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FOR SALE
BY ONLINE AUCTION
(unless sold by Private Treaty)

22.54 Acres or Thereabouts
of Land at
Bemersley Road
Brown Edge, Stoke on Trent, ST6 8UL

- **Sound Block of Level Mowing and Grazing Land**
- **Good Road Frontage and 2 access gates From Bemersley Road**
- **Natural Water Source**

GUIDE PRICE £10,000- £11,000 PER ACRE

ONLINE AUCTION
Wednesday 14th December 2022

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Directions

If travelling from Leek toward Endon on the A53 take the right hand turn to Brown Edge just past 'The Plough'. Proceed through the village and Norton Green and then turn right at the Junction onto Bemersley Road. Proceed along this road for approx.1.3 miles towards Biddulph and the land will be found on the left hand side as indicated by our For Sale board.

Situation

The land is situated on Bemersley Road, to which it has good road frontage and access.

The location of the land is shown on the attached plan, edged in red.

Description

The land comprises a ring fence block of 22.54 acres or thereabouts of permanent grassland which is reasonably level in nature, and is considered to be in good heart and capable of growing good crops of grass for grazing with livestock.

The land also lies close to the Chatterley Whitfield Colliery Heritage Site and Electricity Station .

Please Note

The land is sold subject to a previous development clause that was put in place when the present owners purchased the land.

The clause provides for a payment of 50% to the previous owners of any uplift in value of the land due to planning permission being gained for development. The clause is for a period of 25 years from the 9th June 2011. For full details please see the Legal Pack that will be prepared by the solicitors

Services

The land is not connected to any mains water and if this is required, interested parties should make their own enquiries of the water authority. However there is believed to be a natural water source on the land. Interested parties should make their own inspection to satisfy themselves.

Tenure and Possession

The property is held freehold and vacant possession will be given on completion.

Basic Farm Payment

The land has been registered for Basic Farm Payment **But please note the entitlements are not included with the sale.** The entitlements may be available by separate negotiation if required.

Land Registry

The land is held on the land registry under part title SF572892.

Mapping

The plans provided in these particulars are indicative and for identification purposes only and interested parties should inspect the plans provided with the conditions of sale with regards to precise boundaries of the land.

Wayleaves and Easements

The property is sold subject to and with the benefits of all rights, including rights of way, whether public or private, light, support, drainage, water and electricity supplies and other rights and obligations, easements, quasieasements and restrictive covenants and all existing and proposed wayleaves for masts, pylons, stays, cables, drains and water, whether or not referred to in these stipulations, the particulars or special conditions of sale.

Please Note

The agent has not tested any apparatus, equipment, fixtures, fittings or services and cannot verify they are in working order or fit for their purpose, neither has the agent checked the legal documents to verify the freehold/leasehold status of the property. The lessor is advised to obtain verification from their Solicitor or Surveyor.

Viewing

At any reasonable time with a set of these particulars.

Conditions Of Sale

The conditions of the sale will be available on line through the Auctioneers seven days prior to the sale. The purchaser will be deemed to have knowledge of the Conditions of Sale and to have satisfied themselves on all matters contained or referred to either there or in the sales particulars.

