticeships are available in construction, engineering, digital, hospitality, retail, and health and social care.

£1,000 to support a young person aged 16 to 18 (19 to 24 with education, health or care plan or care leavers) when they start their apprenticeship training.

- **Other support:** No employer NIC contributions for employees under 21 years old or for apprentices under 25 years old.

For more information on how to access the funded support mentioned above please visit the Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade website by clicking on the link below.

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Support to start and grow your business in Redcar and Cleveland





Thinking of starting a business?

Join our sessions with Enterprise Lead Ainsley Mullen for practical advice and guidance to help you take the next step with confidence.

Whether you're exploring an idea, developing a plan, or have recently started trading, these sessions cover key topics including:

- Business setup & planning
- Insurance & regulations
- Marketing & sales
- Property & funding options
- Alternative finance and more

Check out upcoming dates, times, and locations below. Additional dates along with useful resources to kickstart your business journey are available on our webpage which you can access by clicking [here](#).

[Tuesday, 6th October, 1pm - 4pm at Redcar Civic Centre](#)

[Tuesday, 20th October, 1pm - 4pm at Redcar Civic Centre](#)

Land and property opportunities

Rental opportunities at the new Eston Precinct



The New Eston Precinct development is due for completion in November 2026, with expressions of interests now open for seven new retail units.

The scheme will feature 14,650 sq ft of accommodation arranged in an L-shaped parade with prominent frontage to the High Street and a new landscaped public space, with dedicated parking off Lodge Road.

Units will be delivered in shell condition with glazed shopfronts and roller shutters, supported by secure rear servicing, a shared service yard, and delivery facilities including a loading dock.

The precinct is intended to host regular events and revive an outdoor market, creating a vibrant destination for retailers and the local community.

Click the link below to view the brochure for information on the site.

You can register an interest by contacting Portland Dodds Brown via the following contact details.

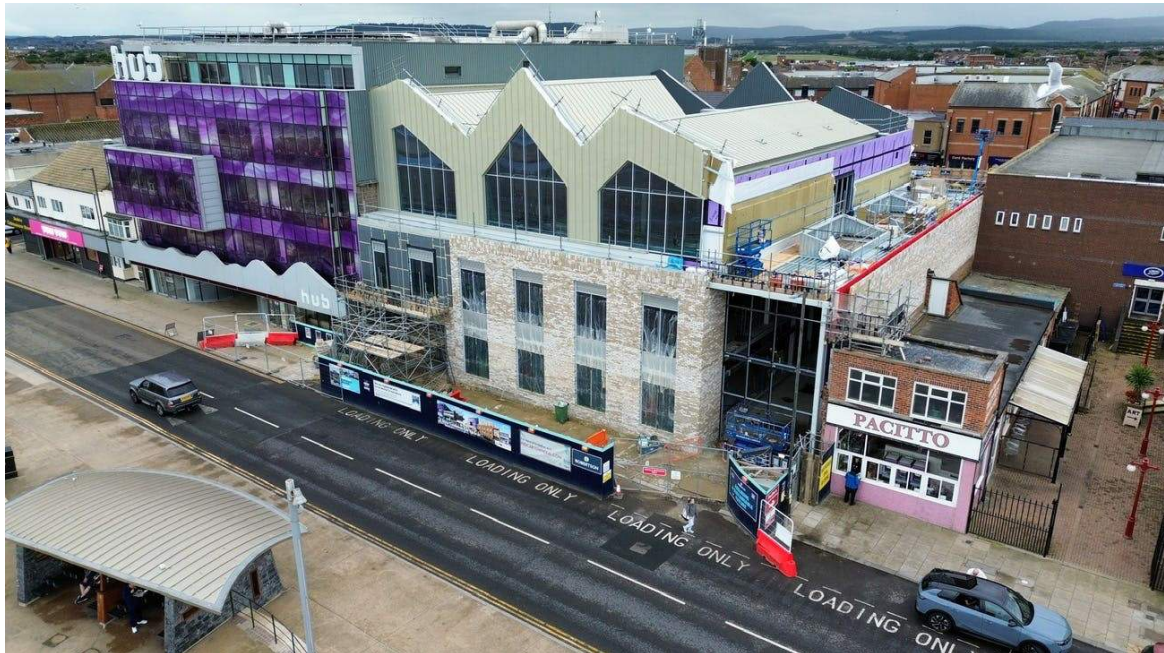
Richard Wilson

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The Lookout takes shape as commercial units hit the market



The commercial units within The Lookout, Redcar are now available and being marketed to potential operators. This marks a significant milestone in the development and an important step towards bringing The Lookout to life.

