



Berry Recruitment Group

Recruitment Goes Wild In Poole

Wild Recruitment in Poole has moved into bigger premises due to the continued improvement in the local economy.

The agency set up just three years ago and is now in new offices opposite Barclays House on the George Roundabout. With seven staff members already, Wild is aiming for 80 per cent growth this year and is looking for both clients and candidates. The agency specialises in the commercial, office and professional and industrial and driving sectors.

Recently it won a major contract with a financial services company to recruit 60 staff and another with a waste management company to supply 50 workers.

Wild Recruitment has other branches in Portsmouth, Milton Keynes and London and is part of the national Berry Recruitment Group (BRG).

Its Poole branch has been a major success and manager Kate Foley said: "Since we started our growth has been phenomenal and that is due to the improving local economy. In all the sectors in which we work we have seen a definite upturn and it really is a candidate-driven market with salaries increasing for permanent staff. We outgrew our previous premises and our new site is strategically-placed and means we are easily seen – and we are also benefiting from an increase in footfall. We welcome people popping in and having a coffee and



Michelle Stewart and Kate Foley, with George Knijff Hayley Rumble and Chris Neesam

a chat to see what we are able to do for them. The jobs market is improving across east Dorset and we have just picked up two major contracts to supply workers."

Wild Recruitment was co-founded in 2001 by Michelle Stewart and in 2010 it was acquired by Berry Recruitment Group (BRG), which has more than 30 branches across England and Wales and anticipates turnover this year of £70m.

Michelle now sits on the BRG board and said: "Kate and I have worked together for 20 years and she has overseen quick expansion in Poole and we hope for an 80 per cent increase in growth this year."

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