Retail/Leisure Development Land Newport Road

Newport Road, Rumney, Cardiff, CF3 3XG



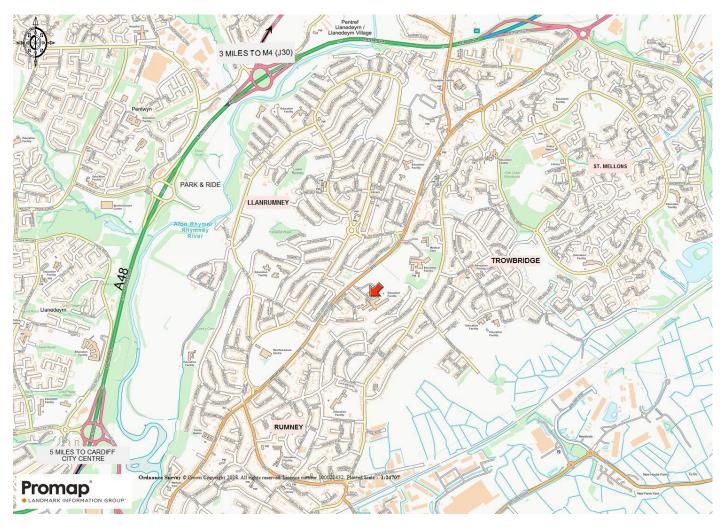
- Prominent 1.8 acre (0.73 hectare) development site with frontage to Newport Road. Newport Road is one of the main arterial roads linking East Cardiff to the City Centre and the site benefits from substantial traffic flow as a result.
- Located in a built up area comprising the wards of Rumney, Llanrumney and Trowbridge with a population of approximately 36,081.
- The immediate population within a 1 mile catchment of the site is in excess of 25,000 persons which rises to 163,000 persons within 3 miles.
- Pre-application advice confirms that the property is suitable for a range of uses falling within A1 and A3 use classes.
- The property forms part of a larger development of the site of the former Eastern High School which in addition, will provide an additional 200 new homes.
- Offered for sale by informal tender Offers to be received by 12 noon on Thursday 12 July 2018.



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Background

The new Eastern High School opened in 2017 meaning that the former school site could be declared surplus to requirements. The majority of the school site will be redeveloped to provide approximately 200 new homes as part of the Cardiff Living development partnership between Cardiff Council and Wates Living, with the subject site made available for potential retail and/or leisure uses.

Description

The site extends to approximately 0.73 hectares (1.8 acres) and comprises a level car-park, tennis courts and playing fields of the former Eastern High School. It has a prominent frontage of approximately 85 metres onto Newport Road.

Any development proposal will need to provide a suitable access off Newport Road (specification to be agreed with the Council) across the area of land shaded grey on the site plan, suitable to accommodate not only the development of the subject property but also sufficient to accommodate the proposed housing development of approximately 200 new homes.

Location & Catchment

The site is prominently located on Newport Road (B4487) which links the densely populated wards of Trowbridge, Llanrumney, St Mellons and Rumney to the City Centre as well as to the M4 via the A48(M). These 4 wards have a combined population of 36,081 and the site itself benefits from an immediate catchment within 1 mile in excess of 25,000 persons.

The visibility and prominence of this site, as well as the substantial passing traffic, affords it significant benefits to a number of potential uses including those falling within the Class A1 or A3 Uses.

Planning

The adopted Cardiff Local Development Plan (LDP) provides context for the consideration of the development proposals. The site is white land and is not subject to any land use allocations or designations. It is inside the settlement boundary but outside a designated retail centre and, therefore, the acceptability of the principle of development will centre on whether the creation of the proposed retail floorspace, in an out of centre location, can be justified.

On this basis, the Council's planning policy team has confirmed that any application for retail development at this location could be considered acceptable subject to satisfying the retail tests of need, impact and the sequential approach (Policy R6 of the LDP). This should be included in a Retail Statement submitted with the application.

Any application will also need to be accompanied by a Transport Assessment concentrating on assessing the main access. Parking (car and cycle) will also need to be provided in line with the emerging Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG). It has also been suggested that some off site pedestrian link improvements may be required.

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Method of Sale

Offers are invited for the freehold interest in the property by informal tender. Offers on an unconditional or subject to planning basis will be acceptable.

Offers are to be received by 12 noon on Thursday 12 July 2018.

Special Note

The purchaser will be charged 2.0%+VAT of the sale price upon legal completion towards the vendors legal and surveyor's costs.

Viewings

The site can be viewed from the adjoining highway without being accompanied by the vendor or their agent. If access is required onto the site this can be organised strictly by appointment with Savills.

VAT

We are informed that the property is not elected for VAT.

Further Information

An information pack is available and includes the following information:

- Instructions to tenderers •
- Ground investigation report
- Topographical survey •
- Pre-application planning advice
- Desktop archaeological survey
- Arboricultural survey
- Utilities survey
- Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) desk study

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