

Press Release
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Local businesses network in true British fashion at The Networking Hub

Basepoint operated business centres – The Old Rectory in Northfleet and The Joiners Shop in Chatham - recently hosted 'The Networking Hub', a free business event for local businesses. The patriotic themed event continued to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee and the much anticipated Olympics, serving a traditional fish and chip lunch for free.



Fifty business individuals were in attendance, exchanging ideas and networking with other entrepreneurs and business leaders. Attendees also benefited from listening to informative presentations by John Wilson, from Peninsula, who advised on Health and Safety Laws, followed by QJ, from The Inspirationist, who spoke about 'How to Present Yourself', giving tips such as introducing yourself effectively and how to make sure you are remembered.

John Luchford, centre manager of The Joiners Shop in Chatham, comments: "The Networking Hub is all about bringing people together and we are constantly trying to achieve a unique and free experience – this month's theme shows how proud we are to be British businesses."

Michelle Gagie, centre manager of The Old Rectory in Northfleet, comments: "We are really pleased with the repeat success of The Networking Hub, which demonstrates a demand for events like this in the area. We are currently in the process of arranging a regional event, bringing together other networking circles from Basepoint Business Centres which will provide the opportunity to network further afield."

The Networking Hub is a Basepoint initiative that has been created to give local businesses the chance to network and learn valuable business tips from event speakers – all for free. To register for the next event, please email northfleet@basepoint.co.uk or chatham@basepoint.co.uk or contact Michelle 01474 338701 or John 01634 816004. Alternatively visit www.basepoint.co.uk for further information.

Basepoint Centres offer a wide range of flexible business accommodation, ranging from small one to two-person units through to spacious fully functioning workshops.

The Joiners Shop is in the heart of The Historic Dockyard, Chatham, providing 1200 sqm of commercial accommodation, focusing on the needs of small and start-up businesses, particularly those in the Arts, Crafts and Design sectors.



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great people

The Old Rectory Business Centre is a refurbished Grade II Listed Building providing 24 furnished office units in a beautifully landscaped setting. The centre is situated at the junction of Springhead Road and Thames Way, half a mile north of the A2, and half a mile east of Ebbsfleet International and High Speed Rail Terminal which provides access to London in 8 minutes.

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Basepoint specialises in the development and operation of managed business, innovation and enterprise centres. These centres provide comprehensive accommodation and support infrastructure packages to new and early-stage companies within a supportive and secure environment. The company operates both wholly- and part-owned centres as well as managing facilities on behalf of public sector bodies. Group operations currently extend across Southern England and the Midlands, with additional opportunities under assessment across the UK.

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