**HORTICULTURAL FACILITY** 



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### **Property**

The property comprises a high quality fully functioning extensive horticultural complex providing a range of glasshouse and nursery premises (including individual computerised climate control and irrigation systems) with ancillary modern farmhouse, offices, packhouses, cold stores, workshops, former grainstores, staff accommodation and polytunnels.

The facility benefits from biomass boiler heating (underfloor in part), oil-fired back up (in part), PV panels (in part) and reservoirs (holding up to 20 million litres of self-saved water). The modern parts of the complex were erected on a phased basis from the early 2000's onwards.

A more detailed description/specification of the various facilities can be provided on request.

There is deemed to be potential (and land available) to extend the growing areas and erect additional buildings and/or glasshouses on land at the eastern and western edges of the site and to replace polytunnels with glass, subject to necessary Planning Consent.

The site extends to about 7.42 hectares (18.33 acres).

#### Accommodation

Having measured the property in accordance with the prevailing RICS Code of Measuring Practice, we calculate that it provides the following floor area.

Area	$m^2$	ft <sup>2</sup>
Glasshouses	17,098	184,041
Polytunnels	3,841	41,344
Farmhouse	176	1,898
Offices/Packing/Coldstores	1,393	14,992
Store	461	4,960
Store/Coldstore	439	4,728
Open Sided Store	237	2,555
Portacabin Staff Hostel	265	2,850

## **Energy Performance Certificate**

The packhouse at Rookery Farm has an EPC rating of F126. The house has an EPC rating of C75.

#### Services

We understand that mains water and electricity supplies are available to the property. There is private drainage and heating via biomass boilers with oil-fired back up (for the glasshouses). Glasshouse roof water is harvested and reservoir stored (to feed the irrigation systems). We understand that the boilers can take a range of fuels and are currently fuelled with waste wood brought to the site free of charge by a clearance contractor. PV panels are also installed (in part) with most of the electricity generated used on site. Any surplus is exported to the grid via EON. None of the utility services or mechanical and electrical installations have been tested and are not warranted to be in working order. Interested parties are advised to make their own investigations to the relevant utility service providers.

## **Town & Country Planning**

We understand that the property has consent for the existing horticultural use with ancillary facilities, however, we have not had sight of all relevant documentation. Interested parties are advised to make their own investigations to the Local Planning Authority.

#### Rates

Charging Authority: Rateable Value:

South Holland District Council Hostel & Premises £5,200 Warehouse & Premises £19,500 (part exempt)

Please click on the below link for an indication of the likely annual business rates payable.

#### Estimate your business rates - GOV.UK

Multiplying the Rateable Value figure with the UBR multiplier gives the annual rates payable, excluding any transitional arrangements which may be applicable. For further information, please contact the Charging Authority.

### **Agents Note**

We are aware of a proposal by National Grid to construct 140 km of new overhead transmission line from Grimsby to Walpole. Based upon the consultation documents provided, the overhead line runs to the west of the property and the Draft Order Limits identifies a very small parcel of land that may be included. Our initial opinion is that the CPO should not affect the operational integrity of the site, albeit until the consultation process has finished and the Order finalised, the exact position of the overhead line will remain unknown. Further details are available on request.

#### **Tenure**

The property is available **For Sale** Freehold, subject to vacant possession.

#### **Price**

£2.5 million

## **VAT**

VAT may be charged in addition to the price at the prevailing rate.

## **Legal Costs**

Each party is to be responsible for their own legal costs incurred in documenting the transaction.

## **Anti-Money Laundering**

Prospective purchasers will be required to provide confirmation of their source of funding and pass the necessary Anti-Money Laundering checks undertaken by the agents prior to instruction of solicitors. Further information regarding these requirements will be provided in due course.

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## Location

Rookery Farm occupies a strategic position in an area with a long-established food and horticultural sector and readily available cost-effective workforce.

It is approximately 7 miles east of the A16 at Cowbit, 9 miles south of the A17 at Holbeach and 11 miles east of Spalding. Holbeach St John Village lies 2 miles to the west.































