

## CORPORATE

### GL Hearn appointed by JD Williams

GL Hearn are delighted to have been chosen by JD Williams to act as their retained agents with a national remit to roll out their extremely successful online brand Simply Be onto the high street. Stores have already been secured in prime sites at Liverpool One which opened successfully on 22nd September and The Rock, Bury which opened on the 6th October. Phase 2 of the roll out is already underway for another five stores scheduled for Easter 2012 opening.

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### New Offices for RPS Group

GL Hearn have advised RPS Group in their relocation to a new 15,000 sq ft office at 14 Cornhill London EC3.



Our advice included a property search for suitable offices, acquisition negotiations with the landlord, providing a cost plan for the fit out and project management of the works, plus settling the dilapidation claim at their existing offices.

Stephen Downey, Corporate Director and Client Manager for RPS Group comments "Timescales for this project were critical and a successful outcome was achieved through excellent communications within the GL Hearn teams involved and close liaison with the client throughout".

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## OFFICE NEWS

### GL Hearn fields its largest ever team at BCSC

More than 2,600 delegates from the retail industry descended on Manchester in September for the BCSC conference and exhibition at Manchester Central.

In September GL Hearn fielded its largest ever team of property experts at BCSC in a year that has seen the company deliver new services and initiatives welcomed by clients across the retail and shopping centres sectors. One such initiative is supporting the transition of online retailer Simply Be to the high street at Liverpool One.

GL Hearn hosted a prestigious cocktail reception at the Radisson Edwardian in Manchester which was well attended by the firm's clients and professional partners. Judging by the photos a good night was had by all.



## PLANNING

# Local Centre Extension in Ashton

GL Hearn's planning team have recently assisted a local developer to obtain planning permission for a Local Centre extension to the east of Ashton-under-Lyne town centre.

The site is the former IMO Car Wash site located on Mossley Road, one of the main roads into Ashton town centre. The application was seeking planning permission for seven new commercial units of varying sizes, totalling 1044 sq.m of commercial floorspace. It was successfully demonstrated at Tameside's Planning Committee on 20th July that the proposed development would improve the Mossley Road Local Centre through the provision of additional convenience goods and services to the people of east Ashton not currently available in the existing stores. Furthermore the regeneration of this previously developed site, that has been awaiting development for some time, will improve the streetscene on this main route into the town centre.

Planning permission has subsequently been issued, with implementation of the application expected to be as soon as possible.

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# Business in the Community

Following the launch of GL Hearn's new volunteering scheme, a team of eight volunteers from the Manchester, London and Glasgow offices joined forces for Give and Gain Day.



We travelled to Boggart Hole Clough in North Manchester and took part in a Business in the Community initiative alongside other volunteers from other companies. Our task for the day was to attack the invasion of the rather big non-native plant species Himalayan Balsam.

The sun was shining and a fun and rewarding day was had by all!

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# Awards Night

At this year's North West Insider Property Awards Dinner, GL Hearn were one of the main sponsors of the Property Finance Category. This is undoubtedly the main event in the property calendar and presented an excellent opportunity to promote our services to the North West business community. Our guests for the evening included Stobart Group, Standard Life, Tesco, J D Williams and Nikal.

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Stephen Downey (far left) with Rory Bremner (far right) presenting the Property Finance Award to the winners The Co-operative Bank.

## BUILDING CONSULTANCY

# Beginning of a new friendship

We have been instructed by MJ Mapp, on behalf of one of their Fund Management clients, to carry out Building Reinstatement Cost Assessments for insurance purposes of 14 properties across England. The properties include retail parks, offices, shopping centres, industrial units and warehouses.

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