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Bringing you the latest merger and acquisition opportunities.

As we move into July and the height of summer, the M&A market continues to show promising signs of growth, with both challenges and exciting opportunities for owner-managed businesses.

The second quarter of 2025 has seen sustained investor interest, particularly in businesses that have laid the groundwork for a successful exit. With the summer months upon us, many buyers and sellers are looking to capitalise on the market's momentum before the traditional slowdown in August. This mid-year point is a great opportunity to reassess your clients' positions, ensuring they are ready for any opportunities that may arise in the second half of the year.

In this edition, we share some of the latest developments from across our network, showcasing recent deals and the ongoing value of early-stage exit planning. These success stories highlight the importance of proactive preparation and expert guidance in navigating the evolving market. As always, we welcome your insights and updates—please don't hesitate to reach out and share your experiences.

Kirsty McGregor, Chairman

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Highlighted deals



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Highlighted Deals



Dyke Yaxley Motors in with Advice for Automotive Firm

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DSG designs an MBO for successful exit

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Shaw Gibbs Helps Heronshaw

Plant Roots in Europe

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MDH Raises Funds to Support

Care Home

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TWP Sources Funds to Enable
Expansion

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Measuring Up: Albert Goodman
Steers Smart Surveyor
Acquisition

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Businesses for Sale Construction & Waste Management C118 - Major road marking contractor Project Ibis. Leading line and road marking business with national reach. Contract customers incl blue-chip companies. Turnover c.£10m, GP c.25%. Strong 2nd tier mgmt, business well positioned to scale further. Contact info@TheCFN.org.uk C116 - Drainage solutions Project Juniper. Currently generating £1m annual revenue and highly profitable, delivering 50% adjusted EBITDA margin. Repeat sales and profitability with opportunity for further growth. Retirement Sale. For further details please contact Matthew Chandler: matthew.chandler@albertgoodman.co.uk **Engineering** E210 - Facilities for building, restoring and testing services for all types of high-performance engines For 40 years, the Company has provided a specialist facility for building, restoring and testing classic, historic and current high-performance engines. It is one of the few facilities in the country having the inhouse facilities to test all types of engines All engines are meticulously built and tested by a highly skilled and experienced workforce. The Company is renowned for its quality and attention to the finest detail. The specialist knowledge amongst both the owners and workforce, quality of workmanship and ethics make it stand out as a professionally run business. There is a broader effort to transition away from fossil fuels and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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part of this movement. Turnover for the year to December 2023 was £470,000 (2022: £424,000).

In 2026 Formula 1 engines will be fuelled with man-made fuel rather than traditional varieties. It is likely these requirements will pass across to motor sport soon after. Several prominent institutions and initiatives are already involved in the testing of man-made fuels. This acquisition will provide the opportunity to be The shareholders, being the directors, know the Company's facility can be increased thus presenting a buyer with an opportunity to increase the capacity to provide more services to existing customers and to market the existing services to new customers. They also have a desire to move onto the next stage of their lives by enjoying more time with their family once the integration period has been completed. For further details please contact Andrew Watkin awatkin@assyntcf.co.uk where a Fact Sheet and Confidential Information Memorandum is available. **Manufacturing & Supply**

Project Blueprint. Turnover £20m. Highly profitable. Substantial growth opportunities. Based in the East of

across the residential, commercial, and light-industrial sectors. Their customer base includes many leading

England, one of the UK's most prominent manufacturers of precast concrete, serving a diverse clientele

construction companies and merchants. For more details email info@thecfn.org.uk

institutions and clubs. For more details, contact info@thecfn.org.uk

O167 - Staffing Solutions for industrial sector ***NEW***

existing offices, Contact Chris.Kelly@scruttonbland.co.uk

Contact adam@power-accountants.co.uk for more details.

O157 - Cleaning and facilities maintenance services

For more details email info@thecfn.org.uk

P120 - Property Management Company

Contact adam@power-accountants.co.uk for more details.

R177 - Restaurant/takeaway and street food vendor ***NEW***

R176 - Meat processor & butcher - wholesale & retail

R175 - Bedroom furniture designer, retailer & installer

Wales' home improvement market. Contact info@TheCFN.org.uk

R174 - Outstanding Restaurants in Prestigious Locations

Property, Building & Land

Retail

info@thecfn.org.uk

info@TheCFN.org.uk

R172 - High street opticians

details email info@thecfn.org.uk

T105 - Robotic automation patent for sheet handling

T103 - SSAS touch-free identification entry systems

Technology

info@TheCFN.org.uk.

