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Foreword

East Yorkshire's businesses have spent this year building - not just weathering.

The county's Top 100 privately owned businesses reported combined turnover of £11 billion, with employment reaching over 43,000 people across the region. Real estate and construction led the way, with turnover up 12.9% and profitability climbing even faster - a clear sign that the pipeline of regeneration and development work across the county is translating into real returns. Manufacturing and industrial businesses employed over 22,000 people, and consumer-facing businesses employed 8,950, both continuing to invest in people and operations even as they managed a more demanding cost environment.

That momentum in real estate and construction is no accident. In May, Humber Freeport launched a £3 billion Investment Prospectus at UKREiiF, setting out development-ready sites across Hull, Goole and Immingham with the potential to create 5,000 jobs over the next decade - building on £2 billion already committed since the freeport went live in 2023. Projects like LanzaTech's sustainable aviation fuel plant at Saltend Chemicals Park and Metsä Tissue's new paper mill in Goole, set to be the largest of its kind in the UK, show manufacturers and developers alike are backing the region for the long term. With Hull and East Yorkshire's combined authority now up and running under Mayor Luke Campbell, the conditions are in place for that momentum to keep building.

Against that backdrop, this year's businesses have done exactly what strong businesses do: kept growing, kept investing, and kept backing their people, whether that's a housebuilder responding to demand, a manufacturer holding its ground through a tougher cost cycle, or a consumer business finding new customers. That's a story of resilience as much as ambition, and one that bodes well for the region's next chapter.

Congratulations to everyone featured in this year's East Yorkshire LTD. Your continued investment and growth are helping shape a region with real momentum behind it.



Dan Rosinke
Partner

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About

We are excited to launch the first edition of East Yorkshire LTD, as part of an annual series of business analysis by UK county which seeks to highlight and celebrate some of the county's most successful, privately owned businesses, and provide them with the recognition they deserve for their contribution to the region and wider UK economy.

We begin this report by reviewing the county's 100 largest privately owned companies, based upon turnover, providing an insight into the scale of East Yorkshire's privately owned and PE backed business community. The report also showcases the 25 fastest-growing companies in the county with the highest EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation) CAGR (compound annual growth rate) percentage growth (over a 3-year period).

Our methodology explained

East Yorkshire LTD 2026 is compiled using the most recent publicly available accounts (as of 1st May 2026) of East Yorkshire's private businesses.

The report excludes companies that are listed, owned by listed businesses, schools, trusts, charities, and businesses that are subsidiaries of overseas companies. We have also compared our data with prior year results to provide an insight into economic trends across sectors.

Inevitably, there is an unavoidable time delay between the availability of data utilised and the ultimate presentation of this report, alongside differing year-ends to consider.

