

FOR SALE BY ONLINE AUCTION

RETAIL INVESTMENT

Auction Date: 20.08.26

**Very prominent end-of-terrace
three-storey & attic unit**

**Fronting pedestrianised High Street
& overlooking Burns Statue Square**

**FRI lease to Marie Curie
terminating 6th July 2028**

Rent rebased at £10,000 + VAT p.a.

**Qualifies for 100% Rates Relief
(subject to occupier eligibility)**

Guide Price: £90,000 + VAT



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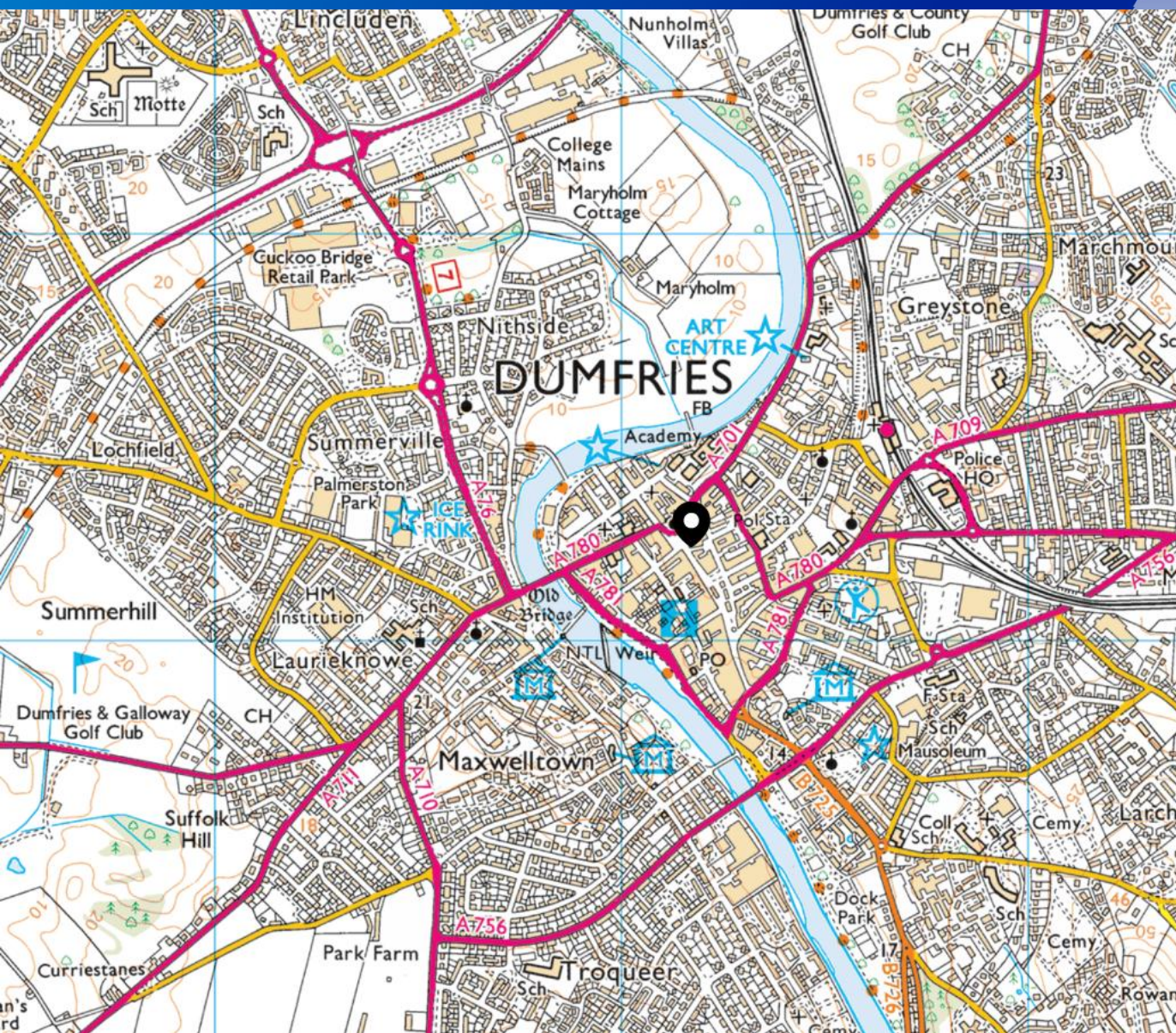
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Location

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The property occupies a very prominent position at the northern end of Dumfries' pedestrianised High Street, overlooking the regenerated Burns Statue Square.

