

**Invest in Bristol News**

**May 2009**

**Eco-friendly stall opens in Bristol market**

**Evening Post – 29th May**

**Bristol development plans get go ahead**

**Bristol City Council press release  
– 26th May**

**Accountancy firm starts up in Bristol**

**Evening Post – 22nd May**

**Bristol firm in top 100 for interior design**

**Evening Post – 14th May**

**New Primark Bristol superstore will  
create 500 jobs**

**Evening Post – 14th May**

**Cabot Circus hotel set to open**

**Evening Post – 14th May**

**Rolls-Royce secures £75 million contract  
to support Malaysian Adour fleet**

**Rolls-Royce press release – 13th May**

**Bristol teams up with Kyoto to demonstrate  
ICT and creative media**

**Bristol University press release  
– 11th May**



**Eco-friendly stall opens in Bristol market**  
**Evening Post (extract) – 29th May**

A new stall in St Nicholas Market that sells sustainable and eco-friendly goods made by local suppliers is enjoying a boom in business. The Bristol Green Store opened its second outlet in the city centre in March to meet an increase in trade. Owner Rachael Hertogs spotted a niche in the market and decided to open the stall in the heart of Bristol.

Of the stall's 10 suppliers, nine are from Bristol. Mrs Hertogs said: "If we can't get something in Bristol we will try to at least get it from England and not other countries." The Bristol Green Store started out in November in a former post office in Chessel Street, Bedminster.

**Bristol development plans get go ahead**  
**Bristol City Council press release (extract)**  
**- 26th May**

Plans for new homes, offices, student accommodation and shops in the heart of Redcliffe have been given the go ahead. A Bristol City Council planning committee voted in favour of proposals to replace derelict warehouses bounded by Redcliff Street, Three Queens' Lane and St Thomas Street.

The committee has given developer CEREP Redcliffe Sarl up to five years to start the work, rather than a standard three-year time limit, because of the economic downturn. As part of the planning agreement, the developer will hand the council £3 million to build affordable family homes elsewhere in the city and has also pledged cash to help create a new footbridge linking Redcliffe and Welsh Back. The development will make up 40 per cent of the Redcliffe Village, which was given outline planning permission for the village was given in 2002 and lasts until 2012.

**Accountancy firm starts up in Bristol**  
**Evening Post - 22nd May**

A new accountancy firm has been formed in Bristol with the aim of helping smaller businesses survive the recession and to help people starting new ventures get off to a flying start. Corrigan Associates

has been formed by accountant Edward Corrigan, who believes the climate is right to start and grow a new business. He said: "Although there is doom and gloom about the economy, a recession is often the best time to start a business.

"For instance there's never been more government support for starting in business.

"Tax relief for buying equipment up to the value of £50,000 means your tax bill may be a lot smaller than you think in the first year so you get to keep more of what you earn. There's also the Enterprise Finance Guarantee, which enables viable businesses to access funding from banks even when the business has no security to offer.

"Corrigan Associates is itself a start-up business, having been formed in January with Edward joined by tax specialist Peter Edwards, who was formerly a colleague of his at Baker Tilly and Julian Halton, who has joined from an accountancy practice in Cardiff.

Corrigan Associates is based in Venturers House, King Street, Bristol, and aims to provide top quality business advice, tax consultancy and accountancy services to small and growing local businesses as well as start-ups.

**Bristol firm in top 100 for interior design**  
**Evening Post - 14th May**

A Hotwells company has been named one of the top 100 interior design firms in the UK. Goodchild Interiors in Granby Hill is one of House & Garden magazine's top 100 interior designers in its June edition. The firm specialises in designing furniture and interiors for residential properties in the West.

Gill Richardson, co-director of Goodchild Interiors, said: " It means we have been recognised for our high standards of design and can rival any London practice as well as demonstrating our professionalism and quality of work.

"Britain is the world capital of interior design and being included in this listing is a sought-after accolade that acknowledges the skill and quality of the designers. Goodchild Interiors have been established for the past 10 years and provide architectural and interior design services for people who want to improve their homes."



Editor of House & Garden Susan Crewe said: "Inclusion in the directory is by a rigorous selection process with many factors taken into consideration. What they all have in common is talent and a profound commitment to good design."

The firm was set up in Clifton 10 years ago by Paul Goodchild. He is a member of the British Interior Design Association (BIDA), of which he previously held a position on the board as development director.

**New Primark Bristol superstore will create 500 jobs**

**Evening Post (extract) - 14th May**

Bristol's new Primark store will create 500 jobs when it opens in the old House of Fraser building in August. The discount fashion chain has started recruiting staff for its new four-storey shop in Broadmead, which will become the clothing giant's second biggest UK store.

Staff from the current smaller store in The Horsefair are set to move to the new store but hundreds more people will be needed to staff the shop. A total of 495 people will be needed for roles including department managers, supervisors, shop floor assistants and cash office and stockroom workers. Full and part-time positions are available as well as weekend and evening shifts. It is the largest number of jobs to be created by a single retailer in Bristol. Broadmead manager John Hirst said it is the best thing to happen to the city since the decision to open Cabot Circus.

**Cabot Circus hotel set to open**  
**Evening Post (extract) - 14th May**

The new £20 million Cabot Circus hotel will open its doors next week – with some of biggest beds in the city. The 149-bedroom Future Inns hotel in Bond Street South will boast a bar, restaurant, conference facilities and a basement jazz club. And it will include giant Canadian designed beds. They are 6ft 11in long and 6ft 4in wide. The hotel also has a conference suite on the top floor which can cater for up to 400 people.

Del Brett, managing director for Future Inns, said: "The hotel will offer a bar, a unique steak and chophouse restaurant and free parking for 100 vehicles. The basement floor will host a jazz club, which will showcase national and local artists.

**Rolls-Royce secures £75 million contract to support Malaysian Adour fleet**  
**Rolls-Royce press release (extract) – 13th May**

Rolls-Royce has signed a £75 million MissionCare™ contract with the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) to support the Adour engines which power its fleet of Hawk aircraft.

The five-year contract covers the overhaul of the fleet of 26 Adour Mk871 engines, an annual training programme for RMAF engineers and the calibration, maintenance and re-certification of the Adour test bed located at the Kuantan Air Base. The RMAF will also be supported by an in-country technical representative and have access to the Rolls-Royce Operations Centre for 24/7 technical support.

**Bristol teams up with Kyoto to demonstrate ICT and creative media**

**Bristol University press release (extract) - 11th May**

Senior academics from Kyoto University, the second-oldest university in Japan, visited the University of Bristol earlier this month to co-host a pioneering workshop in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and creative media.

The two universities joined forces for the one-day workshop to present and discuss research on ICT and creative media and to compare technology transfer activities. The aim of the session was to discover areas where the two universities could collaborate.

The one-day workshop builds on the existing partnership between Bristol and Kyoto University, which originally came into force in October 2008. Both universities are working together in industrial, governmental and academic collaboration.

Banner images:© Rolls Royce | Aardman | Molyneux

[www.investinbristol.com](http://www.investinbristol.com)

