

Carillion - University of Birmingham Library

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Samuel Griffiths receiving a Carillion Values award from Stephen Aston (Senior Project Manager at the University of Birmingham).



PROJECT MANAGER'S NOTE



As we are coming toward the first bank holiday of the year, we are delighted with the progress achieved at the University of Birmingham Library.

With longer day light hours and increase in temperatures our team are happy to see the back of winter and expect to see further advances in our works over the coming months.

The concrete frame is now 60% complete with trades such as external Cladding, Bricklaying

and Electrical works in full flow. As you can see from the view across the Campus Green, the structure is changing every day! Internally you can really see the design intention of Associate Architects, the ground floor will be open and welcoming with a double height soffit and the area will be flooded with natural light.

This time next year we will be handing over a state of the art Library which will complement the exceptional status of the University and further enhance the experience of the students. In the meantime there are many challenges to overcome and we will seek to maximise the benefit the development has on both the University, the staff and students.

Thank you

Steve Rogers
Project Manager

Upcoming works to site

Complete Reinforced Concrete Frame

External Cladding Façade to West & North

Brickwork commencing internally & externally

ANNUAL MEETING



Carillion were delighted to attend the University of Birmingham Annual Meeting on Thursday 12th March. Attended by **Paul Atkinson, Steve Rogers** and **Neil Rudge**, we were impressed by the size, scale and scope of one of the leading Educational Institutes in the world.



On Friday 6th March and Saturday 7th March we ran a number of talks which were open to Staff, Students and the general public as part of the national Open Doors Weekend. The scheme attracted over 120 visitors to the platform to hear talks from **Steve Rogers** (Project Manager), **Michael Tort** (Design Manager) and **Danny Evans** (Construction Manager) amongst others on the development of the library. We had a wide range of people attending from 4 years old to 82!

COMMUNITIES & SUSTAINABILITY



The New Year has been a busy period for us at the University of Birmingham, however this is only the start as we are developing a full agenda for the next 12 months to ensure that staff and students get the most out of the development as possible.

We enjoy working with the University and Samuel Griffiths our year work placement is illustrating why we hold University of Birmingham students in high esteem (as illustrated by the Carillion Values award he has received for the great work he has been doing with local schools). We are following up our successful summer placements (of which we had two last year) with a further two placements on site. Carillion as a whole are taking a further 4 placements from the Civil Engineering school who will enhance their studies within a work place environment, whilst we will benefit from the enthusiasm and great attitude these new staff bring!

Featured here are details of the interaction we have been having with the University, including our support of the BUAFTA's, our Operations Director & Site Team presentation at the Beale

lectures and Open Doors weekend amongst many other events we are holding!

The impact the development is having on the City of Birmingham cannot be underestimated, all which stem from the Universities ambitious vision of the development. The local community, especially hard to reach areas of Birmingham, are seeing real life jobs creation as a direct consequence of this development.

We wish you a great Easter 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



Paul Reynolds (Operations Director for the Midlands & South West) and **Paul Atkinson** (Commercial Operations Director - Pictured) were pleased to present an Award at the BUAFTA's held on Thursday 27th February. Carillion were delighted to award the Institute of Advanced studies with the 'Best Support for Research' prize.

On Thursday 5th March, **Neil Rudge**, **Michael Winhall** (Sustainability Manager) and **Tim Cornbill** (Associated Architects) presented to students and staff at the University of Birmingham 'Green Suppliers' event held in the Great Hall. We discussed the great efficiencies that have been built into the Library development and the benefits the development is bringing to the community.



On Thursday 3rd March, **Paul Reynolds** (Carillion Operation Director for the Midlands and South West) hosted a lecture at the University of Birmingham's Civil & Mechanical Engineering Institute as part of the Beale Lecture Series. Paul, **Tim Cornbill** (Associated Architects) and **Jessica Monk** (Arup Structural Engineers) gave an entertaining talk about the development and hosted a Q&A session to close. This was well attended, with plenty of positive audience input.



Following our success with the Considerate Constructors site visits, we have been **shortlisted for an award** at their annual ceremony held in Manchester on Tuesday 14th April. We are keeping our fingers crossed!

APPRENTICES

Carillion currently have three Apprentices on the works with another two expected shortly. We have had a total of 11 apprentices on the Library project and have had a total of five Work Experience placements (one of which found a permanent position upon completing the placement).

Values Award

We are pleased to announce that **Samuel Griffiths** has won a Carillion 'Values Award' for his work with our Community initiatives. Samuel has been forthcoming on a number of the interactions we have run including a number of recordings linked to the University.



Carillion are supporting the 'Building Birmingham Scholarship' which supports students from the socially deprived Super Output Areas of Birmingham. The site team are going to provide a placement for a Quantity Surveyor and our team at Paradise Circus are employing a Civil Engineering student from the University of Birmingham.

Equal opportunity

As an Equal Opportunity employer who promotes diversity within the workforce, we were delighted to show our support for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender month. Throughout the month of February we displayed the LGBT flag from the viewing platform in the prominent position adjacent to the Green.



'YOUR FUTURE YOUR CHOICE'



Carillion ran a Careers stall at the Business in the Community 'Your Future, Your Choice' event held at the University of Birmingham's Great Hall. This event saw 8 local schools attend with over 200 school children from the ages of 13-15 years old. The Carillion site team ran a 'Jenga Block Challenge', where the school children competed to build a tower as high as possible. During this period we discussed careers and promoted the Library development.



Female Career opportunities

Carillion were invited to attend King Edward Girls School Handsworth in Birmingham to discuss Engineering career opportunities for Females.

The event attracted over 200 visitors, where we discussed the potential for careers in the industry for Females. This was linked this with the 'Your Life' campaign for the recruitment, development and retention of females into the industry.

Fund Raising



As part of our fund raising efforts for the Air Ambulance service based at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham, Carillion are taking on NG Bailey in an extremely competitive game of football on Thursday 2nd April.

To raise further funds, **Danny Evans** will be participating in the Manchester Marathon.



Local Employment

42% of those employed on site have a 'B' postcode, with **61%** from the Midlands region. We employ **12.5%** of our operatives from the disadvantaged 'Super Output' and 'Target Areas' of Birmingham. The development is leaving a lasting legacy in the city.