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On 4th June Carillion and the University of Birmingham celebrated the completion of the Concrete frame with the 'Topping Out' ceremony. Guest speakers including Steve Rogers, Professor Sir David Eastwood, Professor David Lodge, Diane Job and Mark Nicholson presented to those involved with the project before a ceremonial plaque was laid.

PROJECT MANAGER'S NOTE



For those that pass the University of Birmingham Library development on a daily basis, they can really see how quickly the works are progressing and how the new Library will complement the great surroundings at the Edgbaston Campus.

We held the 'Topping out' ceremony on the 4th June, celebrating reaching the highest point on the reinforced Concrete Frame and since then the subsequent trades have taken the lead, especially our External Glazing which is progressing quickly on East, North and West elevations.

For those that have toured the internals of the building recently, they will have seen the development of all the floors, with the Research Annex having rails set and the floor has been screeded really ready for the 55 linear Kilometres of book shelving and partitions being erected in the Ground floor upwards.

The metal feature stairs in the central floor void has further enhanced the feel of the project and as we continue towards the end of the construction period in March 2016, the development will continue to advance towards completion ready for use in September 2016!

Thank you

Steve Rogers
Project Manager

Upcoming works to site

- External Cladding Façade to South Elevation
- Structural Steelwork to the 6th Floor roof
- Continue Feature Stairs Installation



- Underfloor Services and Raised Access Floors
- Roofing
- Internal Glazed screens continuing

COMMUNITIES & SUSTAINABILITY

The past academic year has been a rewarding time at the Library where Carillion have worked closely and supported the University in a number of different ways.

Looking back over the academic year we have interacted with the University to give the both staff and students the maximum exposure possible. We really enjoyed working with the Students to enhance their Academic year, from challenges set to the Civil Engineering Students in September 2014 through to the 'Birmingham Project' Orienteering event that we supported on the site in June. Looking ahead to the next academic year we have a full schedule of activities which will allow us to interact with current and future students allowing us to get a sense of how the library will enhance their studies at this world class education institution.

In June we have also welcomed Nathan and David to the site team on Summer Placements. They are supplementing the team, with us now employing 3 Placements on the site from the University's Civil

Engineering School, this illustrates the benefits that Carillion are gaining from working with high quality Undergraduates who are contributing to the physical future of the Edgbaston Campus.

We are working with the University on a number of different levels to ensure the benefits are felt within the Educational establishment, from supporting the Engineering and Physical Sciences Awards, promoting the Library on the Open Day and the Topping Out ceremony.

We wish you a great Summer break and I look forward to hearing from you if you have any suggestions on how we can improve further, please let me know!

Thank you

Neil Rudge
Community Regeneration Manager



Carillion sponsored the presentation of the Civil Engineering Society accolade at the Engineering and Physical Sciences (EPS) Awards on Tuesday

9th June. Five members of Carillion staff, including those in the team who are on the Building Leaders course presented the award.



Carillion opened the **Viewing Platform** and gave a series of talks on Friday 26th and Saturday 27th June in Support of the Universities Open Day. In addition to this, we supplied 6 No A1 graphic boards to the library to promote the development to perspective students who will be the first year group to use the completed project!



We participated in the **'Birmingham Project'** in conjunction with CLAD and Learning Spaces at the University where Carillion opened the Viewing Platform for an Orienteering event and gave a series of talks. The First Year students learned about what the University will look like in the future and whether big business has a Corporate Social Responsibility as part of their project.



On Friday 12th June **Carillion led a Site tour** of the new development for 6 students who were completing an end of year task related to Sustainability. Jennifer Cook stated that the 'whole Group unanimously enjoyed the experience' and the visit and subsequent information shared with the group helped them to successfully complete their project.



Two new summer placements from the University of Birmingham Civil Engineering School commenced with us in June. Nathan Walker and David Thomas will be with us until September and we hope they enjoy their time with us.



The **Library site tours** have progressed well with over 250 members of the site receiving a tour with some excellent feedback given. Carillion have tailored the site tours and talks to fit people's preferences, interests and

capabilities to ensure the maximum exposure.

The tours have been well received and we look forward to continuing them to illustrate to the staff the different stages of construction

We had our **3rd Considerate Constructors audit** held in June, reviewing the great work we are doing onsite and in the community. We are pleased to say we increased on our previous score and hope to improve further in the coming months.



Carillion hosted a **Work Placement** from the Houses of Parliament who came to us to understand how the Construction Industry is run. Gosia enjoyed spending time in the client meeting and speaking to our Professionals in the office. The information gained with us will be invaluable in her role working on the refurbishment of the Palace of Westminster.



As part of Carillion's ongoing support of the **Envision Community Apprentice project**, Neil Rudge attended the presentations evening where two of the three Swanshurst Teams presented to a panel of 'dragons' in order to get through to the final round.



Neil Rudge attended the **Armed Forces Recruitment fair** at Sheldon to support an initiative that Carillion actively promote.

We spoke to a number of people who were interested in the industry and careers in engineering.

EMPLOYED SO FAR

- **5 Civil Engineering Undergraduates** from the University of Birmingham
- **15 Apprentices**
- **9 Work Placements** (of which one gained full time employment)
- **Engaged with over 3000 school children** to promote careers within the Engineering sector
- Using the Birmingham City Council method of monitoring the job has achieved over **1100 additional Person Weeks** of employment on the works
- The job has hosted **10 NVQ's**