Welcome to the Thirteenth edition of the Project Newsletter.

Around the Site / Infrastructure Works

JJ Thomson Avenue Works – drainage connection between JJ Thomson and Cavendish II

The second phase of these works started at the end of June 19. A new 3-way traffic management system (with traffic lights) has been installed at the junction of JJ Thomson Avenue and Charles Babbage Road, for both the road users and for the workers’ safety. These works are expected to last 3 months till the end of September 19.

As expected, we again encountered buried existing concrete underneath the asphalt. We removed this over the last few days ensuring that noise and vibration was monitored closely.

Closer to the junction of JJ Thomson Avenue and Charles Babbage, we are working to connect the drainage to the existing network next to Cavendish II. As this work is next to Cavendish II a separate work compound has been fenced off and works there are progressing well. This is temporarily blocking some parking spaces, these will be freed as soon as works are complete.

New Vet School Access Road

Works are currently on hold on the new access road between the Veterinary School and Madingley Road, pending utilities works. Once the utility works are completed works will re-commence and will last until the end of 2019 / early 2020, completing the final junction modifications on Madingley Road.

In the meantime, we will open some exploratory trenches at the junction with Madingley Road, as soon as the license is issued by Cambridge Highways Department.

On the site:

Tower Cranes

We still have 4 of the overall 6 tower cranes. The remaining two are due to be erected shortly.
Concrete frame

We are now actively working on the Cavendish III building’s concrete structure. The basement works are progressing well. The biggest continuous pour of the site had to be postponed by a couple of days because of the extreme heat but finally went ahead on Friday 26 July 19.

A few of our local residents and neighbours accepted our invitation and had an opportunity to have a closer look at the logistics involved in such an event: a rotation of 20 concrete trucks, coming from two batching plants, 2 long-reach concrete pumps and our teams taking turn to receive, test, pour and vibrate concrete for over 13 hours!

We had anticipated 16 hours of casting. It was concluded in about 13 hours, which meant that noisy works stopped earlier than expected. We will endeavour to achieve the same for the other 2 major pours and will continue to communicate with you.

We appreciate your support and understanding during these works.

The thick concrete rafts on all the ground floor are progressing on all wings of the Cavendish building and we have started to cast the columns and walls of wing 4 in preparation for the first level.
Additional Works on Site

We have constructed a “mock-up” structure in order to be able to review design and quality of the facades of the buildings, this is still a works in progress. This small building will be demolished before completion of the site works.

We are still working on the Services Connection around the Cavendish III building (High voltage electrical, water, sewage, etc.) in order to finalise our internal site road by the end of the summer. This will be essential in maintaining clean roads around the site next winter and managing the expected flow of trucks.

In cooperation with the Cambridge City Council tree protection officer, we have carried out a crown lift which will protect and improve the trees health.

Recycling of Materials:

We continue to fill up Recycling bins located outside the main entrance to the site (opposite the Vet School). We tend to replenish these on a Friday afternoon with (off cuts of wood, pallets, bricks etc.....) These are available to anyone who wishes to take them.

Programme reminder:

Site Programme and Occupation:

- Shared Facilities Hub Construction – Mid 2019 to Early 2021
- Cavendish III Construction – Late 2018 to Mid 2022
- Infrastructure – Late 2018 to Early 2022
Corporate Social Responsibility:

Charity:
We have decided to work with the Rowan Charity in Cambridge

Rowan is a Cambridge based arts centre and charity where artists work with people with learning disabilities in their choice of woodwork, ceramics, printmaking, textiles, mixed media and the performing arts

We will be raising funds for them through various initiatives onsite and we have also asked them to work with us on a creative project using the trunk from the Oak that we took out at the beginning of the Project. Further details will to follow.

At the start of the project we dug up some of the daffodil bulbs prior to excavations starting, we bagged these up and sold them to the Site team and visitors, we raised £68 for Marie Curie.

Work Experience, Trainees, Apprentices, Graduates:

We continue to promote opportunities on the site, we have been contacted by Anglia Ruskin University and will be meeting with them to discuss opportunities for Apprentices and Graduate to gain experience on site as part of their education.

We have had two work experience candidates spend time with us on the project, we expose them to all aspects of project to enable them to fully understand all the opportunities available to them when considering a career in construction.

Able Tommy Martins spent two weeks with us and said – During my work experience opportunity, I got more knowledge on how a building is built and the people working toward it. I could observe different people, their place within the project, and their relationships. I also apprehended the multiple constraints related to the city or country, to the environment and to the building industry.

We also had Sebi Lewis with us for a week, Sebi is currently waiting for his A-Level results and is hoping to study Civil Engineering at Nottingham later this year, Sebi would like to come back to the Project next Summer for a 3 month placement.

Residents:

We held the last coffee morning on the 25 July which was attended by 3 local Residents.

We invited the residents to come view one of our large concrete pours on Friday 26 July and were pleased to be joined by 6 residents during the day and some younger ones later in the week after the site had finished working.

There will be other opportunities for you to come and see what we get up to in the future.

The next planned residents meeting is the 22 August 2019 at 1800 hrs
Considerate Constructor Scheme

The Project is registered with the CCS (Considerate Constructors Scheme) and in July we had our final audit for this year, we scored 44 / 45 on Appearance, Community, Environment, Safety and Workforce.

West Cambridge Campus

Now that the site is becoming more visible to our neighbours we have started to get an interest from some of our neighbours on the Campus about what’s going on and coming for a site visit, if you are interested to know more please let us know.

Coming Up

We are taking part in the Cambridge Dragon boat Race on the 7 September 2019 and the Lion’s Den Tag Rugby Match on the 28 September 2019- wish us luck.

We will be taking part in the World’s Biggest coffee morning on the 27 September where we will be selling cakes; we will be inviting you to join us for a cuppa and cake.

We will all be wearing pink to work on the 18 October to raise funds for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Some of our team will be taking part in Movember where we will be fundraising and raising awareness about Testicular Cancer.

We are launching an event with schools in Cambridgeshire called the Future City Challenge, students will design a virtual building of the future using Minecraft. The Theme for 2019 is a Future City that reduces Air pollution and Plastic Use.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please email: admin.cavendishIII@bouygues-uk.com
Your safety is our concern

Bouygues UK takes every precaution to keep you safe throughout the construction process.

At all times, our site will be secure and surrounded by fencing but building sites can be hazardous places:

• We dig deep holes
• We erect scaffolding
• We use large, noisy machinery

Please do not enter the construction site, unless it is part of a pre-arranged visit by our project team.

• Our operatives and staff are trained to work safely
• Please help us to keep you and children safe, and take extra care during the school holidays.

Considerate Constructors Scheme

As with all our projects, this site will be registered with the scheme, and regular visits from the Considerate Constructors monitor will help us to ensure that we continue to improve our performance in showing full respect for:

• Appearance
• Community
• Environment
• Safety
• Workforce

Please let us know if you have any concerns.

Our contact details are below:
If you would like further information regarding the Scheme you can visit their website at www.ccsheme.org.uk

Standard site working hours are:

Monday to Friday: 8am-6pm
Saturday (if needed): 8am-1pm

There should be no noisy works before 8am.

Want to speak to us?

We understand you will want to know what is happening in your area. Our team is available to answer any queries or concerns you may have and are only too pleased to hear from you. If you have any community projects that you think Bouygues UK could get involved with, please contact the site team below.

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