

News release

SPLENDID HOSPITALITY GROUP APPOINTS PHILIP BOLSON AS GENERAL MANAGER FOR THE GRAND HOTEL & SPA, YORK



Splendid Hospitality Group (SHG) has appointed Philip Bolson as General Manager for The Grand Hotel & Spa, York's only 5-star hotel.

Philip steps in at a pivotal time as this much-loved iconic hotel enters the final stages of a major £15 million redevelopment which will include new restaurant concepts and additional bedrooms.

Stuart Bailey, CEO of Splendid Hospitality Group said: "We are thrilled that Philip is joining The Grand Hotel & Spa team. With the hotel's exciting redevelopment project in full swing it is perfect timing for him to take the reins. Philip has superb operational skills which are ideal for launching and managing hotels. His flair for imbuing his team with his passion for good service, makes him the perfect fit for the job."

Philip comments: "Over the years, The Grand Hotel & Spa has been a great success story for York and I am delighted to join the team as it enters a new, even more exciting chapter. We have really talented staff at The Grand and every one of them is committed to making sure that the hotel surpasses our 5 AA star credentials."

Philip joined SHG in 2015 bringing with him a wealth of experience in the hospitality industry. Working as Operations Director for SHG he oversaw the management of hotels across the portfolio as well as the opening of the boutique Hotel Indigo York in Walmgate and the acquisition of several key hotels including the Ibis York Centre and The New Ellington in Leeds. Philip was also a key member of the team rolling out the company's innovative approach to HR, The Splendid Hospitality Purpose & Way.

Philip is an avid cricket fan and as they say, whilst a Yorkshire man is Captain of England – all is good with the world.

The Grand Hotel & Spa is currently recruiting restaurant and bar staff for its brand new 130-seater restaurant set to open later this year. Find out more on their website - www.thegrandyork.co.uk