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New premises ensures jobs drive at insurers

SPECIALIST motor insurer ERS is moving to new premises in Swansea Vale to support the expansion of its operations in the city.

The call centre has begun its recruitment drive as it looks to create around 170 new jobs and uproot to Crucible Park, Swansea Vale from its current location at Cardigan House on Phoenix Way.

ERS will rent the 33,000 sq ft office with employees moving to the new site from July.

Speaking to Jobs Post, ERS chief operating officer Tim Yorke said it was an "exciting opportunity" for jobseekers in the region.

"Expanding our footprint in Swansea is a crucial step we need to take as part of the overall operational simplification of the business," he said.

"The new roles in Swansea span the whole insurance business cycle and provide a really exciting opportunity for people who are looking for a challenging career in the area.

"Moving to the new premises at Crucible Park will mark the start of the next phase in ERS's development plan and I am delighted that we can grow our

presence as an employer of choice in the area."

Headcount at the insurer will rise by at least 168 in the city, from 246 to just over 400.

The new roles span across the business, with 36 per cent joining the claims department, 33 per cent underwriting, 22 per cent IT and nine per cent central services.

The A+ rated Lloyd's syndicate has been building its presence in Swansea since 2013, when the business was bought by private equity firm Aquiline.

It is also expanding its London operation to provide more space to house all its underwriters and improve access for brokers, which in turn will enable the planned growth in the business.

The plan requires consolidation from three to two offices which will result in ERS closing its Brentwood office.

The company added the decision has involved an extensive review of ERS's operating model and organisational structure. CEO Ian Parker said: "This is a pivotal point in ERS's transformation and the restructure is part of a far wider plan focused on growth and achieving a



ERS staff members celebrate the new job opportunities.

90 per cent. The move will simplify the business and help to reaffirm ERS's focus as a "specialist-motor, broker-only" insurer."

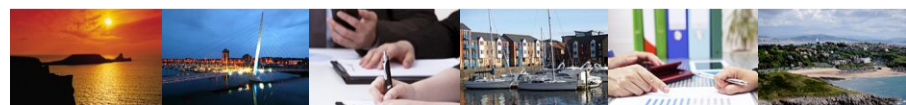
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