Dumfries, with a population of around 33,000, is the largest town in Dumfries & Galloway as is therefore southwest Scotland's main shopping and administrative centre.

The town lies approximately 75 miles south of Glasgow and 34 miles northwest of Carlisle, occupying a strategic location at the intersection of the A75, A76, and A701 trunk roads.

Connections to the A74(M) / M6 motorway are available at Lockerbie via the A709, Gretna via the A75, and Beattock via the A701.

The A75 also provides a link to the Northern Irish ferry ports at Cairnryan.

The property is set within the prime retailing district which benefits from easy access to multiple car parks and several public transport links, including a train station on the Glasgow South Western Line.

Surrounding retailers include Nationwide, Boots, Savers, Argos, Greggs, Cancer Research UK, Shelter Scotland, Paddy Power, The Cumberland, Iceland, The Salvation Army, and Royal Bank of Scotland.

In addition, other nearby commercial premises include a JD Wetherspoon public house, an NHS dental clinic, professional offices, and salons.

Long-standing Marie Curie investment comprising highly visible unit within prime retailing area



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Description

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The subjects comprise a traditional end-of-terrace three-storey and attic building, with extensive preservation works undertaken by Marie Curie circa 2018.

The building is of stone construction, with a painted / rendered external finish, surmounted by a pitched and slate clad roof.

The unit benefits from a modern ground floor sales frontage consisting of two full-height display windows set either side of a recessed entrance door, all under full-span fascia signage.

The internal accommodation extends to the following:

Ground Floor
Open-Plan Sales Area

First Floor
Storage & Staff Room with fitted Kitchenette

Second Floor
Storage & WC

Attic Floor
Overflow Storage

The ground floor sales area is finished in line with the Tenant's corporate branding, including laminate flooring, painted walls, and suspended tile ceiling.

An external metal fire exit stair has been installed at the rear of the property and serves the first floor accommodation.

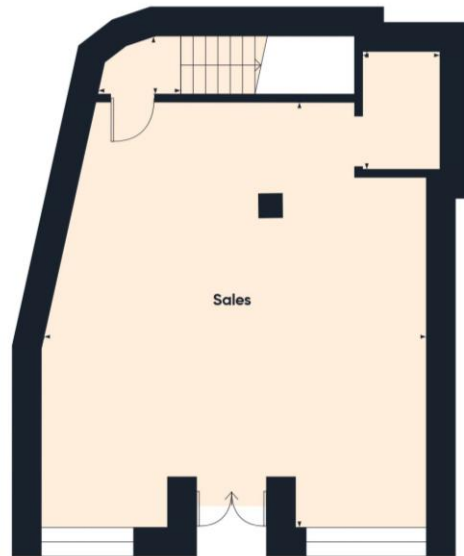
FLOOR AREAS	m ²	ft ²
Ground Floor	43.76	471
First Floor	34.06	367
Second Floor	30.26	326
Attic Floor	-	-
TOTAL	108.08	1,164

The above floor areas have been calculated on a Net Internal Area basis in accordance with the RICS Code of Measuring Practice (6th Edition).

