



**AIB announces sale and leaseback of 12 Dublin branches
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AIB has today announced the sale and leaseback of 12 of its Dublin Branches through advisers Hamilton Osborne King. All of the buildings will be leased back to AIB and continue to operate as branches.

AIB's sale and leaseback of a number of its premises, including its Head Office building in Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, enables the bank to further grow its business by freeing up capital to fuel lending growth to satisfy increasing customer demand in a continuing strong economy.

The 12 branches to be sold and leased back to the bank are:

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| Artane | Dundrum |
| Clonskeagh Road | Dun Laoghaire |
| Crumlin Road | 37/38 O'Connell Street |
| Dame Street | Ranelagh |
| Morehampton Road, Donnybrook | Stillorgan |
| Drumcondra | Tallaght |

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