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**Bristol Zoo Gardens Goes Green! – 27/05/08, Bristol Zoo Press Release**

Bristol Zoo Gardens has become just the third zoo in the country to achieve the ISO14001 certification – the international standard for environmental management systems...

[www.bristolzoo.org.uk/news/News1723](http://www.bristolzoo.org.uk/news/News1723)

**The Sky's The Limit For Robots In Space Exploration – 23/05/08, Evening Post**

Staff at Bristol-based software house SciSys have exhibited their latest designs this week at a showcase event on UK robotics at the Houses of Parliament...

**£70 million boost for public transport – 20/05/08, West of England Partnership Press Release**

The work to improve public transport corridors and ease congestion in the West of England partnership area will go ahead, thanks to an award of £42 million announced today (Tuesday 20 May) by Transport Minister Rosie Winterton to fund the next stage of the Greater Bristol Bus Network.

Ten new route corridors and over 70 bus routes within the West of England Partnership area will now benefit from local improvements. The improvements will start in summer with work on the M32 bus lane - improving punctuality and reliability for buses into Bristol without reducing any road space for cars...

[www.westofengland.org/site/newsandpressreleases](http://www.westofengland.org/site/newsandpressreleases)

**4,000 sign up to Cabot Circus Jobs – 16/05/08, Cabot Circus Press Release**

The Bristol Alliance has today revealed that over 4,000 jobseekers have now registered on the Cabot Circus jobs website.

Since its launch in late February, the Cabot Circus Jobs website has been inundated with requests from jobseekers vying for a chance to be a part of the scheme when it opens in September.

Over 4,000 new jobs will be created by the £500 million Cabot Circus development with a huge variety of jobs on offer in retail, leisure, hospitality and other industries. There are numerous full and part-time opportunities available from entry level through to senior level management positions...

[www.cabotcircus.com](http://www.cabotcircus.com)

**Unite Scoops Double Glory At Business Awards - 16/05/08, Evening Post**

Student accommodation firm Unite has scooped the prestigious Business Of The Year honour at the Evening Post Business Awards.

The firm, which also won the Companies With A Turnover Of More Than £5 Million category, was started in 1991 by former Clifton College pupil Nicholas Porter. Picking up the awards at a ceremony at the Evening Post Dolman Suite at Bristol City's Ashton Gate stadium last night, Unite acquisitions director James Hunt said: "We never expected this - it has been a thrilling night and a fantastic experience."

Post managing director Steve Anderson-Dixon, who chaired the judging panel, said: "Unite is an example of a true Bristol success story.

"My congratulations go to them for such a tremendous performance."

**Stockbrokers' prestige address to be completed by next year – 14/04/08, Evening Post**

The new £30m Harbourside headquarters of Bristol stockbroker Hargreaves Lansdown will be completed in October 2009. The company is to move into No 1 College Square, a 100,000 sq ft office building to be built as part of Crest Nicholson's Canon's Marsh development. DTZ is joint agent at Harbourside

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**Smartfocus acquires Astech Intermedia to build US presence – 14/05/08, Smartfocus Press Release**

SmartFOCUS, the international provider of multi-channel marketing software headquartered in the UK has acquired ASTECH InterMedia, the leader in data-driven marketing solutions for the newsmedia industry, headquartered in Denver, USA...

[www.smartfocus.com/newsevents/pressreleases](http://www.smartfocus.com/newsevents/pressreleases)

**4,000 sign up to Cabot Circus Jobs – 16/05/08, Cabot Circus Press Release**

Demolition works have started at the boarded up Cabot House opposite the Central Library, Bristol, to start clearing the land for a new £10m headquarters for the Environment Agency.

**South West Rda Welcomes Investment To Revolutionise Future Aircraft Technologies – 14/05/08, SWRDA Press Release**

South West England welcomes today's announcement by John Denham MP, Secretary of State for Innovation Universities and Skills, of a £103 million 1 programme to help the UK revolutionise its capacity to develop technologies needed to deliver the next generation of single aisle aircraft.

This is one of the most significant aircraft research and technology programmes launched in the UK for several decades and much of the high-tech research will be based in South West England. It will consolidate the region's position, and the UK as a whole, at the cutting edge of innovation in this field...

[www.southwestrda.org.uk/news](http://www.southwestrda.org.uk/news)

**Steady As She Goes For Building Works - 13/05/08, Evening Post**

Work has started on the £30m Brunel Institute – a new educational centre and housing development in the Great Western Dockyard next to the SS Great Britain.

**Harvey Nicks Is The Main Attraction - 12/05/08, Evening Post**

Scores of people are clamouring to work at Harvey Nichols, one of the flagship stores in Bristol's new Cabot Circus development.

The upmarket department store being built at the corner of Penn Street and Broad Weir is due to open at the end of September....

**Team appointed for future design coordination to bolster UK naval ship design capability – 07/05/08, QinetiQ Press Release**

QinetiQ has signed an initial 11 month contract with the MOD as part of a £2m pilot study which will see a new joint MOD / industry naval ship design office established in Bristol, to be tasked with the design of complex naval ships for the Royal Navy, such as the Future Surface Combatant...

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