For further information, please contact Josh Howe at Savills on JHowe@savills.com.

Funded through the Redcar Town Deal, The Lookout is being developed on the former Marks & Spencer and Yorkshire Trading sites. The building will include a modern library and is proposed to also feature a flexible family entertainment zone alongside food and drink offers.

We're also keen to remind residents that businesses on the Esplanade remain open as usual during the works, and we encourage everyone to continue supporting local shops, cafés and businesses.

Councillor Lynn Pallister MBE, Cabinet Member for Growth and Enterprise, said: *"It's an exciting time to be inviting interest from potential operators as we take another step forward with The Lookout. We'd like to thank residents and businesses for their patience while work continues. The Esplanade remains open for business, and we would encourage people to continue supporting local traders. Once complete, The Lookout will be a fantastic asset for Redcar, creating a destination for residents and visitors to enjoy for years to come."*

For more information including particulars and a brochure, click the link below.

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Harcourt Road allotment site - commercial development opportunity



We are pleased to share with you an opportunity to purchase a c.4 acre parcel of land on Skippers Lane Industrial Estate. The land is now open to offers by way of informal tenders, located at the intersection of Sotheby Road parallel to Harcourt Road the site is available for interest from either build to let developers and owner occupiers with a target of c.30% coverage for light industrial space.

The site comprises former Harcourt Road allotments, is currently undergoing works to include remediation of the site and construction of a spine road from Skippers Lane and the realignment of the existing roads to facilitate access. The spine road has been constructed with ducts running underneath to allow for the installation of electrical cable by a prospective purchaser without the need to dig the road up again. A prospective purchaser will need to bring their own utilities onto site and will need to undertake their own investigations.

Bid deadline: 12 noon on 30 October 2026

Click the link below to view the brochure for information on the site.

You can register an interest by contacting Connect Property North East on any of the following contact details.

Andrew Wilkinson

M: 07904 622277

E: andrew@cpne.co.uk

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Community news and opportunities

The TS6 Community Pledge



The TS6 Community Pledge is an opportunity for everyone who lives, works, volunteers, learns or invests in TS6 to play their part in supporting our communities. By signing up, individuals, organisations and businesses commit to a shared set of actions that help promote pride, build stronger connections and create positive opportunities for local people.

Working together, we can foster greater collaboration, encourage collective action and demonstrate the strengths that exist across TS6 every day. No matter how big or small your contribution, every action helps to create a safer, stronger and more positive future for our community.

"We PROMOTE, RESPOND, INFORM, DEFEND and EMPOWER."

We pledge to:

1. Promote

Champion the positive stories, successes and achievements happening across our communities, helping to showcase the very best of TS6.

2. Respond

Take time to listen to residents, understand their concerns and help connect them with the right support when needed.

3. Inform

Encourage connections. Help residents access advice, guidance and support services, while building our own knowledge of the help available across TS6.

4. Defend

Be a positive ambassador. Challenge negative perceptions of TS6 and celebrate the community spirit, resilience and opportunities that make our area special.

5. Empower

Invest in local people. Create and promote opportunities for education, training, apprenticeships, volunteering, and employment, helping more TS6 residents build brighter futures.

Together, we can help create a stronger, safer and more positive future for TS6.

For further details or to pledge your support please email:

EstonTownDeal@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

An Introduction to Modern Slavery and Exploitation





The Children's Society, with support from Crimestoppers, is offering an informative workshop for businesses and professionals across the region: 'An Introduction to Modern Slavery and Exploitation'.

Modern slavery is a serious and often hidden crime encompassing slavery, servitude, forced or compulsory labour, and human trafficking. Its impact on victims can be devastating.

This workshop, along with others like it, aims to raise awareness by introducing the signs of modern slavery and explaining how to report concerns. Greater awareness can help law enforcement tackle perpetrators while strengthening protection for victims.

The North's session will take place on Microsoft Teams and cover a range of important topics, including an introduction to:

- What is modern slavery?
- The signs of exploitation, including sexual, criminal and financial exploitation.
- How to report exploitation concerns.
- What language should you be using?

North date and times

Date: Wednesday 14th October

Time: 2-4pm

Location: Microsoft Teams

To register click the link below or for more information, please email:

prevention@childrenssociety.org.uk

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Mayor's Charity Race Night



The Redcar and Cleveland Mayor, Cllr Ceri Cawley, is organising a race night in aid of her chosen, local charities the [Chris Cave Foundation](#) and [Healthier Heroes CIC](#).

It is taking place on Thursday, 29 October from 7pm at Cleveland Golf Club, Majuba Road, Redcar. Tickets cost £15 (which includes pie & peas).

