# RETAIL INVESTMENT FOR SALE FREEHOLD



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# 137-139 MARLOWES, HEMEL HEMPSTEAD HP1 1LA

## INVESTMENT SUMMARY

- Income of £32,500 per annum from March 2018
- Retail unit has a 9 year unexpired term, no breaks
- A3 planning consent
- Hemel Hempstead is a major Hertfordshire commuter town
- The town centre is undergoing major regeneration
- · Prominent position adjacent to transport hub
- No VAT

## LOCATION

The property is situated toward the northern end of Marlowes in the raised pavement area adjacent to the town centre bus terminus. Other local occupiers in the immediate area include **Swinton Insurance**, **William Hill**, **Brook Street**, **Nationwide** and **Santander**. There are also a number of restaurants, takeaways and convenience shops close by.

Hemel Hempstead is one of the principal towns in Hertfordshire with a population in the order of 95,000. The town is served by the M1 motorway (Junction 8) and is approximately 4 miles from the M25 (Junctions 20 and 21). The town is also served by the mainline railway with the station being approximately 1.5 miles from the town centre.

## DESCRIPTION

The property comprises a double fronted shop unit with a retail area at ground floor level and ancillary accommodation at first floor level to the rear. Loading access is provided to the rear from Wolsey Road. There are two floors of residential above.

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## TENANCIES

The property is let as follows:-

#### **Ground & First Floors:**

The property is let on a protected lease for 10 years on full repairing and insuring terms from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016. There are discounted rent payments due being £4,000 on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2017 and £4,876.59 on the 25<sup>th</sup> December 2017 reverting to an annual rent of £32,000 per annum from 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018. The tenant is KSN Group Limited t/a Creams Café which is a new franchise. A 3 month rent deposit is held.

#### Residential Upper Parts:

There are 4 flats included within the freehold, all sold off on long leases.

#### Flat 12

99 year lease from 30<sup>th</sup> November 1998. Ground Rent to 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021: £100 pa; 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – 29th November 2054: £300 pa; 30<sup>th</sup> November 2054 – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2097: £400 pa.

#### Flat 13

99 year lease from 14<sup>th</sup> July 1999. Ground rent to 13<sup>th</sup> July 2032: £100 pa; 14<sup>th</sup> July 2032 – 13<sup>th</sup> July 2065: £300 pa; 14<sup>th</sup> July 2065 – 13<sup>th</sup> July 2098: £400 pa.

#### Flat 14

125 year lease from 27<sup>th</sup> October 1986 at a peppercorn rent.

#### Flat 15

99 year lease from 25<sup>th</sup> March 2004. Ground rent to 24<sup>th</sup> March 2037: £300 pa; 25<sup>th</sup> March 2037 – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2070: £600 pa; 25<sup>th</sup> March 2070 – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2103: £900 pa.

Current income: £500 per annum.



## ACCOMMODATION

	sq ft	sq m
Retail Area	1,827	169.7
First Floor – staff, store and ancillary	920	85.5
Total	2,747	255.2

## TENURE

The property is to be sold freehold subject to the tenancies.

## **TERMS**

Offers are invited in the region of £525,000.

# **VAT**

It is understood the property is not elected for VAT.

# RATES

The VOA website shows an entry in the 2017 Rating List of:-Rateable Value £46,250 for the shop.

# **EPC RATING**

Energy Rating: 84 / Grade: D

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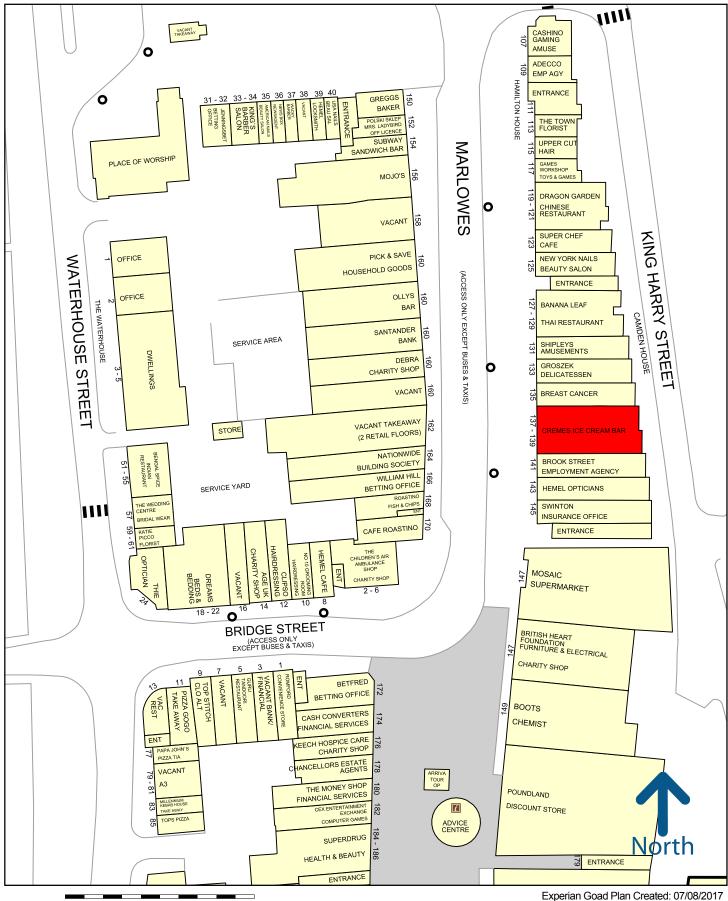


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