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## Newcastle Building Society Appoints New Head of Financial Advice Subsidiary

**Newcastle Building Society has appointed Iain Lightfoot to head up its financial advice business.**

Iain Lightfoot has joined the Society to become Managing Director of Newcastle Financial Advisers' which provides accessible advice on investment, retirement, inheritance tax planning and protection advice across the North East, North West and North Yorkshire.

With 32 years' experience in financial services and advice, Iain has held senior roles with some of the UK's most well-known banks and building societies, including Skipton and TSB, and joins Newcastle Financial Advisers' having spent the last five years leading accountancy firm Armstrong Watson's financial planning team. Iain plans to build further on Newcastle Financial Advisers' delivery of quality financial advice that is currently Top Rated on Vouched For – the UK's leading financial advice client feedback platform.

Commenting on his appointment, Iain said: "At a time when consumer finances are feeling the pressure of rising inflation and the increased cost of living, it's important that people feel their money is working hard for them, and that they're able to easily access face-to-face financial advice that's personalised, authentic and reliable.

"I'm passionate about providing the right environment and culture to deliver financial advice of the highest quality, and working in collaboration with Newcastle Building Society colleagues we'll continue to deliver on our purpose of connecting our communities with a better financial future, building meaningful, long-lasting customer relationships."

As part of his role, Iain will continue to deliver on Newcastle Building Society's commitment to provide personalised, trustworthy financial advice for all, while leading an experienced team of advisers who are available face to face on high streets across the Society's branch network, and remotely via video.

Stuart Miller, Executive Director at Newcastle Building Society, said: “I’m thrilled to welcome Iain to the Society. His strong background in financial advice will ensure we continue to deliver an outstanding experience for our members and grow our financial advice offering ensuring more people can access the advice they need.”

Newcastle Financial Advisers Ltd is a subsidiary of Newcastle Building Society, and provides financial advice across its 31 branch locations and their communities.

For more information on Newcastle Financial Advisers visit: <https://www.newcastle.co.uk/>

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Newcastle Building Society\* is the biggest building society in the North East, with a network of 31 branches and assets of more than £4.9bn. We’ve been here for our members for over 150 years. As a leading local employer, we’re committed to growing our region’s talent and being a great place to work where people can realise their potential. We hold Platinum IIP and won the Excellence and Positive Impact Award at the 2022 CIPD North East of England HR&D Awards. We were named Company of the Year in the Northumberland and Tyneside category of the North East Business Awards 2022.

We help people to own their home, to save and to plan their finances through our range of products and services. We believe in the role of the high street at the heart of our communities and are proactive in making financial information and financial advice accessible across our region.

Our Financial Advice is provided through our Newcastle Financial Advisers Limited division\*\*.

We’re dedicated to helping our North East communities make positive changes; since 2016 the financial support through grants and donations from the Newcastle Building Society Community Fund at the Community Foundation to benefit local causes has surpassed £2.3m.

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