



The Co-operative Group

Having worked with The Co-op since 1994, we have built a breadth and depth of understanding of the business which has informed decision-making and has led to significant savings.

The Co-operative Estates is responsible for almost 8,000 properties across the UK. With an active acquisition and disposal programme, and a diverse portfolio that includes food stores, pharmacies and the funeral business, as well as commercial, residential and agricultural land, the organisation depends on its trusted advisors. Watts' relationship with The Co-op stretches back over 20 years, working on many types of projects from strategic estate planning to surveys of individual buildings.

Our national network and strong presence in Manchester echoes that of our client and we have been involved in the development of NOMA, the planned 20 year regeneration of a 20 acre site to the north of Manchester city centre, since the outset having undertaken all acquisition and demolition surveys. We also carried out inspections for the sale of CIS Tower, the Grade II listed building that was previously Co-op's headquarters. Across the UK, our work has saved the Co-op in excess of £3 million in dilapidations liabilities in the last few years, whilst helping the organisation budget through a planned programme of maintenance across its portfolio.

"We've been working with Watts for many years and highly value the advice they provide to the Co-op Group right across our property portfolio. It's extremely useful to have a range of services provided by one firm and Watts certainly deserves its reputation for professionalism and technical expertise. Whether Watts is undertaking a contract administrator role or feasibility studies, the work is top quality and the team really understand our needs and objectives."

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CLIENT

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LOCATION

Nationwide

EXPERTISE

Technical Due Diligence

Dilapidations & Lease Advice

Project Management

Consultancy