



Amazon to Create 500 New Permanent Jobs with the Opening of a New Fulfilment Centre in Doncaster in 2017

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The new site will be Amazon's third fulfilment centre in Doncaster and will take the total number of full-time permanent jobs for the town to more than 1,000 by the end of next year

The 500 new positions are in addition to the 3,500 new permanent full-time jobs Amazon expects to create in the UK in 2016 spanning Head Office, R&D Centres, Customer Service Centres, Fashion Photography Studio, AWS and Fulfilment Centres

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London – 12 August, 2016 – Amazon has today announced that a new fulfilment centre in Doncaster will open in summer 2017 to meet growing customer demand in the UK, creating 500 new permanent jobs.

The new site in iPort will be Amazon's third fulfilment centre in Doncaster, providing employment and economic benefits to the area. A fulfilment centre in Balby Carr Bank opened in 2010 and a second in Water Vole Way opened in autumn 2015.

The new site will mean the total number of full-time permanent Amazon jobs for Doncaster will increase to more than 1,000 by the end of next year. Amazon has so far invested more than £4.6 billion in the UK economy to build and run its UK business since 2010.

Amazon will begin recruiting for a range of positions, from operations managers to engineers, HR and IT roles to people who will handle orders at the fulfilment centre this summer. People interested in applying to work for Amazon should visit www.myamazonjob.com/opportunities.

The 500 jobs the new fulfilment centre will create is in addition to the 3,500 new permanent full-time jobs Amazon announced last month that it expects to create in the UK in 2016. These roles are being created throughout the UK at its Head Office, R&D Centres, Customer Service Centres, Fashion Photography Studio, AWS and Fulfilment Centres. This will bring the total number of full-time permanent employees to more than 15,500 by the end of this year.

"We are delighted to announce that we will be creating 500 new permanent full-time jobs with competitive pay and comprehensive benefits starting on day one by opening our third fulfilment centre in Doncaster in summer 2017," said John Tagawa, Amazon's Vice President of UK Operations.

"We already have two fulfilment centres in Doncaster so know from experience that there is strong talent in the region who would be well suited to working for Amazon," he added. "We look forward to hearing from people to fill a range of roles you would expect of a business like Amazon, from specialist professions such as engineering, HR or IT, through to large strategic leadership roles and people to fulfil customer orders maintaining our customer promise."

All permanent Amazon fulfilment centre employees start on £7.35 an hour or more. This rate increases by at least 9 percent over their first two years of employment, by which time all employees earn £8 an hour or more. All permanent fulfilment centre employees are given stock grants, which over the last five years were on average equal to £1,000 or more per year per person. Fulfilment centre employees also receive a comprehensive benefits package, including private medical insurance, a company pension plan, life assurance, income protection, subsidised meals and an employee discount.

Amazon also runs an innovative programme called Career Choice that provides fulfilment centre employees funding for adult education, offering to pre-pay 95% of tuition and associated fees for nationally recognised courses, up to £8,000 over four years.

Across the UK, Amazon employs people at its UK Head Office in London; three Research and Development (R&D) Centres in Cambridge, Edinburgh and London; the Customer Service Centre in Edinburgh; ten fulfilment centres across England, Scotland and Wales; 29 delivery stations nationwide; the Fashion Photography Studio in Shoreditch, and to run the Amazon Web Services (AWS) UK Data Centre Region.

In the autumn, two new fulfilment centres will open, in Manchester and Coalville, Leicestershire, creating 1,500 new permanent jobs over three years. Amazon will open a brand new London office to open in 2017 giving total capacity for 5,000 people.

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