**Carillion - University of Birmingham Library** 

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# CELEBRATING

**Prof John Heath** (Pro Vice Chancellor, Estates and Infrastructure), **Diane Job** (Director of Library PServices) and **Stephen Ashton** (Senior Project Manager) visited the site for the piling topping out ceremony on 20/8/14.

Celebrating the job's progression and completion of the piling element of our works.



**PROJECT MANAGER'S NOTE** Steve Rogers

**UPCOMING WORKS** 

COMMUNITIES AND SUSTAINABILITY Neil Rudge

**NEWS & EVENTS** 

## **PROJECT MANAGER'S** NOTE

With the conclusion of this glorious summer we are stepping up of construction activity in the coming months, we genuinely appreciate the understanding of the community and are endeavour to minimise any potential disruptions.

Pic of **Steve Rogers** 

August and September has been a busy period for us at the University of Birmingham Library. Skanska have completed the CFA piling with MorrisRoe commencing the foundations and pile caps. The foundations for the Tower crane bases have been constructed, the cranes will be erected within the next month always an exciting time on a developing project.

Offsite we have reopened the southern and eastern footpaths. Works off Pritchatts Road have progressed to programme with a new junction formed, kerbs, formation, Tarmac and street lights. The external hoardings have been re-aligned, the security hut and wheel wash have been relocated ready for the main construction phase of the project.

The project team are endeavouring to hand over a defect free building, on time, on budget. We have worked 41000 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 october:

Continue works on the foundation pile caps

Commence laying the underslab drainage

Complete works on and around the new link road ready for opening

Form the permanent connection between the new and existing ring road outside Substation 24

Erect the two tower cranes, TC2 (the northern crane)

# COMMUNITIES & SUSTAINABILITY

Pic of Neil Rudge Birmingham. This commenced in August with the 'On Site Breaking Ground Ceremony', formally celebrating the progress of the project. We opened up the viewing platform at the University's Community Day, attracting over 250 people to the site. From the 6th - 11th September Carillion ran a number of events at the British Science Festival, hosted by the University, and where we were a major sponsor, interacting with over 2000 school children!

These events have helped us reinforce our role of investing in the future of the Built Environment and Engineering Industry, for instance we are the biggest providers of Apprenticeships in the Construction Sector. Currently we have 2 apprentices on site and have challenging targets for the next 14 months.

Lastly I would like to thank University of Birmingham students Connah Jones and James Heal who have successfully completed a summer placement on site and wish them all the best with their future studies. We are working with the Civil Engineering Department to explore further opportunities!

Thank you

Neil Rudge Community Regeneration Manager



#### August and September has been a productive month at the University of



## VIEWING PLATFORM

The viewing platform was erected in the South East corner of the site for the Community Day on 7/9/14. Over 250 people came to hear our site team talk about the project under sunny skies.

The enthusiasm from the University and local residents was clear for all to see. The viewing platform will remain for a number of months for educational purposes. Those wishing to access this please contact the Carillion site office.

## BRITISH SCIENCE FESTIVAL



Bill Free (Business Development Director) for Carillion Rail presenting at the 'High Speed Rail: An engineer's perspective on HS2' lecture. Over 160 people attended the talk with a lively debate to close off

Carillion would like to thank Prof Felix Schmid for giving us the opportunity to contribute



Nadine Branston from Carillion TPS attended the 'Women in Science and Engineering' networking event where she gave Career advise for young Scientists and Engineers about a career within the Construction Industry. This was an opportunity for those with STEM degrees/interest to talk to us about careers in the Construction Industry and the possibilities open to women.



Carl Bettam and Eleanor Chandler gave career advice to over 200 School children at the Career 'Speed Dating' event

## Hands on

Four day 'Hands on Exhibition' attended by over 2000 school children with over 400 children participating in the 'Giant Jenga Block tower Challenge' and 'Steady hand'.

We would like to congratulate all those who took part, with one successful young adult winning a £25 gift voucher!





Our specialists came to the Hands On Exhibition and gave career advice to interested parties. Associated Architects and NG Bailey spoke to school children and teachers alike about the routes of entry into the industry.

### Local **Employment**

We have over 33% of the workforce with a Birmingham Postcode and employ 19 Suppliers and Subcontractors from the local area and encourage employment within the West Midlands area.