

## WE WANTED TO SHOW THEM WHAT REAL COMPANIES HAVE TO DO

The words said by a director of NatWest Bank to the senior management team at Shep Plastics.

In September 2006 we had seven senior bank managers from NatWest London Commercial banking visit us for a day.

The management team and directors of Shep took the managers through a day of realism – health and safety on the ground, employment problems for a SME, keeping customers happy and dealing with day to day problems of production and assembly.



For the bank managers it was a rare opportunity to get into a business for more than the usual hour; for Shep personnel it was an opportunity to have their knowledge and skills tested by professionals who knew nothing about plastics!

Seen in the photo are the visitors about to leave Shep to find their way back to the comfort zones within their office.