


Jobs hope as print firm is taken over



DOZENS of new jobs could be created at a printing works at Stroud following a multi-million pound take-over by European business giants Danel.

Dudbridge-based Copeland-Chatterson Ltd, owned by William Broxson and Son has been bought out by Danel and will be used as the company's ~~main UK~~ headquarters. And bosses say there could be dozens of new jobs as the firm plans major expansion.

Judith Smith, spokeswoman for Copeland-Chatterson said: "The new firm will ensure the continuation of manufacturing at Stroud and will provide significant investment and development potential.

"We will be moving some of our staff from our base at Reading to Stroud and all current jobs at the plant are safe. If anything we will be looking at boosting the number of people on our staff as the business becomes established. We also plan major expansions at the Dudbridge site."

Danel has a workforce of more than 1,600 people spread across 15 factories in France, Spain and the UK. The company is worth more than £200 million.

News of the takeover, which was announced yesterday, has been welcomed by councillors and traders, who hope it will give a much needed boost to Stroud's economy.