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**VALENTINE BERESFORD JOINS RANKEILOUR PROPERTIES AS NON-EXEC
CHAIRMAN OF NEW UK WAREHOUSE FUND**

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Valentine Beresford has more than 35 years' experience working in senior roles



Valentine Beresford. (Rankeilour Properties)

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Rankeilour Properties, the property investment and asset management company primarily focused on industrial and logistics properties in the North of England and Scotland, has added a LondonMetric cofounder to its ranks.

Valentine Beresford, an industry veteran with more than 35 years' experience working at senior management and board level, has joined the group as non-executive chairman of its new UK warehouse Fund.

He announced his retirement from the role of investment director at LondonMetric last October and left at the end of the last financial year.

Valentine was one of the original founders of Metric Property, which had its IPO in 2010, before it merged with London & Stamford in 2013. He has worked with LondonMetric's management team for more than 30 years, the last 13 of which were at LondonMetric after Pillar Property and British Land.

His career has involved aggregating and managing a number of real estate portfolios across the UK and Europe, focusing on logistics, retail warehousing, convenience retail and long income assets. He has also supported on strategic M&A activity, helping LondonMetric grow to circa £7.5 billion of assets.

Rankeilour said the appointment is part of the company's ambition to accelerate its strategy to provide "excellent returns" to investors by deploying capital across the North of England and Scotland.

The company said it is looking to work with new and existing stakeholders to "capitalise on the current softer market conditions". The new fund is raising capital to invest in industrial assets in Scotland and Northern England and is scheduled to launch in July 2026.

Rankeilour Properties director Neil Crombie said: "Valentine brings extensive sector expertise combined with exceptional investment discipline following his various tenures at some of the UK's leading real estate companies.

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LondonMetric co-founder takes non-exec role at logistics specialist

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Valentine Beresford named non-executive chairman of Rankeilour Properties' new fund



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- **Why** Beresford recently stepped down as investment director of LondonMetric
- **What next** Rankeilour's new fund is due to launch in July

Valentine Beresford, the co-founder of LondonMetric who left the [FTSE 100 business earlier this year](#), has taken on a non-executive role with industrial and logistics specialist Rankeilour Properties, Green Street News can reveal.

Beresford, who was investment director at LondonMetric, will take on the role of non-executive chairman of Rankeilour's new fund.

Established in 2016 and run by Neil Crombie and Jamie Fergusson, Edinburgh-based Rankeilour is focused on industrial and logistics in the North of England and Scotland. To date, it has deployed more than £100m, working on behalf of family offices and high-net-worth investors.

The appointment of Beresford comes as the company seeks to accelerate this strategy, working to capitalise on softer market conditions. The new fund is currently raising

capital, with a view to launch in July. It will aim to assemble a portfolio of around £50m, made up of smaller lots in the North and Scotland.

Rankeilour's director, Neil Crombie, said: "Valentine brings extensive sector expertise combined with exceptional investment discipline following his various tenures at some of the UK's leading real estate companies. We look forward to capitalising on his expertise and palpable energy as we grow our business by offering investors access to this attractive asset class."

Having worked together at Pillar and then at British Land, Beresford, Andrew Jones and Mark Stirling launched Metric Property in 2010. It then became LondonMetric following a merger with London & Stamford three years later.

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Beresford named non-executive chair of Rankeilour's new warehouse fund

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Industrial and logistics investor and manager Rankeilour Properties has appointed industry veteran Valentine Beresford as non-executive chairman of its new Scottish and North of England UK warehouse fund.



Valentine Beresford

Beresford is the co-founder and recently retired investment director of FTSE 100 company LondonMetric Property and has had a 35-year plus career operating at senior management and PLC board level.

Edinburgh-based Rankeilour Properties, established in 2016 and run by Neil Crombie and Jamie Fergusson, manages property on behalf of private family offices and high net worth investors.

Its new fund is raising capital to invest in industrial assets in Scotland and Northern England and is scheduled to launch in July.

Crombie said: "Valentine brings extensive sector expertise combined with exceptional investment discipline following his various tenures at some of the UK's leading real estate companies.

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Rankeilour has deployed more than £100m across around 25 industrial property deals in the North of England and Scotland.



Rankeilour makes appointment for warehouse fund

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Rankeilour Properties has appointed Valentine Beresford as non-executive chairman of the company's new UK warehouse fund.

Beresford holds a career spanning 35 years and has recently retired from his position as investment director of LondonMetric Property, the company he co-founded. His experience focuses on industrial and logistics, while also supporting on M&A activity to help LondonMetric to grow to £7.5bn of assets.

In his new role, Beresford will work on the fund to raise capital to invest in industrial assets in Scotland and Northern England, ahead of its launch in July this year.

Neil Crombie, director of Rankeilour Properties, said: "Valentine brings extensive sector expertise combined with exceptional investment discipline following his various tenures at some of the UK's leading real estate companies."

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Rankeilour appoints Valentine Beresford to lead new warehouse fund

Rankeilour Properties has appointed former LondonMetric Investment Director Valentine Beresford as Non-executive Chairman of its new UK Warehouse Fund. The Edinburgh-based investment manager is preparing to launch the vehicle in July 2026, targeting industrial and logistics assets across Scotland and northern England.

Valentine Beresford, co-founder and recently retired Investment Director of FTSE 100-listed [LondonMetric Property](#), has more than 35 years of experience operating at senior management and listed company board level. During his career, he aggregated and managed a range of real estate portfolios across the UK and Europe with a focus on logistics, retail warehousing, convenience retail and long-income assets. He also supported strategic M&A activity that helped LondonMetric grow to approximately £7.5 billion of assets.

Edinburgh-based Rankeilour Properties was established in 2016 and is led by Neil Crombie and Jamie Fergusson. The company manages real estate assets on behalf of private family offices and high-net-worth investors. To date, Rankeilour has deployed more than £100 million across approximately 25 industrial property transactions in northern England and Scotland.

The appointment of Beresford forms part of the company's strategy to accelerate growth alongside new and existing stakeholders and capitalise on softer market conditions. The new fund is currently raising capital to invest in industrial assets in Scotland and northern England and is scheduled to launch in July 2026.

"Valentine brings extensive sector expertise combined with exceptional investment discipline following his various tenures at some of the UK's leading real estate companies. We look forward to capitalising on his expertise and palpable energy as we grow our business by offering investors access to this attractive asset class," says Neil Crombie, Director of Rankeilour Properties.