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For nearly a century, Furmanite has been a name synonymous with innovative on-site and on-line plant and pipeline maintenance.

A global organisation with its headquarters in Houston, Texas, Furmanite is one of the world's largest speciality technical services companies who deliver a broad portfolio of engineering solutions, including plant and pipeline maintenance, to a diverse customer base in a diverse number of industry sectors.

Founded in Virginia Beach, Virginia, in the 1920s as a manufacturer of leak sealing kits, Furmanite Engineering established in the United Kingdom just a few years later.

Today, the company operates extensively from over 70 offices throughout the six main continents, with a global workforce in excess of 1,700. This figure includes around 160 highly qualified and experienced personnel working from the regional offices in Kendal, South Lakeland from where they provide specialist engineering solutions throughout the UK and Europe.

Jon Jarvis, Vice President for Furmanite in the UK, tells us more:

“To put it simply, our company’s primary objective is to provide services which will maximise asset uptime for our customers in their many industry sectors - essentially, we ensure that the tools of their trade are working to their optimum capacity.

Specifically, everything Furmanite does directly relates to keeping an asset up and running, productive and profitable; this could be a pipeline, a plant or heavy machinery, or even a company’s personnel.”

The diverse customer base supported by Furmanite includes offshore drilling operations, pipelines, refineries and power generation facilities, chemical and petrochemical plants, steel mills, automotive manufacturers, pulp and paper mills, food and beverage processing plants, semi-conductor manufacturers and pharmaceutical manufacturers.



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Furmanite supplies an ever increasing range of industries with maintenance tools and key engineering services such as leak sealing, hot tapping and valve repair.

“The Furmanite valve repair solution is a unique combination of highly-skilled technicians that provide on-site, emergency or scheduled repair services. The use of patented products (including Trevitest™, the benchmark in in-situ set pressure identification) and our ValveOne asset management programme.

We appreciate that sending valves off-site for repair or maintenance can prove expensive and mean lost uptime, so we send our technicians to our clients' location with fully equipped with on-site support vehicles so that we can undertake work with efficiency and with as little disruption as possible.”

Furmanite operations in South Lakeland draw extensively from the local workforce and, as with the company globally, seek to employ talented people and, in return, provide them with the opportunities to develop their skills and competencies, learn new technologies and progress their careers.

An impressive statistic reads that, as an organisation, Furmanite's employees in the region average 15 years experience with the company.



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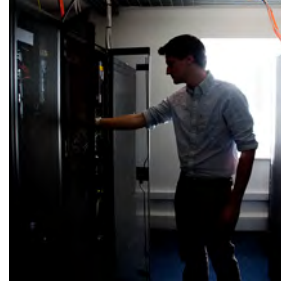
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Welcome to South Lakeland

A Breath of Fresh Air for Business



An area known globally for its astounding natural beauty and unique vibrant culture, South Lakeland is also home for a thriving and innovative business environment where companies can become established, grow and prosper.



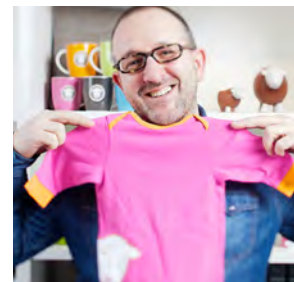
The entrepreneurial business spirit is strongly encouraged in South Lakeland, reflected in the healthy number of fledgling enterprises setting up each year in our region, and our work also encompasses projects designed to help make the first steps to start-up as easy as possible.



The Economic Development Team at South Lakeland District Council are an inward investment service providing information and support to businesses of all sizes, covering all industry sectors, whether you are already here or are looking to locate your operations in South Lakeland.



The Economic Development Team are here to help your business uncover the exciting potential that exists here. Should you have any questions, we are on hand to assist and tell you more about the opportunities to be found in the most beautiful corner of the UK.



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