Solicitors

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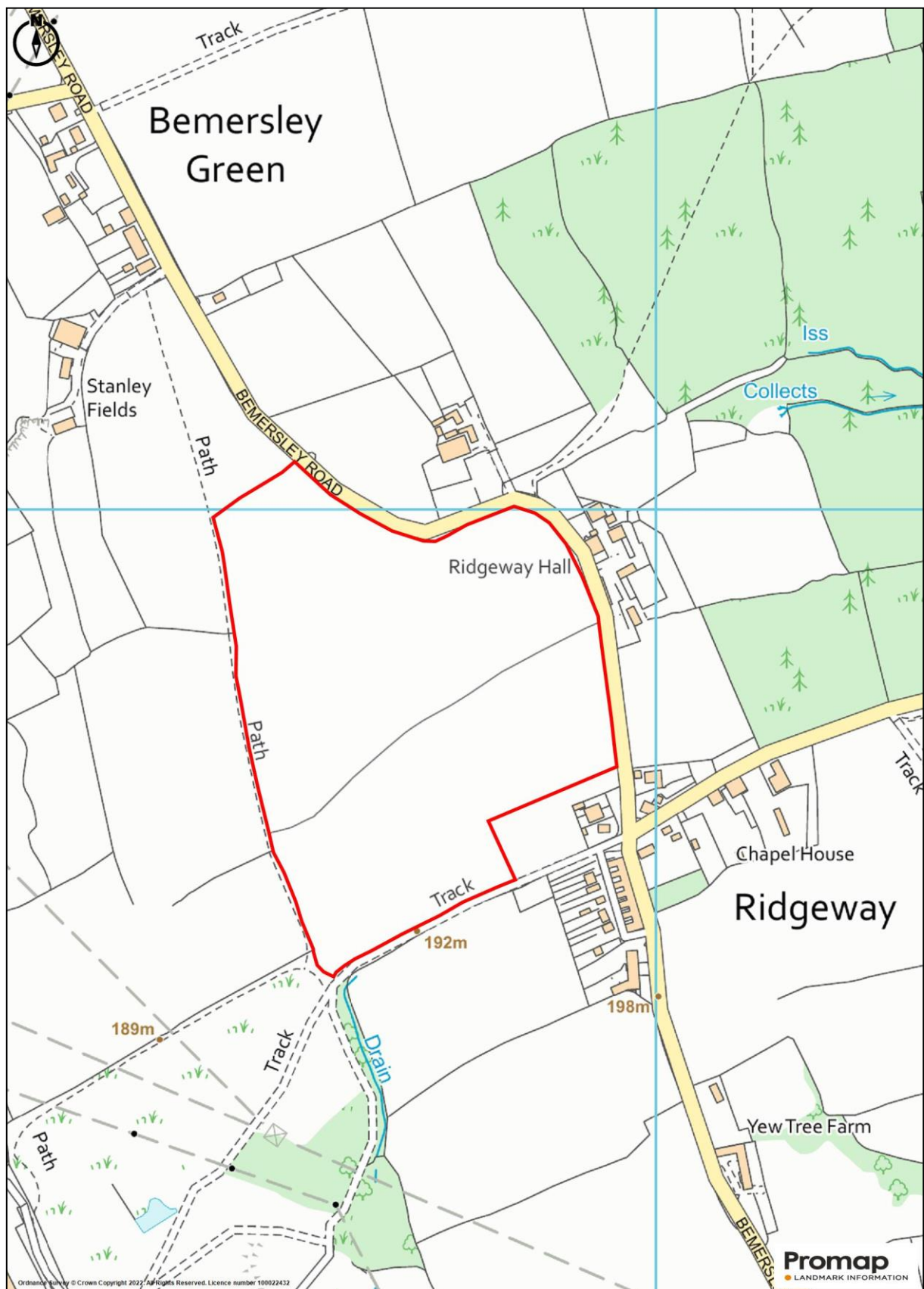
Buyer(S) Fee

The successful buyer of each lot shall be required to pay a buyers fee of £250 + VAT (£300 including VAT) to the auctioneers. This is due on the fall of the hammer. The buyer will be provided with a VAT receipt following the auction.

