

Drivers Direct acquires new Crewe and Derby branches

SPECIALIST recruitment company Drivers Direct has expanded with the acquisition of a company with branches in Crewe and Derby which is run by a former employee.

The company, which specialises in the recruitment and placement of temporary and permanent drivers of all classes, has just acquired Transport Solutions whose branches will add to its extensive UK-wide network, and strengthen its presence in the North West region.

Crewe is seen to occupy a strategic position on the southern boundary of the North West region close to junction 16 of the M6, while Derby's location at the heart of the UK and proximity to an excellent road network makes it easily accessible to other regions in the country.

Drivers Direct's new branches will also be able to tap into a number of support services at the company's Runcorn headquarters – including remote transport management and training services – and benefit from being on the preferred suppliers list of several blue chip organisations.

Danny Jellicoe, manager regional director of Drivers Direct's Crewe and Derby branches, said: *"I worked for Drivers Direct before setting up Transport Solutions from scratch in the height of the recession. We got to the point where we were turning over £1.6million which was a fantastic achievement. When the opportunity arose for us to become part of the national Drivers Direct network, we took it. Drivers Direct is a nationally recognised brand and provides transport and logistics solutions for a number of household names in retail and road haulage. This, together with the support we receive, will give us the added impetus for continued success."*

Drivers Direct was set up in 2002 and specialises in the recruitment and placement of temporary and permanent drivers of all classes. It employs 33 staff and was listed as a Fast 50 company in the recruitment sector for two years running.

Gethin Roberts, managing director of Drivers Direct, said: *"Drivers Direct has established itself as a major player in the industry and our new branches in Crewe and Derby will play a key role in extending our reach to more clients throughout the UK."*

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