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At a glance

Turnover range
£21.1m - £1.7bn

Turnover
£11bn

EBITDA
£446m

Fixed assets
£2.4bn

Long-term debt
£1.1bn

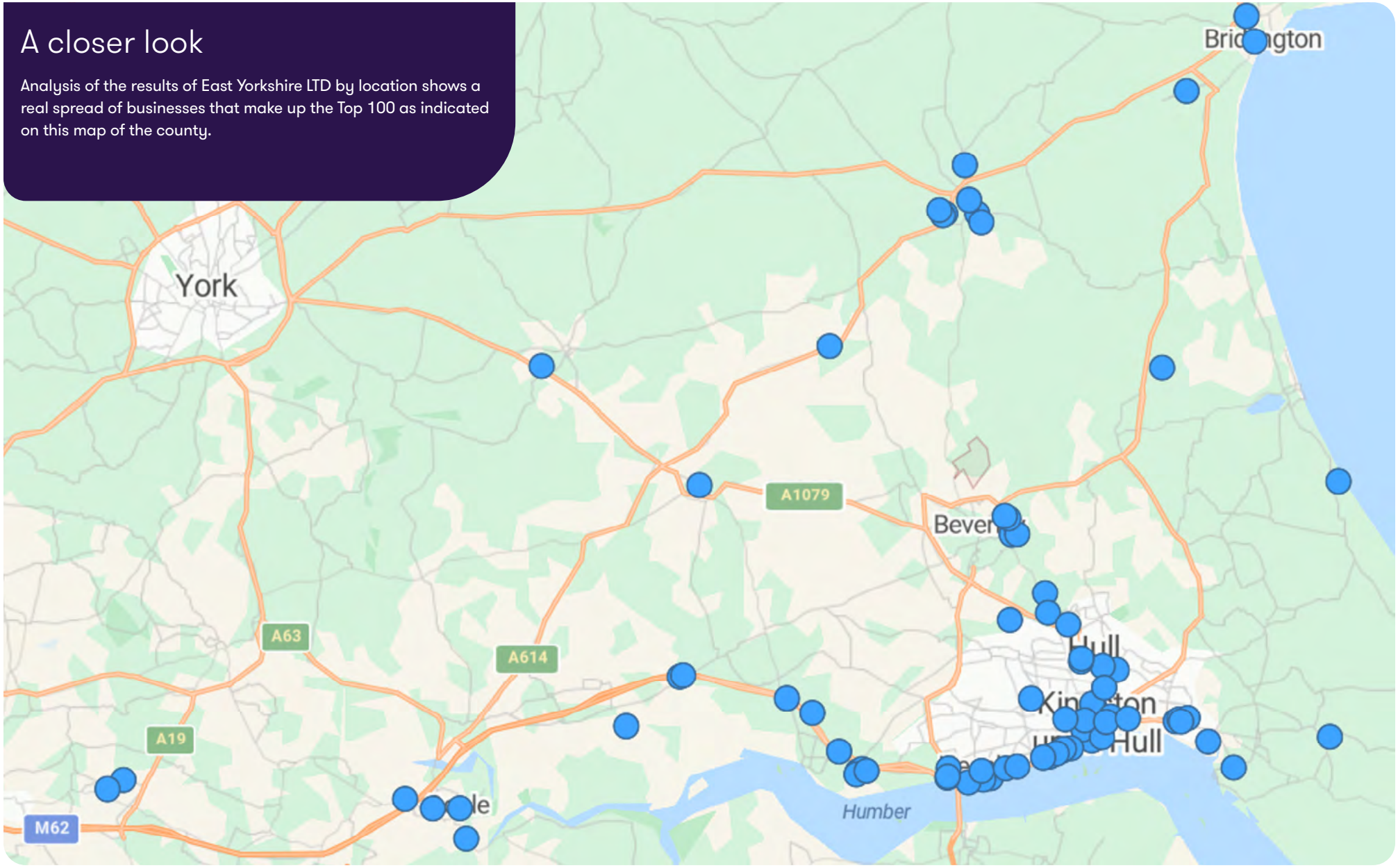
Shareholder funds
£2.3bn

Employees
43,458

Average wages
£24k

A closer look

Analysis of the results of East Yorkshire LTD by location shows a real spread of businesses that make up the Top 100 as indicated on this map of the county.



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Case study

Through nearly two centuries, the thing that has remained a constant has been a willingness to diversify and that's what has carried the business through every storm, figuratively and literally.

Founded in 1833, we're a 193-year-old, sixth-generation family business that began in shipping before diversifying into travel and logistics. Our roots lie in shipping, including acting as agents for vessels between Hull and Finland in the 1800s, a connection that ran deep enough that the family held the position of Finnish consul. That relationship shaped the business for decades: the same ships used for trade were later used to carry Finnish migrants to the UK as part of their onward journey to America, and eventually to support early holiday travel to Finland.

That willingness to adapt has carried us through multiple global crises, and I'm pleased that we now feature in both the Top 100 and fastest growing league tables for the region.

