Local
Overview

Market Update
2015 has been a remarkable year in the Edinburgh property market. January to March was unusually busy as buyers and sellers of houses and flats over £350,000 scrambled to transact before the introduction of Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) on the 1st April. This was especially acute above £600,000 where the effects of LBTT are felt the hardest. Following this first quarter rush, there was a natural lull which was accentuated by the build up to the General Election. During the summer months the market up to £750,000 was busy, especially in the city center where interest from buyers has been at its strongest, with demand from buyers originating from other parts of the UK or abroad of particular note.

From a slow start in April and May, the prime market over £1m has started to gather momentum, as natural demand begins to recover following the bout of activity at the beginning of the year. As a benchmark, between 15 and 20 houses in Scotland normally transact at over £1m every month. In March, just prior to LBTT, this figure was 88. Between April and June, just 9 houses over £1m changed hands. These figures indicate the extent to which the prime market was front loaded at the beginning of 2015. However, we are now seeing activity recover, with key sales over £1m in areas including New Town, West End and Morningside. As the market adapts to LBTT we expect to see figures normalise. Here at Knight Frank we have interest from a diverse base of buyers, from those based locally to those moving from London, the south east and abroad. Our interest from buyers in the Middle East and Asia is particularly noteworthy.

2015 statistics

- **41%** of our buyers originate from outside Scotland
- **88%** record of achieving full home report value or over
- **67%** of our sales have been achieved between £300,000 and £800,000

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Recently Sold

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Regent Terrace
Offers Over: £1,850,000

Cluny Avenue
Offers Over: £1,050,000

Albany Street
Offers Over: £425,000

Peel Terrace
Offers Over: £700,000

Atholl Crescent
Offers Over: £570,000

Comely Bank
Offers Over: £695,000
Currently
For Sale

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Moray Place
Offers Over: £975,000

Nile Grove
Offers Over: £795,000

Buckingham Terrace
Offers Over: £775,000

Grange Road
Offers Over: £1,075,000

Northumberland Street
Offers Over: £1,175,000

Eglinton Crescent
Offers Over: £265,000

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Our Edinburgh office at 80 Queen Street is home to one of the most dedicated property teams in the region. As an experienced and passionate team of people who live and work locally, it is our in-depth knowledge of the Edinburgh market that gives us the edge.

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