

Edinburgh St James moves towards autumn opening

Twelve more retailers have signed up to take their place in the new Edinburgh St James when it opens in autumn this year.

In addition, the developers say they have secured three more restaurants for the £1 billion development.

The shops will include H&M, Mango, & Other Stories, Russell & Bromley, Miele Experience Centre, JD Sports, Goldsmiths, Breitling, Omega, Pandora, Hotel Chocolat, and Sunglass Hut.

The restaurants are Five Guys, @pizza and Yo! To Go and all will be opening at the same time in October 2020.



H&M will occupy a large 27,000 store on two floors while JD Sports has secured an 11,000 square feet store, bigger than any of their others in Edinburgh.

The three restaurants will be on Level one in what Edinburgh St James call their grab and go section, Leith Street Eats.

Chris Pyne, Leasing Director at Edinburgh St James, commented: "These latest 15 signings underline our vision for Edinburgh St James which is to bring greater choice to both the residents of and visitors to Edinburgh. Our vision is to secure brands new to the city and Scotland, and significantly larger stores showcasing the most comprehensive product ranges available, within the very best of retail design and innovation."

Andrew Bromley, Russell & Bromley CEO, added: "Edinburgh St James represents the future of retail in Edinburgh, combining a unique blend of experiences with the character and appeal of one of the leading cities in Europe. We are delighted to have secured this space for a new Russell & Bromley store in Scotland in this exciting and highly relevant development."

When we spoke to Martin Perry of Edinburgh St James late last

year he told us there will eventually be 30 new restaurants and 85 new shops in the development. At that time the building work was speeding along, and the development was about a year from being ready to open its doors to the public. The 152 apartments, aparthotel and the city's first W Hotel will be completed after that.

