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Cleland Mclver  
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## Overview

Cleland McIver, a leading textile supplier founded in Littleborough in 1983, has taken a major step forward by relocating to a new 165,000 sq. ft. facility at Kingsway Business Park, Rochdale. This move consolidates operations from three separate sites, demonstrating the company's impressive growth and long-term commitment to the region.

## The Challenge

As Cleland McIver scaled its operations—from a four-person team at Smithy Bridge to over 270 employees—the need arose for a unified headquarters that could support increased demand, enhance logistics, and foster innovation. A local solution was preferred to retain the company's strong community ties, with over 90% of its workforce drawn from the Rochdale area.

## The Solution

Working closely with the Rochdale Development Agency (RDA), Cleland McIver identified Kingsway Business Park as the ideal location. The RDA provided:

- Relocation support
- Recruitment assistance
- Strategic business guidance
- Access to local networks and infrastructure

The park is also home to global companies like Amazon, JD Group, and Danish Crown, offering a prime environment for operational excellence and future growth.

## Client Testimonial

“Michelle McHugh, Business Development Manager, and the team at the RDA have been a fantastic support over the years. Their expertise, dedication, and local knowledge have been invaluable... one of the key reasons we wanted to stay in Rochdale.”

Paul Adams, Operations Director, Cleland McIver

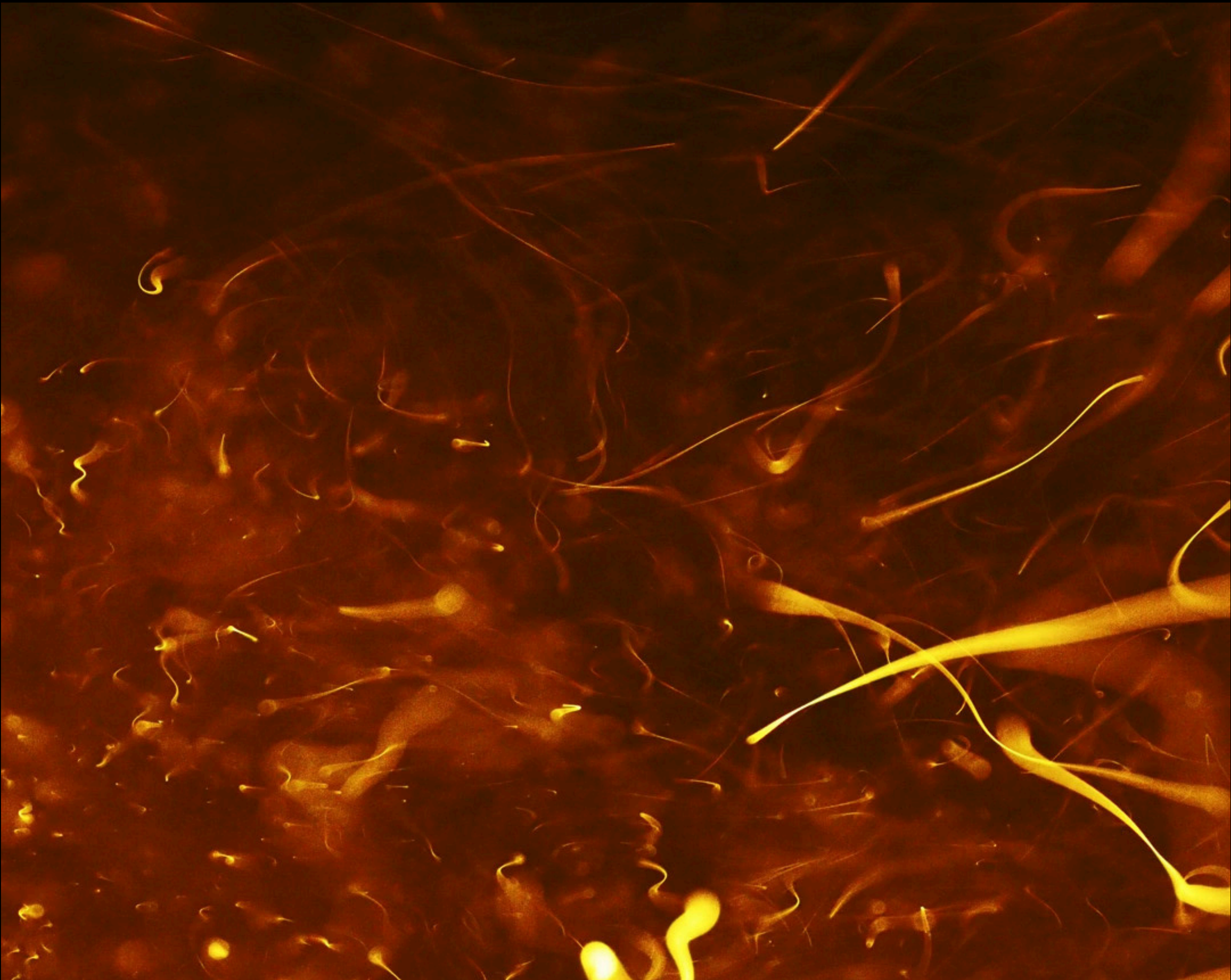
## Outcomes

- 165,000 sq. ft. headquarters established at Kingsway Business Park
- Three-site consolidation improving operational efficiency
- 270+ local jobs sustained
- Strengthened collaboration with local and regional partners

## Looking Ahead

Cleland McIver's new base aligns perfectly with Rochdale's emerging innovation ecosystem. Kingsway Business Park is part of the Atom Valley Mayoral Development Zone, and future home to the Sustainable Materials and Manufacturing Centre (SMMC). This positions the company at the forefront of sustainable manufacturing and underlines Rochdale's growing reputation as a hub for advanced industry and investment.





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