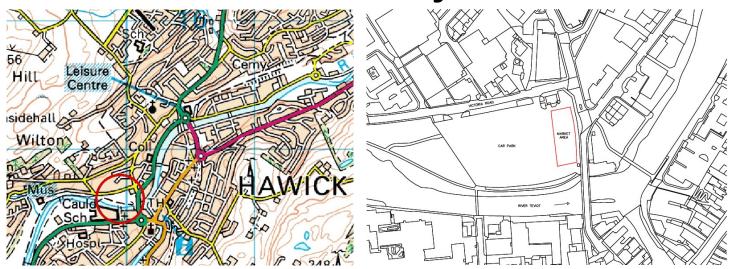


To Let - Saturday Market



Open Air Retail Market Site, Common Haugh Car Park, Hawick, TD9 7AR SATURDAY TRADING between 9am and 5.30pm

Opportunity

To lease a market site and to manage, promote and expand the Hawick Market to help support local and regional businesses by providing stalls for retailing goods and services and adding vibrancy and activity to the town centre. The market can include for example local produce, food takeaway, arts and crafts, antiques and upcycled goods alongside more traditional market stalls.

This opportunity may be of interest to a community led organisation in which case support and guidance is available from a number of agencies and this can be signposted to interested parties to guide them in developing a business plan.

Description

The area outlined on the plan (exact area to be confirmed) shall be used for stalls and parking of the traders' vehicles. Access to the site will be on a Saturday between 7.30am and 7.00pm and trading will be permitted between 9.00am and 5.30pm. The Operator will be responsible for leaving the site in a neat and tidy condition at the end of the day and will need to arrange for the traders refuse disposal. The Operator will indemnify Scottish Borders Council against all costs, claims, damages or proceedings which may arise as a result of the use of the site.

Outgoings

The Operator will be responsible for paying all rates and other outgoings levied in respect of the site. The Rateable Value in the current Valuation Roll is £8,600 however Small Business Bonus Relief or Charitable Relief could be available at www.scotborders.gov.uk/info/20067/money off business rates.

Insurance

The Operator will be required to exhibit a current Public Liability Insurance Policy prior to commencing trading.

Lease Terms

Commercial tenancy for a 5 year period is being offered with mutual break options. Date of entry to be agreed. The Council will consider a profit share arrangement instead of a rent to allow the market to become financially sustainable. VAT is not applicable.

Licence

The operator of the market will be required to obtain a Market Operators Licence under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982. Details can be obtained from the Licensing Team at Scottish Borders Council on 0300 100 1800 or at www.scotborders.gov.uk/directory_record/22334/market_operators

Planning

The site is offered with full planning consent for a retail market.

Offers

A closing date will be set and interested parties notified. Offers should include a mission statement and a business plan setting out how the market will be managed together with any other relevant information. Offers to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Offer for Hawick Market" to Estate Management, Scottish Borders Council, Newtown St Boswells TD6 0SA. A short list of potential tenants may be drawn up and asked to discuss their offer with the Hawick Common Good Fund Sub Committee before any offer is accepted. Offers received after the closing date will not be accepted and the Landlord does not bind itself to accept the highest or indeed any offer.

Further Information

Please contact Estate Management on Tel: 01835 825122 or estatemanagement@scotborders.gov.uk

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