

The loan arrangers



From left, Paul Loynes MD of Quality Kitchen Makeovers; Sylvia Heal MP; and Paul Kalinauckas, chief executive of BCRS

Sylvia Heal, MP for Halesowen and Rowley Regis, visited a specialist kitchen makeover company that has been helped by the local community development finance institution.

The Black Country Reinvestment Society (BCRS), the Wolverhampton-based loans company, has helped business owner Paul Loynes expand Quality Kitchen Makeovers from the landmark Oak Lodge Buildings at Furnace Hill, Halesowen.

The business specialises in kitchen makeovers, but has since diversified into new kitchens, bedrooms, studies and bathrooms.

"I was looking for funding to develop the next phase of my business as I wanted to expand and have storage space for stock. I went to my bank, who were unable to help but referred me to BCRS. They came out to see me and agreed to make us a loan. The money has been spent on growing the business and expanding into another unit on the Hill Crest Estate, where we carry our stock."

Paul Kalinauckas, chief executive of BCRS, said: "Quality Kitchen Makeovers is a perfect example of the kind of business we like to help."

Sylvia Heal said: "I am pleased that BCRS, with funding from the Government, is able to help someone start a business or help small firms expand."