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## **BIOGRAPHY**

Sunita has extensive experience in advising on the acquisition, development and financing of complex real estate assets. This includes the development and financing of mixed use schemes and regeneration projects, involving compulsory purchase, forward sales and forward funding.

Sunita is also experienced in dealing with joint ventures and sale and leasebacks of high yielding real estate assets.

Sunita has played a key role as part of a multidisciplinary team, to implement Tesco Plc's £7 billion funding programme of sale and leasebacks, joint ventures and CMBS transactions. Sunita led the real estate aspects of each of Tesco Plc's six CMBS transactions, together worth approximately £3.6 billion.

Sunita has previously been seconded to a major client to oversee its real estate acquisition programme in Central and Eastern Europe.

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- England and Wales

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This week the BCLP Retail team highlights a blog by our Planning & Zoning team on the recent High Court dismissal of a challenge to the recent changes to the Use Classes Order and General Permitted Development Order. We also consider a possibility for high street revitalisation through office conversions, discuss the influence of retail pricing on inflation and look at prospects for retailers in the coming holiday season. Also included is the most recent update to our timeline of sector-relevant measures.

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## **UK - Covid-19 - BCLP Retail Insight: The Week That Was, Vol 10**

This week, the BCLP Retail team look at the impact of the four week lockdown for England and extension of furlough, review the scale of shop closures and key findings in LDC's latest retail market analysis report, and discuss the proposed regulations of pre-pack administrations involving greater government scrutiny. We also include an updated timeline of sector-relevant measures in response to the pandemic.

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Oct 26, 2020

## **UK - Covid-19 - BCLP Retail Insight: The Week That Was, Vol 9**

This week, the BCLP Retail team discuss the latest round of government restrictions to reduce the spread of Covid-19, and offer an updated timeline of relevant measures. We look at potential uses of empty retail space and analyse the effects of the pandemic on store closures. Lastly, we look at a government proposal for retailers to provide free public cashback services.

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## **UK - Covid-19 - BCLP Retail Insight: The Week that Was, Vol. 8**

This week, the BCLP Retail team analyse the recent rent payment figures from the retail sector and discuss possible creative means of fostering resiliency for landlords and operators. We look at the reaction from retailers to new government restrictions in light of the rising Covid-19 case numbers, and consider the post-pandemic prognosis for the sector.

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## **UK – Covid-19 - BCLP Retail Insight: The Week that Was, Volume 7**

This week the BCLP Retail Team look back on the variety of changes since the start of lockdown, presented here in an interactive timeline. We discuss the raft of new measures introduced by the Government as cases increase, and the extension of the ban on evictions for business tenants. We also bring you an informative conversation regarding the new Use Classes Order, its relevance to retailers and its place in the Government's planning reforms.

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## **UK - Covid-19 - BCLP Retail Insight: The Week That Was Vol. 6**

This week the BCLP Retail Team evaluate the end of the 'Eat Out to Help Out' scheme and discuss a possible Government-sponsored scheme to fund public transportation. We also consider the effect of working from home on high streets, and the introduction of new social distancing measures.

Insights

Aug 21, 2020

## **BCLP Retail Insight: The Week That Was Vol. 5**

This week the BCLP Retail Team discuss the future of turnover rents following the COVID-19 crisis, reflect on the Government's Eat Out to Help Out scheme, and consider the future footprint of department stores. We also share a webinar hosted by the BCLP Real Estate Finance team with guest speakers from Barclays Bank PLC and Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield: 'Real Estate Finance – What does the retail sector really look like today and what are its immediate prospects?'