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BARBICAN CHANNEL ISLANDS STRENGTHENS TEAM

A new development underwriter has been appointed by Barbican Channel Islands.

John Keat brings nearly 30 years experience to the company, established at the end of 2007 as the only business in Guernsey to be licensed as a Lloyd's Underwriter to write business for Channel Island customers.

'John has particular expertise within the commercial sector where he has focussed on Property, Casualty and Technical lines. He will materially strengthen the Barbican Channel Islands team,' said Executive General Manager Vincent Bray.

Mr Keat, who has moved to Guernsey from the UK, will be concentrating on new business opportunities.

He has worked for some of the UK's leading insurance companies and completed his professional exams in 1989, becoming a Chartered Insurer in 2002. Outside of work he is a successful lawn bowler who has won a number of county titles and played for both Hampshire and Surrey. He hopes to be able to play representatively for Guernsey if the opportunity arise.

'To be part of a forward-thinking company such as Barbican is very exciting. The Lloyd's of London backing will be invaluable in Barbican becoming an insurance and reinsurance group with a premium value of £225 million by the end of 2011 and as part of the Barbican Channel Islands team, I look forward to working towards that goal,' said Mr Keat.

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Barbican Channel Islands has appointed John Keat as Development Underwriter.