## Tyneside's NTG Precision Engineers announces expansion into bigger production base

NTG Precision Engineering has announced plans to boost its manufacturing capabilities with a move to a new facility in the North East.

The company will move to new premises close to its existing factory in Team Valley, Gateshead, this summer, serving up additional capacity for the precision engineering and assembly of components.

At 45,000sq ft, NTG's new base will be three times larger than its current site, where it manufacturers parts for industries like power generation, food production, offshore energy, defence and electric vehicles. The firm said the new facility, which is being developed by UK Land Estates, reflects its commitment to sustainability as it will be part-powered by solar PV and include electric vehicle charging points and air source heat.

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The site forms part of a pipeline of speculative industrial sites that UK Land Estates is developing in response to increasing demand from commercial property occupiers. NTG's expansion will enable it to increase its presence in key markets, notably the defence industry and the EV sector, with components for electric vehicle batteries and electric vehicle power trains.

Currently employing 60, of which 10 are apprentices, the move will also create the opportunity for further recruitment as the business grows its order book.

The expansion is part of NTG's scale-up strategy, which started with a management buy out at the start of 2021 and included a significant investment from Ignite Growth. The MBO sparked a £3.5m programme of capital investments in specialist precision engineering equipment.

Mike Hutchinson, managing director of NTG Precision Engineering, said: "We are always looking to invest ahead of the curve, and our new facility will provide the capacity to grow the business and our ability to serve existing and emerging markets.

"We have maximised every square metre of our existing facility to house the latest in precision CNC capabilities and a very talented, experienced workforce. Moving to new premises will give us the space we need for the next stage of our growth and scale our operations to serve an expanding customer base."

"Working alongside Ignite Growth we have a clear vision for the business and have ambitions to contribute to the consolidation of the precision engineering sector, be that through organic growth that we'll achieve through our new factory, or via potential acquisitions."

Tim Witty, development director at UK Land Estates, said: "We've always enjoyed working with NTG as it's an ambitious and growing business on Tyneside. The highly skilled manufacturer first took premises on Team Valley in 1979 so it's a pleasure for us to still be working with NTG on the next phase of its growth.

"At UK Land Estates, we strive to work closely with our tenants to help tailor make units to suit their business needs and to help them expand."

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