

Carillion - University of Birmingham Library

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# PROJECT MANAGER'S NOTE



I would first like to welcome both students and staff back into the 2014 / 15 Academic year. With the clocks going back and autumn upon us, we are seeing a period of acceleration on site.

September and October have been a busy period for us at the University of Birmingham Library. We have erected two Tower Cranes within the site, pouring the foundations, preparing for the basement slab and columns. Morrisroe, our frame contractor are progressing to programme.

Offsite we have formed the fire escape steps and bollards out of the Munrow Sports Centre and grass seeded beside the link road. We are working closely with the University to minimise any disruption to staff and students. We greatly appreciate your cooperation.

The project team are endeavouring to hand over a defect free building, on time, on budget. We have worked **66740 person hours** - reportable **accident free**, all of our staff are working hard to maintain this.

Finally, we wish the returning students and new students a happy and prosperous academic year and we will continue to look at ways which we can help enhance the overall University experience.

**Thank you**

**Steve Rogers**  
Project Manager

# Upcoming works during November

## Works to Ring Road

Re grade Junction between old and new roads adjacent to the existing Library

Close off Hoarding at either side of Ring Road

## Site works

Complete retaining wall at North West Section of Site

Continue Drainage to underside of Basement Slab

Prepare Basement Slab - DPM, Reinforcement and Concrete

# COMMUNITIES & SUSTAINABILITY



September and October have been busy months at the University of Birmingham. I would first like to welcome the University of Birmingham Undergraduate **Samuel Griffiths** to the Site Team for his one year Internship. This month we have hosted the **'Logistics and Tower Crane Challenge'** and **'Health and Safety on Site'** tour with Second Year Students from the Civil Engineering Department. We are looking to explore further opportunities to work with the Department for further educational opportunities.

I would like to congratulate those who took part in the **5Km Buds Run**, including the Carillion staff who took part and raised over £500 for Parkinsons UK. We have also announced the official charity for the site is the **'Midlands Air Ambulance'**, we look forward to carrying out a number of charitable activities over the coming months for this worthy cause.

Detailed below are our actions over the past month and if you have any ideas how we can improve please contact me!

**Thank you**

**Neil Rudge**  
Community Regeneration Manager



# ENGAGEMENT

We would like to welcome the University of Birmingham Undergraduate Samuel Griffiths to the site team. Sam commenced his year Internship with Carillion on Monday 6th October. We have a structured plan for Sam's development and we will keep you informed on his progress.

# EXCEPTIONAL SCORE

We received a site visit from the Considerate Constructors Scheme on the 30th September. We are please to say we received a score of 40 out of a possible 50 points, achieving an 'Exceptional' score for 'Respecting the Community' and 'Respecting the Workforce'.

**We are aiming to improve on this for our next visit!**



# NEWS & EVENTS

## 5Km 'BUDS RUN'

On Saturday 4th October, 9 members of Carillion's staff completed the 5Km 'Buds Run' at the University of Birmingham. We helped with the organisation of the event opening a section of the site for access and have **raised over £500** in aid of Parkinson's UK. A special well done to **Danny Evans** for completing the challenging circuit in 18 minutes!



## UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

**We are building links** with the University of Birmingham's STEM branch. Neil Rudge became a STEM Ambassador on 16th October. We are already working with local schools to raise awareness of careers in Construction / Engineering through site visits and talks.

## REAL LIFE CHALLENGE



**Monday 15th September to Friday 19th September saw Carillion working in conjunction with the University of Birmingham's Civil Engineering School ran a real life Construction problem challenge to 5 students.** The 'Logistics and Tower Crane' challenge gave the students the challenges facing Carillion when setting up and running a project. They came up with some innovative suggestions and were well informed. Fortunately they came up with the same plan as we are utilising - even down to the same crane specifications! These findings were presented to Steve Rogers and Stephen Ashton

## Charity of choice

**Carillion are pleased to announce that the Midlands Air Ambulance are the charity of choice.**



### A few interesting facts -

- Each year they start with zero funds
- The operational cost of 3 aircraft is £6 million per year
- The average cost of each emergency is £2500
- Each Aircraft costs £25 per minute to operate

## APPRENTICES

Carillion have taken on two apprentices in the past month, Lewis Robinson who came to us for concreting experience in order to complete his level 2 NVQ. Nathan Millin came to us in late September for a three month period to completing his Level 3.

**We have signed up with 'Envision' to help run a 'Social Apprentice' scheme for 16-18 year olds. We will be working with Swanshurst School in Moseley and will link our works at the University of Birmingham to the scheme to encourage female participation in the industry.**

## Local Employment

We have **over 38% of the workforce** with a Birmingham postcode, 58% in the local region and 19 Suppliers and Subcontractors from the local area and encourage employment within the West Midlands area.