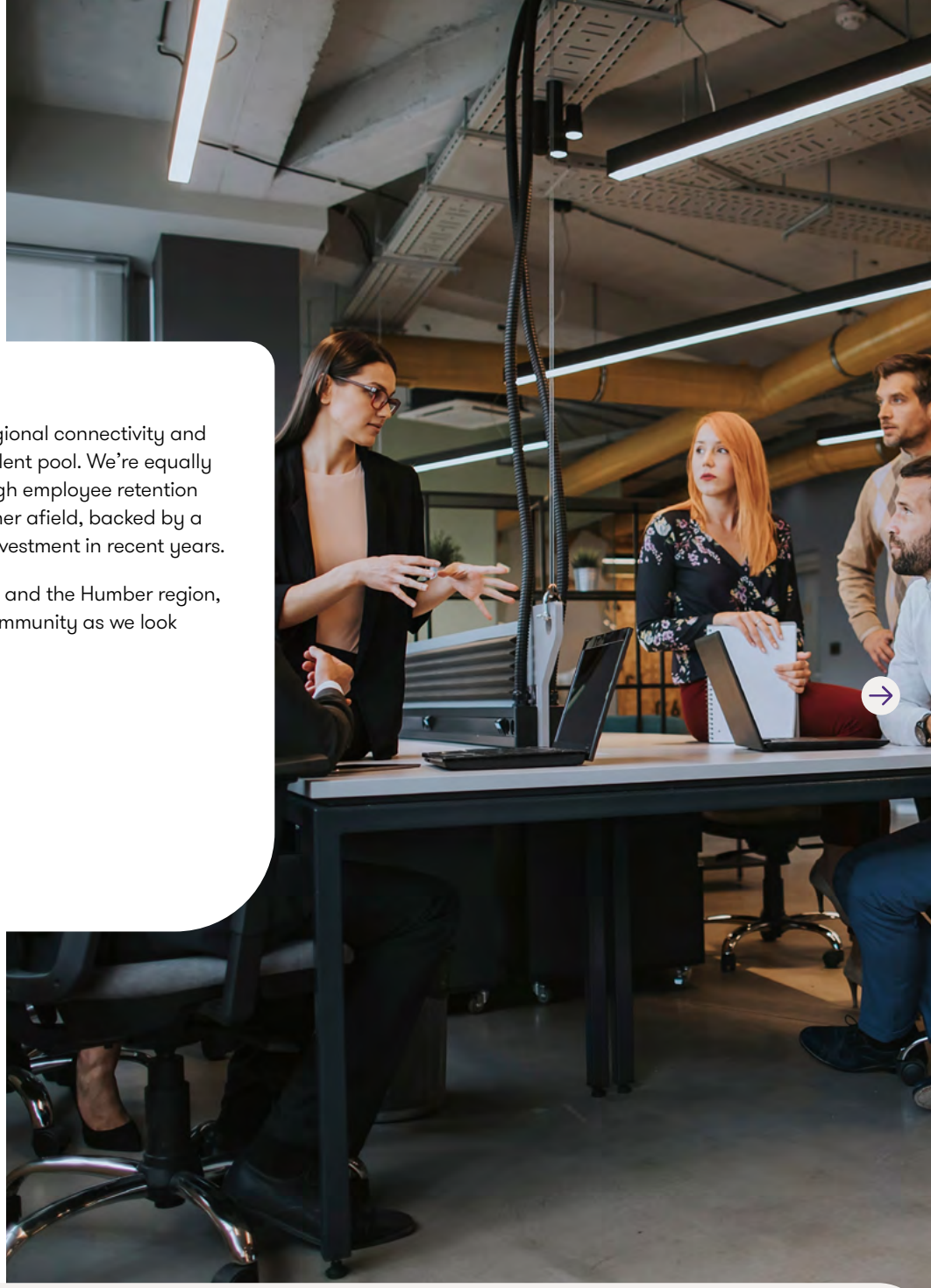
The 2021 sale of Good Logistics marked a turning point for us, bringing in a new leadership team under CEO Adam Walsh and majority shareholder Tim Good, and setting a new strategic direction. Revenue has grown both organically and through acquisition from £25 million in 2022 to £93 million last year, with headcount more than doubling to 220, growth I put down to sharper focus across the business and the long-term thinking that family ownership allows.

We're headquartered in Hessle, and we draw on a tight-knit local business community, strong regional connectivity and access to a genuinely skilled local talent pool. We're equally focused on our people, balancing high employee retention with bringing in new talent from further afield, backed by a significant increase in our training investment in recent years.

We're proud of our deep roots in Hull and the Humber region, and we'll continue to invest in this community as we look ahead to our next chapter.

Ben Norman

CFO, John Good Group



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Top 100 companies

Our Top 100 list is compiled using turnover from the most recent publicly available accounts as of 1st May 2026 and is based on those businesses which are both owned and managed within the county.

01 - 21

01 HUDSON CONTRACT
02 J. MARR GROUP
03 MKM BUILDING SUPPLIES
04 THE RIX GROUP
05 VIZION
06 BOND INTERNATIONAL
07 SALTEND COGENERATION (TRITON POWER GROUP)
08 WILLIAM JACKSON FOOD GROUP
09 SWIFT GROUP
10 ARCO
11 DEWHIRST GROUP
12 ASHCOURT GROUP
13 PROPELLER FUELS
14 THOMAS MAWER
15 H. WALTONS
16 HGATE HOLDINGS
17 RAY CHAPMAN MOTORS
18 WILLERBY
19 NEWBEGIN CORPORATION
20 SEAGOLD
21 SEWELL GROUP