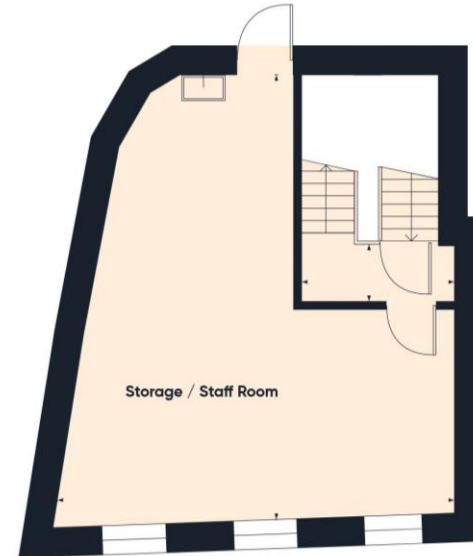


Floor Plan

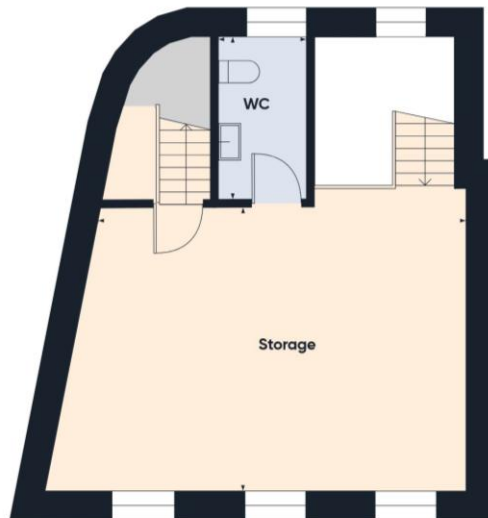
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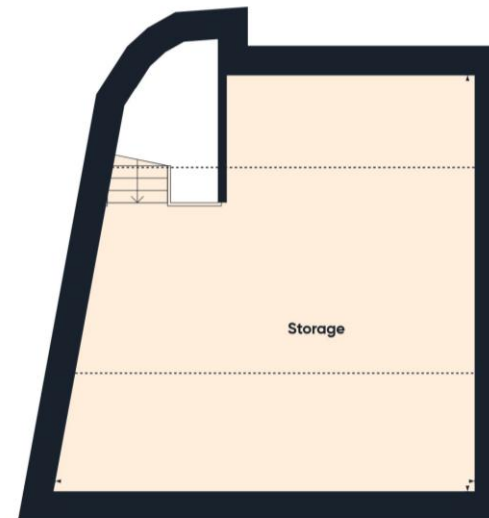
Second Floor



