

County WESTMEATH



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MAIN CENTRE

Garrycastle, Athlone



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Summary

The property, built in 1999, is a detached linear two-storey steel-framed building built on a rectangular plan consisting of eighteen bays comprising stores, a garage, toilets and office accommodation. The site is overlooked by the Garrycastle Road to the south.

The property was designed by Building Consultancy Group.

Description & Materials

The building comprises two storeys of offices, a store, garage, workshops, locker rooms, a double-height telecommunications room with the offices located off a central corridor on a rectangular plan. The store and garage occupy a double-height space with two mezzanine levels to one end of the building and the garage can be accessed from the depot yard independently from the rest of the building. The south facing canopy bay provides shading and shelter to the entrance.

Structurally the building comprises a steel framed structure. A concrete frame construction supports a steel truss spanning the width of the building. The floors are constructed in precast concrete.

The roof is covered with insulated panels with integrated roof lights over the five bays. The ground floor consists of a power floated reinforced concrete slab.

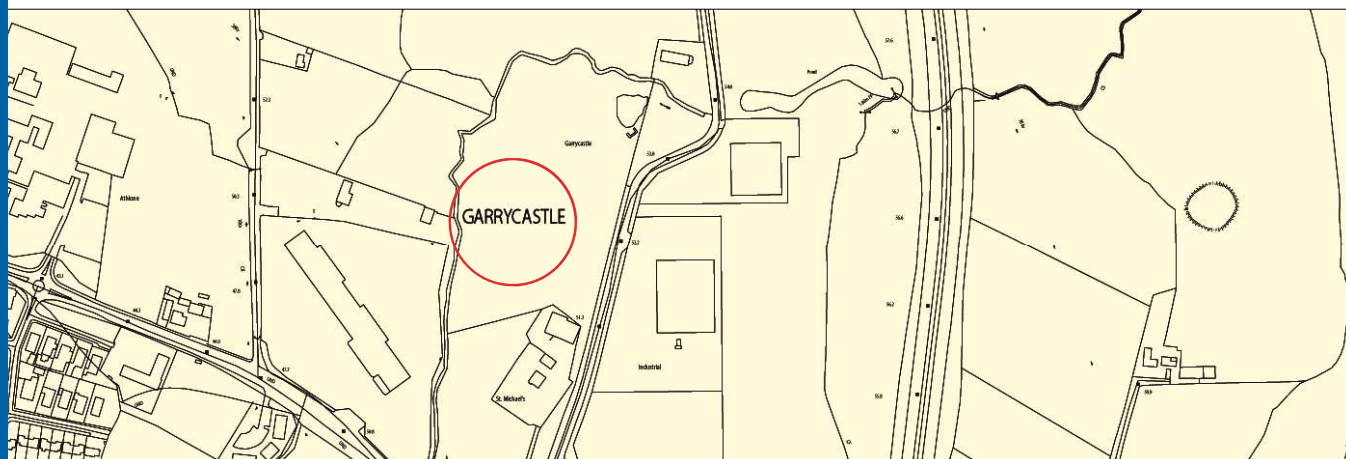
The elevation is clad with insulated metal wall panels with integrated aluminium framed double glazed windows. The entrance elevation is partly clad in timber panelling. Smooth concrete covered circular stanchions support yellow painted steel beams at the entrance.

External storage to the rear of the site provides for poles of various lengths and for transformer storage. The site is enclosed by palisade fencing and is accessed via a motorised sliding gate. There are 89 staff parking spaces provided at the front of the site. A battery and compressor building is located behind the main building. There is a telecommunications mast on top of the building. The enclosed outdoor area contains lamp, cross-arm and pole storage.

The building was originally built as a Regional Headquarters, however, it is now a 'Main Centre'.



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1. View of Front Entrance to Offices. 2. Interior of Main Reception. 3. View of ESB Signage at Entrance.



MAIN CENTRE

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4. Side Elevation to Yard. 5. Front Elevation. 6. Front and Side Elevation. 7. Elevation to Yard.



View of Front Entrance to Offices, Regional Headquarters, Garrycastle, Athlone.



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ESB RETAIL SHOP

Golden Island Shopping Centre, Athlone

Date Of Survey: 24th March 2003



Summary

The property is a single storey, ground floor retail unit, facing onto the main car park in a large shopping complex on the outskirts of Athlone. Fronting onto the main car park, the property is adjoined on either side by other retail units and was acquired in 1997.

