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***An exciting opportunity  
with great potential in mature  
surroundings and glorious views***

A Grade II Listed former school,  
once the family seat of the Barneby family

About 45,000 sq ft of buildings standing  
in mature parkland and woodland

About 29 acres

Hereford 17 miles • M5 20 miles  
Ledbury 15 miles • Worcester 18 miles  
(All distances are approximate)

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## Historical Note

In 1870, William Henry Barneby commissioned the architect, Thomas Wyatt, to add the south façade. However at the turn of the century Francis Greswold-Williams, the then new owner with the help of his architect Guy Dawber, added the west wing and Dining Room, whilst the Hall was ornately panelled and the staircase installed. Sometime shortly after 1918, Bredenbury Court became a school and for the next 40 years, Cheltenham Ladies College flourished here, until a sequence of headmasters owned and ran the school independently. It became known as St Richards School around 1968. The school closed in the summer of 2016.

## Situation

The positioning of Bredenbury Court was not without thought, given its elevated southerly and easterly outlook with far reaching views towards the Malvern Hills.

Road communications to the Cities of Hereford, Worcester and Gloucester are excellent. M5 junctions are at Worcester and Junction 2 of the M50 is just beyond Ledbury.

Train stations are also at these Cities and towns. The local market town of Bromyard has excellent shopping facilities as well as its own theatre.

## Description

Bredenbury Court is a fine Grade II Listed building. The south drive meanders through the park and leads up to the front of the house with its ballustraded terrace. The west drive comes in at the back of the Court.

The Court has four floors (including the cellar). Within the main building along the south and west wings are the principle reception rooms including the Hall, Dining Room (formerly the Chapel when a school), Drawing Room and the main Bedrooms, whilst the top floor has been used as self contained staff accommodation. It is this part of the building that was reroofed in 2002.

Within the heart of the building is the Victorian kitchen with the east wing comprising the former school Dining Room above which are further bedrooms. At the far end of this wing is a three bedroomed cottage.

The Victorian glass house links not only the building that houses one of the oldest bowling alleys in England( built by William Barneby), but also the main classroom block built in the 1930's off which are additional classrooms as well as the more recently built sports hall.

What were formerly garages and store rooms running parallel to the east wing, have been further classrooms and include the modern additional buildings used for the pre-Prep school.

### **The Garden and Grounds**

Magnificent Wellingtonia, fine copper beech trees, cedar and oak to name but a few form the impressive gardens and grounds as well as the park and woodland which makes up the setting of Bredenbury Court. Within these grounds are tennis courts, stables, an outdoor heated swimming pool as well as cricket and football pitches.

### **Development**

Whilst no formal approach has been made to the Local Authority, we understand that the use of the property is likely to fall within Class C2 of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987. However it would appear that the property has many other alternative uses be they residential or commercial.

### **Services**

Mains electricity, water and gas. Private drainage.

### **Fixtures and fittings**

Certain items such as garden ornaments are excluded from the sale, but may well be available by separate negotiation.

### **Directions (Postcode HR7 4TB)**

Take the A44 west from Bromyard. Bredenbury Court is on the right hand side after about 2 miles.

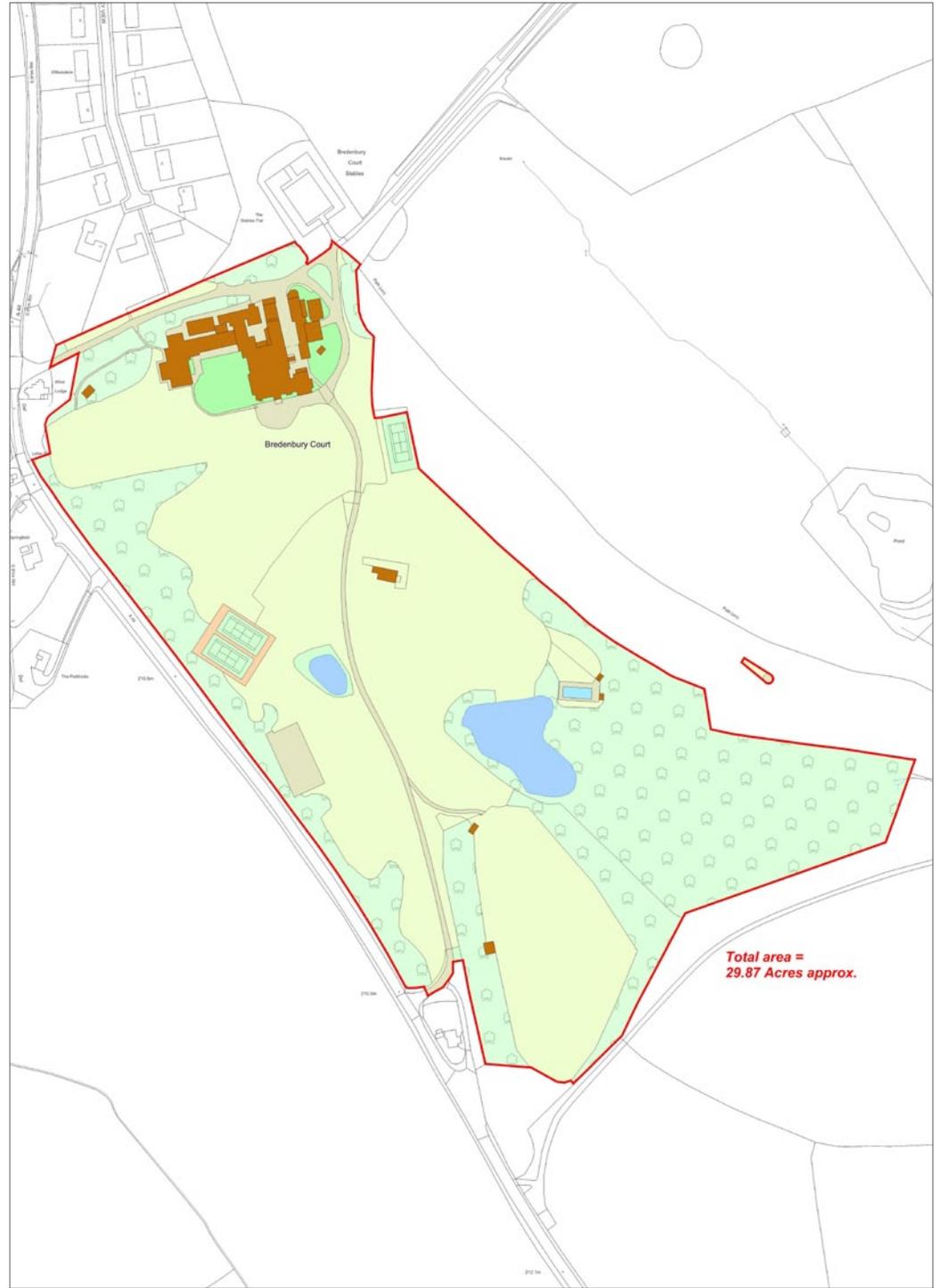
### **Viewing**

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