



# Univ North Development

Information Update from University College, Oxford  
and Construction Partner, SDC



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Dear Residents,

Despite the recent poor weather we have successfully completed the first structural cross laminated timber frame building on schedule.

We are now lining up trades for the internal finishes, which will start with the mechanical and electrical systems first fix. First fix covers all the pipes, wires and ducts that are concealed in the walls and provide the infrastructure to make the buildings work. In parallel with the internal works, we will start work on the roof with the erection of a scaffold to allow the roofers to install the roof carcassing and insulation.

The construction of the cross laminated timber frame for the next building will start in early April and will mirror the frame just completed. It will be erected using Sparkle our tower crane. As before the pre-manufactured bathroom pods will be positioned as the timber panels are erected.

Works to the new substation and switch room which provides electricity for the development will commence shortly and when completed this will allow the access road to be constructed and opened again for access to Fairfield Residential Home. Once the access road is open, the temporary car park which is currently being used by the residential home will close allowing us to start on the other buildings on the Banbury Road side of the site.

Works are also progressing on the Staverton Road end with the new nursery. We have installed the first roof layer which waterproofs the building and allows the internal finishes to proceed. We are installing the underfloor



heating pipework ready for screeding which when complete allows the mechanical and electrical services installation to commence.

We are having regular meetings with the Fairfield Residential Home and the local Univ North Neighbourhood Review Group. We aim to be considerate builders and we would encourage you to contact us with any questions.

Following on from the success of the first Meet the Builder event we are going to do this again on Thursday 9th May 2024. We will give guests a brief presentation followed by a site tour and the first tour will start at 5.30pm. Light refreshments will be provided. We will send out a separate note with details about joining this event.

### Email Mailing List

If you would like a more detailed outline of our work, please contact us, on the contact details below. We would also like to offer any of our interested neighbours the opportunity to sign up to an email mailing list, should you wish to receive these regular newsletters in digital format. This will also allow us to issue interim updates by email, should the need arise along the way. Should you wish to sign up to the email mailing list, please drop us a note to: sarah.long@sdco.co.uk.

Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Lee or I on the contact details shown.

We thank you for your cooperation during our construction.

With kind regards,



**David Heard**

SDC Project Director

## An Early Timeline of Events



Mar - April 2024:

- Water Court West Structural Frame completion
- Water Court West Roofing
- Water Court East low-level Brickwork
- Water Court East Structural Frame
- Works to Fairfield Residential Home shared access road
- Working within Fairfield House Basement
- Nursery Roofing and internal works
- New Substation construction



April 2024 onwards:

- Above ground building façade work
- Nursery internal works
- Water Court West advance internal finishings


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