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Jamie Oliver Chooses G1 Glasgow for first Scottish Restaurant

Leading restaurateur Jamie Oliver will open his first Scottish Jamie's Italian restaurant at G1 Glasgow in George Square. At over 8,000 sq ft, the restaurant will be the largest in Jamie's rapidly expanding chain, which currently operates in Canary Wharf, Bath, Oxford, Cardiff, Kingston and Guildford. Following from their strategy of opening in prominent locations, G1 Glasgow's location at the civic, cultural and commercial heart of the City was an obvious instant attraction.

A key ingredient to the overwhelming success of Jamie's Italian has been providing an exceptional dining environment, and an extensive fit out is planned to create one of the coolest restaurants in Glasgow. Located on the ground and lower ground floors, the restaurant will provide over 250 covers with an open kitchen on the ground floor.

Simon Blagden at Jamie's Italian, explained "G1 Glasgow has the perfect mix of character, quality and location that we need for our restaurants."

Stephen Lewis, Development Director at HF Developments, explained "G1 Glasgow was the obvious choice for Jamie's first Scottish restaurant. The development is quite simply the best in Glasgow, which is reflected in the calibre of our latest occupier. We are delighted to welcome Jamie's Italian to G1 and wish Jamie and his team every success with the latest venture."

Jamie joins leading construction and international property consultancy Gardiner & Theobold, whose deal to occupy the first floor of the building set a new headline office rental in Glasgow of £29.50 per sq ft.

Cushman & Wakefield represented HF Developments, while Graeme Wait represented Jamie's Italian.

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Notes to Editors:

1. G1 Glasgow is a £70m re-development , involving the demolition of all but the external, Grade A listed walls, with a new building constructed behind the facade
2. The new building incorporates basement car parking along with a further four storey glass roof extension
3. On completion the building will provide 130,997 sq ft of office accommodation
4. G1 has set the benchmark for quality office accommodation in Glasgow
5. More information on G1 Glasgow can be found on the website: www.g1glasgow.com

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