The Mayor is looking for sponsorship. It's £5 to sponsor a horse (winning horse receives a prize) – you can sponsor as many horses as you want and name the horse yourself. It's £25 to sponsor a race. If you would like tickets or to get involved through sponsorships, please contact: jane.holmes@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk

Events

Skills for People





Date: Friday 2 October 2026

Time: 1.00pm–3.00pm

Venue: Redcar Civic Centre, TS10 1TD

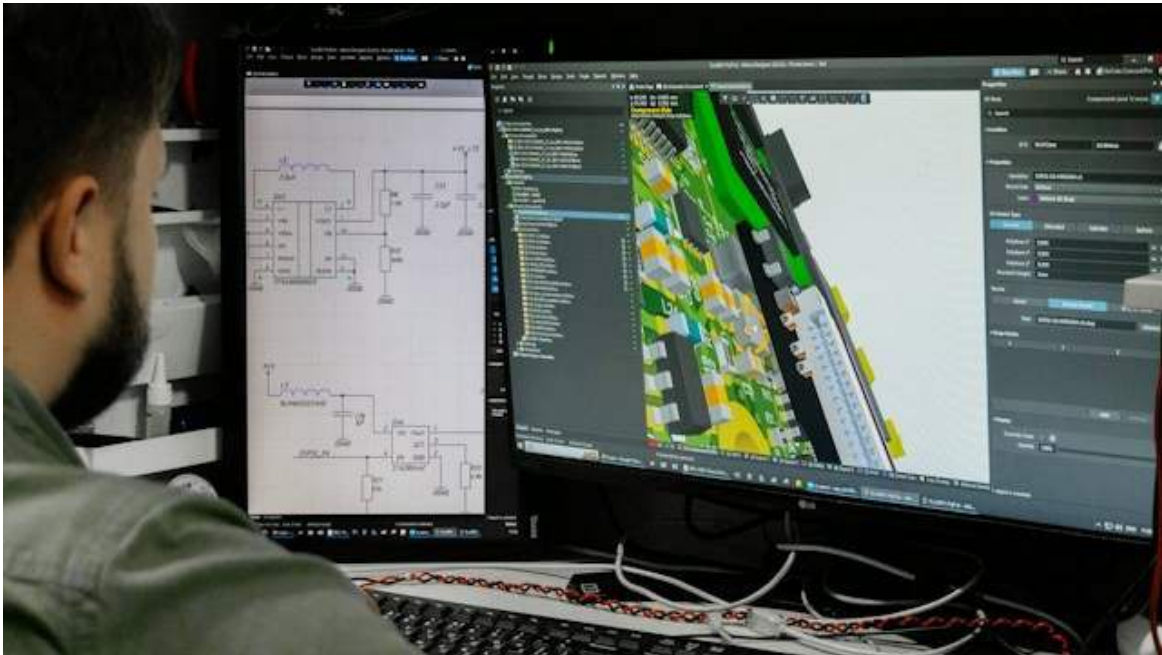
Local employers across Redcar and Cleveland are invited to take part in an interactive learning event, which will explore how businesses can create more employment opportunities for people with learning disabilities.

The session will take place during **National Inclusion Week** and will give business owners and employers practical insight into how they can make their recruitment more inclusive. It will also explore the barriers people with learning disabilities can face when looking for work and highlight the realistic changes organisations can make to improve access to employment for everyone.

Attendees will get to hear directly from people with real-life experience, learn about the SFP team's findings from the project, and join in a practical discussion about building a more inclusive local workforce. The event will offer useful ideas that can be put into practice straight away, allowing those who are looking to review their recruitment process or begin a journey towards inclusion in the workplace, a great place to start.

To reserve your place and to be updated on future events contact Richard Wheeler directly at: richard.wheeler@SkillsForPeople.org.uk

Digital Trade Testbed Interactive Demo Day



Date: Wednesday 21 October

Time: 9.30am - 11.30am

Venue: Teesside International Airport, Darlington, DL2 1LU

Teesside University is hosting a free demonstration event, in partnership with Tees Valley Combined Authority and Teesside Freeport, to show SMEs how the Digital Trade Testbed can cut paperwork, reduce errors, strengthen security and improve how import and export systems connect.

Attendees will be able to meet experts and partners from trade, logistics, finance and government, watch practical demonstrations, identify common challenges and explore first steps to make importing and exporting smoother without a major transformation project.

The event is ideal for SMEs that already export or are considering exporting, offering practical guidance to make international trade processes smoother, lower risk and less admin heavy.

The event is open to the public and no booking is required. For more information, visit the link below.

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