



New software to help train employees on Winsford 1-5

A new piece of software is going to be rolled out this September on Winsford 1-5 which will help businesses and their employees learn new skills and develop their current ones.

MicroLearn provides cutting edge e-learning resources for companies across a range of different industries, with training provided in a range of different formats including animated videos, case studies, infographics, workbooks and fact sheets.

The extensive MicroLearn library is split into two different sections with a range of topics falling under each one.

Compliance Titles comprise Equality & Diversity, Health & Safety, Social

& Corporate Responsibility, Data Protection, Food Safety & Hygiene, Safeguarding and Finance, with numerous courses under each heading. Soft Skills Titles cover a broader range of genres however.

This area covers Workplace Wellbeing, Teamwork, Personal Development, Communication & Social Skills, Literacy Skills, Career Development, Change Management, Management & Leadership and Customer Service.

All courses are designed to help employees gain new skills which could benefit them and their company on a day-to-day basis.

The Winsford 1-5 BID Team have already purchased a license which businesses will be able to begin

utilising during the first week of September.

Over the next few weeks, Winsford 1-5 Business Park Manager David Snasdell will be sending out details on how your company can access the package for all your employees to take advantage of.

If you have any queries, please email David Snasdell on David.Snasdell@groundwork.org.uk.



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First Mental Health course delivered on the estate

Awareness of Mental Health issues has become more and more prevalent in society today and it's very important to understand what people might be going through.

With this in mind, Winsford 1-5 BID held its first Mental Health First Aid course at Synetiq on Road Three on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th July.

The course gave managers and employees an insight into mental health conditions, how to spot the signs, and provided tips on how to equip people with the skills they need to support their own and other people's wellbeing.

It's also designed to empower people to notice the signs of mental ill health and encourage people to break down barriers, listen in a non-judgemental

way and show people how to signpost to support for recovery.

The course was very well attended and the BID will be looking to deliver similar courses in the future.

If you have any queries about courses that will be coming up or those that have already been delivered, please email Stephanie Leese on Stephanie.Leese@groundwork.org.uk.

Message from the Chairman

Welcome to the 2019 Winsford 1-5 Summer Bulletin.

Once again the year is moving fast with lots of developments on the estate. It is great to see new businesses moving into the area and seeing their future prosper with a growing economy.

As you will have probably seen, work has now started on the new development at the roundabout end of the estate and in the next few months the council will be unveiling the full plans for this area.

Work to develop the former DJM logistics site owned by Kier is hopefully commencing soon too. This will see new trade and industrial units created later in the year, ranging from 3450-26620sq.ft in size.

We continue to invest in the training of staff in businesses on the estate

and I am looking forward to the roll out of the MicroLearn training package in September 2019 for all employees to learn from and develop soft skills within the workplace.

Their media library is in excess of 120 programmes of bite-size training and I am sure it will be good value for all businesses big or small.

On another matter, it is great to see that businesses are supporting mental health awareness in the workplace. This is very important, and training staff to recognise the signs of mental health issues and how to support employees is critical given how fast-paced and stressful life can sometimes be.

I end by wishing you all a relaxing summer break and hope you refresh your batteries for the task ahead in building a greater economy for the local area.

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Yours Sincerely,
Pete Price,
Chairman of the Winsford 1-5
Executive Board

Winsford 
Business Environment Group



Have you thought about walking or cycling to work?

Do you want to become more active?

Have you thought about cycling or walking to work but are unsure of the best routes to take?

Or maybe your bike has been in the shed for years and you're lacking the confidence to start cycling again?

Then it's good news because a 2 year Active Travel Transformation project has just begun.

Funded by Cheshire West and Chester Council and delivered by Sustrans, the initiative is geared towards getting people active and raising awareness of the opportunities for keeping the car on the drive.

Sustrans, which is a charity, work on projects all over the country to



create healthier places and happier people and strive to create areas that are walkable and cycle-friendly.

Over the coming months Winsford 1-5 will be holding a number of sessions tying in with the programme which includes:

- Pop up information events
- Dr Bike sessions to get your bike in shape

- Organised group rides and walks to build confidence
- Mapping sessions

To get involved or for any further information, please contact Ali Dore, Community and Workplace Engagement Officer at the Sustrans, by emailing Alison.Dore@sustrans.org.uk or calling [07717418892](tel:07717418892).

Schedule of Free Training Courses on Winsford 1-5

All companies who are based on Winsford 1-5 Industrial Estate are entitled to attend one of the many fantastic training courses that the BID runs throughout the year.

All the courses are free of charge to attend as they are fully funded and delivered through the BID.

Right are a list of training courses scheduled to run until the end

of 2019. You can book on any of these courses via the Winsford 1-5 website: www.winsford1-5.co.uk or by emailing Stephanie Leese on Stephanie.Lease@groundwork.org.uk.

Level 3 Award in Emergency First Aid in the Workplace (One Day) – Wednesday 18th September 2019

Level 2 Award in Principles of Manual Handling – Tuesday 1st October 2019

Groundwork Principles of Fire Risk Assessment – Thursday 7th November 2019

Groundwork Principles of Asbestos Awareness – Tuesday 19th November 2019

Level 3 Award in Emergency First Aid in the Workplace (One Day) – Wednesday 27th November 2019



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Bike and Walk to work day initiative a success

The wet weather didn't deter over 120 employees from taking part in the Winsford 1-5 Bike and Walk to work day.

Joanna Bukowiec from Tripak on Road Three was the winner of the £350 bike voucher and thanks must go to Rucks to Eat, Premier Café, Sustrans North West, Northwich Police, Active Cheshire and Recycle Cycles Crewe for supporting the event.

The initiative didn't just end when people got to work though as there was a Dr Bike session which took place from 11am-1pm.

Organised by the Sustrans, a trained mechanic from Recycle Cycles was in attendance to give bikes a health check and look at working components such as brakes, cables and tyres. They also advised if parts were too worn and needed replacing.

On top of this, a pedal powered smoothie bike was available for people to make a delicious fruit smoothie drink while they waited!

A date for next year's event will be agreed in due course.



Thomas Truck Training scoops prestigious award



A business on the Winsford 1-5 Industrial Estate has scooped a prestigious award from Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWAC) for their work in helping people get back into employment.

Thomas Truck Training, which is situated on Road One, has been named Partner of the Year 2019 by CWAC's Skills and Employment Team.

The company, who moved onto the estate at the beginning of the year, has been providing forklift truck training sessions to people out of work, which will hopefully give them a better chance of finding a job in the near future.

Company Directors Jenna Williams and George Donnelly were delighted when they found out that they had won and stated that it's great to give people the opportunity to develop their skills to gain employment.

Predominantly, Thomas Truck Training offers a wide range of both on-site and off-site forklift truck training to delegates across Cheshire and they have over 25 years' experience in training operators.

Courses are tailored to the individual needs of all delegates so whether you work for a large business or simply want forklift training for yourself, Thomas Truck Training will go at a pace that suits everyone.

For more information about the company, call 01606 556755 or visit the website: www.tttltd.co.uk.