



INFORMAL TENDER – GUIDE PRICE £40,000 - £60,000

Informal bids to be submitted by mid-day Friday 17 August 2018

to Nigel Eckersley, Wright Marshall, 63 High Street, Tarporley, CW6 0DR. Tel No. 01829 731300

An exciting opportunity to acquire Tarporley's former Fire Museum. Situated in the centre of Tarporley village and with potential for alternative uses subject to gaining necessary consent

The property comprises a single storey building of brick and slate construction and is Grade II Listed due to its special architectural and historic interest.

The detail of the accommodation includes access off Park Road via large double sliding doors which lead into the single principle room of the building. There are also fitted glazed paneling and a doorway which provided security for the former museum so as to enable a window display outside opening times.

The principle Station Room has original brick flooring with central drain and is open to the roof apex with timber king post truss roof. There is also the original chimney breast and hatch for coal delivery.

The cloakroom was added circa 1939 and provides a high level w.c.

Externally there is a small closed yard with hatch off Park Road

THE HISTORY

Tarporley Old Fire Station was the home of what is believed to be one of the earliest volunteer fire brigades in the country, founded c.1865 by the 11th Earl of Haddington, and which served a large area of central Cheshire. Built on land donated by the Earl (the owner of nearby Ardene Hall) for community use, the Old Fire Station was constructed in 1865 in preparation for the brigade's first engine (a Shand Mason London Brigade horse drawn manual engine), which arrived in February 1866. In 1938/9 a toilet, siren and telephone line were installed and in 1957 the fire station moved to a new site on the High Street. This in turn was relocated to its new and current location on Birch Heath Road.

Following the 1957 move to High Street the original fire station was used as a store and later officially opened as a museum supported by the Cheshire fire and rescue service in c.2001. The museum displayed equipment dating to c.1914.

Tarporley old fire station dating to 1865 represents significant historical interest as one of the earliest volunteer fire brigade stations in the country.



LOCATION

The building is only a short walk away from the Georgian High Street of Tarporley - one of Cheshire's most highly regarded villages that boasts a diverse selection of amenities including a community centre, tennis courts, convenience stores, fashion boutiques, cafes, restaurants, public houses, doctors' surgery, dentists, three Churches and a very extensive bus route.

The village is also renowned for its excellent educational facilities with Tarporley Primary School and Tarporley High consistently maintaining a strong reputation. Those seeking a wider choice of schools will find ample provision by virtue of the Grange School in Hartford and in Chester with the impressive choice of Kings, Queens and Abbeygate.

The area as a whole has access to glorious countryside and places of significant interest that include ancient castles, boating facilities on nearby canals and the outstanding Sandstone Ridges of Cheshire. Wonderful walks are provided via the Whitegate Way, Sandstone Trail and all around Tarporley village.



Whilst the area is renowned for its outstanding natural beauty, the house also offers an excellent base for the business traveller. In terms of road links, there are extensive connections to the M56, M6 and M53. The A49, A51 and A55 all link to key areas of commerce and interest.

With regards to railway services, there are stations at nearby Hartford, Cuddington, Frodsham, and Chester. All operate on either the Chester – Manchester or Liverpool to London lines. Fast connections can be enjoyed at Crewe railway station, with the service to London taking just over 90 minutes.

Two international airports are located within 45 minutes drive – Liverpool John Lennon International Airport and Manchester International Airport.

PRINCIPAL STATION ROOM

19' 0" x 15' 6" (5.79m x 4.72m) Rear aspect window. Wall mounted light fittings. Original brick flooring. Central floor drain. Exposed timbers. Original chimney breast and hatch for coal delivery.



CLOAKROOM

8' 1" x 2' 10" (2.46m x 0.86m) Front aspect window. Ceiling mounted light fittings. High level w.c.

EXTERNAL

Small closed yard with hatch off Park Road

VIEWINGS

Viewings are available once a week on Saturdays between 12pm - 1pm commencing Saturday 14th July - but further viewings by appointment can be made by contacting the selling agent.

SERVICES

We understand that mains water, electricity and drainage are connected.

SITE

The site is as per the plan and edged red. It is adjoined by what was the former Police Station now a house as well as predominantly other residential properties adjoining Park Road.

TENURE

We believe the property is freehold tenure

TENDER

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ROUTE

From the agents Tarporley office proceed along the high street in the direction of Nantwich take the second left onto Park Road where the property can be found approximately 200 Yards on the left hand side clearly marked by a Wright Marshall For Sale Board.



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