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WHY NUCLEAR AT BIRCHWOOD ?

- 1939 ROYAL ORDNANCE FACTORY RISLEY DESIGNATED FILLING FACTORY NUMBER 6
- 1946 POST WAR NUCLEAR RESEARCH FACILITY ESTABLISHED AT ROF SITE
- 1954 UKAEA HEADQUARTERS ESTABLISHED FOR ENGINEERING, PRODUCT AND REACTOR GROUPS
- 1965 UKAEA NON-NUCLEAR LAUNCHED NATIONAL CENTRE OF TRIBOLOGY
- 1968 LAUNCH OF WARRINGTON NEW TOWN INITIATIVE
- 1979 BNFL ESTABLISHED AND HEADQUARTERED AT RUTHERFORD HOUSE
- 1990 BIRCHWOOD PARK CREATED OUT OF UKAEA BUILDINGS
- 1996 BIRCHWOOD FORUM ESTABLISHED
- 2011 NUCLEAR FORUM LAUNCHED

IN PARALLEL

- **1940 ROF SELLAFIELD ESTABLISHED**
- **1940 RAF BURTONWOOD ESTABLISHED – LARGEST AIRFIELD IN EUROPE**
- **POST-WAR US AIR FORCE SUPPLIES DEPOT AT BURTONWOOD**
- **1948 SUPPORTED BERLIN AIRLIFT**
- **1967 SUPPORTED NATO COMMANDS**
- **1994 AIR FIELD CLOSED**
- **2000 OMEGA - DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 350,000 SQM MIXED USE SPACE PRIMARILY DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS**

INTERESTING FACTS

- **KEY TO ROF DEVELOPMENT AT RISLEY WAS ITS PROXIMITY TO RAILWAY LINES BETWEEN MANCHESTER AND LIVERPOOL [LAND COMPULSORY PURCHASED BY GOVERNMENT]**
- **NAME CHANGE FROM RISLEY TO BIRCHWOOD WAS TO GET OUT OF JAIL!**
- **M62 J11 EMBANKMENTS AT BIRCHWOOD WERE BUILT OUT OF ROF RUBBLE!**
- **M62 WEST OF WARRINGTON USED BURTONWOOD AIR BASE RUNWAYS!**
- **SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST – RISLEY MOSS ESTABLISHED 1980**
- **WALLED GARDEN – ROF RESERVOIR**
- **ANNIVERSARIES – WARRINGTON NEW TOWN 50 IN 2018**

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Supporting SMEs and ensuring closer collaboration in the supply chain.

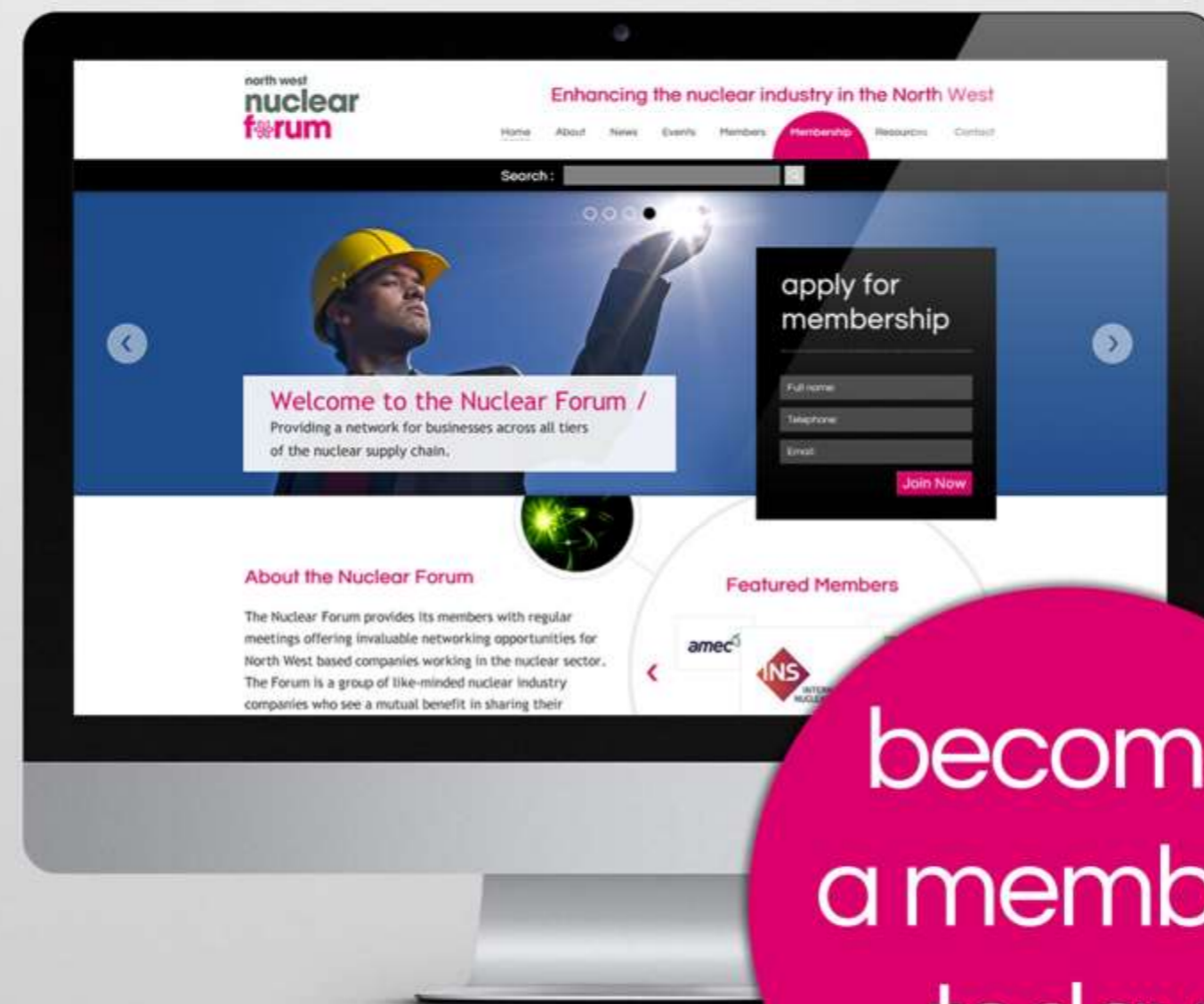
BETTER TOGETHER

- **Some Key Birchwood Companies are also Cumbrian based i.e. Amec Foster Wheeler, Atkins, Sellafield, etc.**
- **Shared resource and experience:**
 - **Work within the Multi-disciplined Site Works (MDSW) framework in excess of 45% of supply chain is local, and in the Design Services Alliance (DSA) framework over 20% of the AXIOM Alliance is through the local supply chain.**
 - **BEP similarly is split over both localities using skills and expertise to provide the best solution.**
 - **NSG as an SME both operating out of Cumbria and the North West, with and interest in growing and sharing work between offices. We also collaborate with other Cumbrian companies larger and smaller to win work around the UK.**
- **With the bigger companies working in collaboration with suppliers across the North West, it can open up opportunities across all of the portfolio of operations, locally, nationally and internationally, not just nuclear specific, or locality specific, ensuring longevity.**

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