Businesses Wanted

E165 - Engineering Installation Service

chris.kelly@scruttonbland.co.uk

Manufacturing & Supply

M1180 - Upholstery Business

M177 - Animal feed

M176 - Industrial Awnings

M174 - Medical/Laboratory supplies

Cian.lddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

M173 - Agricultural supplies

M170 - Sign Makers

M158 - Ironmongery

Other Sectors

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further afield. Contact info@thecfn.org.uk

M179 - Label, packaging, bottling or engineering

Scrutton Bland: chris.kelly@scruttonbland.co.uk

details please contact cian.iddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

M175 - Fall arrest ,confined space working - safety equipment

please contact Cian Iddison via Cian.lddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

counties. Must be profitable. For further details please contact Cian Iddison via

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manufacturing door furniture fixings and fittings. For further details contact

O1026 - Portable Toilets, Mobile Welfare Unit Hire and Related Services

Call Centres, esp if handling inbound calls from panic button services. Contact

Berkshire and Surrey. Contact jamie@jwraccountants.co.uk

For further details please contact us: info@thecfn.org.uk

Finance Director at LEES: C.Bidgood@leesaccountants.co.uk

T197 - Support & enhancement for legacy software

O1020 - High Street Foot Clinic / Podiatrists

O1025 - Document storage, scanning, shredding

contact cian.iddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

O1024 - Industrial doors/load leveling

cian.iddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

O1023 - Fire Safety and Alarms

jamie@jwraccountants.co.uk

O1021 - Supported Living Care

info@thecfn.org.uk

O1022 - Call Centres

info@thecfn.org.uk

chris.kelly@scruttonbland.co.uk

O1015 - Digital Marketing Services

Property, Building & Land

Technology

T195 - Telecare

T194 - IT Services

P118 - Tourist and/or Leisure sector

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Wholesale & Distribution

D121 - Freight Forwarding Services

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O1019 - Printers

Engineering

O166 - Coach Operator ***NEW***

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O165 - Luxury Live Entertainment Business

M256 - Niche engineering manufacturer of machinery for the sports and leisure sectors

Project Four. Turnover £1m. Repeat customers include a wide range of prestigious sporting venues,

Project Red Wine. Established recruitment business with a trusted reputation in the industrial sector.

Adjusted annualised revenue of £9.3m, EBITDA c. £430k, Strong financial year on year growth, two

Project Tulip - A long standing, diversified and successful coach operator specialising in travel & tourism.

Project Athens – Based in Yorkshire, operating UK-wide. Turnover £900k, EBITDA £185k. A well-

established provider of premium live entertainment for weddings, parties, and corporate events. Strong

digital presence, scalable model, and excellent client reviews. A fantastic opportunity in a growing sector.

Project Plover. Turnover £4.1m. EBITDA £1.1m. A provider of cleaning and facilities maintenance services

nationwide and more. Plover has been operating for more than 50 years and benefits from long-standing

relationships with a breadth of companies across multiple sectors resulting in low customer concentration

for such a business. The company has invested in a range of equipment such as cherry pickers, access

lifts, purpose-designed vehicles and jet blasting equipment. The business operates from leased premises.

Project Lisbon – Unique opportunity to acquire a property management company based in the North-West

of England. The portfolio consists of 17 residential units on a single site, with several already let to

corporate landlords at enhanced rental rates. Significant potential to further target the corporate rental

Project Gold. East of England, Fantastic brand with a very strong social media presence (over 10,000

towns. Street food truck with a full calendar of bookings into 2026, with demand exceeding capacity.

Opportunity for expansion for a new team or one already experienced in hospitality. Contact

Project Leap. South-East based, turnover c. £5m. Long-standing customers across catering incl

pubs/restaurants, schools, sports clubs, nursing homes, plus online direct to consumer. Wide range of

Project Slider. An independent, long-established bedroom fitting company with an outstanding reputation

located in South Wales. Steady £300k-£400k revenue which requires little marketing as families return

generation after generation. Excellent bolt-on opportunity or for those wishing to expand into the South

Two multi-award winning restaurants, located in prime locations in the north of England. Turnover £5.5m,

highly profitable. One restaurant opened over a decade ago, with the other just over a year ago, both

impressive PR coverage. These restaurants offer unique dining experiences, which sets them apart in

Project Provost. An independent, long-established opticians with an outstanding reputation located in a

prime position in the heart of a town close to Newcastle-upon-Tyne in the North East England. Family run

grown by word of mouth & facilities provide scope to substantially increase size of the business. For more

