

Indigo Blu – boosting South Bank regeneration

Built on a former printing company site and situated on the southern outskirts of Leeds city centre, Indigo Blu is the first property to have been completed in the 'South Bank' – providing a strategic landmark for the proposed regeneration area

Don Little, Managing Director of Merin Properties Ltd, developers of the site, is confident of the building's role as a catalyst for the area's revival: "Indigo Blu is an ideal location to benefit from Leeds City Council's plans for the area and it will become a gateway landmark – close to the city centre, Clarence Dock and the motorway network."
Glenn Levison, Partner at property consultants Sanderson Weatherall, adds: "As one of the first buildings to be completed in Leeds in recent years, we are quietly optimistic that this will accelerate recovery of the market and buoy confidence."

Launched on 18 March, Indigo Blu provides two floors of high-specification office space. Features include PIR sensor lights which react to external daylight, adjusting the light in the building as necessary. The next phase, offering 46 one and two-bedroomed apartments over six floors, is soon to be completed. Inspiration for the building's angular design, by Leeds-based firm architecture 2B, was taken from the art deco style of the print industry's heyday and even the name Indigo Blu is inspired by the popular print pigment which adorns the outside of the building, making it impossible to miss.

Leeds City Council has drafted a long-term vision for the South Bank – the land between Victoria Lane and Crown Point Road – viewing it as an important gateway to Leeds and a prime location for regeneration, business investment and job creation. Plans for the area include a city centre park, creating a link between the South Bank and the main retail sector. Indigo Blu is strategically placed at the corner of Crown Point Road and Hunslet Lane, opposite the popular Crown Point Retail Park.

(Left to right) Glenn Levison, Partner, Sanderson Weatherall; Don Little, MD, Merin Properties Ltd; Rebecca Little, Design Co-ordinator, Merin Properties Ltd and Robin Beagley, WSB Property

