

Former plumber, Danny Kearns, awarded the franchise for the Channel Island of Jersey.

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There's no-one happier than Danny Kearns' father after he took over oven valeting business Ovenu Jersey.

For it was dad Heath (pictured right with Danny on the left) who alerted the self-employed plumber to the opportunity after he called Ovenu to have his oven cleaned, only to learn the island's previous franchisee had retired.



With Danny searching for a career where he could structure his work around family commitments, he quickly realised the huge business potential and recently became the proud owner of Ovenu Jersey.

The 30-year-old, who is born and bred on the island, said: "Naturally, my dad was my very first client and is extremely pleased after having had to wait a few months! As a long-standing Ovenu client, he alerted me to the fact the Jersey franchise was available.

"I'm not sure whether it was because it is a fantastic business opportunity or that he just wanted his oven cleaning, either way it's a win-win situation for both of us," he joked.

Heath added: "I'm pleased that Danny is running a brilliant business that delivers a service that I value highly and hopefully in the coming years he will still find time to fit me in!"

Danny previously ran his own domestic plumbing business, but the father-of-two wanted to devote more time to his son and daughter and was looking to switch to a career that offered an improved work life balance.

Having completed a week-long induction training course, he has relaunched Ovenu Jersey and within the first day had already secured a week's worth of bookings.

He added: "As well as reconnecting with the loyal customer base, my ambition is to further grow the business by attracting new clients."

Rik Hellewell, the founder and managing director of Ovenu said: "Having been a plumber experienced in running his own business, Danny has many transferable skills, which not only includes his technical expertise but his passion for delivering a top-quality service.

Danny is being introduced to most of the existing client base we have in Jersey via the social media channels and other media so we know it will only be a matter of a few days before he has a continuously full diary of appointments".