Description & Materials

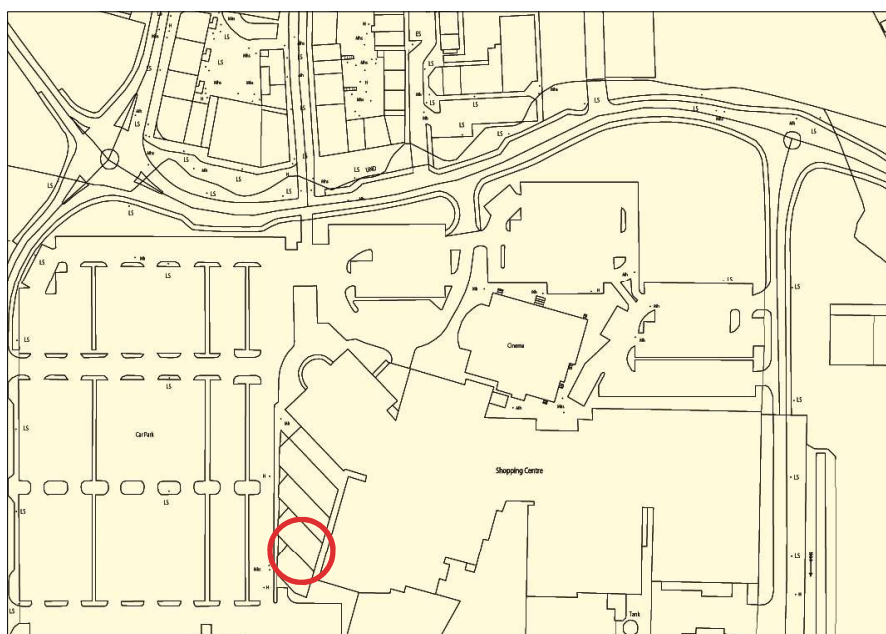
The shop is divided into six display areas with a central viewing walkway and the customer service desk at the rear beside the TV demonstration room. To the rear of the unit are an office, a store room and toilets. The fire escape is also located to the back of the shop and opens onto the rear yard.

A suspended ceiling is applied throughout and this drops at the rear of the shop over the staff area and store room. The shop is divided into sections according to colour and categories of

electrical goods. There is a TV demonstration room located to the rear of the display area next to the cash desk. Floor surface consists of tiles and carpeting.

The front elevation is composed of four bands of rough cast render with smooth plaster bands between surrounding floor to ceiling brown aluminium window frames. There is a high parapet to the front elevation concealing the roof and services.

Externally there is a wide public footpath in front of the shop. The building line of the front entrance to the shop is recessed from the footpath at an angle to provide a sheltered entrance area in front of the unit. A small loading bay is provided in front of the shop for customer use.



1. View of Main Entrance. 2. Front Elevation. 3. Customer Services Counter. 4. Interior View of Showroom.

ESB RETAIL SHOP DEPOT & OFFICES

Castle Street, Mullingar



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Summary

The property was a large site and contains three buildings and a service depot area. The three buildings consist of the following: an ESB showroom, offices and garage, an area supervisor's depot store and line depot, and a two-storey unit formerly a shop which backs onto a large garage and depot yard with access onto Friars Mill Road. The date of construction of the main structures on the property is 1970. The property is now closed.

The property stretches between Castle Street and Friars Mill Road.

Description & Materials

The property is enclosed to the rear by a stepped brick wall, random rubble wall and a high capped wall. Two sets of double steel gates access the yard. The depot yard surrounds an adjoining property on three sides on Friars Mill Lane. There is also a low level platform in the yard. There is a 10kV kiosk on the site.

Showroom, Offices & Garage Building

The showroom and offices are accessed directly from Castle Street. This two-storey building is surrounded by three and four-storey properties facing west on a terrace onto Castle Street in the centre of Mullingar. The ground floor is used for retail and repairs, and consists of a showroom, offices, a small canteen and a garage. The first floor is used as administration offices.

The ground floor shop front is set back slightly from the footpath and the first floor overhangs, forming a sheltered area at the entrance. The front elevation onto Castle Street is composed of brown concrete brickwork with brown aluminium framed floor to ceiling glazing windows. Aluminium framed glazing and panelling is applied to the first floor. The roof consists of metal decking. Structurally it consists of a

reinforced concrete frame supporting a metal deck roof. There is a roller shutter door to the yard. The gross floor area of the garage and showroom is 656.5m².

