CASE STUDY

Recession income management, Cheltenham

Property:Multi-let trade parkClient:Institutional Fund ManagerProject:Managing a multi-disciplinary team, improve void rate and AWULT.



Problem

- A 42 unit trade park in a secondary location with no prominence or frontage
- 40% of the units unoccupied leaving an underpopulated feel to the estate
- Many tenants running down leases which were over rented
- Shortening leases with an AWULT of 2.2 years
- Recession conditions exposed the client to prolonged void risk and irrecoverable costs
- Dated presentation of the common areas and tired branding
- Historically poor landlord and tenant relationships
- Significant irrecoverable costs.

Solution

- Full occupier audit and review of services provided
- Single point of contact for the client, the tenants and supporting property consultants
- 'Galvanised' and motivate the landlords team of consultants
- Intense period of tenant engagement
- Review of product quality and offer
- Review of common parts, service charge thresholds and branding
- Targeted cost effective investment in the common areas.
- Meet 'head on' long standing disputes over dilapidations, historic rent arrears, rent reviews and renewals.

Results

- Drastically improved landlord / tenant relations
- Within 12 months of appointment, 12 deals were completed
- Re-branding and marketing overhauled.
- 26 deals completed in the initial 3 years of appointment.
- AWULT increased to 3.75 years when the investment was sold 5 years after appointment.

Managed Space 147,447 sq.ft Transactions 39 deals over 42 units in 5 years AWULT Increased by 70%