NEW HAZLEHEAD ACADEMY CAMPUS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Activities

Welcome to the latest community newsletter for the new Hazlehead Academy Campus which will help keep you informed of the upcoming works and progress over the coming months.

The new Hazlehead Academy Campus is an Aberdeen City Council project and is being delivered by the council's development partner, hub North Scotland. Robertson Construction have been appointed as the main contractor for the build.

Also included with this newsletter is an update on construction of the new Low Carbon Energy Centre which is being delivered by Aberdeen Heat and Power and its contractor Alternative Heat on a site adjoining the school.

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What has happened and what to expect in the coming months

Since mid-March Robertson have completed the site team car park and installed welfare facilities for the site operatives. They have also completed the 'cut and fill' operations for the footprint of the new school building and installed the concrete pad and strip foundations.

The existing culvert which ran through the site has been diverted and the new foul and surface water drainage systems for the site are currently being installed.

Over the coming months the site team will complete the underground drainage and service duct installations, continue grading works for the sports area and begin to erect the structural steel frame for the building.

During the school summer holidays, a new drainage line will be installed through the existing playground. These works have been programmed during the holiday period to minimise any disruption and ensure completion before the start of the new school term.



The stripped back footprint for the new school building with foundation pads in place

What has been happening with the new Low Carbon Energy Centre

The Energy Centre has made significant progress over the last few months with all major equipment successfully delivered and installed on site.

This includes the modular Energy Centre building, two large thermal storage and three air-to-water heat pumps, which will all play a key role in delivering sustainable, low-carbon heating top the local community.

The main pipework connection to the waste heat source has been completed along with the connection to the existing Hazlehead Heat Network. These milestones have been achieved thanks to the excellent collaboration between the contractors working on both the school and Energy Centre sites. Aberdeen Heat and Power acknowledge the excellent co-operation shown by Robertson Construction and Alternative Heat in delivering these complex works.

The installation of heat meters within the multi-storey residential buildings is continuing and it is encouraging to see a positive response from residents, with strong levels of participation in the programme to date.



The new energy centre taking shape

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What is the new Hazlehead Academy Campus

The new campus is to be built on the current Hazlehead Academy playing fields. The existing Hazlehead Academy will not be affected by the construction works and will operate as normal.

It will have capacity for up to 1,600-pupils, two full size all-weather pitches and an athletic sprint track. It will be a state-of-the-art learning facility, using digital connectivity and flexibility to support all levels of learning, wellbeing and economic growth.

The design of the campus ties into its natural surroundings and provides both an internal and external environment suited for 21st century learning by creating diverse opportunities for learning, socialising and sport.

The new campus is due to open in August 2028 and will serve a new catchment area for the Hazlehead, Kingswells and Countesswells communities.

It will also be available to the wider community out with core educational times and throughout term holiday periods to access the sports facilities on offer.

The new Hazlehead Academy Campus is part of the North Schools Programme, which is a ground-breaking partnership between five local authorities across the north of Scotland to deliver new learning estate. Hazlehead is the first project to begin construction in the collaboration.

Team Robertson

Site management

The Robertson Senior Project Manager for the new Hazlehead Academy Campus project is John Crawford. If you require any further information about the project, please contact John on john.crawford@robertson.co.uk.

Community Liaison

Jane Elder is the Robertson Social Impact Lead for the project and will work with the site team to engage with the community during the works. They will also identify and support local community projects through a planned programme of social impact activities. Jane can be contacted on jane.elder@robertson.co.uk.

Safe Operating Procedures

The health, safety and wellbeing of our employees, clients, supply chain members and the communities we work in remains our number one priority. We are proud we have been awarded five ROSPA Gold Awards reflecting our ongoing commitment to achieving the highest standards of health and safety.

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