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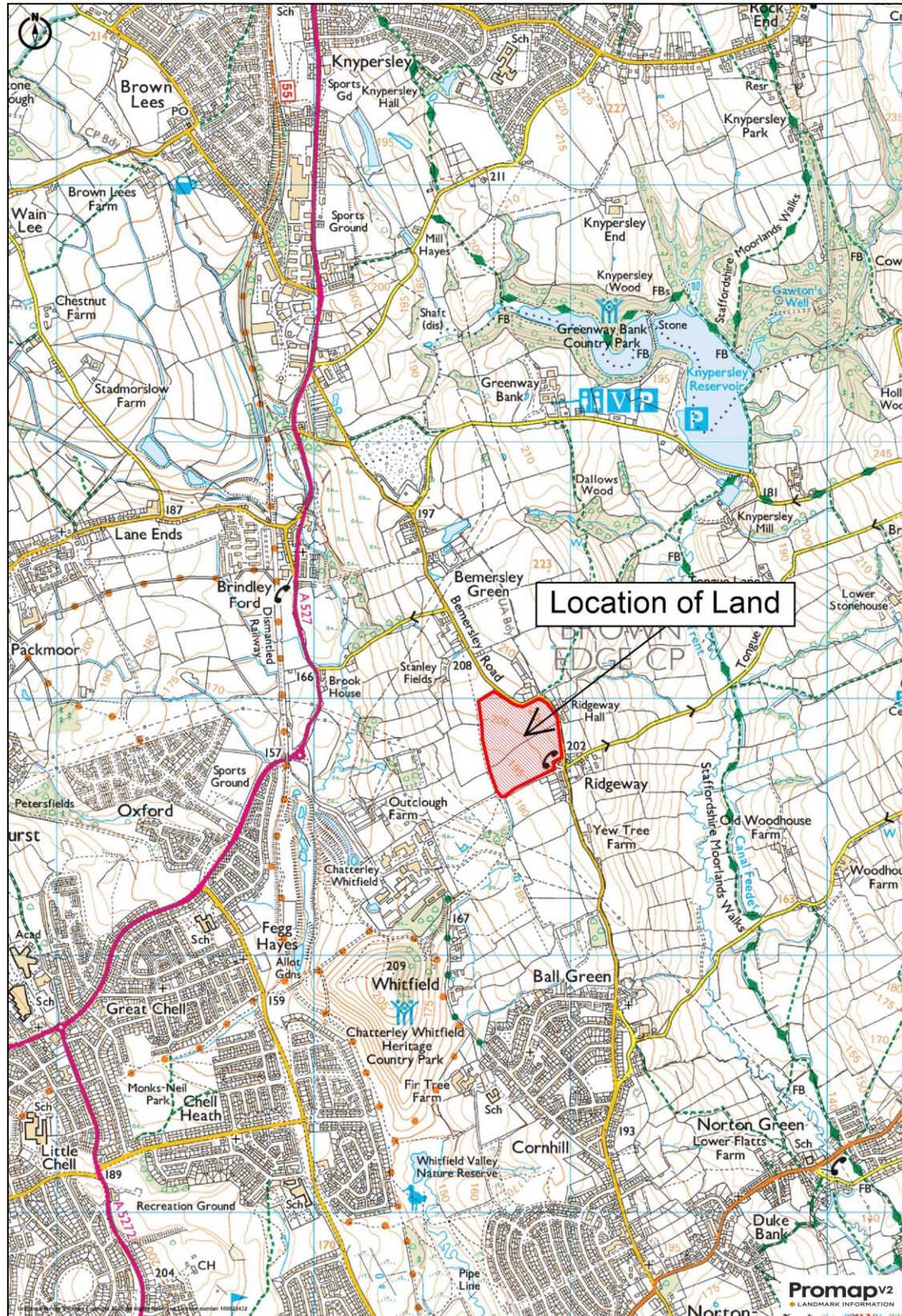
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INTRODUCING GRAHAM WATKINS & CO ONLINE AUCTIONS

Graham Watkins & Co Online Auctions is a new, innovative and pioneering platform for buying and selling property.

It provides all the benefits synonymous with traditional auctions, including: speed and certainty of sale, transparency and zero risk of gazumping or double-selling, but with the added advantage of being able to bid pressure free from the comfort of your own home or office via desktop, tablet or mobile phone.

REGISTRATION

A STRAIGHTFORWARD PROCESS FROM START TO FINISH

In order to bid at Graham Watkins & Co Online Auctions you will first need to create an account by providing your contact details. You will be required to verify your email address, by clicking an activation link that we'll send to you via email. Once you've created an account you can 'watch' lots that you're interested in (you'll be kept up-to-date throughout the auction cycle), as well as gain access to the legal packs. In order to place a bid on a lot you will need to complete the bidder registration steps, as detailed below.

Please note, the first time you register to bid you will also be asked to verify your mobile number and upload copies of your photo ID (e.g. driver's licence or passport) and recent proof of address (dated within the last 3 months). This is required so we can easily keep in touch and helps us confirm your identity in the event of you purchasing a lot.

ACCEPT TERMS

ENSURE YOU READ, UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

You will be asked to read and accept our Online Auction Terms and Conditions. Additionally, there may be specific documentation relating to the sale of the property you're registering to bid on that will need to be read and accepted before you are able to bid.

Once accepted, you will receive a copy of the document(s) via email for your own records.

SPECIFY YOUR SOLICITOR

PROVIDE DETAILS OF YOUR CHOSEN SOLICITOR

You will be asked to provide details of your chosen solicitor, so that in the event of you winning the lot we can initiate the necessary legal proceedings between yours and the vendor's solicitors.

AML CHECK

COMPLETE AN ONLINE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING CHECK

Graham Watkins are required by law to carry out an online anti-money laundering check on all persons wishing to bid. You will be asked to provide information to verify your identity, including your date of birth, addresses for the last 3 years and at least one of passport, driving licence or national insurance number.

