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## **Walker Crips opens new Truro office and appoints new Head of Investment Strategy**

Walker Crips Group plc, the national investment, financial planning and fintech company, announces it has opened a new Truro office at 5 Walsingham Place, having moved in the town from 65 Lemon Street.

Joining the national investment management office is Shane Bennett, who joins from Exeter-based Cathedral Financial Management as Walker Crips' new head of investment strategy. Bennett spent more than a decade at Cathedral, where he joined in July 2012 as a research analyst and rose to head of investment.

Walker Crips' new Cornwall office will be headed up by Wesley Coultas, head of investment management. Wesley has been at Walker Crips since 1997 and is responsible for developing the business strategy of the Private Client Department. Wesley also looks after client portfolios and specialises in bespoke and model portfolio investment management.

The new Truro office has three qualified investment managers, including senior investment manager Sarah Content, Shane Bennett and Wesley Coultas, as well as Stephanie Fox, head of client services, Nikki Dark, investment administrator, and Jonathan Rowland, branch operations manager, to look after its £92 million of assets under management.

### **Wesley Coultas, Head of Investment Management, Walker Crips, says:**

“We continue to expand our regional presence in the South West and pursue opportunities and quality individuals in the marketplace. The arrival of Shane bolsters our Bespoke and Model Portfolio offerings for both retail clients and professional intermediaries.

“Appointing Shane is a great hire for the business as he is an experienced investment manager with a strong track record of portfolio performance, and it confirms our commitment to the South West as one of our core regional offices. We will undoubtedly benefit from his strengths within investment research, asset allocation and fund selection.”

### **Shane Bennett, Head of Investment Strategy, Walker Crips, says:**

“It is great to join such a reputable company with such a strong heritage within the investment management industry. Walker Crips has an excellent team-based culture where clients are put at the forefront of its proposition. I am looking forward to working closely with the team and our clients to deliver high-quality financial outcomes.”

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**About Walker Crips**

Walker Crips Group plc is a UK public listed company specialising in Investment Management, Financial Planning, Pensions Advice, Structured Investments and technology services. Walker Crips' predecessors first bought and sold shares for clients on the London Stock Exchange in 1914.

Walker Crips Group plc incorporates the following companies which are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

- Walker Crips Investment Management Limited (Member of the London Stock Exchange)
- Walker Crips Wealth Management Limited
- Ebor Trustees Limited (trading as Walker Crips Pensions)
- Barker Poland Asset Management LLP