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22 PREMIER MODULAR GROUP
23 SMALES & SON
24 RIGHT CAR
25 SPENCER RAIL ENGINEERING
26 BRADSHAWS
27 WALKER MODULAR
28 JOHN ROE GROUP
29 NORTH BAY GROUP
30 CTS SHOPFITTING
31 BEAL GROUP
32 ADAMS AND GREEN
33 JOHN GOOD & SONS
34 RES-Q
35 HOBSON & PORTER
36 YORKSHIRE TRADING COMPANY
37 MCDONALD'S FRANCHISE
38 MCDONALD'S FRANCHISE
39 YORKARE HOMES
40 NORCON CONSTRUCTION
41 BOSTON ENERGY
42 ALLAMHOUSE
43 JMD GROUP

44 - 65

44 ADVANCED ALLOYS GROUP
45 MANOR FARM FEEDS
46 SOANES POULTRY
47 LABELWORX
48 REYNOLDS 2000
49 WINDSOR ENGINEERING
50 SUMMIT TIMBER GROUP
51 TRANSWASTE
52 C.K. FOODS
53 ADVANCED PLASTICS GROUP
54 MARTIN WILLIAMS
55 NEILL & BROWN GLOBAL LOGISTICS
56 PRESTIGE RECRUITMENT
57 INTEGRA BUILDINGS
58 MARK H POSKITT
59 HDM WORLDWIDE
60 BOARCROSS
61 YORKWOLD PIGPRO
62 XPRESSFISH
63 WANDAHOME
64 KITCHEN CIVILS
65 BW INDUSTRIES

Top 100 companies

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66 VUBA SURFACES
67 HODGSON SEALANTS
68 GF SMITH
69 BROWNS BOOKS
70 RMS PORTS
71 HINDMARSH FUNERALS
72 JAMES MORTIMER
73 VYTA HEALTH
74 ELTHERINGTON
75 PETER WARD HOMES
76 YORKSHIRE PLYWOOD
77 RSV GROUP
78 EVERARD UK
79 FARMHOUSE POTATO BAKERS
80 PBS CONSTRUCTION (NORTH EAST)
81 HOULTON
82 HALLMARK DOORS
83 COLETTA & TYSON
84 WHITAKER TANKERS
85 CATHEDRAL RESTAURANTS
86 IDEAL BUILDING SYSTEMS

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87 NEVILLE TUCKER SERVICES
88 AIRCO
89 RRADAR
90 ZDG HOLDINGS
91 COWDEN HOLIDAY PARK
92 BONUS ELECTRICAL GROUP
93 HULL CARTRIDGE
94 SANGWIN GROUP
95 ICS CLEANING
96 JOHNSTON AND JEFF
97 ORIGIN PHARMA PACKAGING
98 H&P FREIGHTWAYS
99 ELITE OFFICE FURNITURE
100 HUDGELL SOLICITORS

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Case study

Our story has never been about standing still. Across 175 years, the constant has been a willingness to adapt, and that's what has carried the business through every change the market has thrown at us.

Founded in Hull in 1851, we're a sixth-generation family business rooted in East Yorkshire, where our bakery site has been operational since 1907. That Yorkshire heritage is the cornerstone of everything we do, and this autumn, as we mark 175 years, it feels like the right moment to reflect on what has made us who we are.

Today, William Jackson Food Group extends far beyond our Yorkshire roots. Alongside Jacksons Bakery, our family of food businesses includes Abel & Cole, Belazu, Wellocks, Miso Tasty and Lottie Shaw's, employing around 2,000 people. They are very different businesses, serving different customers and markets, but what connects them is a shared focus on meeting customers' needs through quality, service and innovation, underpinned by family values that have developed over generations.

Innovation is also what carries our heritage forward. At Jacksons, we're proud to be behind products like the cocoa-infused bread created for M&S's chocolate, strawberry and pistachio crème sandwich, and this autumn we're entering the sourdough market in response to changing consumer tastes and trends. Across the wider Group, that same spirit can be seen in Abel & Cole challenging consumers to 'Unprocess Your Food', and Belazu building on its chef and restaurant heritage to grow in UK retail and international markets.

