

## **Cobalt benefits from Nothelfer's expansion**

A major international company has expanded in Coventry. Nothelfer UK Ltd has moved its operation from Brandon House on the Middlemarch Business Park to the nearby Cobalt Centre – which caters for companies that require high-quality commercial space in the city. The firm is part of a German mother company called ThyssenKrupp Drauz Nothelfer which designs and makes press tools and body assembly equipment for the automotive and aerospace industries. The staff based out of the Coventry office offer project management services to UK customers including Land Rover, Jaguar and Vauxhall, with the design and manufacture taking place in both Germany and with UK partners. The firm was assisted in its move to the Cobalt Centre by Evans Hardy Bromwich and Shortland Horne and will have 12 people based there permanently with the rest of the staff working on-site with clients.

Managing director Phil McClennon said: "It was the right time for us to expand. We no longer required the comprehensive support of the serviced offices at Brandon House and were ready for our own space. From this base we are at the heart of the UK's motor industry and we also benefit from the good transport links here for access to aerospace industry manufacturers."

Rob Hawkins, of Evans Hardy Bromwich's Coventry office, said: "I am delighted that Nothelfer has chosen the Cobalt Centre. "It wanted to remain in the area because of the excellent location and I am pleased that we managed to keep such a prestigious firm in the city." David Penn, of Shortland Horne, added: "There are still some units left at the Cobalt Centre and it is perfect for companies growing within the city as well as those looking to invest here from outside."