First Floor



Second Floor

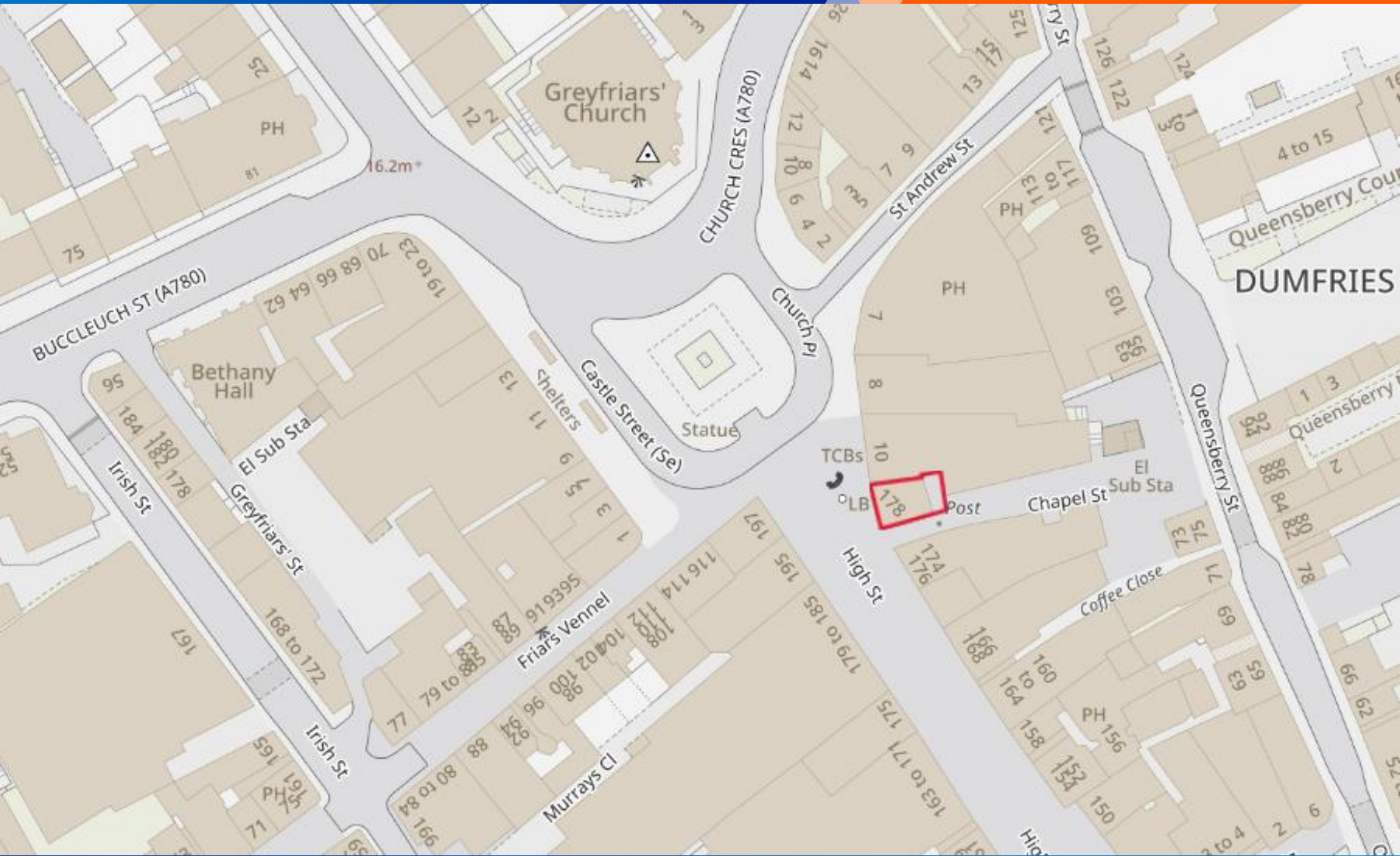


Attic Floor



Site Plan

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Services

The property is connected to mains supplies of water and electricity. Drainage is assumed to be into the main public sewer.

Space heating is provided by electric panel radiators / warm-air blowers. Hot water is delivered by instantaneous electric geysers.

A fire alarm system has been installed.

Rating Assessment

£7,000

The property therefore qualifies for 100% rates relief under the Small Business Bonus Scheme, subject to occupier eligibility.

Planning

We assume the subjects benefit from Class 1A (shops, financial, professional & other services) consent, all in terms of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Scotland) Order 1997.

The property is however well suited to alternative commercial use or partial residential conversion, subject to Local Authority consents.

Interested parties are advised to make their own planning enquiries direct with Dumfries & Galloway Council.

Grant funding for residential conversion may be available via the [Dumfries & Galloway Council Town Centre Living Fund](#).

Tenant

Marie Curie is well established as the UK's leading end-of-life charity, and generates retail income from more than 130 stores throughout the country.

<https://www.mariecurie.org.uk/>

Lease Terms & Passing Rent

Marie Curie have occupied the subjects since 1997.

The original FRI lease has been extended / varied on three separate occasions, with the current termination date being 6th July 2028. There are no break options or rent reviews.

The passing rent is £10,000 + VAT per annum.

A Schedule of Condition over the external fabric was to be introduced following completion of Tenant works undertaken in 2018, however, this has not been presented.





Auction Date

The auction will be held on Thursday 20th August 2026 at 2:30pm.

Registering to Bid

All parties wishing to bid will be required to pre-register against any lots they wish to bid on using the link below:

<https://www.shepherd.co.uk/auctions-remote-bidding/>

Bidders will also be invited to undertake an AML identity check and provide debit card details for a Stripe check.

Deposit

At the end of the auction, the winning bidder must immediately pay a non-refundable deposit of 10% of the purchase price (plus VAT if appropriate), subject to a minimum of £5,000.

Reserve Price

The reserve price is the minimum price for which the property can be sold, this figure is confidential between the auctioneer and the vendor and cannot be disclosed.

If the reserve price isn't met, the property will remain unsold.

You can contact our team and at this point you'll be able to make an offer which will be referred to the sellers for their consideration.

Guide Price

The property has a guide price of **£90,000 + VAT**.

If properties are advertised with a guide price this will be within 10% either above or below the reserve price.

If the guide is shown as falling within a range of prices, then the reserve price will not exceed the highest value quoted.

Buyer Fees

The buyer's fee is 1.5% plus VAT, subject to a minimum of £1,500 plus VAT.

Legal Pack

The legal pack is available to view online.

VAT

See Legal Pack.

Energy Performance Certificate

Energy Performance Rating: B

A copy of the EPC is available upon request.

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