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## **Walker Crips appoints Jonathan Downes to Investment Management team in York**

Walker Crips Investment Management, part of Walker Crips Group plc, the national investment, wealth management and fintech group, has appointed Jonathan Downes as an investment manager to strengthen the firm's York-based team.

Jonathan has over 20 years of experience working in the wealth management industry. He joins from Tilney - formerly Yorkshire Investment Group - having spent eight years at the firm rising to the position of Investment Management Director. Prior to Tilney, he held investment management positions at Brewin Dolphin and James Brearley and Sons. He is highly experienced in managing investments for private individuals, trusts, charities, pensions and small companies.

Jonathan will report directly into investment director Wesley Coultas and will focus on managing existing clients and developing Walker Crip's business across the region, both in terms of existing offerings and the newly launched Model Portfolios Service.

**Wesley Coultas, investment director, Walker Crips Investment Management, says:** "Jonathan is an excellent addition to the growing York team and we look forward to the key role he will play in developing our portfolio offerings and supporting our continued growth. His many years of experience of strong client and professional relationships fits perfectly into our company ethos of providing good client outcomes."

**Jonathan Downes, investment manager, Walker Crips Investment Management, says:** "It's a privilege to be joining a growing, dedicated and capable team with an excellent reputation for strong client focus and which has a growing presence in the region."

Jonathan's appointment follows the recent arrival of two wealth managers in the York office, Scott Palmer and James Bonarius. Scott is a Chartered Financial Planner and joined Walker Crips from Novus Financial Services, based in Harrogate, while James, also a Chartered Financial Planner, has 20 years' experience and joined from Tilney. Dominic Martin, Managing Director of Walker Crips Wealth Management believes they will be strong additions to its wealth management team.

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**About Walker Crips:**

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- Walker Crips Wealth Management Limited
- Ebor Trustees Limited (trading as Walker Crips Pensions)
- Barker Poland Asset Management LLP