

Carillion - University of Birmingham Library

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University of Birmingham staff enjoy seeing the great progress on the exciting new Library



PROJECT MANAGER'S NOTE



We are delighted to announce that progress is going well at the University of Birmingham Library and with more trades onsite the development is going full steam ahead!

The completion of the Concrete frame is being celebrated on the 4th June with a 'Topping out' ceremony that acknowledges all the hard work that the team and our suppliers have put in over the past 60 weeks. Reaching the highest Concrete point on the development is a significant achievement on any job and is rightly celebrated.

With the frame in place the follow up trades of Cladding, Bricklaying and Electrical works are in full flow. The project is developing on a daily basis, as those viewing from the Campus Green shows! We have also commenced Internally the Mechanical and Electrical first fix, brickwork and Keim washing, those visiting the site can really begin to understand how the finished product will look on opening in September 2016!

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. Hopefully with the Students coming to the end of their Academic year and coming back in September will see a massive change at the Library and we look forward to sharing the benefits the development brings to both the University, the staff and students.

Thank you

Steve Rogers
Project Manager

Upcoming works to site

- External Cladding Façade to All Elevations. Framing to commence on South and North with Glazing to continue on East and West
- Brickwork Ongoing internally and externally



- Mechanical and Electrical First and Second Fix in Research Annex
- Commence Stair Installation
- Roofing works
- Lift Installation

COMMUNITY NOTE

As the development is now over half way to completion, we are looking forward to the next 10 months, and reflecting on the 14 months that have gone before us.

We are achieving some great things at the Library and through coordinating with the staff at the University we are targeting those that will get the most benefit from the development. We have linked with the University to promote Fair Trade and we are well on the way to ensuring all the members of the Library Staff either visit or have the opportunity to visit the development for them to get a 'feel' for what their exciting new work place will look like in September 2016!

There are real benefits being felt within Birmingham, we are reaching out to the communities through local employment.

Using the Birmingham City Council measure of Employment, the site has provided over 1000 Person Weeks of additional Employment which otherwise would not have been met without Carillion's works. Working with Local Apprenticeships, Contractor Training, Placements and Employers was just one of the reasons we were placed in the top 300 sites (out of 9000) in the Country for the Considerate Constructors awards.

Our goal is to improve upon the Bronze award received and we are currently exploring some very exciting initiatives which the University and wider society will feel the benefit from!



The University of Birmingham site team commenced weekly site tours to the staff at the Library. These tours commenced on the 17th April and we have hosted 100 members of the library team up to now. Our ambition is to

ensure that each of the 200 members of the library staff will tour the site by the end of July in preparation for another round of tours which will fully illustrate the progress of the site.



The site team were proud to be awarded a Bronze award at the **Considerate Constructors National Awards** held at the Lowry Hotel in Manchester on 14th April. This award reflects the great work we do on the site and collaboratively with the University. The site was assessed to be in the top 10% of all developments which are linked to the scheme. We are currently working on ways to improve this and hopefully get a gold award next year!



Building on our Partnership with the University, Carillion are pleased to announce that we are supporting the 'Fair Trade' programme on the site. We are advertising the benefits that this brings and only serving Fair Trade Tea and Coffee in our Meetings.



Neil Rudge and **Samuel Griffiths** attended Swanshurst Girls School on Monday 20th April to host a review and assessment of the Envision projects which included regeneration of a local park, raise awareness of Internet bullying and raise Money for 'Mind'. Both Neil and Sam have written up a full review of their time with the groups and wish them luck in their future development.



Carillion hosted **Schueyb Anshur** from the Birmingham City Council Building Birmingham Scholarship on the University of Birmingham between the 30th March - 17th April. Schueyb is from the deprived sectors of Birmingham and is being aided to his Quantity Surveying degree, with this work experience we will aid his long term development.



Following a successful work placement on another site, **Esau Mtengwa** has joined the University of Birmingham site team for a one day a week placement. Esau came to us through the Business Action on

Homelessness scheme, having gained a degree in Quantity Surveying. Through working with Stuart and the team he will further develop the skills to support himself back into full time employment.



Carillion have hosted a placement from the Armed Forces reemployment programme in April. **Jordan Leek** is looking to pursue a career in the construction industry following his medically enforced retirement from the services. We wish Jordan luck with his new career.

EMPLOYED SO FAR

- **3** Civil Engineering Undergraduates from the University of Birmingham - with a further 2 commencing with us in June
- **14** Apprentices
- **7** Work Placements (of which one gained full time employment)
- Engaged with over **2,500** school children to promote careers within the Engineering sector
- **10** NVO's have been delivered on the site



Keith Warburton came to Carillion through the two week BITC Business Action on Homelessness scheme in May 2015. Keith performed well and enjoyed his time with the site team. We are currently exploring ways where we can help Keith back into employment.

APPRENTICES

Carillion have three apprentices on site, one apprentice is working with Trinity House and two are working with the Carillion management. We are supporting these young people through their studies and producing the Local, Skilled workforce of the future!



Local Employment

We have Inducted 745 people onto the site, of which 41% are from the B Postcode and 63% are from the B and surrounding postcodes. 11% of all employment from the site has been for people from the Birmingham City Council's Super Output Areas - meaning that the development at the heart of the Campus is benefitting the areas in most economic need within the City.