Cummins relocates 200 staff from Manston base to Discovery Park in Sandwich

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Power generator specialists <u>**Cummins**</u> has relocated its 200 staff from its former base in <u>**Manston**</u>.

The firm, which specialises in engines and generators, has set up base at the nearby **<u>Discovery</u> <u>Park</u>** in Sandwich.



Cummins' Adam Sidders and Discovery Park CEO Mayer Schreiber

It has taken on some 16,500sq ft of office space and purpose-built engineering labs at the site.

But it brings the curtain down on a long history with Manston which, at its peak, employed 600 people.

However, in 2016 it closed its manufacturing operations at the site down, turning the site into a regional distribution and logistics hub.

Adam Sidders, global marketing communications director at Cummins, said: "Moving here opens doors for us to collaborate with other tenants in order to make a bigger difference and the wide array of amenities available on site are also an added bonus for our employees.

Mayer Schreiber, CEO of Discovery Park, added: "Cummins is a global player with focus on research and development and is an exciting addition to the world-class innovation that is already being carried out at Discovery Park, at a time when demand for science and technology discoveries is huge and growing rapidly."

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