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## **aql ends Hull Telecoms Monopoly**

Leeds, 28th May. Wholesale telecommunications operator **aql**, have recently completed a 'porting agreement' with Hull based operator Kingston Communications.

Until now, any subscriber with a Kingston-upon-Hull telephone number must have their number tied to their fixed line subscription. Now that the numbers can be ported into the **aql** 'cloud', any Hull number can be moved away from the existing network onto another fixed line service, or onto an IP telephone service, or even onto a mobile handset – all for a few pounds a month.

**aql**'s model is to supply capable, friendly, value added resellers who can support the end customer. This means that **aql** just need to concentrate on innovation and maintaining the core network.

Paul Greaves, Sales Director of **aql** stated "We see the Kingston porting agreement as likely to act as a catalyst to competition in the Hull area and I'm sure we'll see new specialist operators cropping up. An example of such an operator is [theonetwork.co.uk](http://theonetwork.co.uk), who can merge your office and home numbers onto one mobile device from £5 per month".

Martin Lauer, Managing Director of The One Point had this to say "This is a real game changer for Hull and gives Hull customers real choice and flexibility, previously not universally available. We expect a huge demand via resellers, telecoms companies for this service aswell as end users direct."

He continued “The partnership with **aql** continues to go from strength to strength following on from the announcement of our MVNO agreement (The One Network) and other product relationships.”

**Notes to Editor :**

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the best deals to our customers, along with in-house specialist team of engineers and account managers you can be confident that you will get the best service at the most competitive price.