

Arden University Gets Key to Lock 14 For Brum Office Move

The Higher Education Establishment Has Taken 19,738 Square Feet at Aegon's Refurbished Office Scheme



Lock 14. (Aegon)

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Aegon Asset Management's has signed Arden University at Lock 14, their newly refurbished office scheme.

The higher education establishment has taken the entire 19,738 square feet on a 10-year term. The development on Summer Row, Birmingham, supplements its existing premises at Centre City, Hill Street.

Aegon Asset Management has invested £1.8m in a comprehensive refurbishment of the three buildings, which included significant structural alterations and a change of use.

The new grade-A space includes exposed services and an array of period features, flexible meeting rooms, breakout spaces, kitchen, cycle storage, shower and changing facilities, plus a central courtyard and two roof terraces.

Theo Holmes, a director in CBRE's offices team, said: "This deal, which was agreed prior to practical completion and during varying degrees of lockdown, is testament to Aegon Asset Management's foresight in repurposing these buildings and leveraging the development's proximity to the Paradise scheme."

James Andrews International acted for the university. Director Mark Kleinman said: "Lock 14 provides Arden University with a self-contained facility. Their presence, along with neighbouring Birmingham College of Food and BCU's School of Jewellery, Fashion and Textiles, has added further weight to the burgeoning education quarter sandwiched between the city centre and the Jewellery Quarter."

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