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Donaldson Timber Systems appoints Quality Manager

Leading UK offsite timber frame manufacturer, Donaldson Timber Systems has appointed James Lund-Lack as Regional and Quality Manager.

An expert construction professional and strategic advisor, James brings over 15 years of senior management experience to his role, most recently as Managing Director of iHus Annexe, a UK timber frame homebuilder specialising in multigenerational living.

His extensive leadership experience covers both executive and non-executive roles, with a focus on driving sustainable performance and compliance. He is current Chair of the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) for Bristol and South West, where he leads governance, legal compliance, membership growth, and industry engagement for over 6,200 members.

In his new role at Donaldson Timber Systems, James is responsible for leading and coordinating cross-functional teams across estimating, design, procurement, manufacturing and project delivery to ensure collaborative working and consistent outcomes. A core responsibility is overseeing quality management processes, ensuring compliance with company procedures, industry standards and continuous improvement initiatives.

James started his career as a professional sailor, successfully completing multiple transatlantic crossings and gaining Yachtmaster Offshore accreditation through demonstrated command capability, navigation expertise, and crew management. After a decade as a sailor, he gained a Distinction in Mechanical Engineering and in 2012 he secured his first role in the construction industry, taking operational responsibility for a nationwide manufacturer of Structural Insulated Panels (SIPs).

Commenting on his appointment, James said: “I am thrilled to be joining the Donaldson Timber Systems team at a time when quality standards in construction have never been more important. Donaldson Timber Systems has a fantastic reputation for quality and expertise, so my focus will be on further embedding a culture of excellence at every stage of the process, ensuring that every project we deliver meets the highest benchmarks for safety, durability, and client satisfaction. I look forward to working closely with our site teams, contractors, and stakeholders to drive continuous improvement across the business.”

Mike Perry, Business Development Director at Donaldson Timber Systems said: “James has a wealth of experience in our sector and brings valuable expertise that we know will make a difference to our clients and teams. He will be supporting operational excellence, high standards of communication and service delivery from end to end. This is a fantastic

appointment for us and we're very much looking forward to seeing James develop the role even further."

With over 50 years of offsite timber frame expertise, Donaldson Timber Systems offers unrivalled experience and knowledge in offsite construction, operating from a network of manufacturing and technical centres across the UK.

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About Donaldson Timber Systems

Donaldson Timber Systems is the UK's market leading offsite manufacturer for timber frame build systems, with manufacturing bases in Oxfordshire and Aberdeenshire. They have the capacity to build 10,000 sustainable homes a year.

The business has been in operation for 50 years and in that time, the team has built over 150,000 homes, 300 hotels and numerous commercial and public buildings.

Donaldson Timber Systems adopts the principles of Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) to increase the precision quality of construction products and move the construction industry towards a different way to build. An offsite method that allows the sector to increase volume, while the wider construction industry is challenged with skills and labour shortages.

Since 2021, Donaldson Timber Systems has been part of the 165-year-old timber specialist and family business, The Donaldson Group.

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