

University of Nottingham secures city's largest office letting since lockdowns ended

Arden University taking former HMRC space



Building D at Castle Meadow. (University of Nottingham)

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The University of Nottingham has leased 31,172 square feet at its [Castle Meadow](#) campus to Arden University, in the largest office letting in the city since Covid-19 lockdowns ended.

The space at Building D at Castle Meadow has been leased to the fellow university, which specialises in a combination of distance and blended learning courses for UK and international students.

NG Chartered Surveyors and Blackstar Advisory advised the University of Nottingham, while James Andrew International advised Arden.

In a release NG said the letting marks a significant step forward in the evolution of Castle Meadow, a key asset in The University of Nottingham's growing city centre presence. The site was bought by the University in late 2021, with plans to create a hub for business, innovation, and academic collaboration.

Originally designed by Hopkins and completed in 1994, Building D is part of the wider Castle Meadow Campus, a series of Grade II-listed office buildings formerly occupied by HM Revenue and Customs.

NG head of agency Thomas Szymkiw said in a statement: “We’re proud to have concluded Nottingham’s largest office letting since the pandemic and to support The University of Nottingham in realising its ambitious plans for Castle Meadow. Arden University is a progressive institution with a strong track record in digital learning, and their relocation to this iconic building signals real confidence in the city centre as a hub for education and innovation.”

Mark Kleinman of James Andrew International said: “I’m delighted to have acquired this unique building which will be a great asset within the Arden University Property Portfolio.”

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