

Downoak Limited

Backing an award-winning pub
and guest house operator





Downoak Limited is a new Pub EIS company which invests in high-quality freehold pubs across South Central England.

The company is managed by Oakman Inns, a multi-award winning operator, whose passion for what they do has enabled them to become industry leaders, recognised in the Sunday Times Best 100 Companies to Work For 2015. With Oakman's strong team driving the quality of their offering and a clear strategy for expansion, we were keen to support them in their growth ambitions.

In return, we were able to offer flexibility, and our significant experience in the licenced leisure sector. This was key to understanding the Oakman business model, and allowed us to structure a deal that offered both parties the motivation to drive a 3-5 year expansion plan. By moving quickly, we were able to provide Oakman Inns with a greater level of capital than traditional funding alternatives.

In September 2014, Downoak Limited completed a £1.1 million acquisition of a freehold pub formerly trading as the Cook & Fillet. Located between Bicester and Aylesbury, the site has since been refurbished and successfully relaunched as The Akeman Inn.

We are delighted to continue supporting Downoak Limited, and the Oakman Inns team, in actively seeking further investment opportunities.

“We are delighted to partner with Downing and have been impressed with their speed of delivery and sector experience. Our capital has gone much further than would have been possible with traditional bank debt.”

Peter Borg-Neal, CEO, Oakman Inns



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