Area Supervisor's Depot Store

The area supervisor's store is located in a previously renovated cottage. It comprises a single storey, three-bay symmetrical period cottage with two chimneys, a pitched roof and a gross floor area of 98m². The cottage had been extended to facilitate a store and line store at the side. The building faces north directly onto Friars Mill Road. The elevational treatment is in a traditional style with timber and window frames surrounded by smooth plaster bands and nap plaster finish. The structure is of solid masonry construction supporting a pitched timber roof.

Line Depot

This is a detached single storey pitched roof building on a rectangular plan and comprises offices, a drying room, tea room and toilets located off a central corridor running along the main axis of the building. The gross floor area of the line depot is 187.7m².

Structurally the building is of cavity wall construction supporting prefabricated pitched timber trusses with a thrutone slate finish. External walls area composed of two leafs of 100mm concrete block-work with a rough pebble dash render and a smooth plaster plinth.

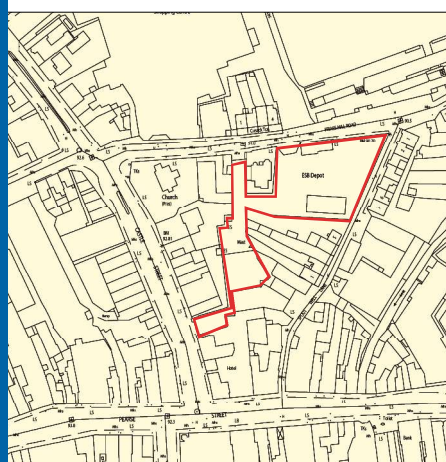
The site area is 0.38ha (0.94 acres).



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1. ESB Showroom Elevation to Castle Street. 2. View of Line Depot. 3. View of Area Supervisors Depot Store.



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ESB RETAIL SHOP

Lakepoint Retail Park,
Mullingar

Date Of Survey: 24th March 2003



Summary

The property is a modern retail unit forming part of a larger complex of retail units in Lakepoint Retail Park on the outskirts of Mullingar town.

The ESB occupies a large ground floor corner unit in the complex. It is located at the end of a shopping terrace facing out onto the main car park.

The property was leased by ESB in 1991.

The retail unit fit-out was designed by Building Consultancy Group in 2002.

Description & Materials

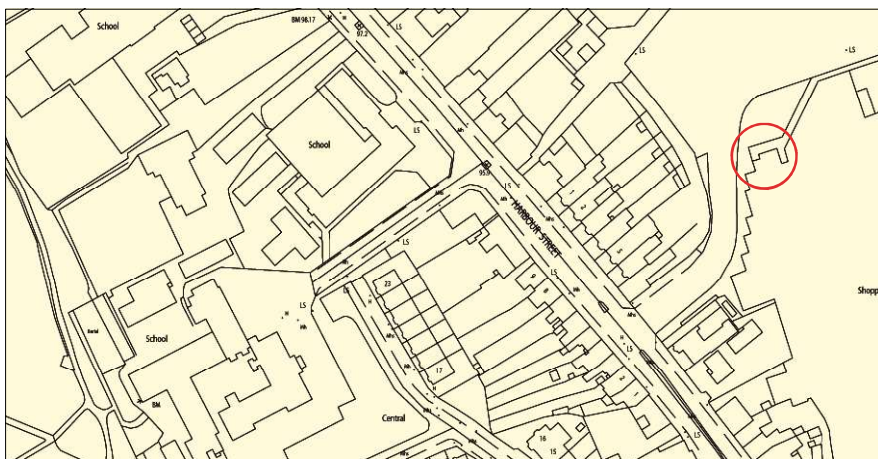
The shop is divided into various display areas with a central viewing walkway. To the rear of the unit are an office, store room and toilets.

The space is naturally lit from two sides. A suspended ceiling is applied throughout and the ceiling is lowered over the television and media sales area to minimise sound transfer.

Structurally the building utilises a steel frame clad in insulated metal panelling incorporating a blue plane of cladding surrounding the entrance. There are floor to ceiling glazing panels on two sides of the unit framed in grey aluminium. There is a large feature

tower at the corner of the building with ESB signage attached at a high level. There is a feature suspended metal canopy over the main entrance which extends the full length of the building.

There are metal bollards on the foot-path in front of the shopfronts.



1. View of Front Elevation of Retail Shop at Corner of Shopping Centre. 2. View of Shopfront. 3. Interior of Showrooms. 4. Canopy Detail. 5. View of Tower and Side Elevation.