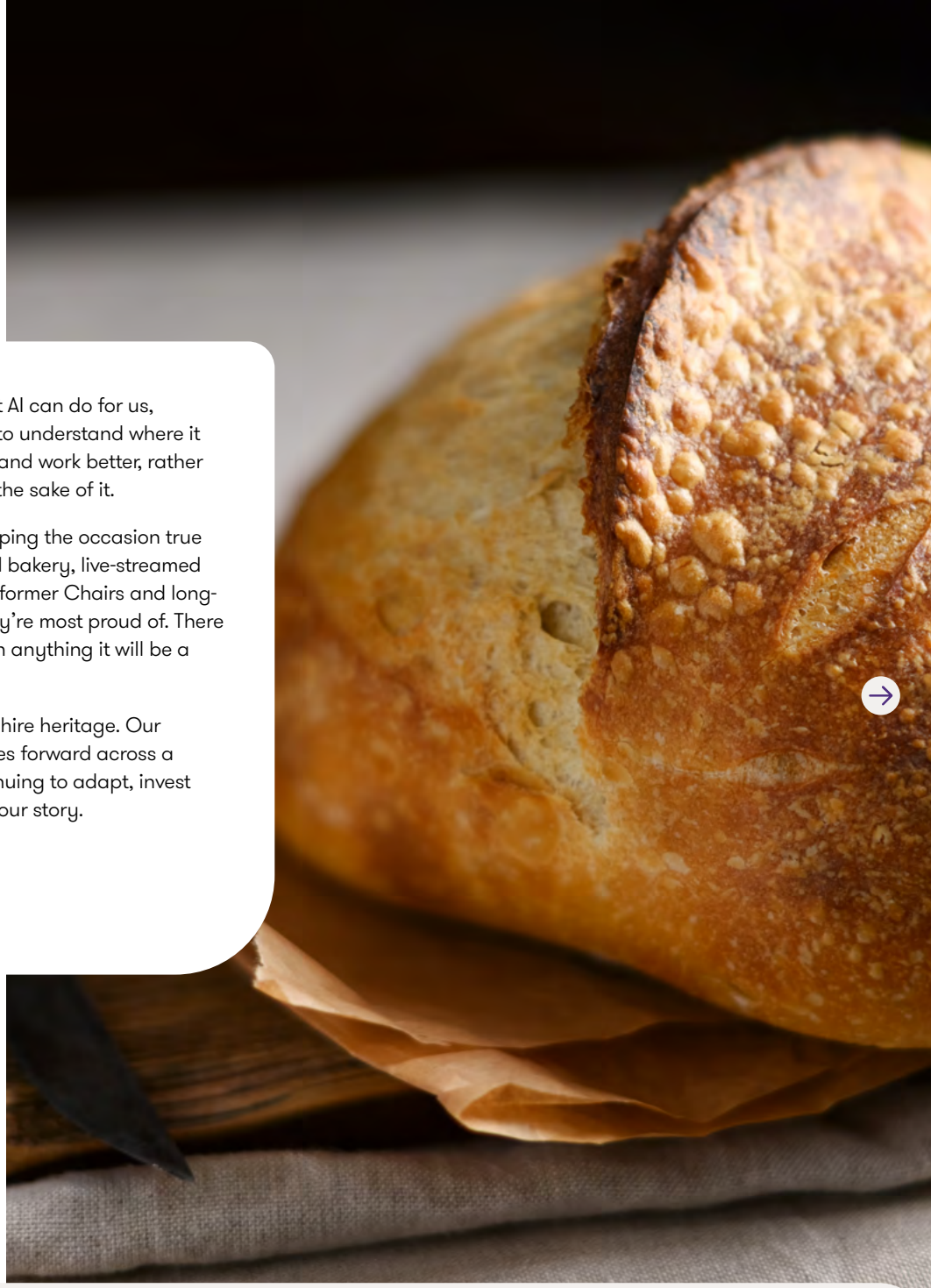
We're also beginning to explore what AI can do for us, carefully and deliberately. We want to understand where it can genuinely help our people think and work better, rather than simply adding another tool for the sake of it.

As we celebrate 175 years, we're keeping the occasion true to our roots: a town hall from our Hull bakery, live-streamed across the Group, bringing together former Chairs and long-serving colleagues to share what they're most proud of. There will be some nostalgia, but more than anything it will be a celebration of our people.

We're enormously proud of our Yorkshire heritage. Our responsibility now is to carry its values forward across a modern, diverse food group — continuing to adapt, invest and innovate for the next chapter of our story.

Sonya Eastaugh

Chair, William Jackson Food Group



Sector breakdown

The figures below cover the four key sectors that make up the Top 100. A small number of businesses fall outside these groupings and are not included in the sector analysis.

