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Northcoders Group PLC
(‘Northcoders’, the ‘Group’ or the ‘Company’)

Outstanding OFSTED Inspection Rating

Northcoders (AIM:CODE), a market leader in technology training in the UK, is pleased to announce that following its first full inspection by OFSTED (‘Office for Standards in Education, Children’s Services and Skills’), the Group has been awarded the highest possible rating of **Outstanding** across all areas.

Northcoders is now in the top 6% of UK further education providers delivering apprenticeships and skills training across all sectors, following a May 2025 inspection that assessed its adult learning programmes, including software and data engineering Skills Bootcamps. The full breakdown of grades awarded is as follows:

- Quality of Education: **Outstanding**
- Behaviour and Attitudes: **Outstanding**
- Personal Development: **Outstanding**
- Leadership and Management: **Outstanding**
- Adult Learning Programmes: **Outstanding**

The OFSTED report praised Northcoders for delivering a ‘highly ambitious, current and industry-informed curriculum’, as well as ‘exceptionally effective support’ through its mentors and careers consultants. The report also highlighted Northcoders’ commitment to inclusion and its track record in enabling learners to transition into digital careers quickly and successfully.

Chris Hill, CEO of Northcoders, commented: *“We are incredibly proud to have received the highest possible recognition from OFSTED. This Outstanding rating is a clear validation of the quality we strive to deliver, from curriculum design to course execution, and the life-changing impact our programmes have for learners from all walks of life.*

“This result significantly strengthens our position in the competitive tendering landscape, particularly with government and regional funding bodies which we are currently navigating. It enhances our credibility, bolsters our bid-winning capability, and positions us as a leading provider of high-quality digital skills training at a time when confidence and rigour in provider selection has never been more critical.”

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Northcoders is a market leading provider of technology training for businesses and individuals with courses in, Software Engineering, Data Engineering, AI and Machine Learning, and Platform Engineering. Founded in 2015,

the Group provides the highest quality online training to students across the UK via its proven NCore technology platform.

Powered by IP rich technology, Northcoders offers boot camp courses to individuals from a range of backgrounds, delivered through virtual and physical learning. The Group also works with blue chip corporates across multiple sectors to help them to achieve their digital requirements, with teams as a service and to supply innovative solutions for the upskilling and reskilling of employees. With a keen focus of inclusivity, diversity and quality at its core, Northcoders aims to address the digital skills gap in the UK to meet the increasing demand for digital specialists at all levels, from businesses and public agencies.

Northcoders was admitted to trading on AIM in July 2021 with the ticker CODE.L. For additional information please visit investors.northcodersgroup.com.

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