

TOP 100 BUSINESSES

Welcome to in-Cumbria magazine's Top 100 businesses.
The in-Cumbria team speak to hundreds of the county's businesses each year, every one of them worthy of the highest praise – from innovative one-person start-ups to regional anchor institutions, all finding new ways to adapt, grow and support the prosperity of the county and its people long into the future.

21. REACT Engineering**Cleator Moor**
ENGINEERING**22. Playdale Playgrounds****Haverthwaite**
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**23. Bender****Ulverston**
TECHNOLOGY**24. TIS Cumbria****Workington**
ENGINEERING**25. Delkia****Moor Row**
TECHNOLOGY**26. Komatsu****Longtown**
FOREST PRODUCTS**27. Kendal Nutricare****Kendal**
FOOD MANUFACTURING**28. Jacobs****West Cumbria**
ENGINEERING**29. Pirelli****Carlisle**
MANUFACTURING**30. Siemens****Ulverston**

TECHNOLOGY/ENGINEERING

31. Esken**Carlisle**
ENERGY/AVIATION/CIVIL ENGINEERING/
AVIATION**32. Border Steelwork Structures****Carlisle**
DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION**33. Chamber of Commerce****Carlisle**
BUSINESS SUPPORT**34. BECBC****West Cumbria**
BUSINESS SUPPORT**35. Wax Lyrical****Ulverston**
FRAGRANCE MANUFACTURING**36. Thomas Graham****Carlisle**
STEEL STOCKHOLDING/INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES**37. TIS Cumbria****Workington**
ENGINEERING**38. Armstrong Watson****Cumbria wide**
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**39. Westmorland Limited****Penrith**
RETAIL**EDITOR'S PICK****West Port**

Turning over more than £10m each year, West Port makes doors and windows which are used in buildings all over the UK.

The Maryport business has been part of the town since 1996 and employs 120 people at its 175,000 square foot facility, which is the biggest manufacturing factory for timber windows and doors in the UK.

Meanwhile, its sister business Contactless Check Solutions monitors the condition of fire doors across the country helping ensure they keep people safe.

40. NRL**Egremont**
RECRUITMENT/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**41. Lamont Pridmore****Cumbria wide**
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**42. Solomons Europe****Cockermouth**
CHARTERED SURVEYORS**43. Carlisle Brass****Carlisle**
DOOR AND WINDOW FURNITURE**44. More Handles****Carlisle/Kendal**
BUILDING SUPPLIES**45. Cartmell Shepherd****Cumbria wide**
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**46. Fruugo****Ulverston**
ECOMMERCE**47. Thomas Armstrong****West Cumbria**
CONSTRUCTION**48. Clark Door****Carlisle**
MANUFACTURING**49. Innovia Films****Wigton**
MANUFACTURING**EDITOR'S PICK****Holker Group**

Holker Group is a truly diverse family business. Run by Lucy Cavendish - daughter of Lord and Lady Cavendish of Holker Hall – its many subsidiaries include the tourist attraction of the house itself, on the Cartmel Peninsula, as well as Cartmel Racecourse, two holiday parks, Burlington Stone quarries, and property development and rentals in Barrow.

"Holker Group has made significant moves to focus on sustainability," says chief executive Allen Gibb. We have appointed our first environment and sustainability manager and we are working with Mike Berners-Lee, world renowned in this sector, and his Lancaster University based company Small World Consultancy. He is helping with a huge piece of work that includes reviewing our carbon footprint.

We have a couple of solar and battery power projects coming to fruition this year and we are reviewing how we manage soil and nutrients. We are in the process of planting 35,000 trees to replace those



damaged during Storm Arwen in 2021. Meanwhile, after a gap of six years, we have our first residential show house opening in May at Burlington Rise development in Kirkby. In addition, we will start a new development at Kents Bank later in the year and we have two planning applications under review in Barrow, all in support of rural housing issues.

"Holker Group has also invested £4.5 million in development to open up significant reserves at Kirkby Quarry and our aggregates business continues to thrive, ensuring we utilise all the material we quarry."