Pitfalls and Risks





UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE DOING

DO RESEARCH AND UNDERSTAND THE MARKET

SPEAK TO OTHER DEVELOPERS AND OWNERS

SPEAK TO MANAGING AGENTS IN THE MARKET – BUT BEWARE

 KNOW THE LOCATION – Hijacked buildings, vagrants, transport, schooling, foot traffic, crime



ELECTRICITY

POWER SUPPLY IN THE BUILDING



IS POWER SUPPLY AVAILABLE IF UPGRADE NEEDED

COST OF AN ELECTRICITY UPGRADE

• CABLE CAPACITY IN THE BUILDING – ADEQUATE FOR UPGRADE?



FINANCIAL FEASABILITY

- DO OR GET A PROPER FINANCIAL FEASABILITY
- KNOW THE RENTS AND DON'T MANIPULATE TO SUIT MODEL
- KNOW EXPENSES AND DON'T MANIPULATE TO SUIT MODEL
- KNOW MARKET VACANCIES AND BAD DEBT AND DON'T MANIPULATE
- POST CONSTRUCTION MUNCIPAL VALUE AND RATES WILL INCREASE
- ESTIMATING TAKE-UP TIME FRAME

DON'T FIDDLE THE INPUTS TO GET THE MODEL TO WORK – IT WILL COME TO BITE YOU



CONSTRUCTION

- STABLE AND COMPETENT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY (References)
- PRICING OF MATERIALS
- QUALITY OF MATERIALS PEI rating tile hardness, door handles, plastic cisterns,
- OLD LIFTS
- OPENING WINDOWS, LIGHT, VENTILATION
- LOAD BEARING OF SLAB
- FIRE COMPLIANCE
- TIME AND COST OVERUNS
- CERTIFICATION
- BANK REQUIREMENTS



OTHER

- OVERPAYING ON BULK
- PARKING
- HIJACKING RISK
- PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
- OVERSIGHT OF PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
- MUNCIPAL RECOVERIES
- VAT