Consumer **Manufacturing and industrial** **Real estate and construction**

Business support services

Consumer

Turnover range
£21.5m - £1bn

		Change from PY
Turnover	**£2.8bn**	**+1.1%**
EBITDA	**£116.9m**	**+14.3%**
Employees	**8,950**	**-0.3%**
Average wages	**£28k**	**+4.2%**

28 **Total companies**

- 12 Food and beverage
- 11 Other
- 5 Retail

Manufacturing and industrial

Turnover range
£21.1m - £1bn

		Change from PY
Turnover	**£5.2bn**	**-20.5%**
EBITDA	**£113m**	**-79.2%**
Employees	**22,358**	**+9.4%**
Average wages	**£19k**	**-2.2%**

33 **Total companies**

- 6 Automotive
- 16 Manufacturing
- 6 Other
- 4 Energy and environment
- 1 Oil and gas

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Sector breakdown

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Consumer | Manufacturing and industrial | Real estate and construction | Business support services

Real estate and construction

Turnover range
£21.1m - £0.2bn

		Change from PY
Turnover	£899m	+12.9%
EBITDA	£95.8m	+45.1%
Employees	2,966	+13.7%
Average wages	£44k	+2.7%

19 Total companies

- 17 Construction
- 2 Real estate

Business support services

Turnover range
£21.1m - £1.7bn

		Change from PY
Turnover	£2.8bn	+4.7%
EBITDA	£60.3m	+7.1%
Employees	6,555	+8.1%
Average wages	£28k	+8.2%

15 Total companies

- 11 Other
- 2 Professional practices
- 1 Recruitment
- 1 Facilities

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Fastest growing businesses

This year alongside turnover, we have also looked at the 25 fastest growing businesses with the highest EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation) CAGR growth percentages as per their latest accounts (over a 3-year period for companies with the latest year EBITDA greater than £1m and turnover greater than £10m)

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01 INTEGRA BUILDINGS
02 PBS CONSTRUCTION GROUP
03 VIZION
04 JOHN ROE GROUP
05 COACHMAN CARAVANS
06 YORKARE HOMES
07 SOANES POULTRY
08 BOARCROSS
09 ASHCOURT GROUP
10 SEAGOLD
11 SKIRLINGTON LEISURE PARK
12 BOND INTERNATIONAL
13 YORKWOLD PIGPRO
14 WHITAKER TANKERS
15 JOHN GOOD & SONS

16 - 25

16 EVERARD UK
17 KEXGILL GROUP
18 AIRCO
19 THOMAS MAWER
20 THE DEEP BUSINESS CENTRE
21 VUBA SURFACES
22 MINSTERGATE
23 LABELWORX
24 CPD DIRECT
25 ANDREW JACKSON SOLICITORS

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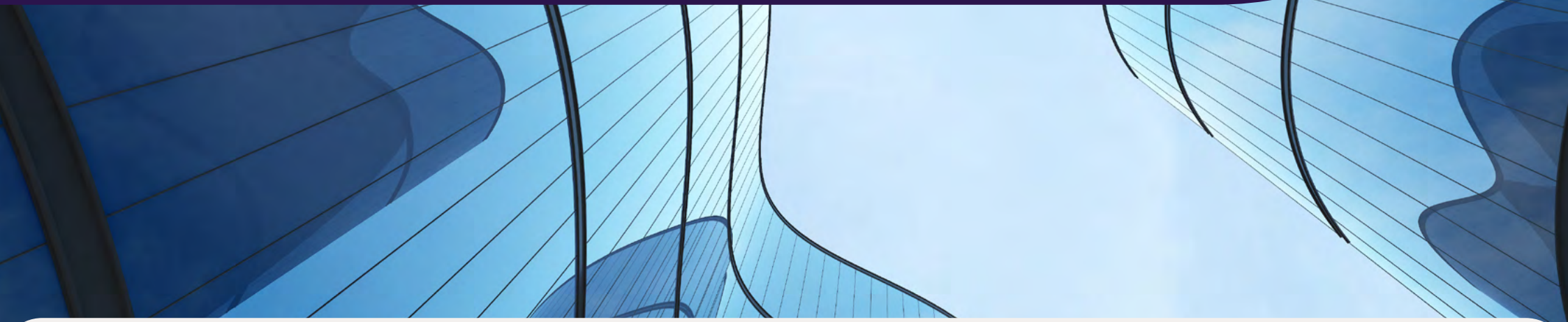
5,000+
UK employees

200+
UK partners

£759m
Turnover

23
UK offices

76,000
People worldwide



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