BIDDER SECURITY

REGISTER YOUR CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD FOR THE BIDDER SECURITY

In order to bid online you will be required to register a credit or debit card for the bidder security deposit. We use Stripe who provide a secure, online card registration facility, and they will attempt to place a 'hold on funds' on your account for the bidder security amount (often known as a 'payment shadow' as no money is taken at this stage). The bidder security amount will be clearly displayed when registering your card.

On the fall of the electronic gavel, the winning bidder's card will be automatically debited for the bidder security amount, whilst all the unsuccessful bidder's cards will have their shadow payments released (this can take several days depending on the card provider). For more information about this process please read the detailed explanation at the end of this document.

**AUCTIONEER
REVIEW**

FINAL STEP – AUCTIONEER REVIEW

Once you have completed the bidder registration steps, Graham Watkins & Co will review your registration to bid. We may contact you to obtain some additional information, so that we can electronically verify your identity with a credit reference agency this is a quick and simple process which leaves a 'soft footprint' and doesn't affect your credit score. You will be notified by email as soon as you have been approved to bid.

**DUE
DILIGENCE**

RECOMMENDED DUE DILIGENCE BEFORE BIDDING

In general terms, you are strongly advised to view the property and take professional advice as to its condition and suitability. You should also ensure that you thoroughly read and understand the legal pack and any other associated documentation available online and take proper legal advice accordingly. Finally, understand the contract you are entering into and the financial commitment that you will be liable for should you be the successful purchaser.

**GUIDES AND
RESERVES**

UNDERSTAND THE GUIDE PRICE AND RESERVE PRICE

What is a Guide Price?

A Guide Price is an indication as to where the Reserve is currently set. It is not necessarily what the auctioneer expects to sell the lot for and should not be taken as a valuation or estimate of sale price. The reserve will not exceed the Guide Price by more than 10% if it is a single figure Guide price, and if a Guide Price range is quoted, the Reserve will fall within that range.

What is a Reserve Price?

The Reserve is the minimum figure that the Auctioneer is currently authorised by the vendor to sell the property for. Please note that Reserve is liable to change throughout the course of marketing. The Auctioneer reserves the right to lower the Reserve during the auction to a level that matches the existing highest bid. In the event that there were no further bids, the bidder who placed that 'highest bid' will be declared the purchaser at the end of the auction process.

BIDDING

STRESS-FREE BIDDING FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME

When the auction opens, you will be able to place bids in line with the pre-determined bid increment levels, using the bid increase (+) and decrease (–) buttons provided. Having set your preferred bid amount and clicking the 'Place Bid' button, you will be asked to confirm your bid at which point it will be placed.

Every time you submit a bid you will be clearly shown whether your bid was successful, and a full list of all bids is displayed on-screen at all times.

Maximum (proxy) bids

You are not restricted to placing a bid at the minimum bid amount but can instead increase your bid and place a maximum (proxy) bid in the system. By setting a maximum bid, the system will automatically bid on your behalf to maintain your position as the highest bidder, up to your maximum bid amount. If you are outbid, you will be notified via email so you can opt to increase your bid if you so choose.

How proxy bids work with the reserve price

Virtually every lot is sold subject to a reserve price (the minimum price that the auctioneer is authorised to sell for on the day). When you submit a maximum bid, the actual bid placed by the system will depend on where the reserve price is in relation to your maximum bid, as defined below.

If your maximum bid is below the reserve price

- The system will place an immediate bid at your maximum bid amount.

If your maximum bid is at or above the reserve price

- The system will automatically increase your bid to be at the reserve and will only bid again on your behalf if you are subsequently outbid by another bidder (up to your maximum bid amount).

- If another bidder has already placed the same maximum bid or higher, they will be the highest bidder at your max bid level and the system will notify you via email so you can place another bid.

NB: Your maximum bid is kept completely confidential – its presence or amount are not disclosed to the auctioneer, vendor or any other bidder.