Project Evolution - an opportunity to acquire a patent which has many applications in the production

manufacturer in the windows production sector, this technology uses robotics to handle large sheets of

material (such as glass or other heavy or fragile components). Retirement sale. Fully relocatable. Contact

Project Crystal - Proven SaaS business with valuable IP; many applications, unlimited scalability; already

has 15% of the market share in the gyms & fitness centre sector in UK, also customers overseas. 99.8%

Engineering services including capital projects installation businesses. For example; commercial electrical

installations/ infrastructure companies/power generation/pipework including pressure/pump installation

maintenance/electrical drives and gearing transmission/broker type businesses accredited with an

outside this range. Any UK location. For more details contact Chris Kelly.

authority that sub-contract and project manage. EBITDA roughly £0.5M to £1.25M, although could be

Would prefer the east Anglia, essex, London, surrey area, but if initial search unsuccessful would look

Based in South Wales commutable to premises in Swansea, likely revenue <£1m; 10-20 employees,

Based in East Anglia or relocatable. EBITDA up to £500k. For further details contact Chris Kelly at

Production and distribution of animal feed. UK or overseas. Minimum £10 million turnover. For further

Based in the UK. For further details please contact Cian Iddison via Cian.Iddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

Up to £2m revenue. North & West Midlands and North West including North Wales. For further details

Medical/Laboratory supplies, equipment & consumables across the Midlands ideally & surrounding

Any business up to £5m turnover in agri-chemicals (arable), Livestock or "hobby farming" sectors. For

Sign makers (Signage-specific not general large format printing). Located in England as far North as

Yorkshire and anywhere in Wales. For more details contact cian.iddison@dykeyaxley.co.uk

Ideally based in North West / West Midlands. Turnover up to £1 million. Ideally looking for firm

Based in England or Wales. Seeking established businesses with up to £20m annual revenue to acquire

Document storage, scanning, shredding. UK based. Up to £1 million turnover. For further details please

Industrial doors & load leveling. UK based. Minimum turnover £1 million. For further details please contact

Fire safety and alarms business, ideally based in South Wales/M4 corridor. For more information contact

Domiciliary Care/Complex Care/Mental Health Care/Supported Living Care/Day Centres with Good CQC

Foot clinic / Podiatry practices. Based in London of the South East of England. For more details contact

Printing businesses in East Anglia with revenue between £750k to £5.5m. For further detail email

Located in the UK. Digital Marketing services inlcuding SEO, digital ad management and design services.

Located in East Anglia / The Broad's. For farther information, please contact Chris Bidgood, Corporate

Support & enhancement for legacy software, development and adaptation of new software, programming,

Telecare Companies, Security alarms/heat and movement sensors/fall sensors/panic buttons etc. Contact

A SaaS provider or B2B consultancy based in East Anglia/South East or relocatable. Profit from £50k to

Based in East Anglia/South East or relocatable. Turnover from £500k to £1.5m. For further details contact

£200k. For further details contact: Chris Kelly at Jacobs Allen: chris.kelly@scruttonbland.co.uk

business consultancy re software needs. Up to £2m turnover. For further details please contact

Rating or above; £1.5 - £5m turnover & 5% - 15% op profit. Ideally in Hampshire, Sussex, Wiltshire,

or bolt on to existing investments. For further details contact chris.kelly@scruttonbland.co.uk

profitable, ideally retirement sale. Contact andrew.silk@bevanbuckland.co.uk

M178 - Businesses in the Energy/Low Carbon or manufacturing sectors

retention rates at renewal; Turnover £800k, highly profitable; Contact info@thecfn.org.uk

process for manufacturing sectors. Already providing a ROI for the production cost of the largest

receiving Prestige awards and having an established reputation, known around the UK due to their

their areas, including fine dining with beautiful views. Contact info@TheCFN.org.uk

meats. Leasehold premises with break clause in 2028. Good team of skilled butchery staff. Contact

followers). Restaurant/takeaway in leasehold premises with opportunity to replicate the brand into other

market to maximise returns. Property portfolio valued at approximately £4.7m, with a mortgage of £2.4m.

across the UK. The business consists of multiple trading units including window cleaning, daily office

cleaning, janitorial supplies, pest control, drone surveys, automatic doors and electrical services

3m Rev, £500k EBITDA, Retirement Sale, Located and operates in Dorset, Contact

M258 - Manufacturers of pre-cast concrete

Other