Nigel Wright was again proud to be the title sponsor for the North East Accountancy Awards in its 10th anniversary year. The awards showcase the best of the finance industry in the North East and as a headquartered company in Newcastle, we are incredibly proud of what our region has to offer and are dedicated and passionate about promoting it.

We have been associated with the awards since 2007 and over the years have been delighted to see how its profile has grown, valuing the benefit it brings to our business through deeper engagement with our clients and candidates.

Our company is privileged to see the quality and achievements of the North East finance community on a day to day basis and the positive impact they have within business. The quality of achievements showcased at this years' event highlight the great financial leadership that exists in the region and is evidence that the North East remains in a strong position for the future.

Of particular note at this year's event was the recognition of some of the fantastic deals that have been done in the region during the last twelve months. Historically, the North East has lagged behind in terms transaction activity, but there has been a marked change is that trend in recent months, with a number of high value deals taking place in key growth sectors such as technology, digital, healthcare and renewable energy.

Many businesses are still in desperate need of development capital to grow quickly enough to meet a burgeoning demand for their products and services, and the funds for these opportunities are available now via private equity investment, JEREMIE as well as through the banks. This shows the environment is ripe for heightened activity.

Founded in 1988 in Newcastle upon Tyne, Nigel Wright has grown from being a specialist recruiter in the finance and accountancy sector, to covering a full range of disciplines in a number of different industries across the UK and Europe. It is the rich bed of talent in the region which continues to facilitate Nigel Wright's international expansion and this pool wouldn't exist if it wasn't for the outstanding work that is done by North East companies in developing people and helping them to move forward in their careers.