Appendix A – IPM High Street UK 2020 - 25 Key Factors

PRIORITY	CONSIDERATIONS
1. ACTIVITY HOURS	Ensuring the centre is open when the catchment
	needs it. What are the shopping hours? Is there an
	evening economy? Do the activity hours of the
	centre match the needs of the catchment?
2. APPEARANCE	Improving the quality of the visual appearance, e.g.
	the public realm. How clean is the centre?
3. RETAILERS&SERVICES	Offering the right type and quantity of retailers and
	other service providers. What retailers and service
	providers (private/public) are represented?
4. VISION&STRATEGY	Having a common vision and some leadership. Do
	the High Street stakeholders collaborate? Is the
	vision incorporated in local plans?
5. EXPERIENCE	Considering the quality of the experience.
5. L.	Measuring levels of service quality and visitor
	satisfaction. What is the overall experience of the
	centre?
6. MANAGEMENT	Building capacity to get things done. Is there
	effective management – of the shopping centre(s)
	and town centre?
7. MERCHANDISE	Meeting the needs of the catchment. What is the
7	range and quality of goods on offer?
8. NECESSITIES	Ensuring basic facilities are present and maintained.
0.112023011125	Is there appropriate car-parking; amenities; general
	facilities, like places to sit down and toilets etc.?
9. ANCHORS	The presence of an anchor which drives footfall. This
3.7.110.10.10	could be retail (like a department store) or could be
	a busy transport interchange or large employer.
	What brings most people to your town?
10. NETWORKS & PARTNERSHIPS WITH COUNCIL	Presence of strong networks and effective formal or
	informal partnerships. Do stakeholders
	communicate and trust each other? Can the council
	facilitate action (not just lead it?)
11. DIVERSITY	A multi-functional centre. What attractions are
	there, apart from retail? What is the tenant mix and
	tenant variety?
12. WALKING	The 'walkability' of the centre. Are linked trips
	between areas possible – or are the distances too
	great? Are there other obstacles that stop people
	walking?
13. ENTERTAINMENT AND LEISURE	An entertainment and leisure offer. What is it? Is it
	attractive to various segments of the catchment?
14. ATTRACTIVENESS	The 'pulling power' of a centre. Can it attract people
	from a distance?
15. PLACE ASSURANCE	
	Getting the basics right. Does the centre offer a
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	the centre orientate visitors and encourage flow – with signage and guides etc.
18. COMPARISON/CONVENIENCE	The amount of comparison shopping opportunities compared to convenience (usually in percentage terms). Is this sustainable? Does it match needs of catchment?
19. RECREATIONAL SPACE	The amount and quality of recreational areas and public space/open space. Is there places that are uncommodified? Where people can enjoy spending time without spending money?
20. BARRIERS TO ENTRY	Refers to obstacles that make it difficult for interested operators to enter the centre's/High Street's market. What is the location doing to make it easier for new businesses/service providers to come onto the High Street?
21.CHAIN VS INDEPENDENT	Number of multiples stores and independent stores in the retail mix of a centre/High Street. Is this suitably balanced?
22. SAFETY/CRIME	A centre KPI measuring perceptions or actual crime including shoplifting. Perceptions of crime are usually higher than actual crime rates. Does the centre monitor these and how does it communicate results to stakeholders?
23. LIVEABLE	The resident population or potential for residential in the centre. Does the centre offer the services/environment that residents need? Doctors, schools etc.
24. ADAPTABILITY	The flexibility of the space/property in a centre. Are there inflexible and outdated units that are unlikely to be re-let or re-purposed.
25.STORE DEVELOPMENT	The willingness for retailers/property owners to develop their stores. Are they willing to coordinate/cooperate in updating activities? Or do they act independently (or not at all!).