

# News

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## Time Square toasts opening of The Botanist

The Botanist has launched its 10,000 sq ft regional flagship at Warrington's newest mixed-use destination, Time Square, with the national brand being the first to open its doors at the development.

Part of the New World Trading Company (NWTC)'s portfolio, the site at Warrington will be the 19th The Botanist venue to open, with its neighbouring sites including Knutsford, Alderley Edge and Media City.

The Botanist at Time Square is welcoming guests to experience its unique and exciting botanical haven designed by NWTC's in-house design team, including a statement 'water wall' feature. The venue offers an eclectic range of botanical cocktails, craft ales and a food menu inspired by the comforting flavours of home.

Chris Hill, ceo at The New World Trading Company, commented: "As the first site to open to the public at Warrington's Time Square, we are pleased The Botanist will forge the path for this exciting foodie, leisure and retail scheme. Along with the bar and restaurant, The Botanist will also offer live music and a range of brilliant masterclass experience, making it a great go-to destination for any occasion - we're excited to become a part of the local community."

Warrington Borough Council's director of growth, Steve Park, said: "The launch of The Botanist's regional flagship is great news for Warrington. It's a prestigious, high quality venue which perfectly captures our ambitions to make Time Square a top leisure and retail destination.

"Time Square will transform the face of our town centre. We are confident that it will attract visitors from across the borough and wider region, bringing a huge boost to our economy. We're delighted that The Botanist shares this confidence and is officially opening its new home here in Warrington."

Leon Guyett, development director at Muse Developments, added: "The launch of The Botanist is a key milestone for everyone involved with Time Square. It also highlights our strategic focus to deliver a best-in-class destination that blends a truly unique mix of dining and leisure operators alongside Cineworld, which is opening later in December.

"We firmly believe that we're delivering a transformational scheme that will become the beating heart of a thriving town centre experience for the community and we look forward to welcoming further high-calibre operators throughout 2020."

Situated in the centre of Warrington with excellent accessibility via the local road network, Time Square will meet the area's high demand for a fresh retail, leisure and entertainment destination. Alongside the 13-screen Cineworld cinema, bars and restaurants, Time Square is home to Warrington Borough Council's new office and a 1,160-space multi-storey car park.

The £142m Time Square is being delivered by Warrington & Co on behalf of Warrington Borough Council, with urban regeneration innovators, Muse Developments, appointed as the scheme's development manager.

Metis Real Estate Advisors acted on behalf of Warrington & Co. and Muse Developments. New World Trading Company dealt directly.