

Cheadle Hulme Primary School & Laurus Cheadle Hulme Construction Site Newsletter

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Welcome to our newsletter, which aims to keep you up to date with what is happening on our site.

What we are building

A new primary school and a new 11-16 secondary school to provide much needed additional school places for local residents. The primary school and a 26 place nursery opened in September, although construction of the remaining parts of the site will continue until early 2019. These are free schools, funded directly by the Department for Education, and operated by an approved provider, the Laurus Trust.

Recent progress

The primary school was completed as planned on 7 September with staff and children moving in on Monday 10 September 2018. The sports hall was handed over on 25 October 2018 and is currently being utilised by the school.

The secondary school was handed over to the Laurus Trust on 1 March 2019, with final commissioning works and cleaning ongoing. The external works are nearing completion with the staff car park formed, bicycle sheds installed, soft landscaping complete and the new gates at North Downs Road installed.

What's next?

The secondary school pupils and staff will move from the primary school on 25 and 26 March 2019, and teaching will commence in the new secondary school on 27 March 2019.

From 1 March only school employees will use the North Downs Road entrance. All pupils, visitors and parents will continue to use the Cheadle College entrance. The BAM site cabins are being dismantled and removed from the college grounds over the weekend of 9 - 10 March, and the vehicles removing the accommodation units will be routed via the main college gates. A separate letter has been distributed to the West Downs Road residents regarding these works.

We understand that the Section 278 highway works to Cheadle Road, which are to be carried out by Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council Highways Department, are due to commence in the coming weeks. They are programmed to continue for 33 weeks and will be controlled under two-way temporary traffic lights for that period. If you require any further information regarding the highway works, we would advise you to make contact directly with Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council Highways.



The site team

Construction Director: Ged Flanagan

Construction Manager: Ian Greener

Project Manager: Neil Millward

Senior Site Manager: Neil Kelsall

Senior Project Surveyor: Andy Scott

Project Planner: Jenny Meah

Building Services Manager: Graham Tandy

Our partners

Client: Laurus Trust

Free School Operator: The Laurus Trust

Technical Advisor: Mace

Architect: IBI Group

Structural Engineer: Mott MacDonald

Environmental Services Consultant: Ramboll

Environment and community

BAM is committed to minimising our impact on the environment and to making a positive impact on the local communities in which we work. This includes reducing our carbon emissions, recycling, and wherever possible diverting waste from landfill. As much as possible we'll use local subcontractors and suppliers, and offer employment and training opportunities to local people.

We have had 29 apprentices and two BAM trainees working on the project, and have provided 7 work experience placements. We have created 27 new jobs for local people on the project to date, from temporary labour to support our subcontractors to the roles of gateman, cleaner and site secretary. In December last year our Site Manager, Syrus, took time out to visit the pupils at the new primary school as part of a career visit to explain what he does and how we have built their new school (see below). We have also donated £250 to the school's PTA.



About the Laurus Trust

The Laurus Trust is a multi-academy trust with Cheadle Hulme High School (CHHS), the founder school, at its centre. CHHS is a hugely oversubscribed academy converter with a reputation for outstanding teaching and learning and a determination to ensure that every child succeeds. CHHS is the leading secondary school in Stockport and in the top 3% of all schools nationally based on 2017 Progress 8 results. In 2015 and 2011, CHHS was judged Outstanding by Ofsted in every category. Gorsey Bank, a high performing local primary school, joined the Laurus Trust in 2016.

Gorsey Bank ranks in the top 1% of primary schools nationally according to the Sunday Times 'Parent Power' league table and has been at the heart of developing the trust's plans for Cheadle Hulme Primary School. The Laurus Trust also operates an Ofsted Outstanding teacher training centre and supports a number of other schools through its Teaching School.

Considerate Constructors

All BAM sites register with the Considerate Constructors Scheme. This means we are committed to being a good neighbour and to being clean, respectful, safe, environmentally conscious, responsible and accountable. We try to work in a way that causes as little inconvenience as possible to our neighbours, and apologise for any unavoidable nuisance that may be caused. Please get in touch if you have any concerns and we'll do what we can to address them. Our site has been independently inspected to make sure we live up to these aims and we have achieved an 'Excellent' score of 41 out of 50.

Please help us with safety

Construction sites can be dangerous. At BAM our top priority is the health and safety of everyone who works on our sites, the public and the local community affected by our work. If you need to contact us, please ring us or call the site office but do not enter the site construction zone. Please make any children in your care aware that our building site is not a playground and that they must not enter the site. Thank you for your co-operation.

About BAM

BAM Construction is part of BAM Construct UK which is one of the country's largest construction services organisations with a turnover of more than £900 million. Our European parent company is Royal BAM Group which employs over 25,000 people worldwide and has a turnover of €7billion. BAM have successfully delivered many school projects across the country over the last 5 years, including Kearsley Academy, UTC@MediaCityUK and Crewe Engineering and Design UTC (see below).



"We see ourselves as very lucky with the quality of the building. BAM listened to and really considered the client's views. The facilities have longevity as they suit the changing needs of education with the ability to adapt and change without great cost."

Karen Sudworth, Vice Principal, Crewe UTC