



Arcadia collapse sees historic Burton site shut with 400 jobs lost

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The historic Burton site is set to close with 400 job's lost amid the collapse of the Arcadia fashion empire.

The former Burton factory in Leeds has been in operation since 1922 - most recently as a distribution centre for Arcadia stores including Dorothy Perkins and Burtons.

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But after more than 100 years and despite BooHoo's purchase of the Burton brand, the facility now looks set to close.

Workers were told of the closure today [February 18, 2021]. A consultation period will be on February 24, ending on April 30 when the site will shut its doors for good.

Jake O'Malley, GMB Organiser, said:

“To see 400 hard-working people lose their jobs while like of Phillip Green and the



administrators waltz off with millions is repugnant.

“A century of history and hundreds of good jobs down the pan – while Philip Green is living it up on his private yacht and the administrators pick the bones of the business clean.

“GMB will fight tooth and nail to make sure workers get what they deserve from this mess.”

