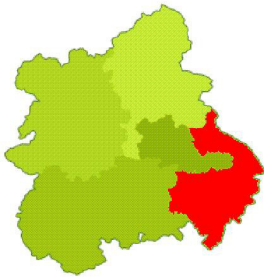




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## WANT TO WORK IN WARWICKSHIRE?



Graduates looking to start their career in Warwickshire will not be disappointed when it comes to job opportunities, great places to live and oodles of stuff to do when not in the office. The diversity of the county offers job seeking graduates the opportunity to live in towns such as Leamington Spa or Stratford-upon-Avon or to move further out into the beautiful countryside that exists throughout the county.

### Looking for jobs

Local newspapers are a useful source of information on current job vacancies across the area.

Most local newspapers publish job vacancies on Thursdays. These include: Leamington Courier, Stratford-upon-Avon Herald and Coventry Evening Telegraph

**45**  
The number of minutes it takes to travel into Birmingham from Warwick by train

**What do IBM, Volvo, National Grid, Barclays and Jaguar Landrover have in common? They all have major offices in Warwickshire!**

**Just speculating...** Ever read the statistic that 80% of jobs are never advertised? Companies will often fill their vacancies using their own networks of contacts rather than spending time and money on advertising. So how can you make yourself known within this "hidden" job market?

Spend a little time deciding what areas of work you are interested in and how your skills and experience would be of benefit to a company.

Undertake some research on the local area and compile a list of companies. Then, write a targeted letter to each company and send it along with your CV. A telephone call to follow-up your application 10-14 days later will ensure that your application is forefront in the company's mind.

Not sure what to do next? Take a look over the page for places across the metropolitan boroughs where you could start your research...

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**“Working in a small company enables me to see how every part of the company works. There’s a lot of camaraderie, you know everything that’s going on...you can be really noseey!”**

Lucy Abbott (BA Hons, University of Warwick)

Lucy’s first graduate job following her degree in Politics and Philosophy was with Impact Innovation, a creative consultancy based in Leamington Spa. Impact’s clients range from Waitrose and O2 to the NHS and local government organisations.

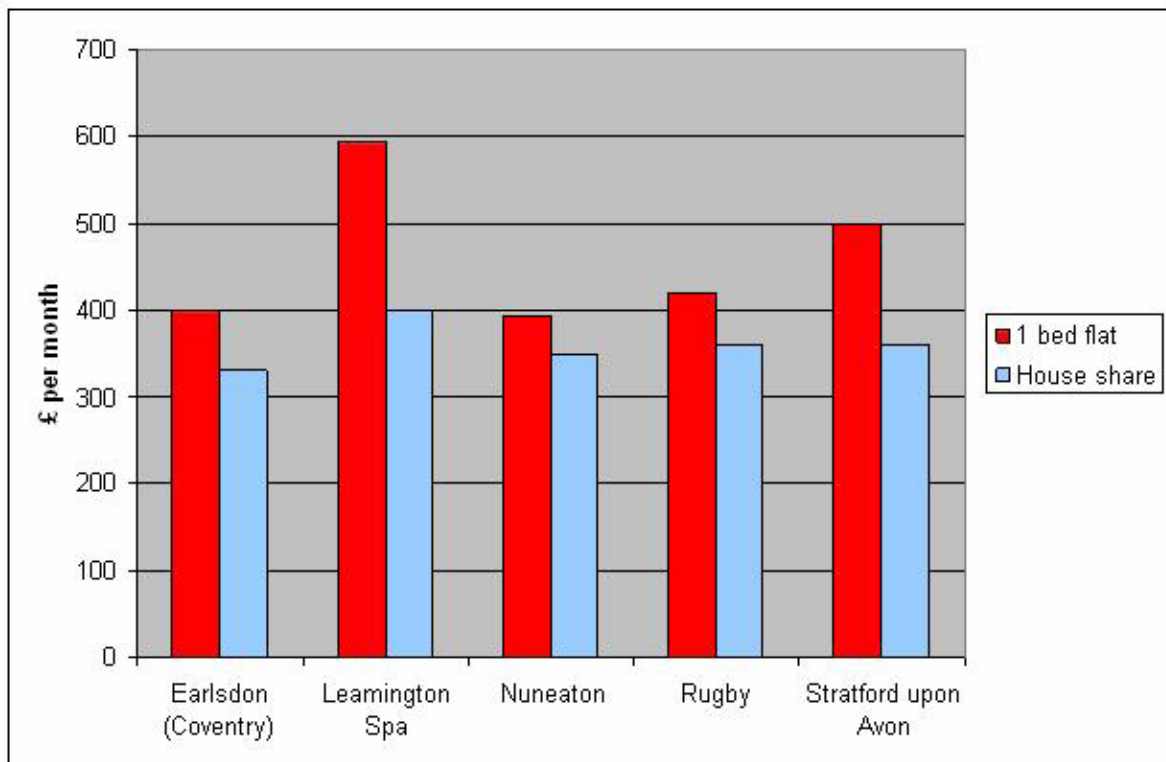
## Researching local companies

Business and Science Parks are an ideal place to start researching local companies. Such parks contain large densities of businesses – from multinationals to small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and are a great place to

start researching potential companies. Try doing a web search on some of the following business parks:

**Warwick**  
Warwick Science Park

**Coventry**  
Electric Wharf  
Westwood Business Park



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