

Well-presented coffee shop trading on a daytime only basis, just six days a week and occupying a prominent corner trading position in the heart of Exeter's independent West Quarter. Quirky and eclectic feel, offering Customer Seating for 18 customers with ample space for more and an Additional Potential Seating Area, Outside Seating for 6-8 customers and a Basement Storage Area. Undoubted potential to develop all aspects of the trade and also the style of trade to suit own requirements.

THE PRESS HOUSE 132 FORE STREET, EXETER, DEVON, EX4 3AN

LEASEHOLD: £45,000 REF: 2163

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THE PROPERTY

The Press House is a vibrant day time only coffee shop, occupying lockup premises and which boasts a prominent double aspect corner position. Purposefully fitted by our clients in 2020, with a comfortable and eclectic feel, it offers incoming purchasers the opportunity to purchase an established coffee shop with the potential to develop the style of trade to suit their own personal requirements. This desirable city centre business has an excellent and growing reputation and briefly comprises: - Front Seating Area comfortably seating 8+ customers, Customer Servery and Preparation Area, Green Room comfortably seating 10 customers, a Further Room with potential as an additional seating area, Customer WC and Basement Cellar Storage. There is bench seating to the front for around 6/8 customers. The Press House currently only trades from 10am until 3pm Tuesday to Sunday. The sale of The Press House represents an opportunity to purchase a well-regarded coffee shop business in an excellent and prominent trading position and with genuine potential to develop all aspects of the trade still further.



SITUATION

The Press House is situated in a prime trading location with a prominent corner frontage fronting both Fore Street and Bartholomew Street West, close to the high street and main shopping areas within Exeter city centre. Fore Street is in Exeter's independent West Quarter, a few minutes' walk from Cathedral Green and has a vibrant and eclectic mix of unique shops and creative businesses and forms part of a rich local community. The businesses work together to promote individuality, style and a good alternative to the normal high street brands and establishments. Exeter itself is the regional capital of the South West and as such, is not only an established and expanding business centre, but also a popular tourist destination year round. Renowned for its historic cathedral, University and waterside developments, Exeter boasts excellent transport communications with 2 mainline rail links to London, an International Airport and easy access to the M5 Motorway at Junction 30.



INTERNAL DETAILS

Fully glazed frontage and return aspect with recessed glazed entrance door leading into the Front Seating Area a split-level trade area with with stripped wood flooring, feature lighting and electic tables, chairs and seating for 8+ customers. Customer Servery and **Preparation Area** being painted timber fronted with servery counter over, cake display area, wall mounted menuboard, shelving, stainless steel sink unit, dishwasher, commercial coffee machine, coffee grinder, ice machine, 2 under counter fridges, fridge/freezer, preparation counters, microwave oven, Adexa warming oven, induction hob, Buffalo contact grill and toaster. Steps from the seating area leading to the **Green Room** a comfortable lounge and seating area with concrete flooring, feature lighting and eclectic tables and chairs providing seating for around 10 customers. **Customer WC**. A **Further Room** is currently used by our clients in relation to their other business interests and provides potential for an additional seating area or alternative uses, dependant on requirements. **Basement Storage Area** with a chest freezer and racked shelving.





EXTERNAL DETAILS

Directly to the front of the property is **Bench Seating** for around 6-8 customers. We are advised by our clients that there is potential to obtain a pavement seating licence from Exeter City Council, subject to completing the usual application and fees.

THE BUSINESS

The Press House trades as a quality daytime only coffee shop. Well-presented throughout, the business benefits from a lucrative and prominent city trading position on one of the main arterial roads into and out of the main city centre. The business has a popular and easy to prepare food and beverage offering which has been deliberately restricted, for ease of service and to suit our clients' needs. This ranges from speciality coffees and teas, cold drinks, cakes, tray bakes and pastries. A brunch menu is also offered, but only at the weekend. The premises are purposefully fitted and equipped for the current trade and consequently offers an excellent trading environment. The business is run by our clients on a part time basis, because of other business interests, together with 1 part time member of staff. The Press House benefits from a 5 star food hygiene rating and also has an excellent social media following and benefits from numerous excellent reviews on Google. The business also benefits form website www.thepresshouse.co.uk and our clients are prepared to offer a full handover and training to interested parties, should they require it.

TRADING INFORMATION

We are advised that trade levels are deliberately restricted to keep below the VAT threshold, through personal choice and with other business interests in mind. Further trading information can be made available to interested parties following a formal viewing appointment.



OPENING HOURS

The business trades on deliberately restricted opening hours of 10am until 3pm 6 days a week, being closed on a Monday.

POTENTIAL

The sale of The Press House represents a perfect opportunity to purchase an easy to run day time only coffee shop and catering business which is well presented and offers tremendous potential for new owners to develop all aspects of the trade still further. Undoubtedly, there is potential for incoming operators to extend the opening hours and to extend the menu range and availability. There is also the potential for new owners to develop their own style of trade to suit their own personal requirements. New owners will benefit from being able to move in without the need for any major expenditure on the premises. Any early appointment to view is highly recommended in order to full appreciate all that this quality and easy to run catering business has to offer.



RATING

We are advised that the business rates payable are currently nil after 100% business rates relief. For up-to-date Business Rates information, we refer you to The Valuation Office website www.voa.gov.uk.



SERVICES

Mains water, drainage and electricity are connected to the property.

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PRICE & TENURE

£45,000 for the valuable leasehold interest as a going concern business and full trade inventory. Stock at valuation. The premises are held on an internal repairing and insuring lease (to include the shop fronts), on the remainder of a 3 year lease, which commenced in August 2023. The rent payable is £11,000, payable monthly in advance. There is currently a rent deposit of £2,000.

VIEWINGS

Strictly by appointment with the vendors Sole Selling Agents.Tel:(01392)201262.Email:info@stonesmith.co.uk You are recommended to contact us before visiting the property even for an informal viewing. We can then confirm whether or not it is still available.



Please note: The fittings, equipment and services listed have not been tested by the agents, although we are informed that all items are in working order.