





PUBLIC HOUSE, RESTAURANT AND BEER GARDEN LOCATED ALONGSIDE TARKA TRAIL

**KNOWN AS** 

THE BLACKSMITHS ARMS, 23 TORRINGTON STREET, BIDEFORD, NORTH DEVON, EX39 4DP

## For Sale By Private Treaty Subject to Contract

☐ Lounge bar and restaurant with covers for 90+
☐ Beer garden with direct access from Tarka Trail with
further covers for 90+
Completely refurbished in 2004, further refurbishment in 2019
Suitable for a wide variety of daytime or evening catering styles
☐ Self contained 2 bedroomed owners accommodation above
Commercial kitchen, covered courtyard, fitted cellar, pool room and carvery servery
Car park alongside with parking for 8 vehicles, more if double

# PRICE: Offers are invited in the region of £324,950 Freehold to include fixtures, fittings and equipment

#### **LOCATION**

With a resident population of around 32,000 including nearby villages, Bideford is the second largest town in North Devon, and the town has a reputation as a pleasant place to live, work and visit. In recent years Bideford has benefited from lots of investment and development, including the ongoing Atlantic Park retail area and improvements to the historic town centre and quayside, and the current Local Plan allows for a further 4,000 homes plus leisure facilities. Bideford is within 3 miles of some well-known North Devon locations such as Appledore, Westward Ho!, Instow and Northam and only 9 miles from the area's commercial centre of Barnstaple. It is also within a half-hour's drive of Exmoor National Park, the beaches around Woolacombe, Croyde and Saunton, and the Devon-Cornwall border.

#### THE SITUATION

The property is located in an area of Bideford known as East-the-Water. Situated between the Tarka Trail and River Torridge on Torrington Street the property is a short level walk to Bideford's 'Old Bridge' and the Town Centre.

#### THE PROPERTY AND CONSTRUCTION

The main building is of two storey construction with rendered elevations under a pitched slate roof. The trading area was subsequently extended by way of a single storey extension also having a pitched slate roof, with the entire premises having been completely refurbished in 2004 with more recent updating in 2019. Currently configured as a lounge bar with covers for approximately 90+ and an

additional pool room and carvery. There is a ground floor commercial kitchen with extraction and gas interlock for those looking to major on food trade. Externally there is a covered courtyard garden area as well as an extensive decked beer garden with covers for a further 90+ and which adjoins and has direct access to the Tarka Trail including bicycle parking. At first floor level is a self contained 2 bedroomed flat suitable for owner occupation or staff accommodation. To the side of the property is a car park for approximately 8 vehicles, it is thought this area may have development potential.

#### THE PROPOSAL

Our clients are inviting offers for the Freehold interest of property which includes part of the beer garden. It should be noted that the remaining part of the beer garden is leased from Devon County Council on a 25 year lease term at an annual rent of £1,350 per annum, although this part does provide direct access to the Tarka Trail.

#### THE BUSINESS

Having been operated as a mainly wet led public house for many years the business is no longer trading as the owner has decided to concentrate on his other business ventures in Westward Ho! Net turnovers of between £266,000 - £281,000 have been achieved in recent years, having been run under staffing. It is thought there is considerable potential to develop all aspects of the business, particularly a food operator who wishes to take advantage the location adjoining the Tarka Trail which has approaching one million users per year.

#### LICENCE

The property is sold with the benefit of a Premises Licence.

#### THE INVENTORY

The property is sold with an inventory of trade fixtures, fittings and equipment.

#### **ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE**

As the property is Grade II Listed an Energy Performance Certificate and Recommendation Report are not required.

#### THE ACCOMMODATION (comprises)

#### **GROUND FLOOR**

#### **LOUNGE BAR**

63'5 x 24'0 (19.30m x 7.30m) Return bar servery with drinks chillers, double coffee machine, flagstone floor around bar area, dance floor, carpet, covers for approximately 90+, background music speakers, timber wainscoting, spot lighting, wood burner within exposed stonework fireplace, door to covered courtyard and entrance porch and door to front

#### **POOL AREA**

26'4 x 19'8 (8.00m x 6.00m) Flagstone flooring, pool table, carvery station, cleaning cupboard

#### **DISABLED TOILET**

#### KITCHEN

14'1 x 12'2 (4.30m x 3.70m) Non slip flooring, extractor, gas interlock, turbofan oven, double deep fat fryer, griddle, 6 burner gas oven, dishwasher, chiller gantry, fridge, double sink unit, eye level double grill

#### FREEZER ROOM

24'6 x 7'1 (7.45m x 2.15m) Assorted fridges and freezers

#### **COVERED BARREL STORAGE**

11`10 x 7`1 (3.60m x 2.15m)

#### **CELLAR**

13'3 x 10'2 (4.05m x 3.10m) Assorted lines, pumps, cooling equipment

#### **REAR BAR STORAGE**

CCTV, stainless steel wash hand basin, water tank, safe, glass washer

### **FIRST FLOOR**

LADIES TOILETS

#### **GENTS TOILETS**

Access to beer garden

#### PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

Entrance hallway with carpet, intruder alarm

#### KITCHEN

Vinyl flooring, eye and base units, stainless steel single drainer sink, worktop, integrated over and electric 4 hob

#### **LOUNGE**

16'7 x 15'3 (5.05m x 4.45m) Down lighters, carpet, electric heating

#### SECOND FLOOR

Landing with carpet

#### **BEDROOM 1**

15'7 x 15'1 (4.75m x 4.60 m) Carpet, down lighters, beamed ceiling, eaves storage, Velux windows, electric heating

#### **BEDROOM 2**

15'7 x 15'8 (4.75m x 2.70 m) Carpet, down lighters, electric heating

#### SHOWER ROOM

Down lighters, Velux window, electric heating, shower, wash hand basin, low level w.c.

#### **EAVES STORE**

15`1 x 7`1 (4.60m x 2.15m) Water tank

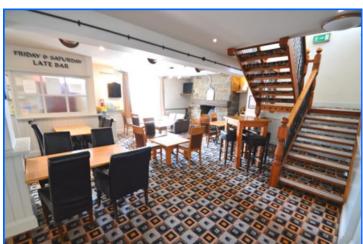
## **OUTSIDE**

To the side of the property is a car park for approximately 8 vehicles, potentially more if double parked. It is thought this area may have future development potential. To the rear of the property is a ground floor covered courtyard area with stairs leading to the decked beer garden which runs alongside and has direct access onto the Tarka Trail. Picnic bench and table seating for approximately 90+.













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