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## **Nando's ready to make The Scene in Walthamstow**

Walthamstow's new leisure destination, The Scene at Cleveland Place, has confirmed it is to welcome a Nando's restaurant into the new town centre development due to open winter 2014.

Nando's, home of the legendary flame-grilled PERi-PERi chicken, will open alongside a state of the art nine screen 1200 seat Empire Cinema, heralding the return of the silver screen to Waltham Forest for the first time in over 10 years.

On the corner of Hoe Street and the High Street, once complete the new mixed use development will comprise of the cinema, five retail units, 121 new private and affordable homes for Waltham Forest as well as multi-million pound improvements to the surrounding public realm and High Street.

Nando's letting terms have been agreed with developer partners Hill Residential, Waltham Forest Council and Islington and Shoreditch Housing Association (ISHA).

The 4,000 sq ft Nando's restaurant at The Scene, will also provide new outside dining facilities for customers.

Aside from the deal with Empire Cinemas which was announced in the summer of 2012, the Nando's announcement marks the first commercial lease for the development, which has four other high quality retailer units for A1 or A3 use available for lease. Negotiations with a number of retailers are continuing as excitement around the opening of the development grows.

Standing on the old Arcade site, The Scene at Cleveland Place will be a new leisure destination for Walthamstow providing high quality eating, shopping and entertainment for local residents and visitors from East London and beyond.

### **Commenting on the deal Peter Gibson, Acquisitions Manager at Nando's said;**

"We are delighted to have secured our chosen unit at The Scene at Cleveland Place in the heart of Walthamstow. There's clearly a huge demand for PERi-PERi chicken in Walthamstow and we can't wait to open our doors to the public. We think The Scene at Cleveland Place will serve as a busy entertainment hub in East London and are excited to be a part of its exciting future."

### **Chris Robbins, Leader of Waltham Forest Council said;**

"This is fantastic news for Waltham Forest. Walthamstow is set to be a real focal point for residents looking to have a great night out. We've invested heavily in our High Streets, but more than that, we have worked closely with developers and businesses to bring the right sort of investment and development into the borough. Walthamstow Town Centre has been crying out for just this sort of regeneration project for years and I'm pleased we have been able to help deliver it."

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MP Real Estate and Derrick Wade Waters acted for the London Borough of Waltham Forest.

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