Bidding example:

1. The current bid on a lot is £90,000. The reserve price has been set at £100,000 (not disclosed).
2. Tom wants to bid. The minimum bid amount is £91,000 but Tom decides to place a maximum bid of £97,000. This is below the reserve price, so the system places a bid for Tom at his maximum bid amount and he becomes the highest bidder at £97,000.
3. Jane logs on to bid. The minimum bid amount is £98,000 but Jane places a maximum bid of £105,000. The system automatically increases Jane's bid to meet the reserve and she is now the highest bidder at £100,000. However, Jane still has a proxy bid of £105,000 "in the system" which will automatically bid on her behalf if anyone else places a bid.
4. Tom is notified that he has been outbid. If no more bids are placed Jane would win the lot for £100,000.
5. Tom places a bid of £101,000, and Jane's proxy bid instantaneously outbids him at £102,000 as this is the lowest bid required to make her the highest bidder.
6. Tom then places a maximum bid of £105,000. The current bid jumps to £105,000 with Jane as the highest bidder as she placed a proxy bid at that amount before Tom did.
7. Tom then places a bid at £106,000 and wins the lot as there are no other bids and it is above reserve.

BIDDING EXTENSIONS

BIDDING THE BIDDING EXTENSION WINDOW ELIMINATES 'BID SNIPING'

Unlike eBay, bid sniping is impossible on our online auction platform. All auctions will close as per their advertised 'Auction End Date', however if a bid is placed within the final 60 seconds of the auction's scheduled end time the auction will be extended by an additional 60 seconds – known as the 'bidding extension window'.

If a bid is placed in the bidding extension window, the countdown clock will immediately reset to 60 seconds again, and the auction will only finish when an entire 60 second bidding extension window passes without any further bids being placed, i.e. 60 seconds of 'bidding silence'. This ensures every bidder has a fair and equal opportunity to place another bid.

Do not leave your bid to the last few seconds. It gives you no advantage, you risk your bid not being received by the server in time and you could lose the lot to another bidder. Bidding is based on the server time and not your device which could be up to 2 seconds behind the server.

FALL OF THE GAVEL

FALL OF LEGAL POSITION WHEN YOU'VE WON THE AUCTION

We offer property for sale by immediate, unconditional contract. This means that the fall of the electronic gavel constitutes an exchange of contracts between the buyer and seller. Both parties are legally bound to complete the transaction – usually within 28 days following the close of the auction but this will be confirmed within the legal documentation.

POST
AUCTION

WE'LL GUIDE YOU THROUGH TO COMPLETION

If you are the successful purchaser, we'll be in touch following the online auction to discuss the next steps. The system will take the bidder security amount from your registered credit or debit card (all underbidders will have their hold on funds released); the contract will then be signed on your behalf with copies being sent to both your solicitor and the seller's solicitor and the successful purchaser will be required to transfer a 10% deposit to the auctioneer, or as directed.

PAYMENTS
EXPLAINED

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:- GRAHAM WATKINS & Co ON 01538 373308

PAYMENTS HOW THE PAYMENT REGISTRATION WORKS

In order to bid online you are required to submit details of a credit or debit card. When you register your card, we will be placing a hold on funds on your credit card (or bank account if you use a debit card), to the value of the bidder security deposit. This means that the amount we're holding will affect the available amount you have to spend on your card, as the amount will be ring-fenced and you will not be able to spend it until the hold has been released.

If you are the winning bidder then the amount will be taken in full from your registered credit card or bank account **immediately following the close of the auction**. If you are not a winning bidder then the hold on funds will be released from your card, but be aware that it can take anything from a few hours up to several days for the hold to be released (dependent on the card issuer). If in doubt, contact your card issuer. Please be aware that you will not have access to the funds until the hold has been released.

Please see two example payment registrations below:

Scenario 1:

Tom has a credit card with an overall limit of £5,000, and a current available balance of £4,500

- Tom registers to bid on an online auction lot which has a bidder security deposit of £500 applicable
- Tom registers his credit card – a hold on funds is placed on the card to the value of £500
- The available balance to spend on the card is now £4,000
- Tom goes out shopping and buys a new laptop for £1,500
- The available balance on Tom's card is now only £2,500
- Tom bids on the online auction but is unsuccessful and doesn't win. The auction closes and the system automatically instructs Stripe to release the hold on funds from Tom's card
- The available balance on Tom's card will revert to £3,000 once the 'release' has taken place

Scenario 2:

Jane has a debit card for a bank account with a current balance of £750

- Jane registers to bid on an online auction lot which has a bidder security deposit of £500 applicable
- Jane registers her debit card – a hold on funds is placed on Jane's bank account, to the value of £500
- The available balance in Jane's bank account is now only £250
- Jane goes shopping and buys a new mobile phone for £300, pushing her £50 into an overdraft
- Jane bids on the online auction and wins the auction. The auction closes and £500 is immediately taken from her bank account
- Jane remains £50 overdrawn