



**FORTH PORTS PLC**

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**FORTH PROPERTIES RECRUITS NEW HEAD OF RETAIL**

Forth Property Developments Ltd, has further strengthened its senior team with the recruitment of Nicola Harmon as its new Head of Retail. She will join the Edinburgh-based company in October.

Harmon, who has worked in property development in both London and Las Vegas, is currently the Retail Director at HBG Properties, the development arm of HBG UK, part of The Royal BAM Group, where she bought, refurbished and sold on the Wellgate Shopping Centre in Dundee.

In her new role as Head of Retail at Forth Property Developments, Harmon will be tasked with developing the retail mix at Ocean Terminal and the wider waterfront. Nathan Thompson, Managing Director of Forth Property Developments said, "Nicola's employment is all part of our strategy looking to enhance the value of our property assets. With Ocean Terminal's profile continuing to grow and other retail developments planned for the waterfront, it is imperative that we focus closely in this area and ensure we have the right offering to create a strong sense of place and consumer appeal.."

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**NOTES TO EDITORS**

Forth Ports PLC owns and operates the Ports of Grangemouth, Leith, Rosyth, Methil and Burntisland on the River Forth, the Port of Dundee on the River Tay and Port of Tilbury on the River Thames.

Forth Ports PLC is also a significant landowner with extensive property interests and a number of high profile developments. These include the Scottish Executive offices and Ocean Terminal shopping centre - home to the former Royal Yacht Britannia - at Leith, the Western Harbour, Granton Harbour and Leith Docks developments on Edinburgh's waterfront and the City Quay development at Dundee.