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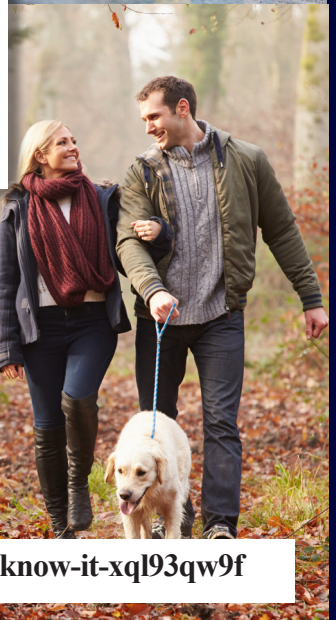
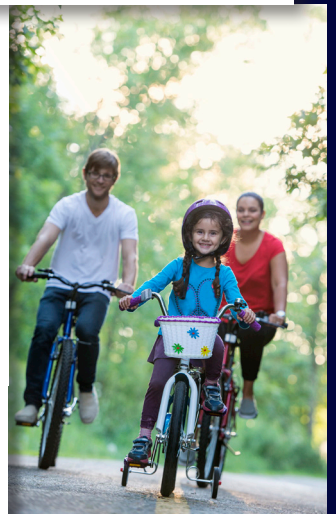
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## There's life in shops, just not as we know it

Land Securities is not alone in reimagining its estate. It may seem a strange time to be opening new shopping complexes, but the developers behind Scotch Corner, a designer outlet village in North Yorkshire, are ploughing ahead with plans to start building the £100 million first phase of the site in the autumn, albeit with a few changes — more outdoor leisure facilities, including a cycle track that will include proficiency courses for children, outdoor play areas, a fly-fishing lake, an in-house microbrewery, a pet groomer and a dog walking area. The site is 40 per cent pre-let, even though it will not open until 2023.

Sarah Hodgkinson, director of the project, said: “One of the huge benefits is that outlet centres can’t be replicated very easily online and they have been consistently outperforming the rest of physical retail.

“We are also in a site that has a huge catchment area with 40 million domestic tourists, but we are really planning on how this will suit life after Covid.”



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