Portobello Review

Our analysis of the property market in 2019

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Sales Market Summary

Different tiers of the Portobello residential market performed very differently in 2019. Sales up to €500,000 were strong with good demand and in general selling prices were above asking. Sales in the + €700,000 range were more challenging and it was crucial that pricing was accurate. Uncertainty over Brexit did impact on confidence more at the upper end of the market. Overall price inflation YOY was 1.4% (2018: *5*%) with an average selling price of €623,997. Selling times were longer and we are increasingly dealing with owner occupiers. As we predicted this time last year a more normal market has emerged and 2019 finished strongly which is evidenced in sales we concluded at Lennox Place and Windsor Terrace well above asking price. We expect more normality in 2020 and all property types to sell well assuming accurate pricing.

Data at a Glance (YOY change)

€615,382 (€631,667) Average Asking Price

€547 (+3%) Average Selling Price Per sq.ft.

1.4% Higher (3.2%) Selling Price vs Asking Price

9.5 Weeks (6.9 Weeks) Average Weeks on the Market

6.3% (5.5%) Average Rental Yield



Occupier

24% (36%) Investor



Some of our Recent Sales in Portobello



20 Synge Street

1 Olympic House

Type: 2 Bed apartment Asking price: €450,000 Selling price: €480,000 Per sq.ft.: €637 Buyer profile: Owner occupier

8 Lennox Place

Type: 2 Bed townhouse Asking price: €375,000 Selling price: €420,000 Per sq.ft.: €766 Buyer profile: Owner occupier

28 Martin Street

Type: 2 Bed townhouse Asking price: €600,000 Selling price: €585,000 Per sq.ft.: €680 Buyer profile: Investor

20 Synge Street

Type: 2 Bed period house Asking price: €975,000 Selling price: €975,000 Per sq.ft.: €503 Buyer profile: Owner occupier

Rental Market Summary

Unsurprisingly there was strong demand for rental accommodation in Portobello last year though inflation did cool to 5.5% compared to 7% in 2018. Given the chronic shortage of 1 bedroom apartments rents increased over 7%. Our average rental was €2,483 per month and 68% of our tenants were non Irish. 54% of our tenants are working in the technology sector who seek no more than a 30 minute walk to work. There was good demand for period family homes with some strong rents achieved as we moved through the year. We expect rents to increase at least 3% to 4% this year, though we are increasingly seeing affordability ceilings emerge.



14 Heytesbury Street,2 Bed apartmentLet at €2,640 per month



Average Monthly Rents (YOY change)



Lennox Street, 4 Bed period house Let at €4,000 per month



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