

KEY DATES

If you pay PAYE, CIS or NIC to HMRC, payments are due by the 19th of each month by post or by the 22nd if paying electronically.

SUPPER CLUB

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WHO IS...

Get to know Clair Jameson, one of our bookkeepers for the K2 Group.

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UK HAS HIGHEST PROPERTY TAXES OF ANY MAJOR ECONOMY

According to new analysis.

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K2 GOLF DAY: £12,000 RAISED

Following the success of last year's event, we were proud to continue our partnership with Nottingham Forest Community Trust for another fantastic day of fundraising.

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IT'S NOT WHAT YOU KNOW...

...but who you know.

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GOLF DAY RAISES £12,000 FOR NOTTINGHAM FOREST COMMUNITY TRUST



K2 Accountancy Group & Evelyn Partners Golf Day Raises £12,000 for Nottingham Forest Community Trust

Businesses from across the region came together at Beeston Fields Golf Club for this year's K2 Accountancy Group & Evelyn Partners Golf Day, raising an incredible £12,000 for Nottingham Forest Community Trust.

Following the success of last year's event, which raised £10,000 for the Community Trust, the day once again brought together clients, local businesses and professional networks for fundraising, networking and community impact.

Funds raised will contribute towards the Trust's ongoing work across Nottinghamshire, supporting programmes focused on health and wellbeing, education and inclusion, helping to create opportunities and provide support across local communities.

Held at the club's Wollaton Road venue, the annual golf day has become a well established date in the regional business calendar and continues to demonstrate the value of collaboration between businesses and community organisations.

Beyond the golf itself, the event reflected a shared commitment to making a positive impact locally while creating opportunities to strengthen relationships across the wider business community.

Nottingham Forest Community Trust delivers a wide range of programmes across the region, using sport, education and wellbeing initiatives to create lasting impact.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to making the day such a success.

Key thought

THE VALUE OF TRUSTED INTRODUCTIONS

In an increasingly digital world, where businesses are constantly competing for attention online, trusted introductions and referrals still carry enormous value.

For many businesses, some of the strongest opportunities continue to come through existing relationships, recommendations and word of mouth. Whether it is a new client, a trusted supplier or a professional connection, introductions often help build relationships far more quickly than traditional sales or marketing alone.

Trust remains one of the most important parts of doing business, particularly within professional services. People are far more likely to engage with a business when they have been recommended by someone they already know and trust.

Introducers and referral partners also play an important role in helping businesses grow their networks and strengthen long-term relationships across the wider business community.

While technology, AI and digital marketing continue to evolve rapidly, relationships and reputation still remain at the heart of successful business development.

For many businesses, growth is not always driven by the biggest advertising budget or the loudest online presence. Often, it starts with a conversation, a recommendation or a trusted introduction.



Horse power

K2 ATTEND FERRARI VIP EXPERIENCE AT SILVERSTONE

Members of the K2 team recently attended Ferrari UK's *Passione Ferrari* event at Silverstone, enjoying a day of hospitality, networking and motorsport.

The experience included access to Ferrari Challenge UK racing, paddock activity and the opportunity to experience the Ferrari Amalfi road test drive, offering a behind the scenes look at one of motorsport's most iconic brands.

The day also provided a great opportunity to strengthen relationships and connect outside of day to day business.



News Update

The AI conversation businesses can no longer avoid

Artificial intelligence is everywhere at the moment. Some people are excited by it. Others are wary of it. Most are probably somewhere in the middle, trying to work out how much of it is genuinely useful and how much is simply hype.

What is becoming harder to ignore, however, is just how quickly AI has become part of everyday business and daily life.

For many people, ChatGPT was the first AI platform that really entered the mainstream conversation. Since then, the space has expanded rapidly, with systems such as Google Gemini, Microsoft Copilot and Claude by Anthropic becoming increasingly common across workplaces and online platforms.

At the same time, many people are already interacting with AI without even realising it. It now sits behind search engines, customer service chat functions, fraud detection systems, marketing tools and even parts of accounting software.

Mo Gawdat, Former Chief Business Officer at Google X, has described AI as one of the biggest technological shifts society will experience, and it is clear the pace of change is not slowing down.

Even HMRC has confirmed it is increasing its use of AI technology to help identify errors, inconsistencies and potential fraud within the tax system, showing how quickly the technology is becoming embedded into mainstream operations.

Naturally, concerns remain. Questions around accuracy, misinformation and over reliance on technology continue to grow as AI becomes more powerful and more accessible.

But despite the headlines, most businesses are not looking to replace people with AI entirely. Instead, many are trying to understand where it can save time, improve efficiency and support day-to-day operations, while still keeping human judgement and experience at the centre of decision making.

For businesses, the AI conversation is no longer really about whether the technology is coming. It is already here. The bigger question is how to use it responsibly, effectively and without losing the human element that still matters enormously to clients and customers.





Staff Spotlight

Who is... CLAIR JAMESON

What's your role at K2 and what does a typical day look like for you?

I'm a bookkeeper at K2, no day ever looks the same there is always something different going on with all the varieties of clients we have.

How long have you been with the company?

I'm now in my fourth year with K2

What do you enjoy most about working at K2?

The staff and clients provide a great atmosphere that makes a day in the office enjoyable.

What do you like to do when you're not working?

I like spending time with family and friends, going to the theatre and where possible a nice little holiday in the sun.

Favourite film?

I have quite a few but 2 of my favourites are Oceans 11 and PS I love you.

Do you have any hidden talents or interests?

I wouldn't say talent, but I love singing (all day), I'm pretty sure everyone else in the office would agree that this isn't a talent.

Tax news

UK HAS HIGHEST PROPERTY TAXES OF ANY MAJOR ECONOMY

The UK has been ranked as having the highest property tax burden of any major economy, according to new analysis from global tax firm, Ryan.

The report found that the UK ranks first globally for property taxes as a share of GDP, with business rates receipts forecast to rise to £37.1 billion across the UK during the 2026/27 financial year.

For many businesses, particularly those operating from physical premises, rising property-related costs continue to add pressure at a time when many are already managing increases in energy costs, wages and wider operational expenses.

The findings have also raised concerns around long-term investment, particularly across sectors that rely heavily on commercial property, including hospitality, retail and manufacturing.

While targeted support has been announced for some sectors, many businesses are expected to see higher rate bills following the latest business rates revaluation across England, Wales and Scotland.

The report also highlighted concerns that inflation-linked increases and the gradual withdrawal of previous relief schemes are continuing to push property tax revenues higher year after year.

As costs continue to rise across multiple areas, businesses may increasingly look towards forward planning, cash flow management and operational efficiency to help manage financial pressure.

